



GETTING READY FOR THE SHOW AND SALE - BRANDON BIRD (right) gets a little assist from Jimmy Parker in grooming of Brandon's Angus steer. Brandon is the son of Mr and Mrs Jay Bird and is one of 105 exhibitors in this year's Garza County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Weigh-in Today Sets Stage for Stock Show

A record number of heifers have been entered in this year's Garza County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, to open this Thursday with 105 exhibitors.

Entered in the 20th Annual event are 34 steers, nine heifers, nine horses, two pens of chickens, three pens of rabbits, 93 lambs and 83 hogs.

Weigh-in begins today at 4:30 p.m. with the first judging set tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. for poultry and rabbit classes.

Jerry Thuett will serve as announcer for the show this year and Monty Paxton of Lovington, N.M. will be the auctioneer at the sale

Saturday afternoon at 1:30. Marvin Ensor will serve as judge for steers, lambs and horses. He is the Scurry County Agent in Snyder.

Lamb Show superintendent this year is Randy Conner.

The awards ceremony Saturday at 1:15 p.m. will feature presentation of awards by Garza County 4-H sweetheart Tyra Hart, Post FFA sweetheart Keitha White, Greenhand sweetheart Alicia Pettijohn and Southland FFA sweetheart Michele McGehee.

This year showmanship award recipients in each division will be presented belt buckles.

Another change in the event is the washed sand which has been placed in the south end of the barn to cut down on dust and wood chips will be used in the swine pens in the north end.

For complete show details see the special Garza County Junior Livestock Show page in this issue of The Dispatch.

Oh...don't forget to plan on eating at the Saturday event with the popular Extension Homemakers Association and 4-H Club member prepared meal, which will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A concession stand will also be open during the show times.

Garza County News Briefs

Class of '60

The class of 1960 is beginning to work on a 25th reunion to be held on the weekend immediately following July 4, 1985.

Anyone knowing whereabouts of members of this class, has any unusual pictures, etc., please contact Joy Greer, Allane Ammons, Melanie Windham or Tom Drake.

Water Main Break Gets New Patch

"The city water reservoirs were full," city manager Bill Pool reports, "which saved us from water service interruption during last week's break of a White River Lake main east of town."

The 16 inch line, the main artery of water to the city of Post, developed a hole from rust last Wednesday (Jan. 31) and had to be patched with a welded sleeve around the break.

After the patch was repaired, a valve sprung a leak and a new valve had to be installed.

"By Friday afternoon repairs were completed and we're back to normal," Pool added.

Air in the water lines has made the water appear murky, but it is safe to drink and the air should be cleared through the lines in a few days.

Jana Middleton Takes 1st Place

Jana Middleton, 4-H Club member from Post, showed the First Place winner in the Junior Hereford Heifer Show, summer yearlings' class, at the Annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show January 27 in Fort Worth.

Her entry, Miss Mills Dom RS 8367, competed along with over 100 other entries from across the state.



Jana Middleton

The Post Dispatch

In the shadow of the Caprock

Fifty-Eighth Year Number 37

Post, Texas 79356

Wednesday, February 6, 1985

Park Improvements, Paving Start in Spring

Preparations for the repair and renovation of the community swimming pool and bathhouse were approved by the Post City Council at its regular meeting last Monday night, as the council authorized its engineering firm to advertise for bids for the long-planned park improvements project.

The highest priority of the project will be the improvements to the pool and area, with alternate projects including a multi-purpose court at the park and a series of improvements to the Nichols Park baseball facilities.

The council instructed the engineering firm of Parkhill Smith and Cooper to mandate to the contractors a specified date of completion so that the pool will be open in time for the summer season.

The council also took its first step toward the continuation of the long-term street paving and drainage improvement which started last year, as it gave its approval for the first stages in preparing for more paving this spring.

A complete list of streets to be paved is included in this issue of The Dispatch under the legal notices section of the classified

page. A public hearing for the paving project is scheduled Feb. 28 at noon at the First National Bank community room.

In other action, the council delayed the decision on naming an insurer for its vehicle fleet, pending a review of the two bids submitted by two local agencies.

Post Insurance Agency submitted a \$14,721 premium bid and Bryan Williams and Son submitted a \$16,460 bid, which included an unspecified dividend.

A special called meeting will be held next week after the city staff has reviewed the two proposals.

The First National Bank was named the official depository for the city funds.

The street improvement project was explained by Parkhill Smith and Cooper engineer George Ensley, who reminded the council that the work on Pine, Oak, Henry and May streets were a different project, paid fully by the Texas Community Development Block Grant.

The primary selection of streets, Ensley explained, was determined by the highest priority drainage

problems. City attorney Harvey Morton introduced a cover letter and a new unrestricted deed from Commonwealth Theatres,

which fully meets the original agreement for donation of the old Tower Theatre building to the city for public uses. Council member Weaver

Kent Hance Highlights Banquet

Former 19th Congressional District U. S. Representative Kent Hance of Lubbock will be the featured speaker at this year's Post Chamber of Commerce banquet, Friday, Feb. 15 at 7 p. m. in the Post Community Center.

Hance, who has recently

been named by state-wide democratic politicians as a possible candidate for governor in 1986, is a popular West Texas legislator who carried a large majority of the Garza County vote during May 1984 Democratic primary for U. S. Senate.

In addition to hearing from Hance, those attending the banquet this year will also be treated to the naming of the 1984 Citizen of the Year.

Nominations for the prestigious award are now being accepted by the Chamber of Commerce, and a form is included in this edition of The Dispatch for those who wish to nominate an outstanding citizen.

Tickets for the banquet, which will include a catered full-course meal, are \$10 per person and may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office on the south end of the City Hall, The Post Dispatch, The



Congressman Kent Hance

Local Children Face Critical Surgery, Medical Costs

Matthew and Noah Kalemkiewicz, twin sons of Mr and Mrs. Allen Kalemkiewicz of Post, are in the middle of serious medical treatment for correcting an ailment known as cranio stenosis.

Surgery and other treatment is expensive and requires extensive specialized medical care.

The particular medical problem, which the boys were born with, is where the soft bones between the skull

sections, that usually expand to allow the brain to grow, were prematurely hardened at birth.

They both have had surgery on the back of the head, where surgeons removed about one quarter of the skull, to allow the brain to grow.

By the time the twins were 18 months old the brain triples in size and weight, therefore the infants needed additional surgery to make room for the growth.

The first operation was performed in Michigan, where the family lived at the time, before moving to Post.

Since arriving here, the twins have been under care of doctors at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, and they have recommended special care from a Dr Salyer in Dallas.

A few weeks ago a trip to Dallas included new tests and it was concluded that Noah should continue his bi-yearly examinations in Lubbock until his sixth or seventh birthday, when he will need more surgery.

Matthew will return to Dallas for surgery on April 10.

Doctors plan to remove and reconstruct another one fourth of his skull, this time in the front, on his face.

Therefore, this will release the pressure built up on his brain and also hopefully give him a more normal appearance.

Matthew will be attended by Dr Salyer and Dr Matwijcky, at Children's Medical Center in Dallas, where the child should spend a minimum of eight days in the hospital, five of those in intensive care.

After Matthew is released he will need to fly home, and then fly back for a follow-up and test a week and a half later.

A trip that far by car will be intolerable, after this type of surgery, the doctor has warned the family.

In addition to the surgery, Matthew will need to have all his activities restricted for about four months to allow the head to properly heal.

This should be his last or second to last surgery needed to correct this birth defect.

After the first operation, it was diagnosed that Noah had seizures, and Matthew had water on the brain... both are controlled, and only require monitoring.

The rarity of Matthew's and Noah's cranial deformation has three factors: (1)

they are identical, (2) this problem is seldom seen even by specialists and (3) even though they are identical, their skeletal system is a mirror image

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Matthew Kalemkiewicz



Noah Kalemkiewicz

— Obituaries —

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Roy Rodgers

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1985 for Roy Rodgers, who died in Socorro, N.M. Saturday, Feb. 2.
Steve McMeans officiated the services, which were held at the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel, with interment at Clairemont under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.
Rodgers was born Sept. 25, 1921 in Kent Co., Tex., was a rancher and a

resident of Magdalena, N.M. A member of the Baptist Church, he was married to Billie Faye Johnson.
Rodgers was a veteran of WWII and a member of the Masonic Lodge.
He is survived by his wife, daughters Royce Faye Shieldnight of Magdalena, Lois Ann Nichols of Pryor, Okla., Patricia (Trish) Nichols of Fort Stockton, Tx and brother Murry Rodgers of Grand Canyon, Ariz., sisters Patsy Ruth Johnson of Post and Wanda Graham of Jayton and seven grandchildren.
Nephews served as pallbearers.

Parrish Grocery until her retirement.
The last few years she had worked for the Meals on Wheels program.
Her husband preceded her in death March 3, 1979.

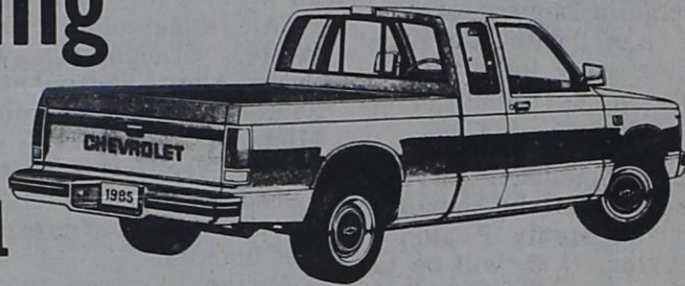
A member of the First Baptist Church, she is survived by a son James A. Ferguson of Memphis, Tenn., daughter Lavonne Beyers of Lubbock, sisters Leatha Cedarholm of Post and Opal Pennell of Southland, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.
Pallbearers were Arnold Parrish, W.C. Caffey, Jay Calloway, Don Pennell, Tony Bishop and Robert Cox.

daughter Rose Adams of Post;
Step-son James Carter of Las Vegas, Nev., step-daughters Velma Mason of Las Vegas, Nev., Sybil Harvey of Tyler, Texas and Louise Spivy of Tyler, Tex.;
Brother Cecil Brownlow of Tyler and sister Jewel Carter of Tyler, 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.
Pallbearers were Kyle Josey, Lester Josey, Roy Josey, Roy Brown, Jimmy Mitchell and Jim Strawn.

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Lena Ferguson

Services were held Monday, Feb. 4 at 3:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church for Lena Ferguson, who died Saturday, Feb. 2 at her home.

Justice of the Peace Dee Justice ruled the death to natural causes.

Rev Steve McMeans officiated the services, with interment at Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mrs Ferguson was born Aug. 3, 1911 in Montague County, Texas.

She moved to Garza County in 1915 with her family and married Arville Ferguson Dec. 24, 1930 in Post.

They operated a grocery store in Southland until 1951 when they moved to Post to open a store here.
She later worked for

Mamie Carter

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 4, 1985 for Mamie Mae Carter, who died Feb. 1 at the Garza Memorial Hospital.

Services were conducted by Silas Short at the Church of Christ and interment was at Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mrs Carter was born Oct. 10, 1908 in Rains Co., Texas and had lived here 34 years.

She married Edgar Carter Sept. 15, 1938 in Uvalde. He preceded her in death April 3, 1974.

Mrs Carter was the daughter of the late Frank Brownlow.

She is survived by four sons: Ray Little and Nathan Little of Post, Frank Carter of Roundup, Mont., Homer Carter of Lake Tahoe, Nev.,

Amos Gerner

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 2, 1985 at Grace Lutheran Church in Slaton for Amos Gerner, who died Jan. 31, 1984 at Lubbock General Hospital.

Rev. Robert Braun officiated the services, with interment at Terrace Cemetery in Post under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Gerner came to Victoria in 1913 and then to New Mexico and in 1921 moved to Garza County.

He attended Magnolia School in Lynn County.

Born Aug. 15, 1911 in Bessie, Okla., he married Lorine Haley, March 14, 1937 in Lynn Co. and they had made their home there since 1945.

Survivors include his wife, sons Kenneth Gerner of Houston and Gerald Gerner of Post, daughters Louise Gerner of Dallas and Laura Gerner of Lubbock;

Brothers Raymond Gerner of Big Spring and Rufus Gerner of Tahoka, sisters Emma Mueller of Post, Edna Mason of Lubbock, Mary Lorman of Louisiana, Alene Tate of Lubbock and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Cecil Stolle, Edmond Stolle, Jim Bob Porterfield, C.O. McCleskey, Robert Craig, and Thurman Francis.

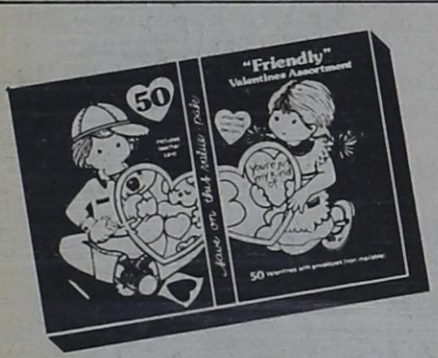
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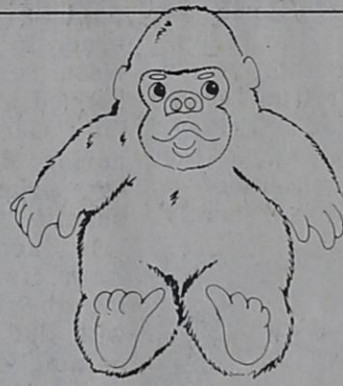
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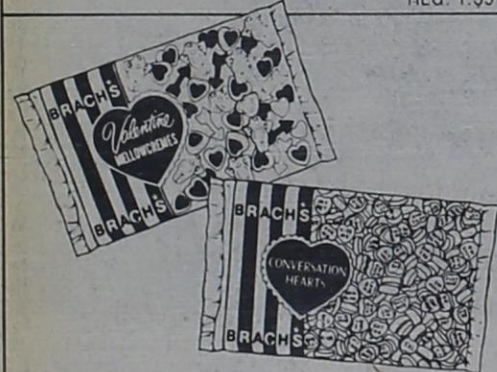
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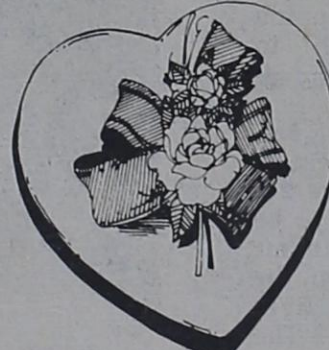
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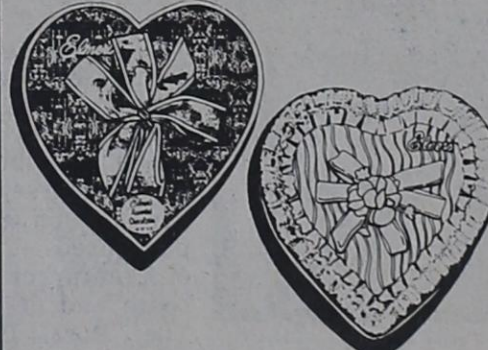
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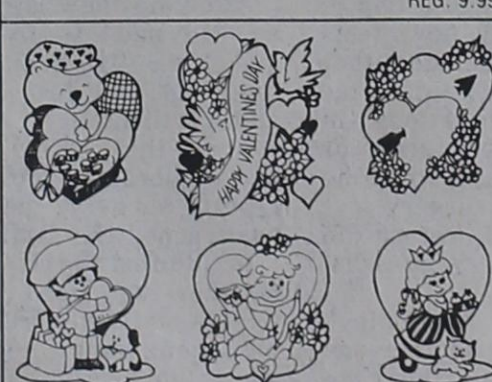
BORDEN'S PARASOL HEART BOXES. Dark and milk chocolate candies with creme centers.

3-oz. **99¢** 7-oz. **1.99** 14-oz. **2.99**
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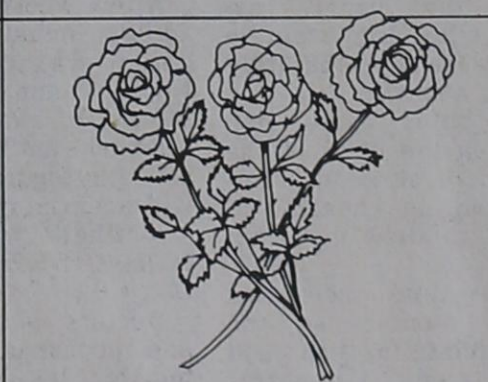


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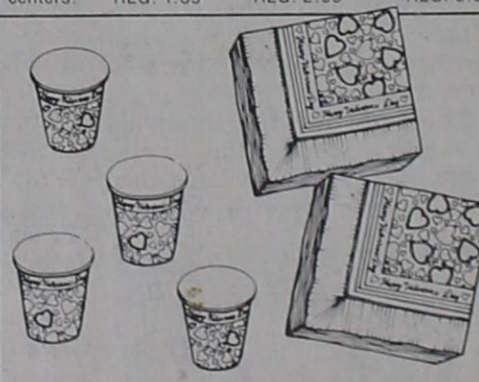
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Amos Gerner

Hospital Notes

Admissions

Irene Hart
Mamie Carter
Julie Gonzalez
Lionel Vela Jr.

Dismissals

Tracy Morris
Dorothy Pringler
Socorro Storie
Leticia Ramos
Neal Clary
Terrie Foster
Irene Hart
Amos Gerner
Julie Gonzalez
Lionel Vela Jr

Correction

Last week we reported Girl Scout Council awards to Post scout leaders, inadvertently omitting Nell Morris, who received a 20 year pin.

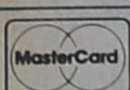
Medical Costs

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(opposite) of each other. Not one of all the doctors the twins have seen has ever witnessed this combination of factors before.

It is a mystery as to how they are identical twins, right down to coinciding beauty marks, yet X-rays show them to be completely opposite...in fact, identically opposite.

Editor's Note: One of the reasons we bring this story to the attention of our readers is the problem this family faces with the financial strain of meeting the travel and medical needs of these children. If there are any interested groups or persons who want to help, please call us at The Dispatch and we'll put you in touch with the family. And a personal note, if you know these children, you know how special they really are.



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Post Insurance Agency
Bid up & promote our future
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Wallace Lumber Co.
Let's make every youngster
a winner
119 N. Ave. H 495-2835

Jackson Bros. Meat Packers
Buy premium Garza beef
Saturday
121 S. Ave. H 495-3245

Western Auto
Show the youngsters we're
proud of them
212 E. Main 495-2455

Danish Imports
Be present at that sale
ring Saturday
211 E. Main 495-2314

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Congratulations to
all entrants
Route 3 495-2357

Jae's
All these youngsters
wear a star
220 E. Main 495-2620

Higginbotham-Bartlett
Don't miss our Jr Livestock
Sale
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Invest in our youth
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Your bid is
their encouragement
106 N. Broadway 495-3696

Tom Power Ins. Agency
Post youth make
Good Aggies
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Make them all winners
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promote our future
Route 3 327-5448

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Boost our youth by
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Tahoka Hwy 495-2558

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Backing this fine
youth project
Jerrel and Iris 495-2945

Happiness Is
Give them a boost,
give them a bid
128 E. Main 495-2438

Terry Tires
We salute the 4-H and
FFA participants
122 N. Broadway 495-3671

**Bob West Saddlery
& Western Wear**
Make their hard efforts
pay off with your bid
503 S. Broadway 495-2600

First National Bank
Show our youth
we appreciate them
216 W. Main 495-2804

Fashion Cleaners
Everyone should leave
the ring a winner
111 W. Main 495-2345

United Supermarket
Let's help them to
learn and profit
123 N. Broadway 495-3217

South Plains Welding
Make every entry a winner
808 W. 11th 495-3069

Garza Exxon
Show the youngsters
we're proud of them
300 N. Broadway 495-3031

Post Dispatch
Our Young People are tops!
123 E. Main 495-2816

**Welcome To The 20th annual
Garza County
Junior Livestock Show
Stock Show Program
Wednesday, February 6
Weigh in of all animals 4 p.m.
Thursday, February 7
Poultry & Rabbit Show 4:30 p.m.
Lynn Walling, Big Spring
Swine Show 7:30 p.m.
Stanley Young
Friday, February 8
Horse Show 4:30 p.m.
Marvin Ensor, Snyder
Lamb Show 7:30 p.m.
Marvin Ensor, Snyder
Saturday, February 9
Steer & Heifer Show 9 a.m.
Joe Wise, Santa Anna
1 p.m. Sale Preliminaries and
Presentations followed by auction
Garza County Fair Schedule**

Wednesday, Feb. 6
4 p.m. - Concession stand opens
Thursday, Feb. 7
8:30 a.m. - Fair building open
(workers be there please)
8:30 a.m. - Fair superintendents'
meeting.
8:30 a.m. til 12:30 p.m. - Check in of
Fair exhibits.
8:30 a.m. til 10 p.m. - Concession
stand by Close City E.H. Club, assisted
by Post E.H. Club.
1:30 p.m. til 3 p.m. - Judging of Fair
exhibits.
3 p.m. til 10 p.m. - Display of exhibits.
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7:30 p.m. - Swine Show (Cake auction
during show)

Friday, Feb. 8
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exhibits. Concession stand by Graham
E.H. Club.
7:30 p.m. - Cake auction during lamb
show.
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exhibits. Concession stand by Post E.H.
Club, assisted by Close City E.H. Club
and Graham E.H. Club.
11:30 a.m. til 1 p.m. - Ham lunch
1 p.m. - Awarding of High Point
Overall Youth trophy - stockshow sale.
3 p.m. - Check out of Fair exhibits (or
as soon as sale is over)

Justice-Mason Funeral Home
Give them a boost,
give them a bid
Dee, Janet, Bryan and
Brent
Dee, Janet, Bryan & Brent
495-2833

D.E. Morris Electric
Your bid is what
they've worked for
206 S. Broadway 495-3214

Sunshine Electronics
Let's help them to
learn and profit
105 W. Main 495-3666

Windham LP Gas
Be present at the
sale ring Saturday
715 N. Broadway 495-2210

J.L. Roofing
Every kid wears a star
508 S. Ave N 495-3190

**C.B. Bilberry
Plumbing&Electric**
Show our youth we
appreciate them
816 W. 8th 495-3366

Mayor Giles C. McCrary
Your bid is their reward

Stanley Transports
Backing our 4-H and
FFA youth
Clairemont Hwy 495-2643

Southwestern Public Service
See educational projects
Saturday at the Show
217 W. Main 495-2891

Fields Oilfield Const., Inc.
Congratulations to
all entrants
P.O. Box 547 495-3684

Dwayne Capps Contractor
Backing this fine
youth project
110 N. Broadway 495-3612

Post Cementers
Your bid is what
they've worked for
Clairemont Hwy 495-3524

Dr. Stephen(S.C.) Chun
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Your presence is needed
228 E. Main 495-2073

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Make their hard efforts
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Justiceburg, Tx 629-4422

VOR Transport
Backing Garza youth
all the way
Clairemont Hwy 495-3800

Double Bar S
Show the kids we
appreciate them
810 N. Ave M 495-3713

Palmer Oilfield Construction
Show the youth how much
we appreciate them
Clairemont Hwy 495-2710

Brandon & Clark Electric
Show our kids we care,
attend the sale
118 W. 8th 495-2670

Snack Shack
We're backing or
we're backing our
Junior Stockmen
220 W. 8th 495-2137

**South Plains
Answering Service**
Attend the annual
Stock show and sale
808 W. 11th 495-3069

Strawn Transport & Acid
Supporting our Garza youth
Clairemont Hwy 495-2422

Jay's Chemicals
Every kid is a winner
Clairemont Hwy 495-2422

Southland Butane
Let's give our kids
a big boost
Ralls Rd 495-2159

Hudman Furniture
Back our youth Saturday
301 E. Main 495-2615

**Dickson Acid Co., Inc. &
Dickson Chemical Co.**
Your bid is their reward
P.O. Box 367 495-3016

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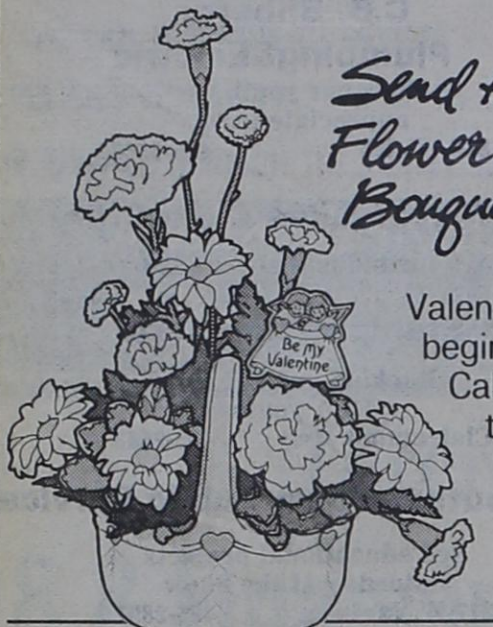
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Saturday, Feb. 9
8:30 a.m. til 3 p.m. - Display of
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Club, assisted by Close City E.H. Club
and Graham E.H. Club.
11:30 a.m. til 1 p.m. - Ham lunch
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Hartel Elected President

Inez Hartel was elected president of the Womens Division of the Post Chamber of Commerce when it met Wednesday, January 23 at 12 noon at Jackson's Cafeteria.

Other officers elected for 1985 include, Geraldine Butler, first vice president; Iva Hudman, second vice president; Betty Posey, treasurer; Joyce Strubhart, secretary, Ruby Kirkpatrick, parliamentarian, Sue Chun, historian and Sue Shytles as reporter.

President Hartel appointed Lois Cook and Voda Beth Gradine as the Public Relation Committee.

During the business meeting, members voted to have its regular meeting on the

fourth Wednesday of each month at Jackson's Cafeteria at 12 noon.

Projects for the coming year were also discussed including the decorations for the upcoming Chamber of Commerce Banquet which will be held February 15. It was decided that all members of the Womens Division would serve on the decorating committee for the banquet.

Attending the meeting were members, Inez Hartel, Judy Wall, Shirley Hardin, Nell Mathews, Billie Cross, Voda Beth Gradine, Lois Cook, Marie Neff, Joyce Strubhart, Ruby Kirkpatrick, Betty Posey, Geraldine Butler, Iva Hudman, Rachelle Braddock and Sue Shytles.

Needlecraft Club News

By Katharine Cathcart
The Needlecraft Club met Friday, January 25, at 3 p. m. in the Womens Club House with Esther Crider as hostess.

Katherine Johnson, club president, presided over the business meeting. Plans were made for the club to co-host the 90th birthday celebration of Lucy Callis. The afternoon was spent

in visiting and fellowship. Each member will visit with a shut-in before the next meeting.

The hostess served delicious refreshments to members: Lois Benton, Lucy Callis, Helen Richards, Pearl Polk, Gwendolyn Boren, Katharine Cathcart, Katherine Johnson and her house-guest, Mrs. Ralph Carpenter of San Antonio.

Close City Extension

The Close City Extension Homemakers Club met Jan. 22 at the Algerita Center.

There was a short club meeting and reports were presented.

The program was to prepare for the Garza County Jr. Livestock Show which will be held Feb. 7-9.

Club members and non-club members may enter the culinary class with their cakes, breads, pies, candies and cookies.

Extension Agent Colleen England gave an interesting program on "What Do You Know About Stress?"

Hostess was Oreta Bevers serving refreshments to Maxine Lewis, Jewell White, Virginia Custer, Inez Ritchie, Cleo Sappington, Hooter Terry, Faye Payton and Verna Roberts.

Next club meeting will be Feb. 18 at the Algerita Center at 2 p. m. with Virginia Custer as hostess.

Theta Eta News

Members of Theta Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, women teachers' sorority, were treated to a style show at their January

12th luncheon in the Ranching Heritage Center of Texas Tech.

The style show was presented by De Wees Fashions of Lubbock with each costume accented with jewelry from Merle Norman Cosmetics.

Brownfield members were hostesses.

Floral arrangements graced the head table and serving table. Each member present received a penguin bookmark.

Following an inspirational talk by Linda Foshee, a brief business meeting was held. Special guest, Betty Knight, state parliamentarian, gave an update from Alpha State.

Members of the Theta Eta chapter are from O'Donnell, New Home, Wilson, Southland, Brownfield, Tahoka and Post.



QUINNIE COOK displays two of her paintings at the First National Bank lobby. Quinnie is the Post Art Guild "Artist of the Month."

Quinnie Cook Named as Artist of the Month

Quinnie Cook has been selected 'Artist of the Month' by the Post Art Guild.

Born in Arkansas, Mrs. Cook moved to Texas at an early age and was raised on a farm near Draw, Texas where she attended school.

Married to T. J. Cook, they moved to Post in 1939. Her husband entered the Army in 1943 and at that time, Mrs. Cook began

working at Burlington Mills where she worked until 1978.

She is the mother of one son who lives in Amarillo.

"I really enjoy painting," says Mrs. Cook. She has been an active member of the Post Art Guild since 1980.

Her other hobbies include cooking and crocheting. "I find that hand work, especially painting is very relaxing," explains Mrs. Cook.

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Letter to Editor

The community of Post and the Post Volunteer Fire Dept. under the leadership of Delbert Rudd, are to be commended for a successful blood drive held Monday, Jan. 21, 1985.

City Council

(Continued from P1)

Mayor Giles McCrary asked Morton for an opinion on the legality of not accepting the building, and Morton explained that since the owners of the building had met the requirements that the city had insisted on, then in fact the city was obligated to accept the building under General Contract law.

McKamie insisted on a second legal opinion, to clarify her question of whether the city could still refuse to accept the deed.

Morton repeated his earlier comments that since Commonwealth had met all the city requirements and demands, and had already passed the proper deed, the contract was valid.

Another discussion about furniture for city hall was finally put to rest, when the council voted not to purchase new desks but did instruct city manager Bill Pool to get prices for visitor chairs.

The council set the election date of Saturday, April 6.

Terms expiring include council members Maxine Earl and Larry Mills and Mayor McCrary.

Ehret Honored

Pamela K. Ehret, daughter of Sandra Ehret of Post, was named to the Hardin-Simmons University President's List for the 1984-85 fall semester.

The President's List is composed of students carrying 12 or more semester hours who have grades of A on all courses for the semester.

Hardin-Simmons University is a private, multi-purpose, liberal arts university affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas with enrollment at approximately 2,000.

School Menus

February 11-15

Monday

Breakfast

Assorted cereal, fruit sticks, milk.

Lunch

Frito pie, green beans, fried squash, Reese's cup, corn bread, milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast

Malt-O-Meal, sausage, toast, orange juice, milk.

Lunch

BBQ on bun, pork 'n beans, fried okra, plum cobbler, milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast

Muffins, peaches, milk.

Lunch

Pork chopettes, gravy, green peas, whipped potatoes, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

Thursday

Breakfast

Oatmeal, bacon, toast, pineapple juice, milk.

Lunch

Tacos, lettuce salad, pinto beans, cornbread, birthday cake, milk.

Friday

Breakfast

Assorted cereal, bananas, milk.

Lunch

Corn dogs, broccoli, corn, snicker doodles, milk.

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Attending the meeting were council members McKamie, Jack Ault, Maxine Earl and Mills, Mayor McCrary, city manager Pool, city secretary Wanda Wilkerson, Mike Sanchez and city attorney Morton.

patients whose lives you have touched.

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Blood should be available to anyone who needs it, regardless whether he or she is a donor or part of a special donor group.

Since blood is freely given by volunteers there is never any charge for the blood itself.

The patient is charged only a processing fee which covers the direct cost of recruiting donors, collecting, processing, testing, storing and distributing the blood, to 34 hospitals in 22 counties in this area.

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Darlene Herring
Donor Resource Specialist
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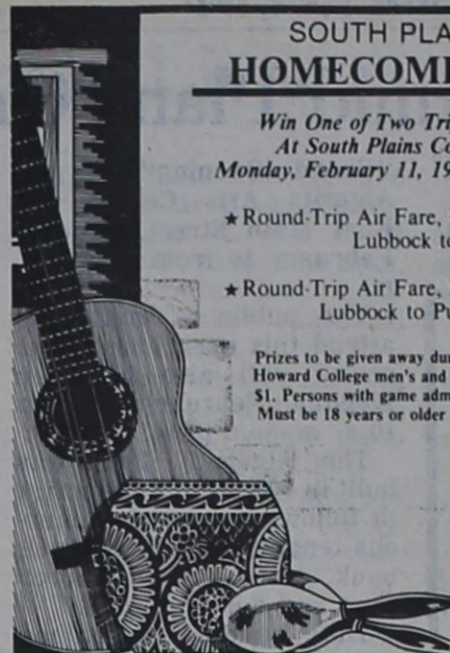
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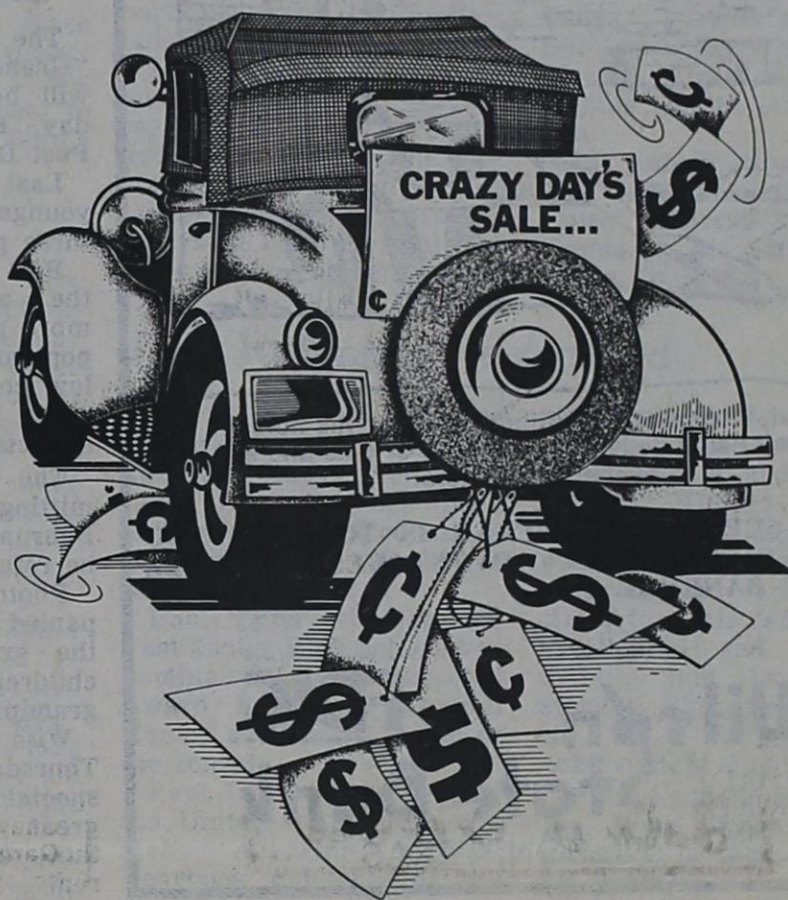
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Post Art Guild Plans Grand Opening at Algerita Center

By Linda Puckett
Secretary, Post Art Guild
The Post Art Guild Inc., is proud to announce the

"Grand Opening" of the Algerita Arts Center, 131 East Main Street, Sunday, February 10 from 2 to 4 p. m.

The public is invited to attend this open house. The center will also be open Monday, February 11 from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

The Algerita Hotel was built in 1908 and in the years to follow, it housed numerous tenants such as a hotel, bank, grocery store, barber shop and doctors office.

The building remained vacant for many years and was in total disrepair. The Garza County Heritage Association had the building

declared a historical structure to prevent the building from being demolished in 1978. Later the back portion was remodeled and is now occupied by the Trail Blazers.

In January 1984, the guild began discussing the possibilities of renovating the interior of this treasured old landmark. After five months of research and planning and valued advice from Lewis Earl who acted as our legal advisor, the building project began with builder J. L. Seals and David Newby of the Heritage Association.

This building in its seventy seven years of history had never been attached with such fury and determination, by a group of women who had a dream, and sought to pursue it.

Originally our funds would

Get Those 'Brag' Photos in this Week

The popular annual "Grandma Brag Pages" will be published Wednesday, February 13 in The Post Dispatch.

Last year there were 93 youngsters featured on three pages.

Post has consistently led the area counties with more grandchildren on this popular feature and with a low cost of \$7.50 for each photo, a record number is expected again this year.

The deadline for submitting photos is Friday, February 8, all photos will be returned to the owners.

Photos should be accompanied with the name of the grandchild or grandchildren and names of grandparents.

With Valentine's Day on Thursday, February 14, the special pages will be a great way to "show off" those beautiful grandchildren.

only permit renovation of half the building, then our finance committee began organizing numerous fund raising projects. Soon caring citizens and friends of the Art Guild became interested in our plans to restore the Algerita, and the plans to use it as an Arts Center for teaching and for the promotion of art and art appreciation in our community.

Donations were received, more building supplies were purchased and as a result we were able to complete the entire project.

The Algerita Arts Center will be the new, long awaited home of the Post Art Guild and will be a much needed teaching facility for numerous workshops scheduled, such as tole painting, photography, adult and youth oil painting and drawing classes.

In April, Cecilia Smith Garnett of Lubbock, will hold a pottery workshop. The month of May, Jean Green of Olton will offer an oil painting workshop. A photography workshop will be held in June or July.

Bob Chennault of Lubbock will teach a five day workshop in oil painting in August. Classes for adults and youth will be taught by Polly Cravy, JoAnn Mock, Inez Hartel and Geraldine Butler and other guild members.

The annual Spring Art Show will begin April 30. There will also be a youth art show in August, a reception for donors with an exhibit of Indian artifacts. Climixing the year will be our Arts and Crafts Show and Sale in November.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Post Art Guild is invited to attend one of our regular meetings at 6:30 p. m. on every second Monday night of each month.

To obtain more information about classes or workshops, address your inquiry to the Post Art Guild Inc., P. O. Box 562, Post, Texas 79356.

Coleen's Comments

by Colleen England, CEA-HE

Heart disease is still the nation's number one killer.

One million people will die from heart disease this year - almost twice as many as from cancers and accidents combined.

Despite this, heart disease deaths are on the decline.

The decrease in cardiac-related deaths is due to improved diagnostic tests, better drugs, new devices that can reverse life-threatening problems, and the public's awareness of lifestyles changes to reduce cardiovascular disease.

The recommended lifestyle changes include stopping smoking, watching your weight and limiting fat intake, dealing with stress, avoiding excess alcohol consumption and exercising regularly.

Nutrients in Tortillas

Researchers at the USDA in Texas analyzed samples of corn and flour tortillas from five tortilla factories for nutritional composition and compared them to white bread.

Flour tortillas made from enriched flour were found to have a nutrient composition similar to that of enriched white bread.

Corn tortillas contained significantly less fat and sodium than enriched white bread and significantly more fiber, calcium and potassium.

However, they contained less protein, thiamine, riboflavin, niacin and iron.

Since tortillas are used in place of bread in many

Texas homes, it's good to know that they make a nutritious substitute for bread in a balanced diet.

Six Steps to Safe Lifting

Lifting can be done safely by following these six simple steps recommended by the National Safety Council:

1. Put one foot alongside the object and one foot behind.

2. Keep your back straight.

3. Tuck in your chin so that your head and neck continue the straight back line.

4. Get a firm grip with the palms of your hands. The palms are stronger than fingers alone.

5. Draw the object close to you, with arms and elbows tucked into the sides of your body, to keep body weight centered.

6. Lift straight with a thrust of your rear foot.

Smoke and Tell

If you smoke, be sure and tell your doctor.

Smoking can affect the way your body responds to medicines.

Smokers sometimes need different doses of certain prescription drugs than nonsmokers.

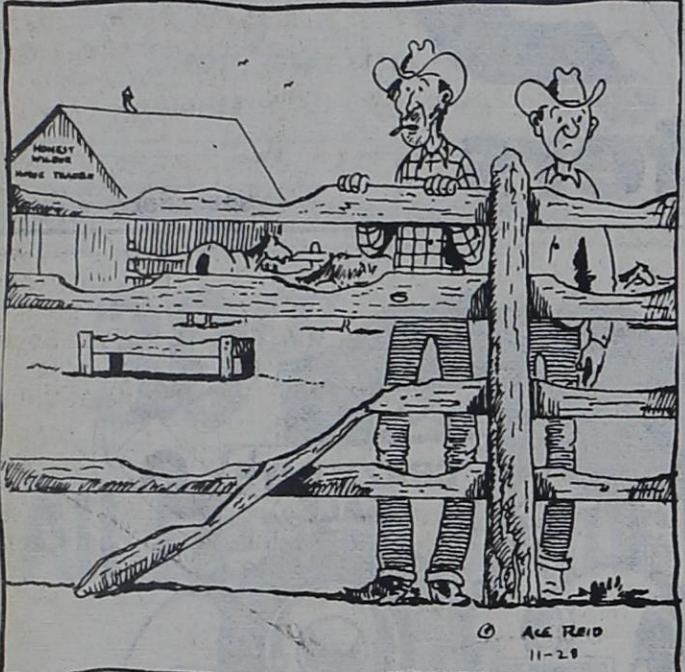
Also, their lab tests can look different.

Smokers tend to have higher white blood cell counts, the red blood cells tend to be larger and their blood tends to clot more quickly.

NOTICE
An error was made on a manufacturer's rebate offer in this week's sale circular. Oral-B offers a \$2 mail-in rebate on the purchase of three Oral-B toothbrushes. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.



COW POKES By Ace Reid



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Cub Scout Pack News

On Scout Sunday, February 3, Pack 314, under the supervision of Cubmaster Helyn Fields, attended the First Christian Church, with the Pastor Steve Traw, presenting a message on "Tapping God's Trustworthiness."

Scouts, Richard Hudman and Matt Pennell led the call to worship.

The posting of the flags were presented by the Webelos and the pledges to the flags given.

The Cub Scouts then gave their Cubscout promise.

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'Lopes Surprise Pirates

The Post varsity Antelopes surprised visiting Cooper Tuesday, Jan. 29 with a 47-45 win, as Greg Storie led the 'Lopes in scoring with 13 points. An aggressive second half surge and strong defense kept the Antelopes out front in the closing minutes of the

contest. Dennis Lee hit for 11 points and Sam Hardin come through with nine. Jay McCook picked up another seven points, with Tracy Price getting four, Joel Kirkpatrick got two and Tony Curtis collected one on a clutch free-throw.

Lady Lopes Skunk Cooper

The Post varsity Lady Lopes launched a brilliant come-from-behind victory Tuesday, Jan. 29 here, as they skunked Cooper in a 44-42 last quarter thriller. Pulling out 19 points in the final stanza, the Lady Lopes held Cooper to only 10. "It was really the best game we've played as a team this year," coach Billy Max Gordon comments. Kim Smith hit for a

sizzling 19 points, as eight players got on the boards. Golden Capps picked up eight, four each were scored by Tyra Alexander, Darby Gordon and Angie Holleman, two each by Trasi Craft and Stacy Bell and Marta Holly got one point. The free-throw line made the difference for the Lady Lopes in the closing minutes.

Lady Lopes vs B'fld

Marta Holly scored 14 points to lead the Post Lady Lopes varsity girls in a two-point loss at Brownfield last Friday. "We just couldn't get our free throws," coach Billy Max Gordon comments, "something we normally

are very good at." The final score was 42-40. Others scoring in the contest included Golden Capps with 11 points, Kim Smith with nine and two each by Channa Williams, Darby Gordon and Angie Holleman.

J.V. Girls at B'fld

The Post Lady Lopes junior varsity basketball team fell 44-31 to Brownfield there last Friday, with Christina Martinez scoring 17 points for the Lady

Lopes. Others scoring included Hattie Dorsey and Jenny Hudman with four, Belinda Martin with three, Bunny Miller with two and Keitha White with one point.

Golden Plains Care Center

by Nell Mathews

We all here at Golden Plains Care Center would like to extend our sympathy to the families of Amos Gerner and Mamie Carter. We have Mrs Barrow in the hospital and hope that she will be back soon. We have Carl Fluitt back with us from the hospital. We want to say thanks to Bill Carnet, Frank Herrtise and Fernie Reed for the good music that we had for our family night, we had a good time. The families that were not here sure missed a good time. Mike Mayo, the owner of

the home, was here to visit with the families. We had refreshments of punch and sandwiches. We thank all our employees who volunteered to help. Mr Milton Hester was our big winner in bingo last week and we sure have fun with bingo. And our exercise is more fun, we have a new exercise tape and it is a hard one to do, but we are getting better. We all are going to have a school girl figure. When I ask Clovis Hudman if it was good weather to sleep, he said it was cold weather and he

Barbiturate Abuse Destroys Lives

by Glenda Baker
How dangerous are barbiturates?

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, barbiturate overdose is a factor in nearly one-third of all reported drug-related

deaths. These include suicides and accidental drug poisonings. Accidental deaths occur when a user takes one dose, becomes confused and unintentionally takes additional or larger doses.

With barbiturates there is little difference between the amount that produces sleep and the amount that kills. Furthermore, barbiturate withdrawal can be more serious than heroin withdrawal.

The risk of death from barbiturates is greatly increased when taken with alcohol. Barbiturates are sedative-hypnotic drugs, among them seconal and nembutal.

Another sedative-hypnotic drug, similar in chemical structure to barbiturates is Benzodiazepine. It includes valium, hibernium and Tanxene tranquilizers and is dangerous when taken with alcohol or not taken according to a physician's instructions.

A few sedative-hypnotic drugs do not fit in either the barbiturate or benzodiazepine structure. Among them are methoqualone (Quaalude) ethchloro hydrate (Noctec) and Mebroamate (Miltown).

Sedative-hypnotic drugs can cause both physical and psychological dependence.

Regular use over a long period of time may result in tolerance, which means people have to take larger and larger doses to get the same effects. When regular users stop using large doses of these drugs, suddenly, they may develop physical withdrawal symptoms ranging from restlessness, insomnia and anxiety to convulsions and death.

When users become psychologically dependent, they feel as if they need the drug to function. Finding and using the drug becomes the main focus in life.

Sedative-hypnotics are drugs which depress or slow down the body's function. When not abused, they serve as a vital means of medication under a doctor's care for promoting sleep and calming anxious feelings. Use, abuse, addiction, there is a difference.

Reference material for this article was provided by the National Institute on Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration. For information of help with an alcohol-chemical abuse call 495-3788 Garza County Alcohol-Chemical Abuse Counselor.

To Thorny Problem

by Pastor Steve Traw
First Christian Church
Nothing grows faster in a garden than the unwanted weeds.

It's like the continually invading mesquite trees of West Texas range land. Thorns quickly choke out the desired return from the land.

The efforts of the Biblical sower were thwarted in the same way. The land held the potential for an abundant and needed harvest, but "the thorns grew up with it, and choked it out."

Hearers of the Word of God all have the potential for advance in spiritual growth. Yet each life can hold just so much. Many things compete for the 24 hours of today. The 1,440 minutes found daily Sunday through Saturday too often become filled with so much that the lasting and spiritual needs are choked out. Lessons from the master

teacher taught of these dangers. In the parable of the sower, seed lost among the thorns reveal the dangers of a preoccupied heart.

How much more the message needs to be heard in our busy lives today. Preoccupation with the worldly things can be fatal, if not futile, to the parachutist, as well as to the pastor, the parent and to the poet.

Those dangers that stunt godly lives are the worries of the present, craving after wealth, and over indulging in the pleasures of life. Such thorny issues entangle some.

Paul said of Demas, who had deserted the apostle and his ministry, "he fell in love with the present world." Yet of others, he Lord will say, "Well done, good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of your Master."

May we be among those who escape life's thorny problems with only a few scrapes and scratches to find the joy of the Lord's presence.

Thank God, we're here again. Holy Greetings everyone this beautiful day which the Lord has made for us to see and enjoy as His children. With me still living for our Lord and Master with a mind made up to forever be a Christian, with my mind made up to be what God would have me be.

Rev. Kelly, pastor; Sister Gilbert, reporter.

Lesson subject for the day: "The Light of Life," John 9. Key verse: "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." John 9: 5. All at their post of duty. During the morning worship hour, devotion was conducted by Deacons Burleson and Osby and Sister Annie Gilbert who read St. Luke 17: 1-5.

The choir's presentation were at their place of duty with Sister Thelma Moore at the piano and playing beautiful music as usual.

Altar call very highly prayed by our pastor.

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Kelly. His scripture was St. Matthews 21: 10. He spoke from the 10th verse. His subject was "Stranger in the City." God is not through with us yet. Let's pray for one another always. Amen and amen.

Our God is still in his Holy Temple here also as usual. I pray for Elder Burnett a speedy recovery. Sick and shut-in list includes Brother Malachi Mitchell Sr., at his residence; Sister Dorothy Pringler still a patient in Garza Memorial Hospital, room 104; Sister Dorothy Steel Nedd in the hospital in Dallas, Tex., Sisters Lizzie Milo and Sirloma Steel, Brothers Harry Trueblood and Raymond Latson who are patients in Golden Plains Care Center as well as others in the surrounding community not mentioned. So lets pray for and visit our sick ones.

So lets be and look alive in eighty five.

enjoy being able to help provide a good home full of love and understanding and it takes everyone working together...thanks employees. Our hearts and prayers go out to Faye Patterson and her family on the loss of her grandmother who lived in Dallas.

Visitors this past week were Scott Metzgar, F.H. Bostick, Darrell Roberts, Steve, Jamie, Amber, Quinton, Luke and Aaron Cooper, Mario Gonzas, Romana Gonzas and Mr and Mrs Troy Nelson.

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Pleasant Home Church

By Annie Gilbert
Church Motto: "The church where everybody is somebody."

Thank God, we're here again. Holy Greetings everyone this beautiful day which the Lord has made for us to see and enjoy as His children. With me still living for our Lord and Master with a mind made up to forever be a Christian, with my mind made up to be what God would have me be.

Rev. Kelly, pastor; Sister Gilbert, reporter.

Lesson subject for the day: "The Light of Life," John 9. Key verse: "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." John 9: 5. All at their post of duty. During the morning worship hour, devotion was conducted by Deacons Burleson and Osby and Sister Annie Gilbert who read St. Luke 17: 1-5.

The choir's presentation were at their place of duty with Sister Thelma Moore at the piano and playing beautiful music as usual.

Altar call very highly prayed by our pastor.

The morning message was delivered by Pastor Kelly. His scripture was St. Matthews 21: 10. He spoke from the 10th verse. His subject was "Stranger in the City." God is not through with us yet. Let's pray for one another always. Amen and amen.

Our God is still in his Holy Temple here also as usual. I pray for Elder Burnett a speedy recovery. Sick and shut-in list includes Brother Malachi Mitchell Sr., at his residence; Sister Dorothy Pringler still a patient in Garza Memorial Hospital, room 104; Sister Dorothy Steel Nedd in the hospital in Dallas, Tex., Sisters Lizzie Milo and Sirloma Steel, Brothers Harry Trueblood and Raymond Latson who are patients in Golden Plains Care Center as well as others in the surrounding community not mentioned. So lets pray for and visit our sick ones.

So lets be and look alive in eighty five.

enjoy being able to help provide a good home full of love and understanding and it takes everyone working together...thanks employees. Our hearts and prayers go out to Faye Patterson and her family on the loss of her grandmother who lived in Dallas.

Visitors this past week were Scott Metzgar, F.H. Bostick, Darrell Roberts, Steve, Jamie, Amber, Quinton, Luke and Aaron Cooper, Mario Gonzas, Romana Gonzas and Mr and Mrs Troy Nelson.

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Paul Robinson Recognized

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Paul Lynn Robinson has been named a 1984 United States National Award Winner in football.

Paul Lynn who attends Post Junior High School was nominated for this National Award by Coach Darrell Radle, a football coach at the school.

Paul Lynn will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

"Recognizing and support-

ing our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly United States Achievement Academy award winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement", said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

Paul Lynn is the son of Iva Rene Cruse and the grandson of Mrs. Henrietta M. Cruse.

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Paul Lynn Robinson

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A-1 Public Notices

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTOR NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION REST AREA AND PICNIC AREA MAINTENANCE

Proposals for maintenance of the Silver Falls Rest Area in Crosby county and for Picnic Area maintenance in Parmer and Garza counties are now available at the Lubbock District Office and at the Maintenance Section Offices in each of the above listed counties.

All sealed proposals for the three contracts will be received until 9:00 a. m. on February 19, 1985, at the District Maintenance Office, 601 Slaton Rd., Lubbock, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 C.F.R., Part 8), issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, and further that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. Plans and specifications are available at the Maintenance Office for the above mentioned counties and at the office of J. W. Gooch, Maintenance Supt., 601 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas.

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Order of the Commissioner Court

On this the 28th day of January, 1985, the Commissioner Court of Garza County, Texas convened in Regular session at the Courthouse in the City of Post, Texas. Garza County will receive bids for: Streets and alleys in the Justiceburg Townsite bounded by the west side of the railway right of way on the east, the west boundary of Section 25 on the west, the north side of North Second Street on the north and the north bank of the Double Mountain River on the south; all in Section 25, Block 6, H&GN Ry. Co. Survey, Garza County, Texas - 45.8195 net acres.

Bids will be received on February 11, 1985 at 11 a.m. in the Commissioner Courtroom, 3rd floor, Garza County Courthouse.

GILES W. DALBY
COUNTY JUDGE

Notice to Bidders

Bids will be taken until Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. in the office of the Superintendent of Post Independent School District to furnish and install 10 tons of air conditioning in existing air handling units installed above ceilings serving the library in the Junior High building. Specifications are available from Whitaker, McQueen, Jones Architect, 2517 74th St., Lubbock, Tx.

CITATION

The State of Texas: To: R.M. Cook, the spouse, if any, of R.M. Cook, or the unknown heirs of R.M. Cook, deceased, and Edwin E. Hall, the spouse, if any, of Edwin E. Hall, or the unknown heirs of Edwin E. Hall, deceased.

You (and each of you) are hereby commanded to appear before the 106th District Court of Garza County, Texas at the Courthouse thereof in Post, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 11th day of March, 1985, to Plaintiff's Original Petition filed in said court on the 29th Day of January, 1985, in this cause number 3979 on the docket of said court and styled Focus Petroleum, Inc., Plaintiff, vs R.M. Cook, the spouse, if any, of R.M. Cook, or the Unknown Heirs of R.M. Cook, Deceased, and Edwin E. Hall, the spouse, if any, of Edwin E. Hall, or the Unknown Heirs of Edwin E. Hall, Deceased, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows:

An action for the appointment of a receiver of Defendants' undivided mineral interests, and for an order authorizing and directing said receiver to lease such interests in certain lands located in Garza County, Texas, more particularly described as follows:

Two tracts of land containing 317.6 acres, more or less, out of the south part of Survey 1240, Abstract 666 and Survey 1239, Abstract 292, Certificate 21-G D & W Ry. Co. Survey, all as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached to Plaintiff's Original Petition.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall properly serve the same according to the requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness Carl Cederholm, Clerk of the District Court of Garza County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Post, Texas, this the 29th day of January, 1985.

Carl Cederholm
District Court Clerk

Notice to Bidders

The Commissioners of Garza County, Texas will accept bids until 10 a.m. February 11, 1985 for the purchase of one (1) new or one (1) used late model motor grader for Precinct 2. The proposed machine must meet the following minimum specifications:

One (1) Diesel Powered minimum net 135 h.p., Tandem Drive Motor Grader, 638 cubic inch engine, 24 volt direct electric starting and operation, ether starting aid, dual element dry type air cleaners with automatic dust ejector. Transmission shall be Planetary type powershift with no torque converter, six speeds forward and six speeds reverse, single lever operation. Main Frame shall be articulated design, behind the cab. Controls to be fully hydraulic with positive hydraulic check

valve in each circuit. Four wheel oil disc brakes sealed from mud and water. Motor Grader to be equipped with ROPS cab, sound suppression, wiper-washer, heater with cab pressurizer, defroster vent, rear-view mirror, back-up alarm, 14 ft. chromed hydraulic sideshift blade with blade tip control, lights, drawbar, heavy duty batteries, articulation indicator, 14.00 X 24 10PR tires on 10 inch rims.

Please specify length and hours of warranty and any or all exceptions to the specifications on the bid.

Garza County will offer as partial payment one (1) used Huber-Warco Motor Grader Serial No. DV240976 or one (1) used Caterpillar 12E Serial No. 99E8161, which may be inspected by contacting Commissioner Ted Aten. Make bids separate for each trade in.

Garza County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive formalities.

By order of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas.

GILES DALBY
COUNTY JUDGE

The Post Economic Development Corporation is accepting bids on real estate located at 219 S. Ave. F and 301 S. Ave. F and 203 S. Ave. E. Sealed bids will be accepted until 5 p. m. Thursday, February 21, 1985. Bids will be opened at 7 p. m. February 21 at the office of County Judge Giles Dalby 228 East Main, Post, Tex. PEDC reserves the right to accept or reject all bids.

Also the property at 201 S. Ave. S is for sale by contacting Mitchell Realty or Lucas Realty for appointment.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the owners, whether herein named or correctly named or not, of property abutting upon streets herein after named and designated, within the limits herein defined, in the City of Post, Texas and all persons owning or claiming any interest in any such abutting property, or others interested in any of said property, or in any other proceedings, contracts and matters hereinto mentioned, That:

The City Council of the City of Post, Texas by duly enacted Ordinance, has determined the necessity for, and ordered the permanent improvement of, the following described streets within the following limits, in the City of Post, Texas, to-wit:

1-01-85, South Ave. K, from NPL of West Third St. to NPL of West Fourth St.

1-02-85 South Ave. K, from NPL of West Fourth St., to SPL of West Fifth St.

1-03-85 West Fourth St, from EPL of South Ave. K to WPL of South Broadway.

1-04-85 South Ave. Q from NPL of West Third St to SPL of West Fourth St.

1-05-85 South Ave Q from NPL of West Fourth St. to SPL of West Fifth St.

1-06-85 South Ave Q from NPL of West Fifth St to Alley North of West Fifth St.

1-07-85 South Ave. S from SPL of West Fourth St to SPL of West Fifth St.

1-08-85 South Ave S from SPL OF West Fifth St to SPL of West Sixth St.

1-09-85 South Ave S from SPL of West Sixth St to SPL of West Seventh St.

1-10-85 South Ave S from SPL of West Seventh St to

SPL of West Eighth St.

1-11-85 South Ave M from NPL of West Eighth St to SPL of West Main St.

1-12-85 North Ave M from NPL of West Tenth St to SPL of West Eleventh St.

1-13-85 North Ave M from NPL of West Eleventh St to SPL of West Twelfth St.

By Said ordinances, the City Council of the City of Post, Texas, has ordered said streets, to be improved by excavating, grading and paving the same, by the installation of drainage facilities, and by constructing curbs and gutters, where adequate curbs and gutters are not now in place, together with other drains, incidentals and appurtenances thereunto; said paving to consist of a double course of asphalt surface on a six (6) inch compacted caliche sub base, height and width as provided for in the plans and specifications therefor provided by the City Engineer and heretofore approved and adopted by said City Council, all of said improvements to be done and constructed in the manner and of the materials as provided for in said plans and specifications which said plans and specifications and contracts are hereby expressly referred to for a more detailed description of said improvements, and are on file in the office of the City Council of the City of Post, Texas.

That said City Council has caused the City Engineer to prepare and file the hereinafter set out instruments of costs for such improvements and has heretofore by duly enacted Ordinance determined the necessity of levying assessments for a portion of the cost of constructing said curbs and gutters against the property abutting upon said street within the limits above defined, and the real and true owners thereof, and did adopt and determine the herinafter set out proposed apportionment of the cost of said improvements between said City and the said abutting property, and the real and true owners thereof, and that the portion of said cost proposed to be assessed against the said abutting property, and the owners, thereof, will be in accordance with front foot rule or plan and did further adopt as the proposed rates and estimates of said costs in reference to and for said curbs and gutters within the limits above defined at \$6.00 per foot.

A hearing will be given and held by and before the City Council of the City of Post, Texas on the 28th day of February, 1985 at 12:00 o'clock noon in the Community Room of the First National Bank in the City of Post, Texas, to the owners, whether named or correctly named herein or not, of all property abutting upon said street within the limits above defined, and to all persons owning or claiming any such abutting property, or interest therein, and to all others owning, claiming or interested in said abutting property or any of the proceedings, contracts or matters and things herein mentioned are instant to said improvements or contracts herein described.

At said time and place all of such persons, firms, corporations, estates, and their agents and attorneys, shall have the right to appear and be heard and offer testimony as to said assessments, and to the amounts thereof, proposed to be assessed against said abutting property, and the owners thereof, the lien and charge of personal liability secure payment of said improvements, the special benefits to accrue to each such abutting property and the owner or owners thereof by virtue of said improvements, if any, or concerning any error, invalidity, irregularity or deficiency, in any proceeding or contract in reference to said improvements, and said proposed assessments, and concerning any other matter or thing as to which hearing is a constitutional pre-requisite to the validity of said assessments, proceedings

and improvements on which they are entitled to hearing under the constitution and laws of the State of Texas and the proceedings of said City Council of the City of Post, Texas.

Following such hearings, assessments will be levied against each and every parcel of property abutting upon said streets, within the limits above defined, and the real and true owners thereof, for the portion of the cost of said curbs and gutters determined by said City Council to be payable by such abutting properties, and the owners thereof, the said assessments shall where permitted by law be and constitute a first and prior lien on said abutting property, from the date said improvements were ordered by said City Council and shall be a personal liability and a charge against the real and true owners thereof, as of said date, whether such property be described or correctly described, or such owners be named, or correctly named in such proceedings or not, and no error, mistake or discrepancy in the names of such owner or owners or in describing said property in this Notice or in any of said proceedings with reference to such improvements, shall invalidate any assessments or certificate issued in evidence thereof, but nevertheless, each parcel of property abutting upon said streets, the owner or owners thereof, shall be charged with, and be liable for said improvement all as provided for under this Article 1105-b, Vernons Annotated Civil Statutes of Texas as Amended, under which said improvements and assessments and proceedings are being constructed, performed and levied.

All of said matters and things, all owning or claiming any such abutting property or any interest therein, as well as all others and in any wise interested or affected by the things and matters herein mentioned will take notice.

DONE BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, of the City of Post, Texas on this the 4th day of February, 1985.

Bill Pool
City Manager of the city of Post, Texas
Wanda Wilkerson
City Secretary

A-3 Card of Thanks

Thanks to each of you for being so nice while Malachi was in Garza Memorial Hospital and Methodist Hospital. For your support, prayer, flowers, calls, cards, visits, food and letters.

Malachi and Mozella Mitchell

We appreciate every kindness shown us so very much, flowers, cards, calls, visits and food. It all meant so much.

Nick and Lois Vukad

I'd like to thank each one that brought flowers, food, visits and their prayers while I was in the hospital.

Johnnie Willson

Would like to thank each one for the prayers, cards and visits when John was in the hospital. A special thanks to Dr Chun, Ronnie Ammons, Betty Posey and the Post EMTs.

Mr and Mrs John Redman

A-5 In Memoriam

The Amos Gerner family would like to thank our friends and loved ones for the food, cards, phone calls, flowers and prayers. A special thanks to Dr Chun and the Hospital staff, the EMTs and to the Golden Plains Care Center for his care during his illness, and in our time of sorrow. Thanks also to Janet and Dee for help with the services.

Amos Gerner family

The family of Amos Gerner wished to thank everyone who helped to harvest Amos' cotton crop. A special thanks to such caring friends.

The Amos Gerner family

A-7 Lost and Found

Lost - Red Bible with name "Cheryl K" inside and ribbon bookmarker. Please call Al at 495-2706.

A-9 Personals

Would person or persons responsible for the removal of a childs car seat at 107 East 12th, please return it. No questions asked. Rhonda Dudley.

GLENDA BAKER

Garza County Alcohol-Chemical Abuse Counselor. For information or assistance, call

495-3788
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ALANON

A self-help group for persons whose lives are affected by the drinking or drug problems of their loved ones. Meeting will be Thursdays at 8 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church Annex. Call day or night (24 hours) 495-2065, 495-3377.

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La Rochefoucauld

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E-1 Homes for Sale
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Large home on one acre by owner. 3-2-2, living, dining, and den, cooking island with Jen-air oven, microwave, bar and fireplace. 2,500 square ft., between Slaton and Post. 828-3453.

Five room house for sale. Good condition. 206 West 12th. See Loveta Josey at Twins Fashions. Down payment, owner will carry the balance.

F-1 Miscellaneous for Sale
Large recliner for sale. Call 495-3133.

For sale: One used dishwasher for sale. Call Robert Cox 495-3042.

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Wanted: Responsible party to assume small monthly payments on piano. See locally. Write: (include phone) Credit Manager, P.O. Box 327, Carlyle, Illinois or call Mr Powers 618-594-4242.

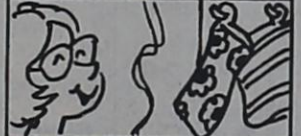
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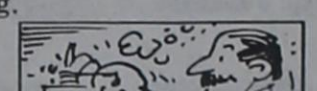
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EMPLOYEE OF THE WEEK — Rhoda Perelta has been named 'Employee of the Week' at Garza Memorial Hospital. Rhoda is an RN and has been employed at Garza Memorial for the past nine months. Born and raised in the Philippines, she is the youngest of four children. Rhoda is married and is the mother of three children. She received her BS in Nursing in 1975 from Philippine Womens University in Manila. She came to the United States and has worked in Detroit, Michigan, Richland, Georgia and in California. After returning to the Philippines in 1980, she worked as a clinical instructor in maternal and child health nursing for third year nursing students until 1983. She returned to the states in February 1984 and joined the Garza Memorial Nursing Staff in March 1984 as a charge nurse. Her interests include traveling, crocheting, reading and listening to good music.

Births

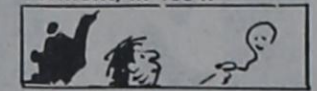
Noelia and Michael Valdez announce the birth of a daughter, Delynn Denise, born January 19 at 9:45 a. m. in Garza Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs., 7 3/4 ozs., and was 18 3/4 inches long.

Mary and Ruben Espitia announce the birth of a son, Ruben Jr., born January 20 at 6:03 a. m., in Garza Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 3 ozs., and was 21 inches long.

Gloria and Ruben Ayala announce the birth of a son, Robert Anthony, born January 19 at 2:55 p. m. in Garza Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 5 ozs., and was 20 1/2 inches long.



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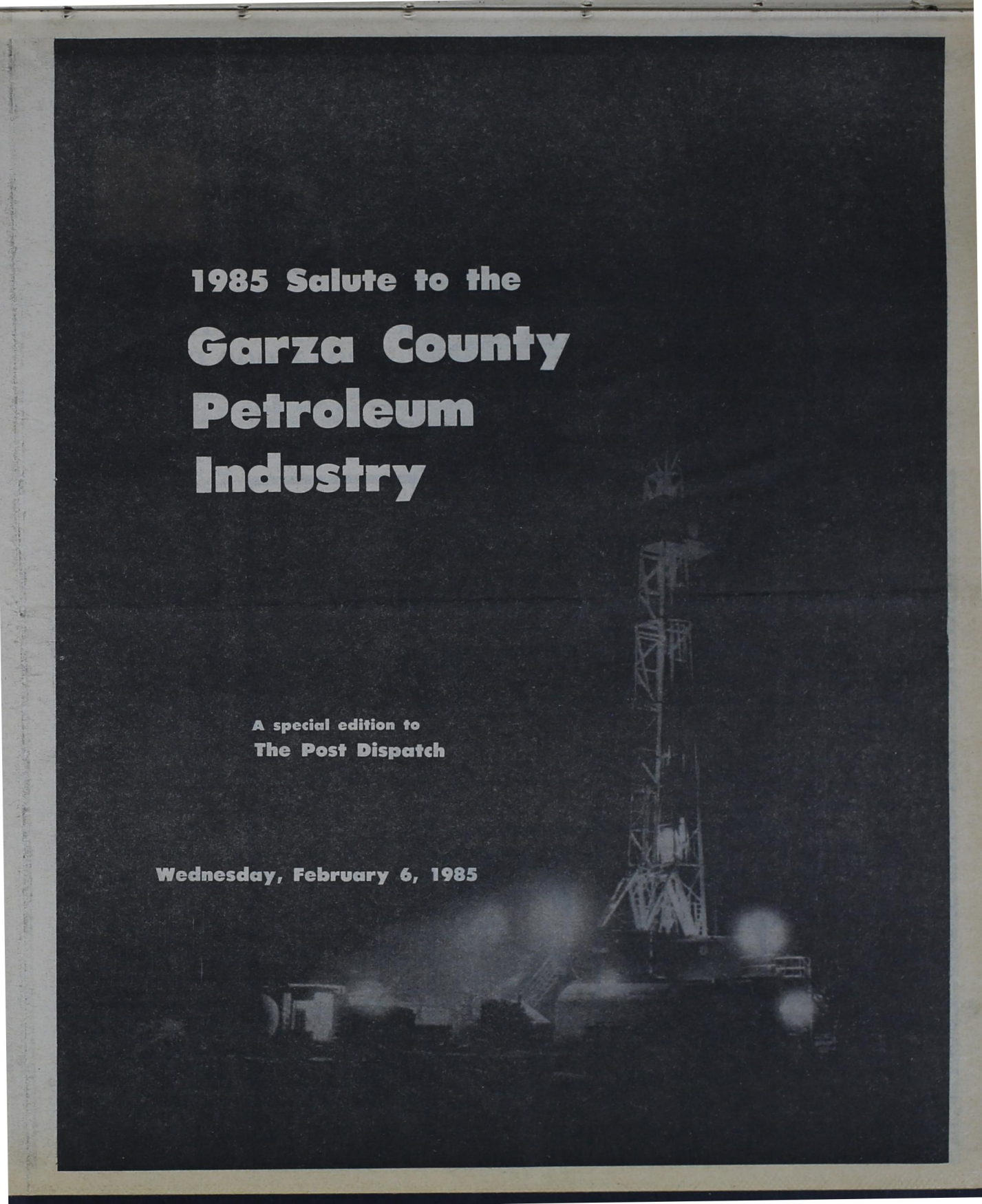
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**1985 Salute to the
Garza County
Petroleum
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**A special edition to
The Post Dispatch**

Wednesday, February 6, 1985

It's Tough in the Oil Patch These Days

Deregulation of oil prices, which petroleum industry folks clamored for years, is now a reality...and some of the affects of the free market place have not been all good for the industry.

The most important impact has been the decline in the price of oil at the well...sliding from \$30 to near \$25 per barrel in the past year.

This decline in prices paid to the producer is a reflection of world economic conditions, an oversupply of oil generally and fierce competition on the world markets.

Texas crude oil, generally bringing a higher price than other world oil, now hovers around the \$25-26 range...no longer pegged to the OPEC official price.

With more oil available, buyers are squeezing for the best possible deals...

The real uncertainty in this free market situation is the question about the future.

And that uncertainty has ripple effects throughout the nation, state and local levels.

It is estimated that a one dollar drop in per barrel prices drops \$1 million in tax revenues to the state of Texas.

Obviously, the same is true for school boards, cities and other taxing units.

Not too many years ago, oil was selling for a measley \$5-15 per barrel and somehow we survived...many even prospered.

No serious observer of the petroleum industry is predicting a return to such low prices, but there is more apprehension about the price than ever before in the oil field.

Producers are selling their oil, it just isn't bringing that top dollar as it was a year or two ago.

The results of this pricing question creates a more conservative attitude by those in exploration and new fields may not be developed as rapidly.

In fact, the Texas Railroad Commission has discovered that a majority of drilling in 1984 has been in existing fields, which is no big surprise.

Garza County benefits from this in two ways...wells already producing are less expensive to the producer and can be maintained and since this is a proven field, more wells will be drilled.

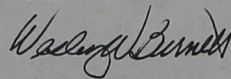
There will undoubtedly be some "belt-tightening" by petroleum industry businesses...and competition will

be just as heavy as ever.

It is still a "speculative" business, this petroleum industry, yet, the people who live and work in this environment are willing and eager to "get after it."

As consumers and citizens of Post, Garza County, Texas and the United States, we owe a tremendous debt of appreciation to

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WESLEY W. BURNETT
Publisher

County Oil Income at \$211,000,000

The sale of crude oil and natural gas from Garza County wells made an important contribution to the county's economy in 1983 and accounted for \$211

million of the \$38.3 billion wellhead value of Texas petroleum production last year.

In its annual survey of the economic impact of oil and gas industry operations in the significant producing counties of Texas, Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association reported that the county ranked 53rd among Texas' 254 counties on the basis of the value of its marketing petroleum production.

These production figures included condensate and casinghead gas.

The county's wells produced 7.1 million barrels of crude oil, valued at \$208.6 million and one million cubic feet of natural gas, valued at \$2.4 million.

Owners of royalty in the county received \$26.3 million as their share of the output, the Association noted.

The chairman of the Association, J.C. Walter Jr., of Houston said:

"These figures give evidence that again last year the petroleum industry was of great importance to the economics of those counties throughout the state with significant production.

In addition to paying property taxes to cities, counties and school districts, producers in the county supported state government through production tax payments estimated at \$9.7 million, according to the Association survey.

Crude oil taxes amounted to \$9.6 million, while natural gas levies totaled \$181,602.

Based on Texas Employment Commission figures, approximately 520 oil and gas industry employees in the county received wages of about \$9.2 million in 1983.

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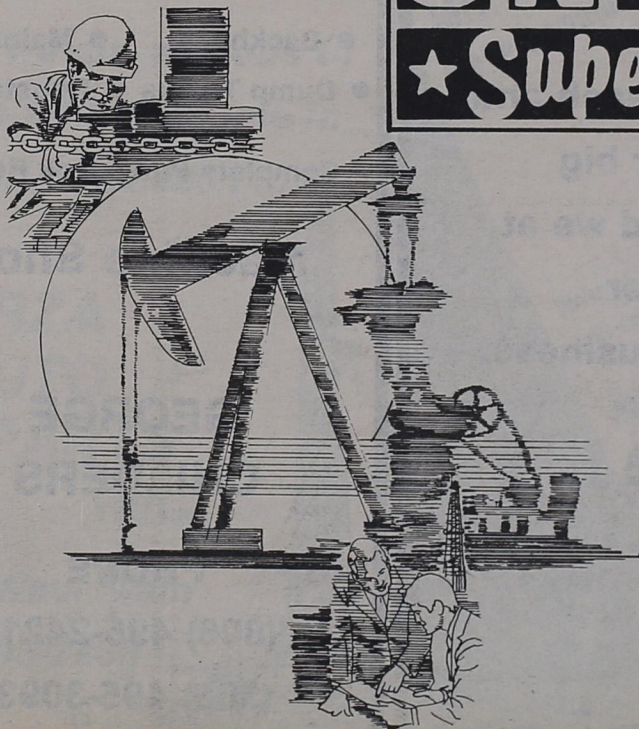
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America Needs to Encourage Domestic Production

by Congressman
Charles W. Stenholm
Chairman Subcommittee
on Energy, Environment
and Safety Issues Affecting
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America needs to encourage domestic energy production for reasons of national security and economic independence.

Failure to develop domestic production will lead to increased dependence on imports from the OPEC

countries in the politically unstable Mid-East.

Increased production is the primary means of reducing the threat of dependence and improving our balance of payments while protecting the national interest.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) most recent statistics indicate that the United States produces 8.8 million barrels per day (b-d) and imports 5.6

million b-d; and total consumption will increase as the economy grows.

Furthermore, without increased exploration and development of new oil resources, domestic production can be expected to decline as present oil reserves are depleted.

To offset these declines and to satisfy future increases in demand, it is crucial that we encourage domestic oil production.

It will not be an easy task for domestic producers to continue to supply such a high percentage of demand.

The Independent Petroleum Association of America (IPAA) has estimated that we will need 7.9 million b-d of new production in the next decade, merely to maintain production at a level of 8.8 million b-d; this will require 685,000 new wells and an investment of \$440 billion.

In order to maintain domestic production at the same percentage of consumption will require a rise to 11.2 million b-d of domestic production; to reach this production level 1,000,000 new wells would need to be drilled at a cost of about \$620 billion.

Unfortunately, current market factors are serving to discourage this necessary

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county, oil and gas producers spent a reported \$61.2 million in the drilling of 166 wells, including eight wildcat, or exploratory wells.

This effort resulted in the successful completion of 128 oil wells, although some \$14 million was lost in the

drilling of 38 dry holes.

As of April 1, 1984, there were 2,133 oil producing wells in the county.

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investment.

According to IPAA, the rig count is down to 2,686, 60 percent of capacity.

This is down from 4,531 rigs in operation in 1981.

Given the 20 percent decline in oil prices since 1981 and the short term market trends suggesting further price declines, this is not surprising.

The Treasury Department's tax proposal represents a potential new obstacle to developing our resources.

This proposal would replace expensing of intangible drilling costs and percentage depletion with cost depletion and would phase out the windfall profits tax by 1988.

Elimination of intangible drilling costs and percentage depletion would discourage exploration and pro-

duction.

A recent survey by the accounting firm of Arthur Anderson and Co. determined that absent these and/or other adverse changes in tax law, there would be an increase in exploration and development spending of 14 percent, from approximately \$5.9 billion to \$6.7 billion, over the recent fiscal year.

Enactment of the tax changes proposed by the Treasury Department would result in a 25 percent decline in spending to \$5 billion.

More specifically, the Interstate Oil Compact Commission (IOCC) determined that repealing the percentage depletion allowance would cost the nation 850 million barrels of oil including 250 million in Texas, where 79,000 stripper wells would cease operating at a cost of \$198 million.

The facts differ with the

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federal coffers.

Other evidence of the counterproductive nature of the federal tax on industry is the steady decline in the ratio of U.S. crude oil production to U.S. reserves.

Reserves have declined from an 11 year supply in 1977 to a nine year supply in 1983.

The Treasury Department's proposal's accelerated phaseout of the windfall

profits tax by 1988 represents a positive development given the negative effect the windfall profits tax has had on exploration and production.

Currently the windfall profits tax is 22.5 percent to 1987, 20 percent to 1988 and 15 percent for 1989 and subsequent years.

However, the benefits of an accelerated phaseout of the windfall profits tax are

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Oil and Gas Industry Faces Danger . . .

by Mack Wallace, Senior Member, Railroad Commission of Texas

The oil and gas industry enters 1985 facing both danger and opportunity.

The danger comes about in the form of a federal "tax simplification" proposal which would devastate independent oil and gas

producers across the nation.

And, since Texas is the leading oil and gas producing state, the burdens of the proposal would fall heaviest here.

The proposal by the United States Treasury Department would abolish two existing tax incentives which are critical to explo-

ration and production.

The plan would eliminate the tax deduction for intangible drilling costs and repeal the percentage depletion allowance.

One study estimates that if the Treasury plan had been in effect last year, 30,000 fewer oil and gas wells would have been

drilled in the United States.

In addition, about 4,000 independent producers would have been put out of business.

This comes at a time when the oil and gas industry is searching for stability, both in the market place and in the area of federal regulations.

The country's energy position is made worse by the rising level of imported crude oil and crude oil products brought into this country - almost six million barrels each and every day of our lives.

We have an opportunity to alter this threatening cause.

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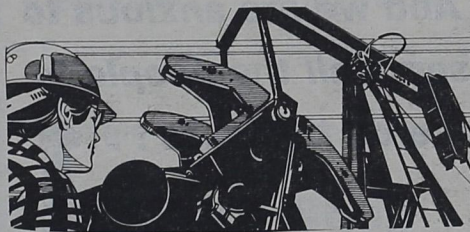
If our nation is to achieve energy independence it is necessary to increase the leasing of federal lands, fully considering conservation and environmental needs, where some of the most promising geological formations exist, including

some of the 53 million acres of federal land which currently have a development moratorium.

Our nation must utilize all its potential sources of production in an effort to achieve energy independence.

I will continue to support legislation and policies which encourage production which is of such importance to our nation.

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I believe a tax should be imposed on imported crude oil and crude oil products.

Additionally, I believe tax incentives for domestic exploration and production should be expanded - not curtailed.

In 1984, energy imports accounted for 45.3 percent of the nation's entire total trade deficit.

Since 1973, the cost of crude oil and crude oil product imports into the United States has totaled more than \$500 billion.

That is unacceptable to me.

A \$2 per barrel import fee on crude oil and crude oil products imported into this country would bring in \$17 billion over the next five years.

A \$5 per barrel import fee would bring in \$42.5 billion over the same period.

We need to lessen our dependence on foreign oil - not increase it.

Today, imports make up about one-third of the U.S. energy consumption.

I believe a tax on imported oil would boost domestic exploration and production and would go a long way to help reduce the federal deficit which all agree is unacceptable.

If we are ever to have domestic energy security in America, our dependency must be replaced with a determination to achieve energy independence.

We have the equipment and technology that is the envy of the world, and we have the workers to accomplish it.

Texas, and yes, Garza County, play crucial roles in this nation's energy security.

Texas still is the nation's leading oil and gas producer providing 30 percent of America's oil needs and 30 percent of the country's natural gas.

Additionally, the oil and gas industry is the largest single taxpayer in the state.

Severance taxes paid by this industry contribute substantially to the state's total tax revenue.

Last year, oil and gas producers in Texas paid more than \$2 billion in severance taxes - 24 percent of all state revenue.

Revenue from well servicing and regulatory taxes came to \$12.5 million dollars.

Overall, taxes paid to the State Treasury by the oil and gas industry totaled \$3 billion in fiscal year 1984 -

whopping 32 percent of all state tax revenue.

Furthermore, local property taxes paid to cities, counties and school district

by petroleum producers last year came to more than \$1 billion.

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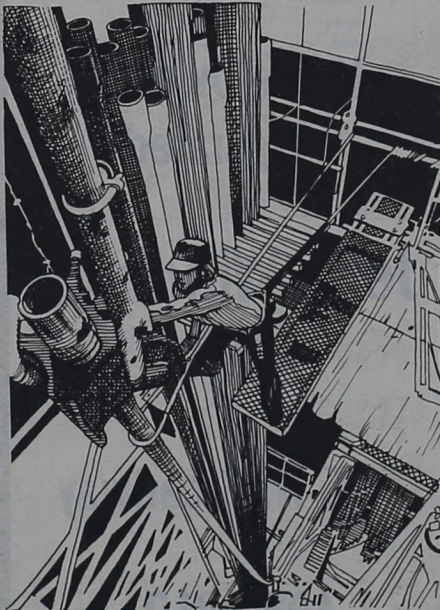
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Difficult Challenges Ahead for Industry

by Senator Lloyd Bentsen
The Texas oil and gas industry faces difficult challenges in 1985.

Over the past few years the capital drain from the so-called windfall profit tax and the steady decline in prices for crude oil and natural gas have caused a dramatic reduction in dom-

estic drilling.

Drilling peaked in 1982 when a record 88,106 wells were drilled.

The number of wells drilled slumped by about 10,000 one year later, and downward trend has not yet stopped.

The number of active oil and gas drilling rigs peaked

in 1981 at 4,531.

Today's rig count is slightly more than half that number.

Over 40 percent of the industry's rotary rigs are currently stacked, not exploring for the domestic supplies of energy that our nation continues to need.

The fact is that our

nation's oil and gas industry never fully recovered from the severe recession of 1981-82.

Wellhead revenues from crude oil have fallen about 20 percent since 1981.

Natural gas revenues have declined as well.

The result has been a \$12.3 billion drop-off in total wellhead revenues over the past two years.

This has caused heavy damage to the pool of internally generated capital that has always been at the heart of exploration because independents reinvest 112 percent of their generated revenues into new exploration and development.

To make matters worse, much of outside investor capital has also dried up.

Lending institutions, smarting over the problems of several banks with big energy loan portfolios and

wary of price instability, are reluctant to underwrite petroleum exploration.

These challenges of the financial stability of domestic energy producers come at a time when the United States is importing five million barrels of crude oil and refined product every day from foreign countries.

Despite repeated warnings that the West is vulnerably to a disruption of Persian Gulf oil supplies, the United States is ill-prepared to cope with changes in the world economy that could take us from the "oil glut" to another "oil crisis."

Since I first came to Washington, I have argued that our nation must offer incentives to boost domestic energy production.

That remains important today, if we are to be

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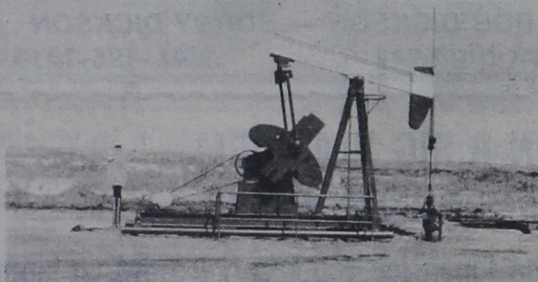
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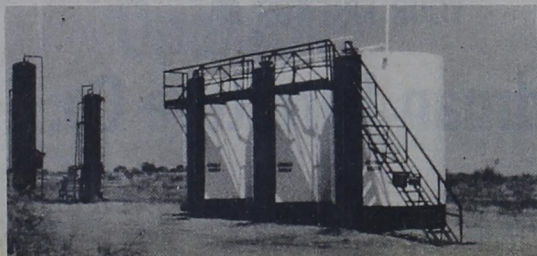
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Domestic Production Urgent for Future

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adequately prepared for a potential Persian Gulf cut-off.

The need for new domestic energy production is just as critical today as it was when Americans were facing the gasoline shortages of the 1970s, and I intend to continue to push for incentives that will boost our nation's energy security.

The punishing rate of taxation on oil has helped reduce our rate of exploration and production.

Oil production is subject to the so-called Windfall Profit Tax, which soaks up revenues needed by producers to drill and explore.

In the past two Congresses, I have succeeded in helping convince my colleagues to reduce the rates of taxation imposed by the so-called windfall tax, or to reject attempts to increase taxes on producers by

repealing the intangible drilling allowance or percentage depletion.

But a new variable has now been thrown into the mix which has the potential for causing even greater problems in raising outside capital: the Administration's modified flat tax proposal.

President Reagan's Department of Treasury has recommended that percentage depletion be eliminated from the tax code and that intangible drilling costs be amortized over the life of the property rather than written off, as now is law, in the first year.

It has been estimated that there would have been 30,000 fewer oil and gas wells drilled in 1984 had the Administration's plan been enacted last year.

I believe it would be a mistake to remove these

incentives for domestic energy production.

Not only would independent producers be seriously harmed, but so would service companies that have survived the recent downturn, banks that have provided capital for drilling and service providers.

This plan would move our nation's energy policies in

the direct opposite direction we need to go: it would impose still higher taxes on producers, dry up much of the capital pools necessary to finance energy exploration and further reduce our nation's ability to achieve energy self-sufficiency.

To move the United States in the direction of energy self-sufficiency, domestic production would

have to increase from the current rate of 8.8 million barrels a day to approximately 11.2 million barrels in 1984.

That rate of production would require the drilling of one million new wells at a cost of \$620 billion over the next decade.

Currently, many inside and outside of the Congress are attempting to educate the Administration on the importance of the existing incentives for production such as percentage depletion and intangible drilling cost expensing.

I certainly hope that the Administration will recognize the error of its proposal to eliminate these incentives and send Congress legislation that will help us reach energy independence, not increase our vulnerability by continuing to rely on foreign supplies of energy.

Well Completions Up 17.4% for 1984

The total number of oil well completions in Texas increased by 17.4 percent in 1984, but the number of oil discoveries dropped, according to Railroad Commission chairman Buddy Temple.

A discovery is an exploratory well that is completed in a previously untapped reservoir.

Operators reported 634; oil discoveries last year and 715 in 1983.

Total oil completions reached 18,716 in 1984 and 15,941 in 1983.

The increase can be attributed to a 2,856 jump in the number of wells drilled in existing fields.

That total reached 18,082 last year.

Gas well operators reported 5,489 gas completions last year, a nine percent increase over the 5,027 reported in 1983.

The number of gas discoveries also increased, from 1,226 in 1983 to 1,377 last year.

Total new holes for oil and gas operations last year amounted to 30,313, nearly an 18 percent increase over the 25,722 drilled in 1983.

These totals included wild-

cats (an exploratory well drilled in an area previously unproductive of oil and gas) holes drilled in existing fields, service holes and dry holes.

A total of 6,693 dry holes were reported to the Commission in 1984.

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Deregulation Marks Price 'Changes

Natural gas deregulation arrived in the United States marketplace January 1, but Texas consumers aren't likely to see any great impact on the prices they pay, according to the Comptroller's Office.

The Comptroller estimates market conditions have already led to "de facto" deregulation of 40 percent of the gas sold in Texas.

Removal of price ceilings on so-called "old gas" raises the total portion of natural gas free from price controls to 74 percent.

Much of this gas has been selling at prices below federal ceilings already and so deregulation of old gas will have little impact on the gas market.

Much of the uncertainty about the impact of deregulation stems from the complex nature of the

natural gas industry and the complex web of rules and regulations that governed the industry in the past.

Bringing Natural Gas to Market

To bring gas to market, wells must be drilled and pipelines must be built - enormous upfront investments.

Because of this, both producers who drill wells and pipeline companies which build cross-country pipeline systems, need long-term contracts to secure financing for these investments.

Besides the financing aspect, long-term contracts guarantee pipeline companies a reliable gas supply to meet seasonal changes in consumer demand.

Distribution companies - Southern Union Gas, for example - purchase natural

gas from pipeline companies and deliver it to residential, commercial and industrial customers.

The prices paid for gas by distribution companies and their customers are regulated by various public bodies.

The Texas Railroad Commission regulates sales by pipeline companies to distribution companies, and local governments control prices charged by distribution companies to their customers.

Federal Regulation of Wellhead Natural Gas

Federal price ceilings until 1978 governed the price of gas sold by a producer to a pipeline company for resale or delivery to customers in another state.

Gas sold for use solely in the state in which it was produced was free from these federal ceilings.

These intrastate gas prices responded freely to market pressures.

By the late 1970s, consumers in Texas often were paying more for Texas natural gas than were consumers outside Texas.

The Carter Administration's "National Energy Policy" initiative eliminated the distinction between interstate and intrastate gas prices.

The 1978 law put price controls on all natural gas - regardless of its status - in interstate or intrastate commerce and provided gradual price rises for some categories of gas.

It is some of these ceilings which expired January 1.

The Natural Gas Policy Act identified as many as 19 categories of natural gas and established different price controls for each.

The three major categories were "old gas", which the Act defined as coming from wells drilled before Feb. 22, 1977; "new gas," which comes from wells drilled after Feb. 22, 1977 and "high-cost" gas, new gas from deep or difficult to reach pockets - where recovery is extra costly.

The price of old gas was fixed - with provision for small inflation adjustments - at the price set in the original long-term contract between the producer and the pipeline company.

The older the well, the lower the price ceiling.

Today, old gas prices are the cheapest gas prices.

They range from 25 cents per million cubic feet (mcf) for the oldest wells to \$3.50 per mcf for wells drilled closer to the Feb. 22, 1977 cut-off date.

The Texas Comptroller's Office estimates that old gas production, while declining, still accounts for about 34 percent of total Texas production.

The Act set price ceilings on new gas at higher levels than for old gas to encourage development of natural gas supplies.

It also allowed for adjustments for inflation.

Prices for new gas now range from \$2 per mcf to \$10 per mcf for high-cost new gas.

High-cost gas had a significant impact on the average price pipeline companies paid for gas even though it represents only about five percent of Texas natural gas production.

The average price of new gas coming from shallow wells drilled to a depth of 15,000 feet or less rose from

1979 through 1982 to as high as federal price ceilings would allow.

But gas prices began to drop in 1982 and 1983 as the national economy slid into recession.

The recession lowered the demand for gas and increased the competition between natural gas and fuel oil in the market place.

Fuel oil's average price dropped by 7.5 percent during this time and that caused many industrial users to switch to fuel oil from gas.

An overabundance of new gas discovered during the early 1980s put further downward pressure on gas prices.

More gas was for sale than people wanted to buy.

The surplus pushed the new gas contract price below federal price ceilings.

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Natural Gas Pricing Changes

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To this day, the average price of gas from new shallow wells has not increased at the rate of inflation as prescribed by the Natural Gas Policy Act. Instead, it actually has tapered off.

The Comptroller estimates this trend probably will continue through 1985 and as long as there is an oversupply of gas.

A similar trend of rising prices that gave way to declining prices occurred with high-cost gas.

As in the case of gas from new shallow wells, initial average prices rose, but then dipped and flattened out.

Prices for this virtually unregulated natural gas reacted quicker to changing market conditions than did prices for the other more regulated categories of new gas.

These price changes reduced the share of the market high-cost gas could command.

The largest market share high-cost gas could reach was a peak of 8.8 percent of the total market in 1982.

It dropped to only five percent in 1984 as producers shut in wells, unable to sell additional high cost gas.

The Comptroller estimates the average price of high-cost gas should remain relatively flat and its share of the market should continue to fall - at least in the near future - since most of the high-cost gas is under long-term contracts at specified prices.

The cost of "old" gas since 1979 moved up only slightly from original contract prices to reflect the inflation adjustments authorized by the Natural Gas Policy Act.

Even when old contracts expired, the Act capped the price of gas freed from contract at no more than the maximum old gas ceiling.

All this changed January 1, 1985, when the Natural Gas Policy Act phased out controls on old gas selling at more than \$1 per mcf.

Old gas pledged to contract prices of less than \$1 mcf will remain regulated.

Since the government did not regulate old intrastate gas prior to 1979, recent contract prices have been near the ceilings imposed by the Act.

Most contracts allowed prices to escalate at the yearly inflation rate - but kept them below the price ceilings on new gas supplies.

Recent contract prices for old gas are at or near the \$2.90 per mcf price the gas would bring if it were totally unregulated.

The Comptroller's Office estimates that about three percent of Texas' gas production falls into this "old" category.

Deregulation will likely have no impact on prices for this type of old gas during 1985, given current market

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conditions and recent average old gas contract prices.

Prices for new contracts for gas from old fields should continue to increase at no more than the inflation rate.

Prices for older and cheaper intrastate "old gas" covered by contracts predating the Natural Gas Policy Act increased at the rate of inflation since 1979.

All old contract gas selling at prices exceeding \$1 per mcf also was deregulated as of January 1.

Prices for this gas will be allowed to move to market price levels as existing contracts expire.

The Comptroller's Office estimates that about five percent of Texas' annual natural gas production falls into this category.

The average price is now about \$1.68 per mcf.

Prices for this old con-

tract gas could rise to the current \$2.90 market price when the older contracts expire.

Prices Paid by Consumers

People use a certain volume of gas and pay a single average price per unit consumed - regardless of how complex the rate schedules and demand charges are.

The average value of Texas gas increased 16 percent annually from 1979 through 1982.

But since May 1983, the average value of Texas gas has risen by only five percent.

The combination of today's gas market conditions and the excess supply of gas indicate that consumers can look forward to continued slow growth in natural gas prices.

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Railroad Commission chairman Buddy Temple has announced that Texas oil and gas wells produced 475,022,367 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas in October, down 0.49 percent from October 1983.

In September 1984, gas production totaled 463,967,124 Mcf.

So far this year, Texas has produced 4,852,479,957 Mcf of gas.

During the same period last year, the state produced 4,629,290,834 Mcf of gas.

Marketed gas production in October totaled 386,607,217 Mcf and reflected a 1.55 percent increase from the October 1983 volume. In September, the state

produced 374,027,431 Mcf of gas in this category.

Marketed production is the gas left after liquid hydrocarbons have been separated on the lease from the "wet" gas that is usually produced at the wellhead.

It also does not include

gas that is reinjected into the producing reservoir to maintain gas pressure, gas that is used to fuel production-related equipment on the lease site, or gas that is otherwise not marketed.

Exports of Texas-produced gas in October

totaled 167,602,110 Mcf and reflected a 20.26 percent increase from October 1983.

September exports of Texas-produced gas totaled 145,598,483 Mcf.

Texas gas production in October came from 200,682 oil wells and 45,044 gas wells.

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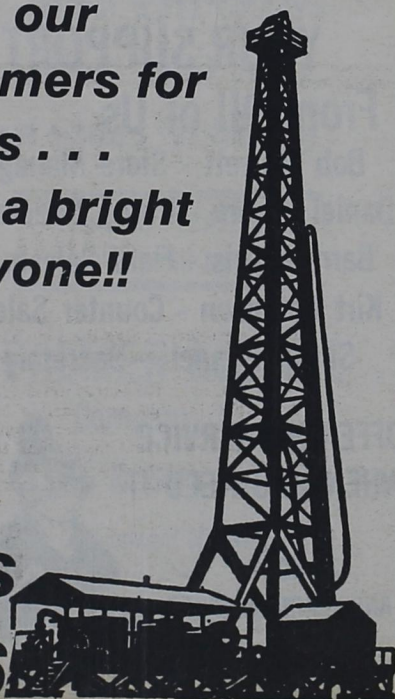
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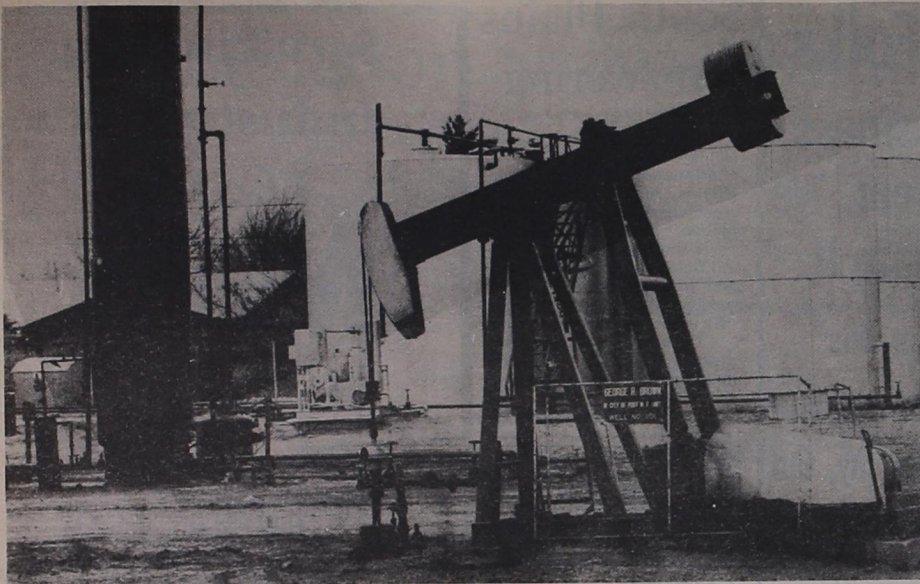
markets and any of a hundred other activities are hampered by the monstrosity of the current federal deficit.

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Temple Named Chairman

Buddy Temple has been elected to serve a two-year term as chairman of the three-member Texas Railroad Commission, effective Jan. 1.

Outgoing chairman Mack Wallace and Commissioner James E. (Jim) Nugent elected Temple and signed the confirmation order.

Wallace had served as chairman since January 1983.

Temple was elected to a six-year term on the Commission in 1980, following eight years of service in the Texas House of Representatives.

During his four terms in the House, the former Diboll ISD school board member actively supported additional state funding for public education and was instrumental in passing major public school finance reform laws.

Legislation to require reclamation of land distributed by surface mining, stricter state ethics laws, and adequate highway funding were also major priorities.

Temple's business career spans two decades and includes interests in banking, commercial real estate development, manufacturing and wood processing.

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Texas had 79,209 miles of oil pipelines, including 27,318 miles of trunklines, 27,270 miles of gathering lines, and 24,621 miles of product lines in 1983.

Drilling Applications Increase

A total of 41,282 drilling applications were processed by the Railroad Commission in 1984.

In 1983 the Commission processed 49,080 applications and 44,746 were handled in 1982.

The 1983 totals reflect a three-fold increase in applications reported in August of that year when operators sought to avoid a \$100 drilling permit applications fee that went into effect September 1.

The fee was approved by the Texas Legislature to provide funds for plugging abandoned wells and general enforcement of state pollution prevention laws involving oil and gas operators.

The 1984 total included 31,636 applications for permits to drill new oil and gas tests, 808 applications to deepen existing holes, 3,157 applications to plugback existing holes and 679 applications for service (non-producing) wells.

Operators also filed 5,002 amended drilling applications.

In 1983, the total included 36,724 applications for new holes, 827 applications for deepenings, 3,074 for plugbacks and 684 for service wells.

There were 7,771 amended applications.

Applications for new oil and gas holes in 1984 included 4,035 in the San Antonio areas, 1,223 in the Refugio area, 2,472 in Southeast Texas, 1,914 in deep South Texas, 715 in East Central Texas;

1,327 in East Texas, 5,101 in West Central Texas, 2,150 in the San Angelo area, 3,853 in the Midland area, 2,380 in the Lubbock area, 4,499 in North Texas and 1,968 in the Panhandle.

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