



# COWBOY COUNTRY

# NEWS



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## BIG BIRD OPERATION

Travelers from other areas probably wonder what the immense stuccoed adobe house and series of round pens and sheds just east of Town are used for. Locals are, of course, aware this is an ostrich ranch, but few may be aware of the scope and size of the operation.

The Kilimanjaro Ostrich Ranch, formerly Shofner and Sons is an impressive operation, and the site is the home for approximately 65 adult birds, and some 125 chicks, some of which are located at another company facility in the Sligo area.

These are fascinating birds, evolving over millions of years to their present full height of eight feet, and weighing up to 450 pounds. Egyptian hieroglyphics depict the birds prior to Moses time in that country. They are mentioned in the Biblical books of Leviticus, and Job.

The original Shofner operation started in 1988, when the senior family member, Nuell, along with other family and friends, pooled their resources and journeyed to Tanzania, Africa. There enough of the original stocking of birds were trapped to fill a DC-8 aircraft for shipment to the U.S.

The Shofners are particularly proud they can trace the ancestry of every bird they now own back to those original, purely wild birds from Africa. They are probably the only breeders in the country able to do so, for importation of the birds from Africa is prohibited now.



Health problems have reduced Nuell Shofner's role in the day to day operation of the company. Principle management is now being ably handled by his son, Don, and grandson David Johnson. Much of the necessary data for the operation is computerized, and with its aid, they can trace the genealogy of all their birds.

The name change to 'Kilimanjaro Ostrich Ranch', according to Don, resulted from the prolific performance of their most prized Rooster, which is also named for the famed African mountain. "That guy is fantastic. He was one of the original African birds, and he takes care of eight hens. What is really amazing about him is the fertility rate of the eggs his harem of hens provide, running over 99%. When you consider each hen will normally deliver some forty eggs per year, Kilimanjaro has been responsible for a large portion of our herd", Don told us.

There are over 3,000 ostrich raisers in the American Ostrich Association, and according

to David and Don, their operation would be in the top thirty in size and number of birds.

The goal of the Shofner family and the entire Association is to eventually establish a nationwide bird slaughter market, providing consumers with the very lean and low fat and cholesterol meat. Currently there are not enough birds in the US to establish a slaughter-processing, cost effective market. The mere 150,000 birds in the US calls for a breeders market. To achieve just one percent of the current annual beef production of 50 billion pounds, between 400 to 500 thousands birds must be available.

In addition to the potential meat market in the future, growers now have a market for both ostrich feathers and the hides. The birds feathers can be cropped each year, much like shearing sheep, and each bird can yield over two pounds of the once more in vogue feathers. The leather has always

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**OSTRICH**

## TROUTS HONORED BY AGENCIES

Clyde and Ila Trout, longtime residents of the Tokio Community, were presented plaques of appreciation last Wednesday by the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) and the Yoakum County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors.

The Trouts were honored for their long service to the community, the Governmental Agencies, and Yoakum county.

Ila Trout, recovering well from recent knee surgery, is Postmaster at the tiny but needed community Post Office, a position she has held over six years. She and Clyde also own and operate the grocery and filling station there. Clyde is still active in agriculture, with a wheat, hay grazer



Mario Avilo, Ila Trout, Clyde and L. J. Sanders

and cattle operation. They have been married 54 years. Clyde came to the Tokio area from Gladiola, New Mexico in 1923. He and Ila posed for pictures before the old post office window and boxes from the first Post Office at

Tokio, about one mile north of the remaining community on the highway. Clyde said, "I can remember when I was just five or six years old, being

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**TROUTS**

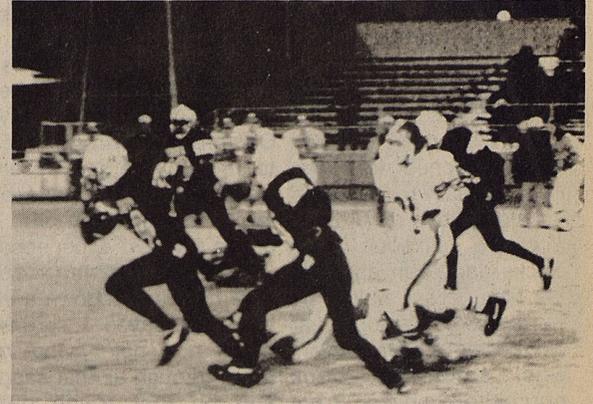
## COWBOYS CLAW BOBCATS 56-0

Time flies. So did the Cowboys Friday night, right from the opening kick off. Steven Bitolas took the ball on the 27 yard line, fell in behind a wall of blockers and flew down the field 73 yards for the games first score. \*\* The game was exactly 16 seconds old, Cowboys 7, Visitors 0.

Even the most rabid Cowboy fan must have felt compassion for the hapless Smyer Bobcats. In their first offensive series, they established the pattern of play they would follow the entire game, three futile plays, then punt.

Enjoying the work of the offensive line, Josh Traweek and brothers Steven and David Bitolas quickly moved the ball to the Bobcat 10, where Steven dashed into the end zone the second time. Bernal again converted, and with 8:17 of the 1st period remaining, the score was 14-0.

Smyer again followed the same scrip, and were



forced to punt. Shannon Ward enjoyed a good run back, and on the first play from scrimmage, QB Bernal rewarded him with a nice pass for the Cowboys third TD, and the PAT kick moved the Cowboy lead to 21-0. At this point the Smyer coaches were probably thinking they were witnessing the longest night in history, for 6:25 still remained in the first quarter.

After the Bobcats one, two three, punt series again, the kept the ball on the ground. Hard running

by Traweek and Bernal behind good blocking pushed to ball to the seven, where Lee David Hernandez crossed the goal. When the score board flashed 28-0, eighteen seconds of the first period still remained.

The Cowboy coaches wisely began to liberally substitute players, giving the younger troops valuable experience. Once more the Bobcats one, two three, punt routine gave the ball to the Cowboys on the 35.

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**COWBOYS**

## DR. BOB YOST TO BE MISSED IN '95

The familiar figure of Dr. Robert (Bob) Yost prowling up and down the sidelines of Cowboy football games, intently watching the play and the players, will be a scene from the past next year.

According to his wife Norita, he has finally made the definite decision to retire January 31.

The good Doctors' eight year association with the School and the players will be sorely missed. Many a young players physical pain has been eased by the Doctors treatment.

This interesting man has an interesting background. With a very lucrative Orthopedic Surgery business solidly established in Missoula, Montana, he gave in to his long felt desire to teach others in the field. He was intrigued by the Sports medicine field, and realized the need for more Physicians in it.

He and his wife moved to Lubbock in 1979, but it wasn't until the following year that funds were available allowing him to establish the first sports medicine school at the brand new Texas Tech University Health Services Center. He has never regreted the decision, and feels the move and new role has enabled him to honor the sense of duty he



feels toward medicine, and has allowed him to give back a portion of what he has received to deserving young Doctors.

There are today some ten Resident Physicians in the school, and three to five of them enter Orthopedics and Sports Medicine practice each year.

The ten Resident Physicians will follow an area football team each fall. The high schools and Health Science Center are in contract. The schools pay for the services of an attending Doctor and Trainer. At the end of the season, the high schools are reimbursed for the contract amount in the form of Scholarships awarded to the schools outstanding male and female athlete. It's a win-win proposition for the schools.

Norita and Dr. Bob chose

to work with our towns athletes those eight years ago because of its distance from Lubbock. They explained, "Many if not most of our Residents are strapped for money, and many don't have reliable transportaion. We felt it would be better for us to have the longer and more expensive trip each week".

If a player is injured, and doesn't have a family Physician, he can visit Dr. Yost in his Lubbock office for treatment, and services of the Trainer are also available the week after the game.

Mrs. Yost related one of their most memorable events in the fifteen year coverage of area games. A player at Abernathy was injured, down on the field,

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**DR. YOST**

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**OSTRICH**

been popular and valuable, and according to the partners, would be much more valuable to the raisers if there were a larger tannery industry in the US.

Asked about the big birds fabled bad temper around humans, Don said, "That is only partially true. Like other domesticated animals, they can from time to time be dangerous, especially at mating times, and you have to be careful around them". He explained how they will normally show their displeasure with humans by swelling their necks, flapping their wings, and when they puff out their neck and chest feathers, they are really upset.

Like other bird raisers, the Shofners sell adult birds, chicks and even eggs. At the time of our visit, they were showing a four year old rooster to a Californian, who sometime back purchased chicks from them.

The big birds have an excellent feed conversion ratio, with three pounds of feed producing one pound of body weight. Birds maintained for breeding purposes are long lived, many being healthy and active for forty or more years.

We have tried ostrich steaks and dried jerky, and both were excellent, and according to scientific charts, healthy as well, rating lower in fat than chicken or fish.

Seeing the ostrich ranch, learning about the birds was very interesting. One thing I know I am not about to do, however is get in one of those pens with a big rooster with romance on his marble sized brain. The Shofners told me they had seen a rooster kick in the side of a pickup, and a smaller hen demolish a sheet of 3/4 inch plywood with four swift kicks.



FROM PG. 1,  
**TROUTS**

David Johnson showing rooster to California Buyer

held up to get mail from that box right there". He thinks the first postoffice was built around 1906.

Asked about his experiences when he served as County Commissioner from 1955 to 1960, Clyde said, "Well we accomplished quite a few things during my term. I guess my best experience was helping get the road from here to Sundown and Whiteface paved. It sure is better now not having to travel through all that sand and on that rough dirt road".

He also recalled being in the Commissioners Court when he, Rusty McGinty, Bob Jones, Bill Lloyd and others made a successful trip to Austin and secured the original charter for the Plains State Bank. He was also Commissioner when the County Hospital in Denver City was built, as well as the Libraries in both County Towns. The County Stock Barns were also built during his term.

Mario Avila, District Conservator, SCS, and L.J. Sanders, Chairman of the YCSWCD Board, thanked the Trout for the help they have given to the community, county, and the two agencies. Avila said, "When I was first assigned to this county, I knew virtually no one, where they lived or where they farmed. I learned if I had work to do in the Tokio area my best source for information or directions

was right here in this little store, from Mr. and Mrs. Trout. They have saved me and our office many taxpayer hours and dollars with their help, and their knowledge of the area.

These plaques are very small tokens of our appreciation for all the years they have been a part of this county."

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**DR. YOST**

and the Doctor was much more time for the golf attending him. It was course. Wife Norita apparent the injury was chucked when she said, serious, and Norita found "Yes, retirement sure the boys worried parents, sounds good but it won't and explained the Doctors surprise me to find us on experience and expertese, the sidelines of some to ease their fears. The school stadium next young man would football season. I'm not eventually recover sure he will ever be completely, and the completely weaned away parents still send the Yosts' from the game".

a Christmas card each Doctor and Mrs. Yost, we year. certainly hope that sideline The eight years is the Cowboys'. Your association with Cowboy dedication and service is football teams has left the admired and appreciated Doctor warmly familiar with by all of us.

respect him, as do all our home town fans and parents.

The couple have five daughters and five grand children, whom they hope

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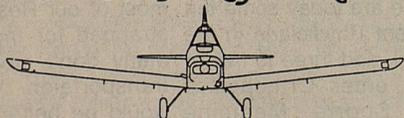
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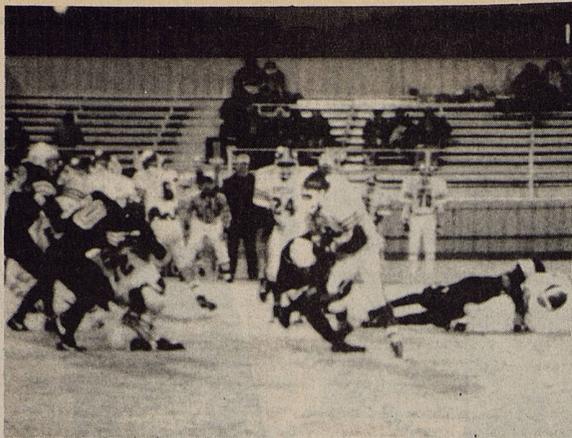
Good runs by Traweek and Sophomore Wayne Willett ground up yardage, and Traweek skirted the corner for a good run and TD. Bernal converted for a 35-0 lead.

The Bobcats stunned everyone when they once again had the ball, successfully passing for a first down, their first of the night. Their elation disappeared when a series of incompletions gave the ball back to the Cowboys, who unfortunately fumbled back to Smyer. Stout defensive work stymied their attack, and a QB sack by Chase Clanahan closed the first half.

When play resumed, the Bobcats had four consecutive opportunities with the ball, yet replayed the first half routine, one, two, three, punt, and each stymied series provided Cowboy scoring. The first came when S. Bitolas raced 25 yards for the TD and a 42-0 lead. The second found Bernal throwing to D. Bitolas for a 14 yard gain, and from there David reached pay dirt. The two point conversion by Ward pushed the score to 50-0.

The third gift from Smyer set the Cowboys on the 39 yard line, and good blocking shook Traweek loose for a 47 yard dash to the end zone. The PAT failed, and the Cowboys led 56-0. It is quite possible they could have scored once more late in the fourth period but for an unfortunate fumble.

It was a sparkling night for both the offense and defense. If our records are



correct, the Bobcats managed only two first downs, and one of them from a penalty.

You can be assured both the Coaches and players will be working hard this week, preparing for the regular season finale against always tough Sudan there Friday night. Be with us.....

**GO COWBOYS!!**

**CROSS COUNTRY TO STATE**

The Plains Cowboys are heading to State for the fifth consecutive year Saturday, November 12th. The team will be defending their State Title from last year. Region 1 had most of the top ranked teams in the state in Class A, with five of the top six teams statewide. The Cowboys placed second in team scores in the Regional Meet Saturday at Mae Simmons Park, Lubbock, under very cool conditions.

Jeremy Dearing and Jacob Lester had their best performances of this year. Jeremy led the way with a

place 12 finish. Ralph Ramirez followed closely with a 13th place. Jason Robertson also had a strong finish with 18th place and Jacob Lester with 24th. Jamie Caballero finished the scoring with his 27th place. This tied the score with Ft. Elliot, also scoring 83 points. Joe Valdez and Kipp Blount both placed higher than Ft. Elliott's sixth runner. Coach McAdams has been pleased with the team's effort. He commented, "I have nine runners that can score for Plains. Will St. Romain and Hector Gallegos are better than many other teams' better runners, and they were our alternates for Regional Meet."

Individual results at Regional: 12th Jeremy Dearing 17:47; 13th Ralph Ramirez 17:50; 18th Jason Robertson 18:04; 25th Jacob Lester 18:29; 27th Jamie Caballero 18:32; 30th Joe Valdez 18:38; 39th Kipp Blount 19:10.

Team Results: 1st White Deer 59; 2nd Plains 83; 3rd Ft. Elliott 83; 4th Water Valley 111; 5th Tornillo 125; 6th Petersburg 170; 7th Vega 214; 8th Texline 214; 9th Lazbuddie 242;

**VOLLEYBALL SEASON ENDS**

The Cowgirls 1994 volleyball season came to an end in Big Spring, Saturday, with a 15-17, 8-15 bi-district loss to Buena Vista. They finished with a 21-14 record. The Cowgirls worked to a 12-6, 12-12. Plains grabbed game point on a Buena Vista hitting error and a Stacey Jones block before a passing error forced side out. The Longhorns tied it up once again at 14 all until Amber Bryan's kill gave the Cowgirls another chance. Kyley Bearden put down a kill for a 15-14 but the Longhorns answered with a kill of their own. Putting up three points on their next two rotations, the Longhorns took game one. The Cowgirls lost their bid for a third game with Buena Vista's 15-8 win in game two. Individual statistics included: Stacey Jones, five kills, one block, three digs, three service points; Kyley Bearden, four kills, three digs, one service point; Heather McDonnell, two kills, one block; Amber Bryan, eight kills four digs, four service points, one ace; Robin Squyres, two digs, eight service points, once ace; Valerie Blair, four kills, three digs, four service points, one ace; Maria Moreno, four digs, three service points.

Kyley and Heather combined for nine kills in 10th Miami 243; 11th Kress 262; 12th Robert Lee 287; 13th Grady 337; 14th Borden Co. 402.

the Cowgirls' 14-16, 3-15 loss to the Kermit Yellowjackets, Tuesday, November 1st. Stacey and Maria led the defensive effort with three blocks and seven digs, respectively. Thanks to Beth Ann King.

**PHS STUDENT OF THE WEEK**



DELILAH GONZALES

Plains High School Student of the Week is Delilah Gonzales. Delilah is a senior at Plains High School and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Aldaberto Gonzales.

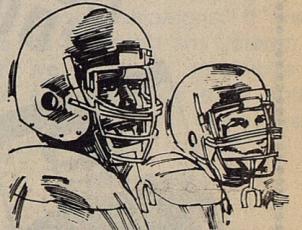
She was nominated by Mrs. Webb. "I think that Mr. O'Quinn had just about given up on me - He has asked me for 12 weeks when I was going to nominate someone for student of the week. I kept telling him that my problem was not who to nominate but who to nominate first. Anyway, I made my decision and, Friday my nominee won.

"She is a senior this year and I have had her in class since she was a freshman. I have watched her grow into such a nice young lady. The best way I can describe her is that she is enthusiastic & eager to learn. Because of this, she is a real joy to have in class. I know I can always count on this student. She is very trustworthy, respectful of others & I always know she will do what is right. She has so many positive traits in her personality and I feel that she deserves to be recognized." she said.

**MISSIONARIES TO VISIT**



Missionaries, Joy and Stella, will speak, play, and sing in Plains Assembly of God Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. The public is invited. Joy and Stella have been working around the world, but primarily focus on the situation in the Middle East and Russia. Stella is a niece to Mrs. Marc Traweek.



**THANKS TO ALL FOR A FINE 9 and 0 SEASON !**



**LARRY McMINN**  
Athletic Director-Head Football Coach

Coach McMinn is beginning his fourteenth year as Athletic Director-Head Football Coach. He has twenty-six years of coaching experience with seventeen years being in the Plains school system. Coach McMinn is a graduate of Hale Center High School and received his Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Tech University. He teaches health and drivers education. Larry and his wife, Paula, have three sons: Mickey, Shane, and Brad.



**JACK BAUCUM**  
Basketball, Assistant Football, Assistant Track

Coach Baucum is in his third year at Plains and has thirty-four years of coaching experience. He is a graduate of Coleman High School and Howard Payne University. Jack teaches U.S. history. He and his wife, Karen, have three children: Debbie, Greg, and Shae.



**EVERETT McADAMS**  
Track, Assistant Football and Basketball

Coach McAdams begins his twenty-ninth year of coaching and his nineteenth year at Plains. Everett is a graduate of Odessa High School and West Texas State University. He teaches world history and art. Everett and his wife, Estelle, are the parents of two sons: Lacy and Ken.

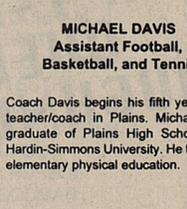


Misty Willett, Amanda Koncaba, Amber Bryan, Shawna Box, Shyloh Winn, Sonia Avila



**EDWIN BRINK**  
Assistant Football and Basketball, Head Girls Cross Country and Girls Track Coach

Coach Brink begins his sixth year with Plains Schools. Mr. Brink graduated from Coleman High School and the University of Texas. He teaches government and economics. Edwin's wife's name is Christy. They have one son, Jacob.



**MICHAEL DAVIS**  
Assistant Football, Basketball, and Tennis

Coach Davis begins his fifth year as a teacher/coach in Plains. Michael is a graduate of Plains High School and Hardin-Simmons University. He teaches elementary physical education.

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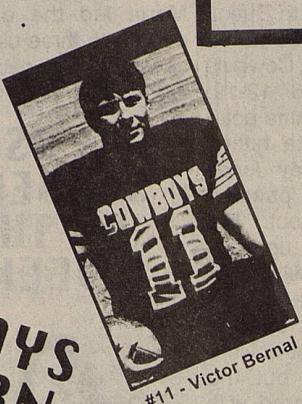
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**COWBOYS CLAW**  
**BOBCATS 56-0**

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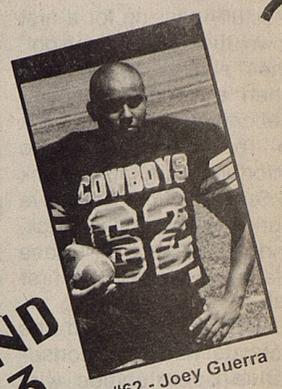
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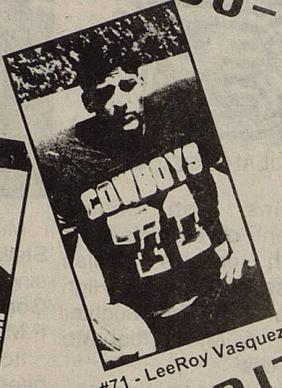


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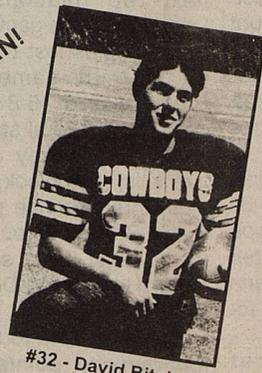
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**COWBOYS BITE**  
**'DOGS' 21-17**



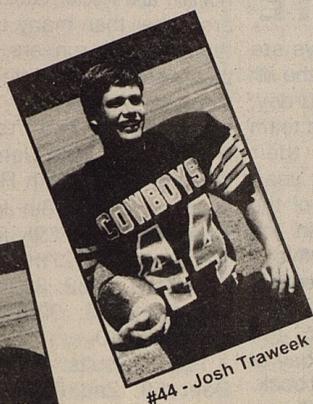
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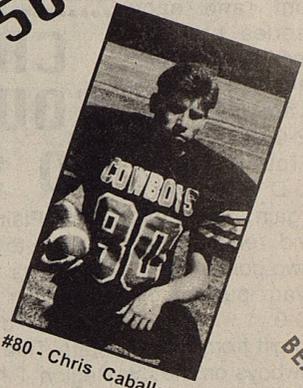
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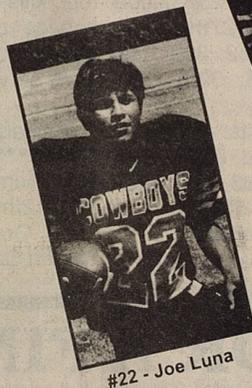
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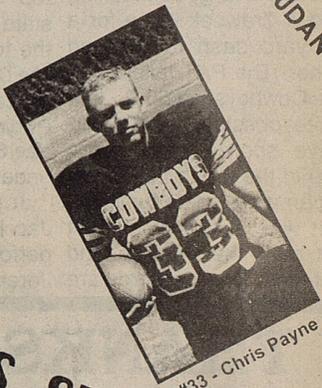
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#74 - Ken McAdams



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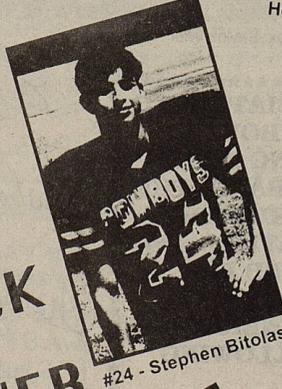


#33 - Chris Payne

**BEAT SUDAN!**  
**COWBOYS HOLD**  
**ON FOR 7-0 WIN**  
**OVER**  
**ROUGHNECKS**



#81 - Jacob Lester



#24 - Stephen Bitolas



#34 - Lee David Hernandez

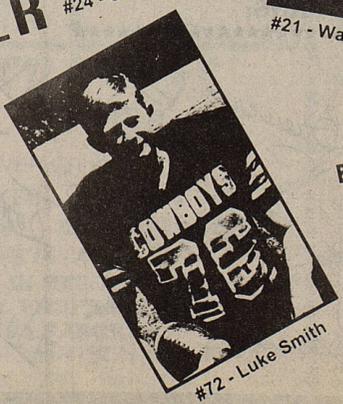


#78 - Coley Burgess



#54 - Chase Clanahan

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**COWBOYS PLUCK**  
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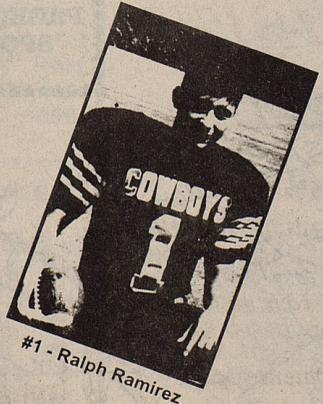


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## LIBRARY "AMAZON TOMATOES?"

28 preschool children enjoyed the weekly Film time at the Library Wednesday, November 2. A special event at this film time was the celebration of Miss Katie Winns' fifth birthday. She is the daughter of Chris and Becky Winn.

The kids enjoyed a film, songs, and portions of the book 'Dear Zoo'.

Those in attendance were; Jacob Brink, Alfredo Martinez, Katie Winn, Ryan Crump, Joni Bell, Landon & Dakota Earnest, Amber Friesen, Lauren Hise, Wyatt & Lee Dearing, Marcos Rivera, Britnie Duran, Lexus R. Jimez, Holden, Hunter, & Haley Welch, Marissa & Sammy Melendez, Ryan Crump, Matthew Jimez, Lauren Davis, Cody Mayes, Christopher, & Stephanie Addison, Rhaela Stall, Marcos Rivera, Brandon Craft.

The back yard of Dorris and Louise Tuggle may have some Garden of Eden soil in their garden spot.

Dorris planted eight 'Small Porter' tomato plants this year, and all of them grew to an amazing height, well in excess of six and one-half feet.

The Tuggles estimate the plants produced in excess of two hundred pounds of tomatoes, most of them given to friends and the shut-in elderly.

Tuggle must have a bright green thumb, for he produces an excellent crop of the 'passion fruit' each year. "I fertilize them, but very lightly. Too much fertilizer gives them a strong taste. I water them heavily, but only in the early morning, and I flood water, and never sprinkle them," Tuggle explained.

We may hire him as our tomato consultant next year.



### NEW AT LIBRARY

#### FICTION BOOKS

- 'The Door To Remember' - Dean Koontz
- 'Star Wars-Champion Of The Force' - Kevin Anderson
- 'Wild Horses' - Dick Francis
- 'Gift' - Danielle Steele
- 'Nothing Lasts Forever' - Sidney Sheldon
- 'Jeweled Spur' - Gilbert Morris

#### VIDEOS

- Snow White
- Rio Diablo
- Savage Land
- The Lord Is My Shepherd
- Cliffhanger
- The Young Messiah
- Duck Tales
- My Boyfriends' Back

### FINE ARTS CLUB MEETS

The Plains Fine Arts Club regular monthly meeting was held Thursday, November 3, in the home of Judy Fitzgerald. The event was Co-hosted by Cyndy Koncaba.

Plans were discussed to sponsor a Baked Potato Sale at the home court basketball games January 17, 1995, and February 7, with the potatoes selling for \$2.50.

It was moved and approved to present Lindy Rowe, daughter of Bill and Pam Rowe, a donation of \$200 to help with her personal expenses while touring London, England with 'Spirit Wind', the youth singing group of the Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church.

Other members in attendance were; Christy Brink, Beth Ann Cain, Dolores Davis, Sandra Ellison, Tana May, Lois Miller, and Linda Simmons.

The next club meeting will be December 1, 1994, 7:00 P. M., in the home of Debra Hise, featuring a pre-Christmas exchange of Chinese Gifts.

STOMP SUDAN!  
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Katie Winn

### PORCUPINE MEATBALLS

- 1 1/2 lbs. ground meat
  - 1/2 cup rice
  - 1 tsp. salt
  - 1/2 tsp. pepper
  - 1 Tblsp. minced onion
  - 1 sm. can tomato soup
  - 1/2 cup water
- Wash rice. Combine meat, rice, salt, pepper, & onion. Shape into small balls. Heat tomato soup & water in pressure cooker. Drop in meatballs. Put on cover & cook 10 minutes at 10 lb. pressure.

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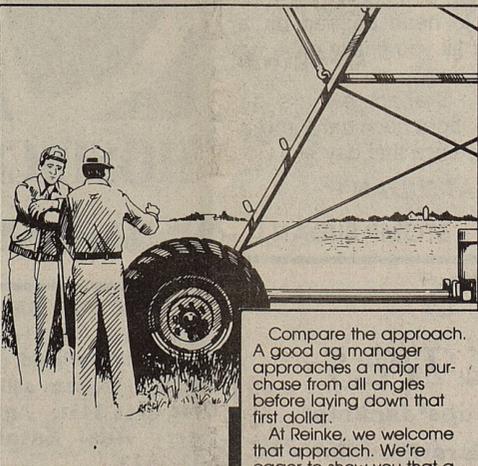
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## VETERANS DAY

On Friday, November 11, The Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American Legion and many other state and national organizations will pay tribute to the hundreds of thousands of service veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama and Desert Storm. Many flags will be raised, the National Anthem will be played by hundreds of bands, rifle volleys from honor squads will sound, and trumpeters will sound Taps in memory of both the living and the dead of those many costly, bloody eras.

Celebrities, dignitaries, politicians, sports heroes will solemnly tell listeners of the sacrifices of those who served their country in often desperate times. Many of the men and women who wore uniforms at one time or another will privately recall amusing or strange incidents from their service time, and many others will remember times of sheer terror, of pain, of exposure to the bitter elements of North Africa, the wet and cold of Europe in winter, heat and humidity, insects and

disease on South Pacific islands. They will remember the painful, cold march from Korea's frozen Chosin Reservoir, not a retreat, 'just an advance in another direction'.

The hell of Vietnam will be re-lived, and the near impossible task of winning a war, because of snug politicians, safe and sound in Washington, and a populace in the main part which simply didn't give a damn. A recent article in a national monthly publication suggested Patriotism of our citizenry is diminishing more each year. That may or not be true. I do know that is not a prevalent attitude in the minds and hearts of those who served. For them, Gen. Douglas MacArthurs famous remarks to the Cadet Corps at West Point, "Duty, Honor, Country" still have special meaning.

The men and women listed here served their country in one or more of those campaigns. If we have missed any veteran, we sincerely apologize, and we salute each and everyone who ever wore this country's uniform.

### \*\*\*\*\* THANKS, VETS \*\*\*\*\*

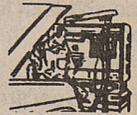
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| JOHN DALE CURTIS   | ★ | HAROLD PARRISH   | ★ |
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| GARY DYER          | ★ | GILBERT PIERCE   | ★ |
| FRANK ELLISON      | ★ | KENNETH POWELL   | ★ |
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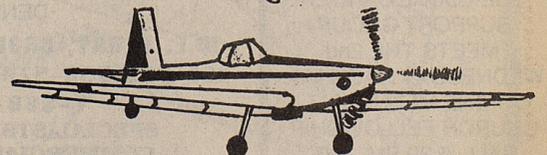
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# 'COLOR THE MONSTER' CONTEST WINNERS

A happy group of six young artists gathered at Pay and Save Friday afternoon to receive prizes for their talents in the recent "Halloween Monster Smash Coloring Contest", co sponsored by the store, Frito Lay And the Pepsi Co. Forty eight youngsters entered the contest. The first and second place winners in three age groups were; Age 2-5, Reyna Gallegos, 1st, Joani Bell, 2nd. Age 6-8, Cody Flores, 1st, Jamie Cavarrubia, 2nd. Age 9-12, Michaela Traweek, 1st, Jared Bell, 2nd.

The winners all received chips and drinks from the co-sponsors. Store manager John Kitto donated a huge inflatable 'Dino' dinosaur and a Fred Flinstone float, won by Cody Flores and Michaela Traweek. The contest was a first of what Kitto hopes will be an annual Halloween event.

# P.I.S.D. EMPLOYEE DIES

Johnny Barrientes, an employee of Plains ISD for ten years, died November 4th at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He graduated from Plains High School in 1984. He began working for the school system prior to graduation and continued after he completed high school. He was a participant in outsider volleyball, and also acted as a volleyball referee.

The staff and students will miss Johnny's smile, his friendly personality, and his helpful attitude.



Front: Reyna Gallegos, Joni Bell; Back: Cody Flores, Jamie Cavarrubia, Michaela Traweek, Jared Bell

# FROM THE HACK

With deer hunting season just around the corner, heard an appropriate story at the Table of Wisdom recently.

The story was narrated by one Buster Graham, so DON'T hold me responsible for it's authenticity, please.

Seems many year ago when Buster was still living in Eastland, one of that city's stalwart and very hefty citizens was hunting on a lease next to the land of a rancher who was noted for hating deer hunters, and who had verbally threatened bodily harm, in the form of a 30-30 bullet, to any trespassers on his property.

This fat character managed to huff and puff his way up a tall oak tree deer blind, and shortly after dawn, spotted a fine young buck, just across the fence line of the much feared rancher. He nervously debated the issue, and naturally, his primitive and greedy hunter instincts overruled common sense, and he cut down on the buck, which promptly collapsed about 30 yards from the fence.

Knowing he would be in harms way if he were discovered across the fence dressed as a hunter, he crawled down the tree, shed his camouflage clothing, his rifle,

binoculars, orange hat, rifle and hunting knife, and lofted his hefty frame over the downed deer, he grabbed it by it's nice antlers, preparing to hurriedly tug it across the

fence. At that moment, he noticed a small, bloody crease in the top of the bucks skull... he had just grazed it!

At that instant, the stunned animal returned to life, and with a snort, and other unmentionable noises, jumped up, pawing, stomping, goring, and slobbering at the desperately holding on fat hunter.

He later related he was too scared to let go of the beast, and desperately sought some sort of weapon to end both his and the deers agony. Triumphant, he managed to pull out a pair of fingernail clippers, opened them, and began to jabbing the enraged deer wherever he could, with very ineffective results.

Buster related, many hours later the guy made it back to town, parking his pickup on the town square, the deer sprawled in the bed.

According to the narrator, he happened by, saw the deer and hunter, and said, with words cleaned up by the Editor, "My word, Ed, that's a funny looking deer. The horns are all smushed down, and the head is flat and stretched out. Looks more like an alligator than a deer".

The exhausted, sweaty, bloody hunter said, "Well, you dumb ^#@\*\*}%\$, you'd look like a alligator too, if you'd been shot in the head, stabbed with nail nippers, fell on thirteen times by 320 pounds of hunter, and finally had your stupid head bashed on a rock till you finally gave up the ghost!".

Mr. Graham swears he has poached only three deer since that day.

**BEAT SUDAN !**

**STOMP SUDAN !**

# NOVEMBER HOSPICE MONTH

HOSPICE SERVICES, INC. a non profit organization began serving the terminally ill locally in 1991. More than 350 terminally ill patients and their families in Lea, Gaines & Yoakum counties have received care from the Hospice staff and volunteers. Hospice services (include medical equipment, medications, medical supplies and personal care for the patient) are provided without charge to the patient or their family. The Medicare/Medicaid benefits provide 100 percent coverage for the patient's needs relating to the terminal illness. Hospice care is also covered by most private health insurance plans. Hospice services are available to anyone in our community who is terminally ill. Donations, memorials and fund raising events provide care for those patients without a funding source. Patients are accepted into the Hospice program of care based on their health needs, not their ability to pay. Increased public awareness and understanding of Hospice care will allow Hospice Services, Inc. to better serve the families of our community who are faced with a terminal illness. If you would like to know why-and how- Hospice now appeals to at least 275,000 Americans each year, call Hospice Services, Inc.

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# COURT MEETS

The weekly session of the Yoakum County Commissioners Court met Monday, November 7, in the County Courthouse. In attendance were County Judge Dallas Brewer, and Commissioners John Avara, Bob Thurston, Jim Barron, and Macky McWhirter.

Also present were Hazel Lowrey, County Auditor, Ruby Bruton, County Clerk, Wanda Smith, County Tax Assessor-Collector, and Toni Jones, County Treasurer. The court accepted and approved the county tax report from Smith totaling \$285,183. A request from Amoco Oil Co. to lay a six inch pipeline across County Road P10 in section 369

was received and approved. The release of securities pledged by Plains State Bank to the County in the form of a \$200,000 Federal Home Loan Bank note and \$500,000 U. S. Treasury note was approved. County bills and salaries for part time employees were received and approved.

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# LOVINGTON LIVESTOCK MARKET, INC

647 head of livestock sold for 136 consignors Friday Nov. 4, 1994. Trade was active and demand was good. The calf and yearling market was steady compared with last week. Packer cows and bulls were \$2 to \$3 lower and not enough pairs for a fair market test. Bred cows selling steady to a little lower. Representative sales include:

La Rae Berry	Lovington	1 Char str	275#	\$75.25
Chambers & Blackwood	Hobbs	2 BK str	433#	90.00
Emily Tulk	Maljamar	1 Rd WF str	505#	82.50
Clinton Houston	Tatum	9 Eng str	451#	82.00
Clinton Houston	Tatum	3 Eng X str	535#	82.50
Sid Price	Tatum	4 Char X str	670#	75.00
McNeil Ranch	Hobbs	2 Brang str	778#	70.00
Uylen Hebison	Crossroads	13 RdMF hfr	408#	75.25
Walter Lawrence	Hobbs	5 Exot X hfr	424#	75.00
K & K Cattle Co	Seminole	2 Brang hfr	505#	75.50
James Chambers	Hobbs	2 BkWF hfr	563#	66.50
McNeil Ranch	Hobbs	3 Brang hfr	572#	70.25
Bill Stephens	Eunice	8 WF hfr	552#	68.00
Ubaldo Garcia	Hobbs	1 Bk hfr	840#	59.00
Diamond & 1/2	Lovington	2 Bk Cows	head	555.00
Rainbow Ranch	Deming	5 Xbrd Cows	head	510.00
Kenny Treadwell	Deming	4 RdMF Cows	head	475.00
S & A Dairy	Lovington	1 Hol C	1580#	40.75
Ruch Dairy	Hobbs	1 Hol C	1320#	40.10
Diamond & 1/2	Lovington	1 Xbrd C	1095#	42.00
McNeil Ranch	Hobbs	1 BKC	1170#	39.00
Alexander Bros	Lovington	1 Hol C	1290#	38.40
Dr. M. V. Hinderliter	Portales	1 Rd C	1375#	38.25
High Lonesome	Hobbs	1 Hol C	1380#	38.40
Dayton Elam	Seminole	1 WFC	1335#	36.50
Rockview	Hobbs	1 Hol C	1295#	38.00
Robert Jameson	Seminole	1 WFC	1225#	36.00
Alexander Bros	Lovington	1 Bk Bull	1395#	57.25
Diamond & 1/2	Lovington	1 Bk Bull	1555#	58.80
Jones Estate	Tatum	1 Bk Bull	1850#	57.25
Jimmy Sterling	Lovington	1 Char Bull	1805#	56.70
Winnie Kennann	Eunice	1 RdWF Bull	1955#	56.75

### ADVANCE CONSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK:

100 head	str & hfr	Cfs 375-550	mostly bk
70 head	str & hfr	Cfs 500-600	Limo X weaned 60 days
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The entire staff here at Lovington Livestock Market, Inc. would like to thank everyone for their continued support and loyalty. This sale works for us only if it works for you. If you have any ideas or suggestions to make it work better, feel free to call or come by. Our doors are always open as well as our minds. To visit, consign livestock, or for information call Wayne, Cassie or Jim. Information about upcoming sales can also be heard on these radio stations: 6:10 a.m. KPOS-107.3 FM Post; 6:15 a.m. KLEA-101.7 FM Lovington; 6:05 a.m. W105-105.1 FM Maljamar; 6:20 a.m. KPER-95.7 FM Hobbs; 6:35 a.m. KSEL-95.3 FM Portales; 6:45 a.m. KCCC-930 AM Carlsbad; 6:55 a.m. KTZA-92.9 FM Artesia; 7:00 a.m.(Tx.) KIUN-1400 AM Pecos;

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Prayer Concerns:  
Annette Cleveland  
J. W. Beal  
Jerry Hale Family  
Frank Spencer

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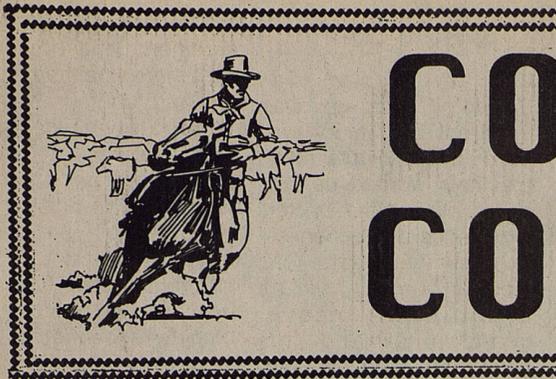
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**ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER 9 THRU 15**

CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

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| 9TH                         | Mike & Jean Payne (A) |
| Brett Culwell               | 13TH                  |
| Lauren Davis                | Brad Crump            |
| Frank Jimenez Jr.           | Joe & Judy Deaton     |
| Marte Pierce                | David Brunson         |
| 10TH                        | Kimberly Jackson      |
| Brenda Conner               | 14TH                  |
| Charles & Beth Ann Cain (A) | Victor L Bernal       |
| 11TH                        | John Curry            |
| Tony Lazos                  | Jo Peterson           |
| Gary & Toni Jones (A)       | Lensey Cullins        |
| 12TH                        | Joan Humphrey         |
| D. J. Robertson             | Beverly Lowrey        |
| Rebecca Lowrey              | Jim Robertson         |
| Pat Hinkle                  | 15TH                  |
| Joe Martinez Jr.            | Pascual S. Valdes Jr. |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO  
DOLORES WILSON  
ATHENSTEXAS

**EDUCATION AND WELFARE**

"Figures released on June 1 of this year reveal a startling correlation between unemployment and lack of education. A study made in 28 counties including 2,896 heads of families showed that 17.4% of those on welfare had never attended school, and an additional 28.3% had left school before completing the fifth grade. Only 2.7% had completed high school, and a bare one percent had attended college. Only 0.2% held college degrees, and only one person had done graduate work. He represented one-thirtieth of one percent of the total. Of those over 65, 39.3% were illiterate".

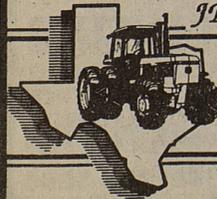
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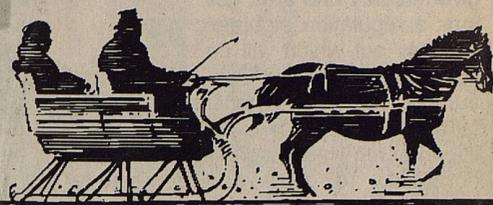
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**BROCCOLI CASSEROLE**

The following recipe was given to Blanche Dyer many years ago by County Clerk Ruby Bruton.

- 1 pkg. frozen chopped broccoli; drained & cooked according to directions on box leaving off salt.
- 2 cups cooked rice
- Mix together then add:
- 1 cup chopped celery & onions
- 1 can mushroom soup (undiluted)
- 1 med. jar Cheez Whiz
- Mix & pour into large casserole dish and bake at 350° F until it bubbles.

You are cordially invited to attend a Retirement Party for Roy Edwards

on Sunday, November 20, 1994

from 1:00 to 4:00 pm

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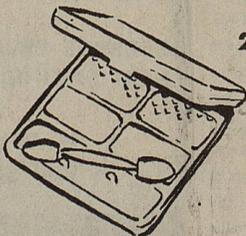
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**THE NEW LOOK FOR EYES:**

**SMOKY!**

1. Prepare lid-to-brow area by first applying Shadow Control Creme to prolong wear and prevent creasing.
2. Line top and bottom with Smoke (Cool), Midnight (Cool), Espresso (All), Lite Brown (All) or Camel (All) Eye Defining Pencil. Don't go beyond end of eye. Smudge a bit with a Q-tip.
3. Sweep medium shade across lid and up into crease. (BeautiControl's new smoky shades from the Fall Tapestry Collection are excellent choices.)
4. Add length and shape to lashes by using a lash curler. (Try the new plastic eyelash curlers...they're less stressful on the lashes.)
5. Apply a generous amount of Spectaculash. (Wipe wand with tissue first to prevent clumping.) At night, glue a few individual lashes on for a glamorous holiday look!



**UP-TO-THE-MINUTE BROWS!**

The look for brows is softer and more natural than ever. Well-groomed brows will open up your eyes and give your entire face a more balanced, polished look.

- Brow shape should mimic the curve of the crease of your eye.
- Over-plucked, too thin brows are outdated.
- To fill in sparse spots, use two different shades of pencil for a natural look.
- For a softer look when filling in sparse spots, use an eyeshadow applied with a Q-tip.



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# NEW NINE HOLES READY FOR PLAY AT Y.C. GOLF CLUB

The long awaited opening of the new back nine holes of the county golf course occurred this week when County and Club officials cut the symbolic red ribbon on the 16th hole.

The two and one half year construction and development project has given county and area golf fans a regulation eighteen hole lay out which will be both a challenge and pleasure to play. The greens, fairways and tee boxes will improve with time, as grass continues to grow and spread.

Jim Brown, Yoakum County Golf Club President, and Club Pro Wiley Osborne landed the role the County Commissioners Court played in completing the project. Brown thanked County Judge Dallas Brewer and Commissioners John Avara, Bob Thurston, Jim Barron and Mackey McWhirter for recognizing the need and importance of the addition prior to its initial start up construction. Judge Brewer and Commissioner Avara said the golf course is easily the most heavily used recreational facility in the county.

Osborne said, "The cooperation between the four county precincts in this project has been outstanding, and it wouldn't be finished at this time without that cooperation."



Club directors had words of praise for the dozens of individuals and business firms who donated time, labor and equipment in the development process.

The new nine holes are challenging for good golfers, and a few of them are nightmares for the average weekend duffer. The new holes measure 3210 yards

in length from the Championship tees, making the full eighteen play 6440 yards, a very respectable distance.

A word to the wise about the six new holes on the east side of the course; Some of the par four and par five holes have very narrow fairways, making an accurate first shot vitally



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## TELCOT<sup>®</sup> Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For The Week Ending November 3

The cotton market may have reached a crossroads this week as mixed fundamental news failed to feed the bulls. It was a departure from recent weeks when bullish sentiment had been on the rise. The market now appears poised to move significantly one way or the other, but the puzzling question to some analysts is which way prices will go.

A clear indication of the recent bullishness was witnessed last week when speculators switched from 15 percent net short to 10 percent net long positions. According to one cotton analyst, it was the second largest shift in the speculative commitment in the entire history of the numbers, and by far the largest shift from net short to net long.

The bullish attitude may have helped fuel the recent rise in cotton futures prices. As of November 1, cotton futures had closed higher 15 of the previous 20 consecutive sessions. This may help explain the recent decline in U.S. export sales. This week, however, prices were basically unchanged at the New York Cotton Exchange as futures contracts traded within a narrow range.

The market received more fundamental news this week than it had observed in quite some time. Yet, the news carried mixed signals, making it difficult for some traders to absorb all of the information as technical factors continued to prevail. Perhaps the most notable fundamental report came from the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC).

The committee raised its forecast for 1994-95 world cotton production to 88.13 million bales from 87.36 million bales in

October. That upward revision compares with a revised ICAC production estimate for the 1993-94 crop of 76.08 million bales, which puts the 1994-95 world crop at the second highest level ever according to the committee.

ICAC also lowered its forecast for world cotton consumption this year to 86.09 million bales, down from 86.72 million bales a month earlier. ICAC noted that this anticipated consumption still would be a record. Despite the committee's projections, Mother Nature is hampering crops in some major cotton producing countries.

This year's cotton crop in Pakistan will be 6.60 to 7.03 million bales, falling short of the government's 7.42 million-bale target due to heavy rainfall and insects, the Pakistani Central Cotton Committee reported this week. This could result in production barely meeting domestic consumption estimates. Meanwhile, the crop outlook in Greece is in question due to recent flooding, drought continues to overshadow Australia's crop potential, and the expected crop in Uzbekistan appears to be shrinking due to harvest-related difficulties.

Helping offset these projected crop shortfalls was the ICAC estimate for China at 21.1 million bales, up 400,000 from the committee's previous figure. The previous USDA estimate for Chinese cotton production was 20 million bales. Late this week, a top Chinese official pegged his country's crop at 20.93 million bales, offering substantiation to the ICAC figure.

With this week's uncertainty and the

probability that pipelines are temporarily filled, spot sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT totaled 45,914 bales in the five trading days ending November 3. That was down significantly from the previous week's 103,001 bales. Average daily prices received by producers selling on TELCOT ranged from 64.86 to 65.31 cents per pound.

USDA announced export sales of U.S. cotton increased a net 110,600 bales in the week ended October 27, up from the previous week's figure of 12,600 bales. However, a quiet export market resulting from higher futures prices this week also may have contributed to the decline in spot market sales. Although the department's marketing certificate value increased to 246 points for the week ending November 10, up 43 points from the previous week, futures prices could continue to outpace the certificate's value, thus discouraging new export business.

Also capturing the market's attention was USDA's preliminary announcement that farmers must idle 7.5 percent of their upland cotton acres for the 1995 crop. However, the National Cotton Council holds firmly to its belief that the set-aside for upland cotton should be at zero. The government's ARP rate may be based upon budget considerations rather than anticipated production and offtake for next year.

USDA also announced a target price of 72.9 cents per pound for the 1995 upland cotton crop, and a price support loan rate of 51.92 cents per pound for base quality cotton. USDA added that no paid land diversion will be offered in 1995.

# SECO

Local residents demonstrated their fondness for good Chili at the First United Methodist Church second annual Chili Festival yesterday.

Wilma Powell, Social Events Chairperson in the Church stated almost 200 people spooned up bowls of red this year. "We were embarrassed last year when we had to tell a few folks we sold out of chili, so this year we cooked 16,

important. Pushing or pulling the ball in the knee high shinnery rough will probably result in pulling a new ball from the bag. The grounds keeping crew will soon start eradicating the troublesome shinnery.

The par four 14 and 17 are fiendishly long, playing into prevailing south and southwest winds and featuring severe dog legs, will test even scratch shooting golfers. The 500 yard par five eleventh hole has water on the right most of its length.

The long par three 16th calls for the tee shot into the wind over the large water storage lake. Those waters have already baptized the first golf club, thrown by a nameless Plains golfer who failed to clear the water. After throwing the graphite wood club, and delivering a string of colorful but unprintable words. The guy sheepishly admitted, "You know, I probably shouldn't have done that." His golfing buddies agreed, one of them telling him, "You're sure right about that. The lake is 22 feet deep there."

Others attending the official opening ceremonies included George Tovar, Course Superintendent, Matt Ralston and Michael Allen, ground keepers.

# DR. YOST

and the Doctor was attending him. It was apparent the injury was serious, and Norita found the boys worried parents and explained the Doctors experience and expertise to ease their fears. The young man would eventually recover completely, and parents still send the Yosts a Christmas card each year.

The eight years association with Cowboy football teams has left the Doctor warmly familiar with the players, and they respect him, as do all our

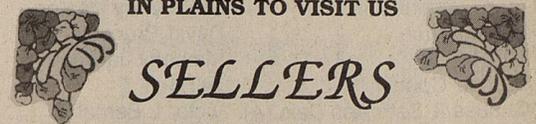
to have more time for after retirement, and hopefully much more time for the golf course. Wife Norita chuckled when she said, "Yes, retirement sure sounds good but it won't surprise me to find us on the sidelines of some school stadium next football season. I'm not sure he will ever be completely weaned away from the game". Doctor and Mrs. Yost, we certainly hope that sideline is the Cowboys'. Your dedication and service is admired and appreciated by all of us.

# BEAT SUDAN I

church volunteers helped out in the busy Fellowship Hall kitchen for the fund raising event. Bud Forbus cooked a huge pot of red beans, and many church ladies prepared cakes, pies and cookies for the big bake sale.

turnish all the paper goods. The youngest chili fan, Isaac Doyle, infant son of Pastor Rick Doyle, was offered a taste of the good stuff by several people, but his mom, B. J. felt he might be just a bit young for the Texas favorite.

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