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Failure to vote may lead to future pain

heard someone bemoan- and inexcusable problem. Votes can put people in ing a political situation, on in this land. Unless you are office, and remove them the national, state, county one of the few with enough just as surely. Votes put or even city level, only to financial resources to be a political parties in or out of add, "I didn't vote in the last serious political money power, and votes pass or election, but if I had, it contributor to a party, a defeat legislation, good wouldn't have been for so-cause, a candidate, how and bad. and-so"?

many folks do you know cause, the candidate. would our little vote do"?

Giant grain combines belonging to pro-

ducers or custom harvesters are rolling

in almost all areas of the county, cutting

what may be a record crop of grain

sorghum for the number of planted acres.

Early hail storms, high winds and

searing heat played havoc with large

numbers of earlier planted cotton acres,

many of which were replanted to milo.

Late season rains and favorable growing

weather have developed into a

The harvest equipment shown in these

two photos belongs to Bright Harvesting,

of Melrose New Mexico. They were

cutting mile on irrigated land farmed by

Brad Palmer a few miles east of New

Tex. Gary Bright, owner of the company,

said he feit the irrigated circle would

yield at least 8,000 pounds of milo per

acre, and said an earlier circle harvested

surprisingly good grain crop.

exceeded 8,000 pounds.

How many times have you Voter apathy is a serious, elections. VOTES WIN!

who candidly admit, "We True, you can sit down should exercise your just don't vote; What good and write letters, but letters almost sacred right TO to politicians don't win VOTE.

Bountiful Milo Harvest Expected

Many fields offering record yields.

else do you express your If you have a gripe with Even more disturbing, how opinion about the party, the any segment of the government (who doesn't?), you

Roughnecks prove too rough for Cowboys

Sundown wins 33-21, Cowboy's record drops to 4-4 for season, 0-3 in district play

The Sundown Roughnecks Sundown. Wayne Willett behind again but stayed on yard line with the opening Hernandez and Major game 14-14. quick 7-0 lead.

quickly proved their serious made a big hit on a his feet to cross the goal for intentions Friday night. Roughneck back, followed his second TD, and Setting up camp at their 40 by a good play from Arthur Bunch's kick again tied the

kick, they drove the ball on Howard. Arthur played the The Cowboys and Roughthe ground and thru the air game with a broken bone necks slugged away at across the Cowboy's goal in his hand, and Major each other in two series of line in 13 plays to take a played with a broken bone plays, both marred by in his wrist. Sundown was penalties. With 49 seconds



Cowboy defenders swarm to Roughneck runner

confirmed the yield, saying the first circle referred to produced in excess of 8,200 pounds of good quality milo, weighing in excess of 60 pounds per bushel. Combiner Bright said the grain hoppers on his combines normally carry a little over 10,000 pounds of grain when full, but because of the good weight, they are now holding more than 12,000 pounds of

Several reports from Sellers Ag Supply and Goodpasture, Inc., the only two facilities here accepting milo this season, indicate exceptional yields in many dry land production fields. We have learned of at least two instances where dry land yields produced some 5,000 pounds per

Checking our own memory bank, and discussing the crop with a number of 'old timers' in the area, no one can recall a year when mile production hit the 8,000 In a later conversation with Palmer, he pound yield reported this year.

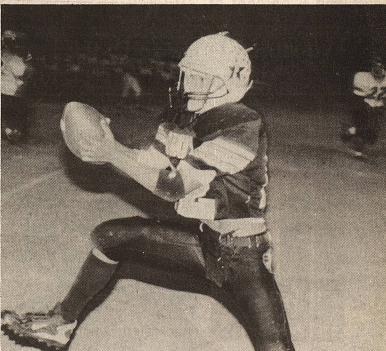
5 yard pass, and Luna quickly flicked the ball to a streaking Eric Luna, who raced 61 yards for the Cowboy's first score. Steven Bunch kicked the PAT to tie the game 7-7.

A facemask penalty against the Cowboys on the kickoff gave the Roughnecks good field position, but the Cowboy defenders held, forcing a punt to their own 14, where a costly fumble gave the ball back to Sundown. On third and eight, they scored on a pass play, and the PAT put them up 14-7.

The Cowboys couldn't move the ball in their next

Cowboys showed forced to punt, and from the left in the half, a Sundown they came to play even Cowboy 32, Adrian Rios pass moved the ball to the quicker. They took the gained five yards, Eric 19, and another quick toss kickoff at the 39. Abraham Luna got 4, and then Eric produced their third score

Garcia hit Joe Luna with a broke a tackle, sped and a 20-14 halftime lead.



Joe Luna makes good catch series and kicked to downfield, was hit from

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County Criminal Court Session

Only one criminal case was heard in County Court last week. Clinton James Green, 18, pled guilty to driving while his license was suspended. He received a 30 day jail term, suspended and probated 12 months, was fined \$150, and must pay \$157 court costs. He must also obtain a Texas occupational

condition of community supervision. Judge Dallas Brewer presided, and cancellation date. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state in the case.

Producers Cautioned On 1997 Crop Insurance

The Farm Service Agency cautions producers who elect not to insure their '97 USDA benefits crop must cancel the policy

driver's license as a with their insurance agent or FSA office, in writing, on or before the crop's

Producers who do not cancel their policy by the applicable crop application date will be considered to have insurance and MUST pay the administrative fee by the final acreage reporting date for the crop.

Failure to pay the administrative fee on policies not timely canceled will result in a breach of contract, and the producer will be ineligible for all applicable



Diabetes in Texas

Chronic disorder most prevalent in minorities

865,000 Texas adults—almost 7 percent of that population—suffer from this disease, which often goes undetected in the adult of death, according to
the adults—althe annual death toll is expected to top 5,000.
Each year, diabetes blinds detected until expensive and as many as 2,400 Texans

ness, kidney failure, ampu- and often is associated with tations, heart disease, kidney failure. strokes and birth defects.

programs in place to combat nerve disease and blind-diabetes, but the impact of ness. In 1992, about 72,000 this disease is so large that Texans were totally disabled increased attention, effort and 47,000 partially disabled and action are needed. In as a probable result of diaparticular, mortality rates for betes, according to TDH. high-risk groups—Latinos, The UT Health Science African Americans, females Center in San Antonio is and the elderly—indicate a building a \$22 million disneed for more services tar- ease research center to geting those segments of the study diabetes and other dispopulation.

enter body cells and be used cycle of illness. for energy.

diabetes die unless they receive regular insulin injec- know it. tions to control their blood sugar levels. The milder cases is important, not only Type II, non-insulin-dependent forms of diabetes occur als and their families but betimes in younger individuals; more than 90 percent of all U.S. diabetics fall under this classification. Type II diabetes is treated with diet and spectrum of drugs.

Americans, 9 percent of His- ease.

Anglos. 4.364 Texans—almost 24 counts Office—

Disorder is widespread

In Texas, one of every 15 adults has been diagnosed with

Diabetes is a growing per 100,000 population—problem in Texas. Health making it the sixth leading officials estimate that about cause of death, according to

irreversible complications set and causes kidney disease for 1,170. Also, diabetes

Diabetics run a high risk of Texas has a number of stroke, high blood pressure,

The UT Health Science eases common to South Starr county in the Lower Texas. The Texas Diabetes Rio Grande Valley, has a his- Institute, due to open in fall tory of high death rates from 1997, is a collaborative effort diabetes. The county popubetween the University lation has become the focus Health System (formerly the proposed sale was set for of international genetics research and may help further trict) and the UT Health Scia breakthrough in finding the cause of diabetes.

Realth System (Idministration of Control of Contr sional education and clinical Texas toll: Diabetes results research. The institute also from deficient insulin secre- is working on partnership tion, a reduction in the bio- with private health care syslogical effectiveness of insu-tems and businesses to imlin, or both. Insulin is a pri- prove diabetes services and mary metabolic hormone prevention intervention to that allows blood sugar to avoid a diabetes-related

r energy. Most experts agree that Type I, insulin-dependent only about half of all diabediabetes, occurs most com- tes cases are being diagmonly in youngsters but oc- nosed, meaning that another casionally in adults. These 865,000 Texans or so could have the disease and not

mainly in adults but some- cause diabetes takes such a toll on the economy. Longterm disabilities attributed to diabetes were estimated to crowding rules, and who cost \$1.4 billion in 1992.

It is more cost-effective exercise, as well as a broad and better for diabetics to receive education, medica-In Texas, diabetes has tion and treatment than to been diagnosed in 8.3 per- have to deal with complicacent of females and 4.6 per-cent of males. It strikes havior modification are key to about 11 percent of African preventing this chronic dis-

panics and 6 percent of —Material for this article obtained from Fiscal Notes, a publication of In 1994, diabetes killed the Texas Comptroller of Public Ac-

Anderson asks OK to sell assets.

A motion filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Lubbock on October 22 requested Judge John C. Akard to approve Anderson Grain Corporations Costly complications of causes many cardiovascular plan to sell their 50% interthe disease include blind- hospitalizations and deaths est in A&A Fertilizer, a limited liability company, to Abilene Ag Service and Supply, the owner of the other 50% of A&A.

> Earlier, Anderson Grain filed a Voluntary Petition for Relief under Chapter 11 bankruptcy codes on October 9.

The motion, submitted to Judge Akard by R. Byrn Bass, Attorney representing Anderson Grain, stated the agreed selling price of the A&A fertilizer firm was \$329,920.

A hearing date on the November 13, at 9 a.m. in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court office.

CCN has been unable to obtain other factual information about the pending bankruptcy proceedings.

Jail Escapee **Nabbed** Again

Carl Dean James, the inmate of the County jail here who was sent to Gaines County for confinement because of over simply walked away from the Seminole lockup while supposedly emptying trash in a dumpster, is once again in custody, and should be returned here by Friday of this week.

Sheriff Jim Rice reported

James was arrested in a small community near Athens by a local law officer. He admitted his true identity and the fact he was the escapee described in law enforcement bulletins circulated about the state. James was awaiting trial here for a charge of assault causing bodily injury, which a few days later became a charge of murder when his stabbing victim in Seagraves died. early April of this year.

No details about the

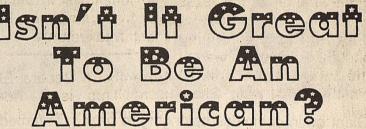
pending trial date have been announced

seriously.

Tidal wave hits

Pass on October 12. Hundreds of others have been estimate of property damage has been made, but losses buildings were completely engulfed in the huge wave. No previous storm has matched the fury of this hurricane and

***** I've got hungry cattle which need grazing ground, maize, wheat The incident occured in stubble, grass! Please call 1-806-732-8611!



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Early voting October 16 thru November 1. General Election November 5.

Political ad paid for by J.R. Slentz, Denver City, Texas

Public Notice Of Test Of Automatic Tabulating Equipment

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the General Election held on November 5, 1996 will be tested on November 1, 1996 at 3:00 p.m. at the County Clerk's office, Courthouse, Plains, Texas to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures.

Julia Lemley

Signature of Officer - Julia Lemley **County Clerk**

Aviso Publio De Probar El Equipo Para **Tabular Automaticamente**

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Eleccion General que se llevara a cabo el dia de Noviembre se probara el dia 1 de Noviembre a las tres de la tarde en la officina del secretario del condado en la casa de corte del condado de Yoakum para determinar si el equipo con exacitud los votos para todos los poestos oficiales y sobre todos los proyectos de ley.

> Julia Lemley Firma del/dela Oficial- Julia Lemley Secretario del Condado

*Andrews *Dawson

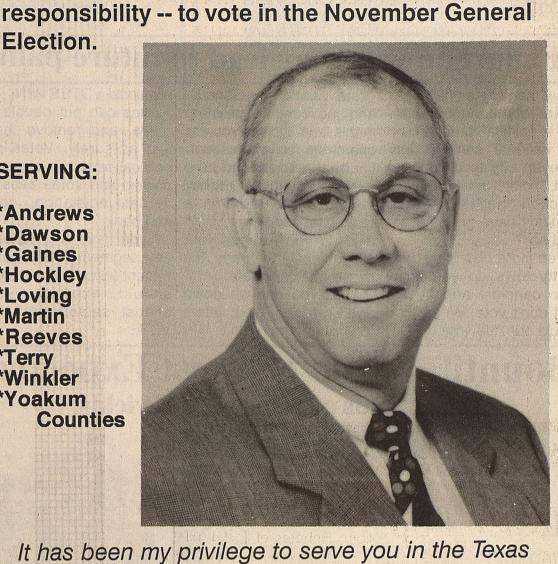
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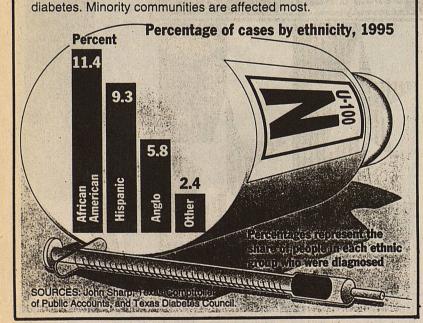
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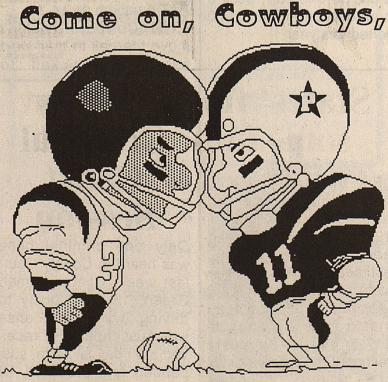
Sabine Pass

Early reports indicate 86 people have drowned in a tidal wave which hit Sabine injured, some critically. No are sure to be severe. Many tidal wave.

THE TEXAS NEWS, October, 1886.







the indians! Scalp

TO:

THE FINE PEOPLE OF YOAKUM COUNTY

FROM:

DEBORAH "DEBBIE" L. RUSHING Republican Candidate for Yoakum County Clerk

I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your vote and support in the upcoming November Election. I am truly concerned for Yoakum County, it's residents and it's future. As an informed voter, you should be aware of the importance of this job and what it will take to become extremely efficient and user friendly in the coming years. Your County Clerk must be intelligent, resourceful and committed to the people of Yoakum County and should be able to do the job with complete accuracy.

My employment history has shown that I have acquired many knowledgeable skills that could aid me as your County Clerk. My office management techniques and budgeting skills were acquired through my employment with State and County agencies. These same jobs have given me the necessary knowledge of the Texas Election Laws, Texas Open Meetings Act and the Texas Open Records Act. I am aware of the importance of vital records management and will dedicate myself to the proper functioning of this office. I would also like to encourage you to speak with others about my qualifications and compare them to that of my oppo-

I would very much appreciate your consideration when you vote on Tuesday, November 5th. For your convenience early voting continues through Friday, November 1. The opportunity to serve the county and to become better acquainted with its' citizens is a chance I would thoroughly enjoy. Thanks again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Delbie L. Rushing

Deborah "Debbie" L. Rushing

P.S. EVERY VOTE IS AN IMPORTANT ONE...

Pd. Pol. Adv., Paid for by Debbie L. Rushing, P.O. Box 537, Plains, Texas 79355

State Sales Tax Rebates Up

(AUSTIN)-John Sharp, Accounts, today issued a to- lion payments of October tal of \$145.7 million in Octo- 1995. ber sales tax payments to 1,084 Texas cities and 114 Texas cities and counties incounties.

of the strength of the Texas the Comptroller in Septemeconomy that the year-to- ber by businesses filing date returns are running about 8.5 percent ahead of the total for the first 10 November 5 General Elecmonths of last year," Sharp tion. This is a heavy said.

Large **Turnout In** Early Voting Reported

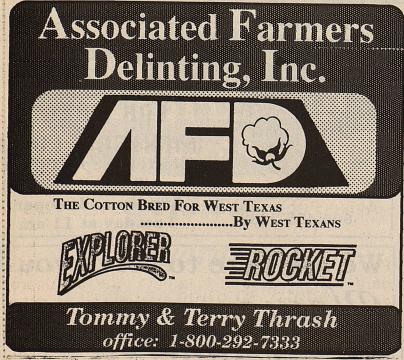
As of 3:15 p.m. Monday afternoon, the County Clerk's office reported to CCN 400 early voters had cast their ballots in the

Sharp delivered city sales tax rebates for October totaling \$132.9 million, 3.8 percent above the payments one year ago of \$127.9 million. Rebates of \$12.8 million to Texas counties are 2.3 State Comptroller of Public percent below the \$13.1 mil-

This month's payments to clude taxes collected on Au-"It's yet another indication gust sales and reported to monthly tax returns.

> response by voters participating in the important county and national races. With the new computer tabulating equipment installed in the Courthouse, citizens should be able to obtain County election results in a more timely manner on Election Eve than in prior

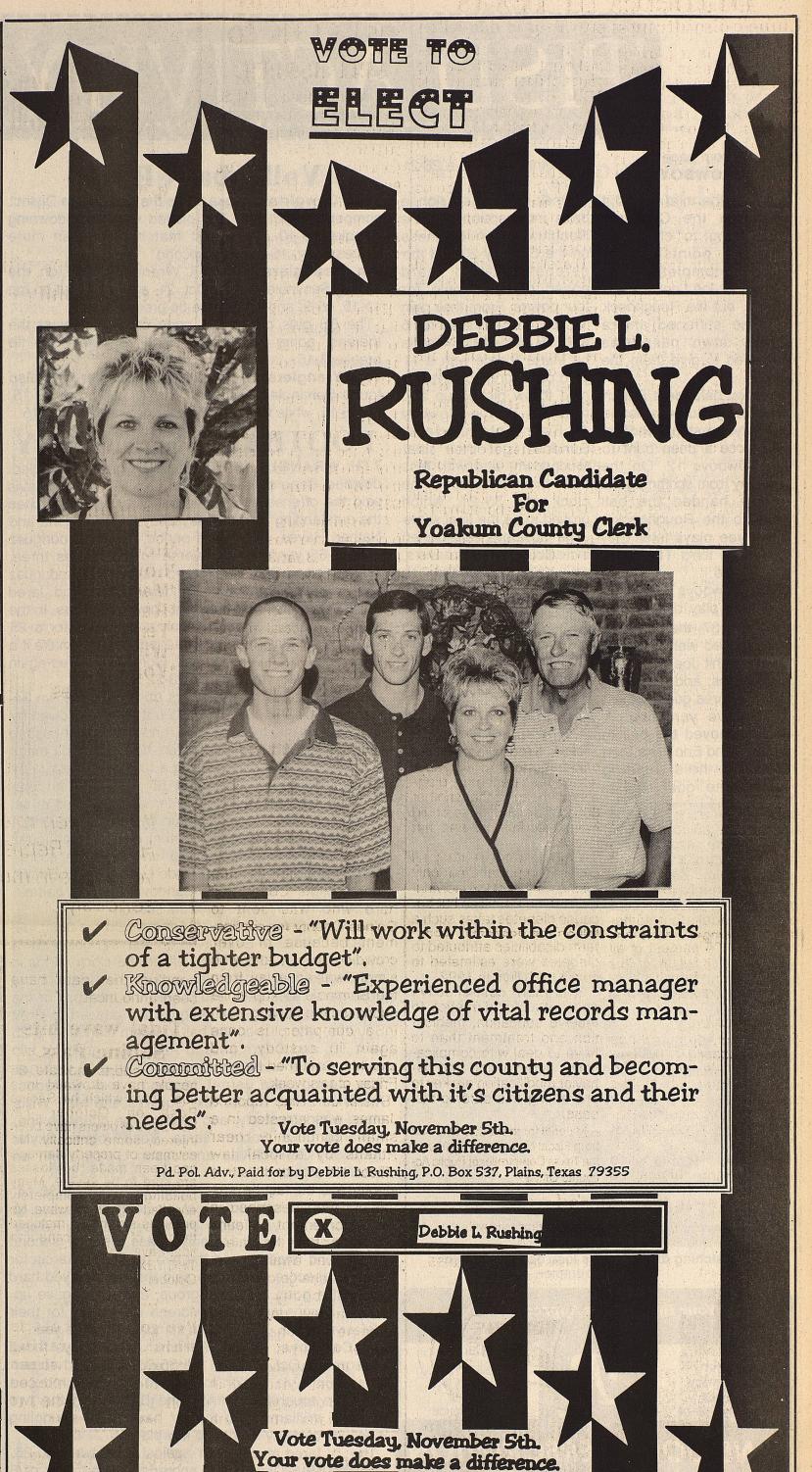




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States' finances show some improvement

state.

states had accumulated over the previous year.

billion in general and than half the state's tax growth since 1990.

For the first time in a special revenue funds, decade, more states cut which were appropriated taxes than raised them in for the 1996-97 biennium 1995. General fund collecto finance general operations exceeded revenue tions, capital projects and estimates in nearly every debt service. net revenue At the end of fiscal 1995, \$2 billion, a 5.4% increase the federal government,

revenue and reserve funds, million, or 4.2%; revenue spending or 5.1% of general fund ex- from licenses, fees and permits rose \$617 million, U.S. economies slowed in Texas ended fiscal 1995 or 19.6%. The state sales 1995, Texas has remained with a cash balance of \$4.2 tax, which brings in more somewhat above U.S.

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expenditures increased by federal funds for the needy almost \$3.7 billion, or over the next six years. 10.4%, over 1994 spend- While Texas has taken ing. This growth was steps aimed at welfare primarily due to increased reform, including reducing health and human services both food stamp and for these funds rose about expenditures mandated by and an increase in \$17.5 billion in general Tax revenue rose \$753 education and corrections

While both the Texas and

collections, raised \$10.3 State legislature across billion, while lottery the nation approach the proceeds totaled \$1.7 bill- 1997-98 budget planning with the realization they On the other hand, state stand to lose \$55 billion in

Medicaid fraud, Legislature will face tough choices on whether to maintain pro-grams for the needy, or reduce eligibility and benefits.

'PISD ACTIVITY PAGE'

From page 1, "COWBOYS"

Early in the third period it In their next possession, a ball.

and Coley Burgess made returned to the Cowboy big plays to stop Sundown 41. Four plays later and force a deep punt to Sundown got their final the Cowboys 12. On the touchdown, and with less first play from scrimmage, a than five minutes on the fumble handed the ball clock, led 33-21, which back to the Roughnecks, proved to be the final score and three plays later they The Cowboys suffered an had their third TD and a incredible seven turnovers, 26-14 lead.

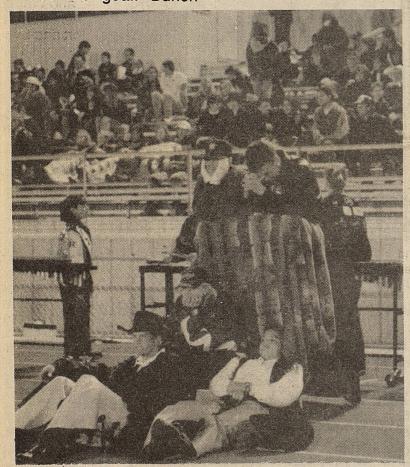
over and play dead. From effort and fight. their own 37, the offensive Garcia to hit Joe Luna with Indians at 7:30 p.m. two passes, and Eric Luna to the five yard line. A penalty moved the ball to the two, and Eric Luna then found a hole leading across the goal. Bunch

made the PAT, for a 26-21 game.

appeared the Cowboys pass interception put the was going to click and Roughnecks in business produce points, when on the Cowboy 20, but the Garcia completed two defense played hard passes to Joe Luna for first nosed ball and held for downs, but the Roughneck four downs. From their own defense stiffened and a 15, Eric Luna rushed for 5 fourth down pass was and 15 yards, and Garcia deflected to give them the hit Marte Pierce with a 11 yard pass, only to have the Cowboy defenders Bunch next throw picked up and an obstacle hard to The Cowboys didn't roll overcome even with great

This Friday's game is line blocked well, allowing here, against the Morton

The Cowboy's have not to make three good rushes, given up all year, and this is no time for us, the community, to give up on them. Come to see them whip Morton.



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Volleyball Recap

PHS Cowgirls; Tahoka fell to the Cowgirls in District competition Oct. 22. The played very well, downing Tahoka 15-10 in the first match, and even more impressively, 15-8, in the second.

8th Wranglers; The 8A Wranglers took on the visiting Seminole Indians Oct. 21, and came out on top 11-15, 15-5, and 15-8 in the tie breaker.

The 8B girls didn't fare quite so well against the Indians, going down 4-15,15-11, and lost the tie breaker3-15.

7th Wranglers; the young 7th Wrangler girls also found Seminole too tough. The 7A team fell 10-15, and 6-15, while the 7B girls were downed 7-15, 9-15.

FOOTBALL SUMMARY

7TH WRANGLERS; The seventh grade Wranglers downed Seagraves 28-22 on Oct.17. Coach Davis said the offense moved the ball very well, and cited the outstanding defense played by Pete Longoria and Nathan Hayes. In the first period, Joseph Rodriguez gained 65 yards on a reverse to the Eagles three, where Moises Gonzales scored his first TD. Rodriguez later dashed 70 yards for another score, and Jared Bell hit Gonzales with a 2 point conversion pass. In the second quarter, Gonzales took a Bell pass for a 25 yard scoring play, then ran the 2 pointer in to make it a 22-6 game. In the second half, Gonzales scored again on a 15 yard run for the final 28-22 score.

On October 25, the Wranglers tromped Sundown 34-0. They took an early 2-0 lead on a safety, followed by Bell's sneak into the end zone, and a two point pass to Rodriguez put the Wranglers up 10-0. Longoria made a good defensive play causing a fumble, picked up by Chris McGinty who scooted 55 yards for another score. Later, Nathan Hayes intercepted a pass to set up another 60 yard scoring run by Rodriguez, and a 26-0 lead at the start of the final quarter. Rodriguez would score again on a 50 yard run for the final score. Davis said Scott Tirell, Servando Luna, Patrick Brintle, Pete Longoria and Sergio Sandoval had big games. Their record is niow 6 - 1 for the season.

8th Wranglers; Coach McAdams said his team lost a heart breaker to Seagraves on Oct. 17, going down 20-14 with just 13 seconds left on the clock. He said the Eagles had a 14 point lead at the half, but the Wranglers came back and played the best ball of the year in the second half. Aaron Cain passed to Brett Squyres, who pitched the ball to Adam Garcia for a 25 yard TD, and Cain's pass to Adam was good for two points. Garcia would get another TD on a 10 yard run. The coach said Israel Moreno, Joel Gallegos, Armando Luna, Dustin Six, Squyres and Matt Willis stood out defensively, and credited the offensive line, Armando Luna, Fabian Garza, Ross Rogers, Skylar Johnson, Gerry Rivas and Jason Garcia, with an

excellent effort. On Oct. 25, the Wranglers fell to Sundown 30-14. Adam Garcia followed great blocking by his line to score on a 45 yard dash. In the second half, Kelsey Blundell took Israel Moreno's pass for their second score, and Israel tossed the two pointer to Garcia for their final score. McAdams said the team played hard against a good Sundown group, and never gave up. Joel Gallegos and Israel Moreno were cited for their defesive efforts. Their record stands 4-3 for the year.

JV Cowboys; Coach Williams JV Cowboys faced Seagraves Oct. 17, and fell 35-8. A 15 yard screen pass from Kyle Sisson to Vincent Delgado produced the sole touchdown, and Mike Bell ran in the two pointer. Williams said the JV have been struggling because of many injuries to key players.

The JV fared much better against Sundown Oct. 25, winning 18-6 David Luna scored twice on runs of 8 and 6 yards, and Bell scored from 4 yards out. Kipp Blount, Fermin Luna, Travis Bennett, Shain Bearden and Josh Bell had big games on offense, while Blount, Bell, Cosme Casillas and DelGado stood out defensively.



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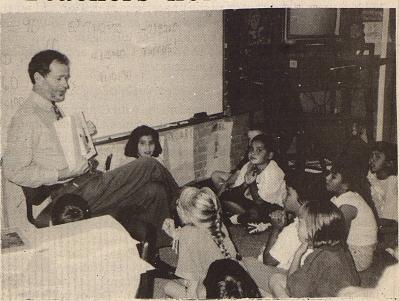
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Teachers honor Weems



Weems was guest reader in Mrs. House's third grade class.

Plains Elementary students and teachers alike are enjoying their new Principal, Don Weems. His upbeat attitude is contagious, and being "sent to the office has taken on new meaning. Mr. Weems is eager to listen to students read, and praise good or improved work. He rewards students with lots of verbal praise and edible treats. The teachers honored their boss October 16 with an all-day snack spread in the teacher's lounge.



Weems with second graders Colby Wilmeth, Adriana Ponce, Regina Morales & D.J. Robertson



Lisa Parrish

This week's PHS Student of the Week is Sophomore Lisa Parrish, the daughter of Jerry and Jan Parrish. She was nominated by

Mrs. Banfield who said "She is bright, intelligent, and enjoys learning, and is a pleasure in class. She knows what is expected of her, and always comes to class with a great attitude. She is friendly, but what really stands out is the respect she shows to students and teachers. She is an asset to any classroom

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Piano Recital Held

the piano students of Dana Davis. It was held at the First Baptist Church, October 20th. Those performing were Abel Ramos, Zachary Ramos, B. J. Lester, Lauren Davis, Ryan Crump, Micheal Wilmeth, Michaela Traweek, Moriah Traweek, Colby and Becky Wilmeth.

A fall recital was held for Wilmeth, April Wilmeth, Plains FFA Chapter, officers e piano students of Dana Becky Wilmeth, Jessica were elected. This years Rodriguez, Brad Trent and Elizabeth Clanahan. Awards were given to the top five stutheir achievement skills. Forbus is Treasurer. Staci Those students were: Abel Tuggle was elected Report-Crump, Nancy Koncaba, Liz Ramos, B. J. Lester, Lauren er and Kelton Mason is the Davis, Elizabeth Clanahan new Sentinel.



Award Winning Piano Students are(L to R) Standing: Elizabeth Clanahan and Becky Wilmeth. Seated: Abel Ramos, B. J. Lester and Lauren Davis

Reception to honor Pat Livengood

ception for Pat Livengood pounds 7 ounces. on October 30 in the FSA He is the grandson of Bert

employee of the agency and Pam Smith of Plains, since 1978, and is retiring and his great grandmother effective November 1. The is Elsa Smith of Banbury, reception will be open to England. the public all day long, and cookies and punch will be served.



Brand new baby boy!

Brian Michael Smith joined his brother C.C. and parents Kevin and Kelly Smith in Lincoln, Nebraska The local Farm Service on October 26. Brian Agency staff will host a re- weighed a healthy 9

and Jeep Helm, Spring-Pat has been an field, Missouri, and Brian

> Happy 16th Birthday, Tandi Jones!



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FFA Officers Elected

At a recent meeting of the here to help. President is Marte Pierce. Tanner Blount was elected Vice-President, dents who scored highest on Bearden is Secretary, Casey

> Jennifer Lollar was unanimously chosen to serve as the FFA Sweetheart.

> The Plains FFA Chapter will be involved in many activities in the coming months. Some activities include the county livestock show, major stockshows, judging contests, and fund-raisers.

> The Chapter would like to thank the community for all their support and involvement through the past years. We appreciate each of you.

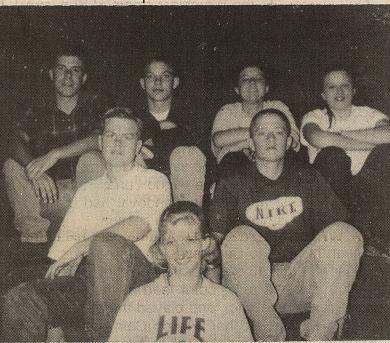
turkey sale is under way. you may call any member or Our annual fruit, ham and Don't miss out on some of Joe Pierce. the best items in town. The holiday hustle and bustle is just around the corner and the Plains FFA Chapter is

- 1. Combination Gift Fruit \$11.00
- 2. Country Gift Fruit Basket \$16.00
- 3. Navel Mixed Gift Fruit \$14.00
- 4. Fancy Sweet Navel Oranges \$11.00 5. Wash. Red Delicious Apples
- \$15.00 6. Assorted Nut Basket \$14.00
- 7. Texas Ruby Red Grapefruit \$10.00 8. Smoke Turkey
- \$17.00 9. Cheddar Cheese Wheel
- \$12.00 10. Smoked Pit Ham \$21.00

If you would like fruit, hams or turkeys, our members will be around selling or

Again thank you for your loyal support.

-PHS FFA-



(L-R) Front Row—Jennifer Lollar. Middle Row—Kelton Mason and place to get out of the house Casey Forbus. Back Row-Marte Pierce, Tanner Blount, Kyley Bearden, and Staci luggle.

Baby Shower **Planned**

200 First Street.

Us and Target in Lubbock.

Chamber Meeting **Postponed**

The regular monthly A "Little Boy Blue" baby meeting of the Plains shower for Karen and Chamber of Commerce Shane McMinn will be held has been moved to on Sunday, November 10, Tuesday, November 12. 7 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the a.m. at Johnnie's home of JoAnn Barron, Restaurant. The change was made because of the Selections are at Toys R General Election falling on the regular date, Nov. 5.

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St. Mary Hospital Medicine Unit Fills Major Void In Area

Medicine Unit, which began service in early September, performed more than 200 treatments during the first month in operation.

Our schedule over the past month is indicative of this area's vast need for such treatments," said Unit Director Denise Cox, RN, BSN. "Although our patient load has been tremendous, it's really exciting to be able to have such a great impact on region.'

Fourteen different conditions can be treated using hyperbaric chambers. "Conditions we treat range from smoke inhalation and carbon monoxide poisoning, to crush injuries and problem wounds," said Cox.

Hyperbaric oxygen therapy is a treatment in which the patient breathes 100 percent oxygen while at greater than normal atmospheric pressures, inside either a mono or multiplace chamber. Patients are pres-

LUBBOCK, TX—St. surized to a depth equivalent to 33 feet or seawater; however, depending on physician orders, that can be increased to 66 feet.

St. Mary Hospital's chambers are monoplace, with two being 25 inches in diameter and on being 32 inches in diameter.

By having chambers of both sizes, we can accommodate larger, taller patients, and patients who have confinement anxiety," Cox said.

"Our chambers are clear patients of the South Plains acrylic, so patients can see out, and we can observe them while they are receiving their oxygen treatments," Cox added.

"The chambers also are equipped with a sound system which allows us to communicate with patients, and for them to listen to music or to watch television while they undergo and hour and 50 minutes of treatment."

For more information about Hyperbaric Medicine treatments, call (806) 796-6118.

Senior Citizens Corner

Old man winter paid a visit. Made us all hunt out a winter coat.

Things at the Center a bit slow. Wednesdays menu of "Turkey and Dressing" brought in a nice bunch for a favorite meal. Everyday offers a good hot meal. Come and Enjoy!! Also a good and greet old friends. Make new ones, play a few games or do your exercises with someone for company.

bock Hospital having surgery. We are all wishing her Se a fast recovery. Jean Poage

home and walking about after her surgery.

Visiting Layne and Wonda Black this week were Maudie and William, Albert and Sybil Woodward. Also visiting were Gilbert and Bunice Laud, and Harold and Vera Brown. Zelma Boone is a new resident of Denver City and a new comer to our Center. Welcome All!

Remember these dates: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday we have Line Dancing at 9:30 a.m.

Monday we have Pool/ Games at 6:30 p.m.

No calendar has been turned in for the rest of the week. Channel 19 is a good source of information and we Jean Sparks is in a Lub- Thank the Cable Co. for our

See you next week, Smitty

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Library Filmtime

Twelve pre-school youngsters enjoyed filmtime at the Library on Oct. 23. They enjoyed singing songs, played a learning game, heard books read, and saw a movie.

Attending were Carolina Hernandez, Kelsey Curry, Amy Fillipp, Kevin John Gass, Jasmine Whitzel,

Cody Friesen, Courtney Byram, Merrit Crump, Hannah Crump, and Aron



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'Great Pumpkin' contest at elementary

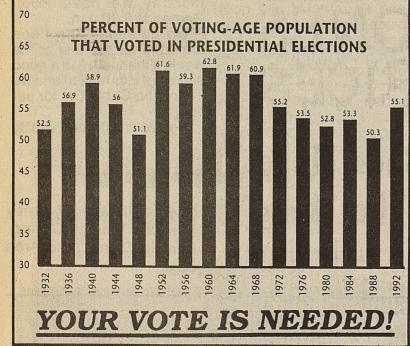
PISD First Graders from Mrs. Davis' and Mrs. Ramos' class' recently had a pumpkin decorating contest, and brought their entries to school. Their artistic work was judged by a panel from High School. Final results in the contest produced the following winners; Mrs. Davis class- 1st, Lauren Davis. 2nd, Marissa Melendez. 3rd, Colby Ortega. Mrs. Ramos class- 1st, Douglas Conway. 2nd, M'Leah McKinzie. 3rd, Katie Winn. Zachary Ramos captured the Grand Prize for the best overall pumpkin.



Mrs. Davis class; Lauren Davis, John Tyson, Cory Byram, Colby Ortega, Matthew Jiminez, Amber Friesen, Marissa Melendez, Maria Andasola.



Mrs. Ramos class; Seated-Chris Loya, Lauren Hise, Elias Carrillo, Maretta Trent, Marcy Carrillo, Trent Hawthorne. Standing- Rubi Carrillo, Jacob Rivera, Katie Winn, M'Leah Mckinzie, Doug Conway, Zachary Ramos, Jesus Becerra.



Justice Of Peace Court

summary of cases heard in Justice of Peace Court, DWI - \$1000. Precinct 1, Judge Melba Driving while license Crutcher presiding;

Cases filed; 13 traffic Public intoxication - \$400. cases, 1 Class C misdemeanor filed by County Sanitarian.

Bonds Set; Fleeing from Police Officer, \$1000 Bond set.

DWI - \$1000. Violation of protective order, \$2000.

Assault causing bodily

Health Checks

exas' public universities and health-related institutions have produced significant breakthroughs in medical science. In recent years, Texans have discovered an enzyme that can dissolve blood clots similar to those found in heart attack patients, and developed devices that alleviate infections suffered by cancer patients.

Texas institutions of higher education spent \$423 million on medical science research in fiscal 1995. A total of 31 institutions shared in the medical research grants, though

most of the medical science projects were concentrated in five large institutions. Federal funding paid for 59 percent of the medical science research, and private companies contributed about 22 percent. State funding made up 14 percent, and the remaining 5 percent came from the institutions themselves.

The leading field of medical research in Texas was cancer \$163.2 million. AIDS research received \$9.5 million.

Medical research, fiscal 1995 **Expenditures in millions** UT-Austin Health Science Center rsity of North Texas Health Science Center College of Medicine

The Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District is once again sponsoring an essay writing contest for senior students at Plains and Denver City High Schools. All senior students are eligible to enter the essay contest. Contest winners from each school will receive a 11,000 scholarship for 1st Place and a \$500 scholarship for 2nd Place to the college(s) of their choice. (A minimum of ten (10) essays must be submitted before a second place scholarship is awarded.)

The topic of the essay should relate to an evaluation of the water situation in our area and contain proposals for future conservation of that water. The criteria for the contest

 A minimum of 1000 words.
 Typed and double spaced with parenthetical footnotes.

3. References must accompany paper in the form of a bibliography page. Reference material may be acquired from the Sandy Land U.W.C.D. office located in Plains.

4. Cover sheet containing; student's name, essay title, local high school, and date

5. The essays are due no later than April 16, 1997.

Winners last year consisted of: Valerie Blair and Kelly McGinty from Plains and Josh Smith and Johnathan Mock from Denver City.

For further information, please contact the District office at (806) 456-2155.



injury - \$2000. DWI, 2nd - \$1500 bond, alcohol interlock device ordered. DWI - \$1000.

Assault causing bodily injury - \$1500.

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Theft, over \$20,000, under \$100,000 - \$100,000 bond. Violation of Securities Act of Texas - \$100,000.

The following is a Theft, over \$20, under \$500 by check- \$1000.

suspended - \$500.

Tsa Mo Ga Meeting

The Tsa Mo Ga Study Club met October 28, with and services include ALLTEL legislation and public awareness the theme of the meeting.

Debbie Rushing introduced the guest speaker, State Representative Gary Walker. Walker outlined his recent project involving mailing questionnaires to some 38,000 constituents in his ten county district.

Walker said he was seeking public opinion on a number of political issues which the Legislature will face when the next session convenes in January. He reported it is important for the House and Senate members to know what the voters and tax payers think of issues and problems if they are to legislate wisely and effectively.

Mary Jo St. Romain was hostess, and the club house was decorated in a Halloween motif.

The club is seeking used books to be used as Christmas gifts in the VA Hospital at Big Spring

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What The **Telecommunications Act Means For ALLTEL Customers**

Telecommunications Act of to our customers." 1996 created both challenges and opportunities commitment to provide qualwithin the telecommunicative service," Brown said. He tions industry—affecting virsaid the company recently tually every person in the established state-of-the-art United States.

munications this year when President needs. framework that had governed the telecommunications industry for the past 63 telephone service is disyears. The law is turning rupted. what was once a heavily regulated monopoly into a a new computerized, autocompetitive marketplace.

opportunity to offer our customers a more complete paring for these rule-making and market changes by inservices in certain markets."

Some of those products Program coordinator name and number delivery, conferencing.

"These initiatives will alucts and services," Brown formation services. said. "This will mean we can

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"ALLTEL is reinforcing itscentralized call centers and The future of the telecom- service centers that can efindustry ficiently handle all of the cuschanged significantly earlier tomers' telecommunications Furthermore, Clinton signed the Telecom- ALLTEL's Network Managemunications Act of 1996. ment Center monitors all of This action changed the ALLTEL's 1.6 million phone lines around the clock to find and correct problems before

"ALLTEL is implementing matic dispatch system which "ALLTEL sees the Tele- allows us to improve the sercommunications Act as an vice and installation needs of a customer," Brown said.

"With the ability to offer portfolio of products and ser- more complete product and vices than we were able to service offerings in the in the regulated telecommu- changing telecommunicanications model," said Bob tions environment, ALLTEL Brown, president for will be able to package these ALLTEL's Texas operations. services in a way that is cost "ALLTEL has been busy pre- effective to customers," he added.

According to Brown, the troducing new products and intent of the government is clear in the legislation. "The act creates an environment in which the communications Long Distance, local Internet industry will evolve from a access service, advanced highly regulated industry to digital services using ISDN a competitive marketplace," technology, Caller ID with he said. "Although it will take several years to make this distance learning and video transition, ALLTEL is prepar-

ing for it today."

ALLTEL Corporation is a low customers to receive one customer-focused, informabill from ALLTEL for both lo- tion technology company cal and long distance ser-vice, as well as other prod-less communications and in-

Keeping an eye on Texas

Texas workers on a treadmill

When inflation is factored in, the wages paid to Texas employees haven't increased in 25 years. Workers made an average of \$6,900 in 1970, and in 1995 took home about \$26,900. But, when adjusted to account for the higher cost of living, salaries today are about the same as they were in 1970.



1970 average: \$6,900, Based on with inflation: \$17,710 1983-84 dollars SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, September Fiscal Notes

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

County Court Meets

Yoakum County Commissioner's Court met Monday, October 28 to discuss and act on a number of agenda items.

Ed Rogers, Hospital Administrator, reported the Hospital's Board of Directors voted to request the County to approve advertising for bids on a new hematology testing machine for the Hospital's lab. He reported the current analyzing machine is an 1989 model, and one of the most used pieces of equipment in the lab. He advised the Court a new testing machine should not cost over \$28,000. The Court approved the request, and bids will be accepted on November 15 and acted on November

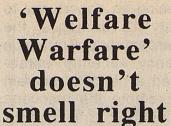
Commissioner McWhirter asked the court to grant a right of way easement on Holgate Land & Cattle Co. property in the northeast part of the county. He said a road there leads to several dwellings housing some 12 school children, and the road needs to be maintained for school bus access. The request was approved.

Commissioner Avara a special line item transfer of \$21,000. \$16,000 of that sum would come from the contingency fund, and \$5,000 from the County Park's Supplies fund, and

salaries and other charges accounts for the County Golf Course.

The Court accepted the resignation of Mrs. Cecil Bickley from the Board of Directors of the Community Building in Denver City. She has served on the board over 20 years. Her resignation was accepted, appointed to fill the Legion organization.

Library, and the Denver Republican and Civic Center.



Many strange, difficult to understand proposals and programs come to life in the Commissioner following is a re-print of an suggested the Court send article appearing in the Mrs. Bickley a letter of November issue of The appreciation for her service. LEGION, official monthly Mrs. Barbara Wagner was magazine of the American

"Strange bedfellows, The Court authorized indeed, The lone socialist advertising for bids to in Congress is waging a repair a number of hail war against "Pentagon Sodamaged county owned cialism," and a conservaand insured buildings, tive is helping him. Rep. including the Courthouse, Bernie Sanders of Vermont Plains Youth Center and was joined by conservative City Community Building Christopher Smith of New



John Avara & Bob Thurston

zed the long, dedicated an 18 year veteran. service of John Avara and

When Court adjourned, Avara has held his office Macky McWhirter recogni- 20 years, while Thurston is

"They are both good Bob Thurston. Thurston will Christian men, a quality I retire as soon as the votes wish every county official back any of the 'savings'. in the Nov. 5 election are and employee had, and it certified, probably Friday, has been a pleasure to be Nov.8, and Avara will step associated with them in would be transferred to down on December 31. this Court", McWhirter said.

Jersey in sponsoring a bill prohibiting "payoffs for layoffs" - a Pentagon program giving cash to defense firms that merge and downsize.

"The Legislation was itself downsized after passing the House when the Senate bought a proposal nation's capitol city. The from Senators Sam Nunn and Bill Bradley to merely study the issue.

"An aide to Sanders blamed this setback on lobbying from Lockheed Martin Corp., the Pentagon contractor which, after acquiring Loral Corp., will control 40% of the defense market. Lockheed Martin which stands to collect \$2.6 billion in Dept. of Defense funds to complete the mergers - reportedly threatened to sue the government if the Smith-Sanders bill cleared Congress. Said the exasperated aide, "We've got troops on food stamps, veterans are facing cuts, and we turn around and spend money on this?"

"The policy of providing 'defense restructuring costs' was approved in 1993 by Defense Secretary William Perry and former Deputy Secretary John Deutch (now CIA Director), who argued that the mergers would save the Pentagon money in the long run".

It should be noted, the "payoffs for cash" are from OUR taxes.If this program flies, stand in line with us and see how long it takes to get



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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ending October 24, 1996

The cotton market seesawed this week as market observers anxiously awaited USDA's export sales report.

USDA reported export sales of 1996-97 U.S. cotton increased a net 228,400 bales in the week ended October 17, up considerably from the previous week's figure of 74,400 bales. Net export sales were a marketing year high, up more than three times from the previous week's sales and 80 percent above the fourweek average. The numbers reflected business done from October 7 to October 11, when prices plunged in reaction to USDA's unexpectedly high crop production estimate.

Despite the improvement over the previous week, the sales were viewed by many as a disappointment. Because prices fell sharply the week of October 7 and trading was heavy, sales were expected to be extremely high, with market expectations ranging from 300,000 to 500,000 bales. Concern is growing since USDA projected 1996-97 U.S. exports at 5.8 million bales, a level which some believe will not be reached if sales and shipments do not pick up.

Some market observers also said consumption, adjusted slightly lower by the National Cotton Council (NCC), also exerted some downward pressure on the market since even larger

exports were necessary to offset the low consumption number.

U.S. textile mills in September used cotton on a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 10.784 million bales, down slightly from a revised August figure of 10.789 million, according to USDA. The September rate reflected slow business for mills and slack demand for certain textile products.

"Mills are saying business is not what they want it to be," said a NCC textile analyst. "Mills want to be running a lot harder than they are now." Some mills may be cutting back on their operations. In fact, Cone Mills, the world's largest producer of denim fabrics, this week announced a third quarter loss caused by some weak sportswear and print operations. With weak demand, the consumption report next month may show even lower use. An economist noted that last year, consumption dropped from 10.7 million bales in September to 10.2 million in October.

Demand for spot cotton remains strong as sales improved considerably this week due to an increase in available cotton. Sales on TELCOT for the five trading days ended October 24 totaled 11,085 bales, up notably from the previous week's figure of 797 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 63.81 to 66.21 cents per pound.

Meanwhile, the U.S. cotton harvest is progressing nicely although it is slightly behind normal. As of October 22, USDA noted that 45 percent of the U.S. crop had been harvested, compared to 47 percent a year ago and the 46 percent average. On the home front, Oklahoma growers harvested only 10 percent of their crop while Texas producers harvested 24 percent of the state's cotton.

Additionally, frost and a few light freezes in West Texas and Southwestern Oklahoma have increased natural defoliation, and the leaf droppage will support better harvest conditions. Unfortunately for some crops, the cold came too soon and hard lock will limit the number of late crops that reach the open boll stage. Meanwhile, harvest activity is increasing on the Plains where more harvest aids have been applied. Early yields in the region have been good.

While most of the world's cotton crop looks to be in good shape, one major producer is having more than its share of difficulties this season. Pakistan, typically the fourth largest cotton producer in the world, has had both weather and insect problems this year. Although USDA pegs Pakistan's production at 7.6 million bales, the U.S. agricultural attaché has cut his estimate of the country's production to 7.4 million bales, mainly due to whitefly problems.



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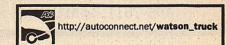
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From The Hack

With the General Election just days away, politics is the subject of choice for many, and as always, not all the subject matter is exfragrant.

Dole as 'Bozo', as in 'The Clown'. Dole is repeatedly described as too old, too grey, too dull, too boring. no doubt intensify these the holidays. last few days of the one another of lying to America, and just a little serious research easily Holidays. shows both are exactly right.

It is not exactly a picture of beauty and grace. But, yawn, so what? Do you ever recall a presidential race which smelled of roses and tasted of honey? Of one aspect of the election we are absolutely certain; Neither candidate will broadcast, with trumpets blaring, the apparent fact "Up and out, lock and load, they are blood related, as let's go gettum!". reported on the tube and in cousin Bill destroyed just got the first buck". England with this", or "Bob, my ancient cousin brought

Did you see the bit in several periodocals rec-12 year old New York Yanmulti \$million contract, he misery. got a seven figure offer Clinton is referred to by whenever he deems it beer, and severely chas- Wouldn't surprise me to necessary to spit on an tised him for scaring off someday find the state parumpire.

frenziedly spending cam- man, nowhere stronger any walls. paign funds, money some- than good old here in times from sources they Texas. Thousands and Just read this in an annual for the stuff, and market it. privately wish hadn't been thousands of Nimrods will donated, but what the venture forth this year to and State officials are would offer fantastic job heck, it's just money, so slay a mighty buck, and expected to soon reveal opportunities; folks would we'll accept and spend it thousands will come home plans to close the landfill be needed to inspect the anyway. Clinton's ethics telling their spouses to go on Staten Island. One of plastic tents for leaks, and character are under ahead and order the the world's largest man-record keepers would be attack, and the assault will normal turkey or ham for made structures, covering needed to monitor the

I have been among those ceives over 13,000 TONS and chicken, to ensure campaign. Dole is fruitless thousands. I recall of garbage daily. It opened they were doing their part characterized as having no one episode in quest of a in 1948, as a 'temporary' in the new industry. clear cut plan, no vision, no record buck. Much youn- landfill. The closure was Animals not meeting their charisma, no grasp of cur- ger, I joined a group from the result of a lawsuit filed gas quota would be

included a long, long drive, timated 5.3 million pounds opportunity! probably not survivable without of methane gas daily. beer, which seemed in copious quantaties.

When we finally found our paid for hunting area, we immediately took care of prorities-we all fell asleep in the car. Well before dawn, some idiot yelled,

Barely gagging down Monday's A-J. Yes, it Vienna sausages and seems they both stem from aspirin, we trudged off to ancient bloodlines linking our assigned stands. I was them, dating back to hardly on point when I England's King Henry III. heard the crash of a rifle Can't you just hear them shot, and figured, "Well, old thundering, "my distant Bob, Bill, Smitt or someone

Wrong. Bill had just shot

infamy to the Royal Family"? off his big toe while attemp- Seeing an opportunity to deer blind.

ently about Jeff Maier, the mishap, a straw vote was lished a national program held between Bob, Smit to promote the recovery, kee fan who stuck his mitt and myself; should we let purification and use of over the wall at Yankee him be; should we get him methane gas as an energy stadium, and caused a fly down, apply a tourniquet source. ball to turn into a homer and let him fend for himagainst the Orioles? Nike self; should we just shoot abound here in Texas. signed him to a 30 year him again and end his Think of all the methane

Country.

Both candidates are hunting instincts in mortal resulted in no trophys on Of course, we will have to

periodical; New York City The new bureaucracy

ting to climb a tree into his justify it's existence, the Environmental Protection Upon learning of this Agency recently estab-

Other opportunities gas wafting up into the Reason prevailed. We atmosphere around our from the Yankees when he helped him down, wrap- cattle feed lots, our hog actly pretty or pleasantly turns 18, and will be ped his four toed foot, left farms, the East Texas provided free attorney fees him two cigarettes and one chicken raising sites. every deer in the Hill tially covered with huge plastic domed tents, cap-Fall brings out the primeval Needless to say, the safari turing all that valuable gas.

> establish another government agency to find uses 2,200 acres, the facility re- emissions of each cow, pig

rent times. Both accuse my native Pecos on a by the Borough of Staten banished from the tents, safari to the Fredericks- Island, the first ever to seek and of course workers burg area for a deer for the closing of a municipal would be needed to find landfill for violating the new homes for the My most memorable re- Clean Air Act. Seems the unfortunate less flatulent collections of the trip dump site produces an es-critters. What a great



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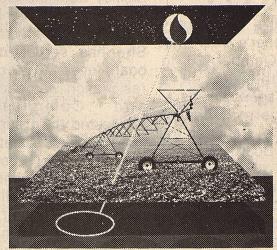
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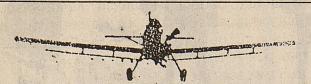
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