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TROPHY WINNERS IN THE DENVER CITY TOURNAMENT were Plains Junior High Wranglers seventh and eighth grade teams. Pictured above, the seventh grade team members are back row, ltr, Eloisa Luna, Brandy Lester, Monica Flores, Carmaleta Pope and Sonja Baker; front row, Andrea Salas, Darce Pierce, Ogla Ramirez, Lora Luna and Betsy Blair. Pictured below, the eighth grade team includes, back row, ltr, Jo Lena Powell, Amy Jones, Rena McElroy, Leticia Vasquez, Daphne Lowe and Stephanie Cole; front row, ltr, Janice Herrera, Kemi Cobb, Ashlee Winn and Leslie Gonzales.



Sudden Illness Claims Life Of Dora 'Ferne' Lowrey

Services for Dora "Ferne" Lowrey, 63, of Tokio were held Thursday at 2 p.m. in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Moseley, pastor of Snyder's Union Baptist Church, officiating.

The Rev. Ken Horn, pastor, will assist.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lowrey died Tuesday morning at Granbury Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

She was born in Ranger and attended schools in Mingus, Fort



FERNE LOWREY public. Admission is free. County Conservation Board To Hold Election Oct. 6

An election for a director to serve in Zone 3 on the Yoakum County Soil and Water Conservation Board is scheduled for Oct. 6, 1987 in the Plains Library was announced recently by Loren Gayle, chairman of the board. The election will be held at 7 p.m.

Worth and Lipan. She married Carl Lowrey on Dec. 20, 1940, in Lubbock. She was a correspondent for a Brownfield newspaper. She was the first president of Yoakum County Women's Cotton Club and was a member of the Home Demonstration Club and Women's Democratic Club.

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Survivors include her husband; four sons, Roy and Melvin, both of Plains, and Coy and Jerry, both of Tokio; three brothers, R.R. Bearden of Granbury and James Bearden and Dale Bearden, both of Fort Worth; a sister, Ellen Goodman of Granbury; and nine grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Kevin Lowrey, Scott Lowrey, Steve Lowrey, Chad Lowrey, William Worsham and Lloyd Brooks.

Men's Choir To Sing Here

Singing Men of Texas, an all men's choir, will be featured in concert Thursday, Oct. 8 in First Baptist Church, Hiway 214 and 17th Street. The program begins at 7 p.m.

An invitation is extended to the public. Admission is free.

An election for a director to serve Zone 3 on the Yoakum County district. Soil and water conservation district directors serve four-year

Legal qualifications state that a candidate for the office of a soil and water conservation district director must own land in the zone he represents, be at least 18 years of age and be actively engaged in farming or ranching. He must also live in a county all or part of which is in the

terms of office.

Zone 3 of the district included is the Northwest quarter of Yoakum County excluding a six mile by six mile square adjacent to Plains.

Current members of the board of directors of the Yoakum SWCD are Loren Gayle, chairman, Broncos; Bobby White, vice chairman, Tokio; Dick McGinty, secretary, Plains; David Turnbough, member, Denver City; and Bob Jones, member, Plains.

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County Treasurer Attends Conference

Toni Jones, Yoakum County Treasurer, attended the 39th Annual County Treasurers Conference. Held in Odessa, the meeting was attended by some 164 other officials and guests.

Jim Mattox, Texas Attorney General, was keynote speaker. Special guest speaker was John Bryant, U.S. Congressman from the Fifth District, Dallas.

"County Treasurers have the major responsibility for handling and investing county funds," said Mrs. Jones. "It's an ever changing business that requires staying on top of the latest in money management and legal requirements for government fiscal accountability."

County Treasurers attending the conference also heard various speakers on such subjects as payroll, accounting, investment alternatives, computer software applications and public relations.

The annual conference is one of the educational programs sponsored by the County Treasurers Association of Texas.

Plains Cowboys Beat Stanton

Fullback Blake McWhirter rushed for two touchdowns and quarterback Shane McMinn added a touchdown run and a scoring pass as Plains posted a 28-0 non-district victory over Stanton.

McMinn, who also kicked two conversions, raced 16 yards for a TD in the first quarter and threw a 30-yard scoring pass to Scott Lowrey in the second as the Cowboys, 3-1, took a 14-0 lead at intermission. Plains final tally, 28; Stanton, 0.

School Events

MONDAY: Volleyball, Tatum, There, 7th-8th, 6 p.m. (CST);

Communicate More Effectively By Listening & Taking Time

Talking is a good step toward improving family communications, but don't stop there. Talking is just one of the many ways to communicate and draw your family closer together, says Mary Dale Williams, Yoakum County Extension Agent, Home Economics.

Good listeners can help communication by trying to understand the meaning behind what's being said, and provide feedback to help the speaker get in touch with what he or she is trying to convey.

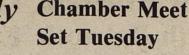
Being empathetic also facilitates communication. Try imagining what someone else feels like, and it may help you better understand their situation.

Placing blame and making accusations tends to close communication lines. Explaining your own feelings instead of blaming can improve family communication. Try describing how an event or problem affected you, and help others understand what you feel and why.

more effectively if you take the time, and say what's really on your mind. Hiding feelings behind quick answers and indirect questions can lead to misunderstandings and disagreements.

Also be aware of nonverbal communication. Watch for gestures and facial expressions which can convey a variety of emotions and subtle messages.

ple talking. Communication can help make family relationships stronger, and help members get to know each other better. Visit your County Extension Agent to find helpful brochures on communication.



Plains Chamber of Commerce will meet in regular session at 7 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6 in Johnnie's Restaurant.

All interested persons are invited to attend the monthly meetings and become members of the organization. Dues are \$5 per month for businesses or \$1 per month for individuals.

Chamber meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.



Volleyball, Denver City, Here, JV-V, 5 p.m. **TUESDAY:** Texas Tech Marching Festival THURSDAY: Football, Ropes, There, 8th, 5 p.m.; Football, Morton, Here, 7th-JV, 5 p.m. FRIDAY: School dismisses at 1:15 p.m.; Junior Class orders Senior Rings; Football, Ropes, Here, V, 8 p.m. SATURDAY: Volleyball, Crane, There, 9-JV-V, 2 p.m.; Farm Bureau, Cafeteria, 7 p.m.

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New Program Year Begun With Patriotic Evening

Tsa Mo Ga Club launched a new program year Monday evening in a 7 p.m. meeting in the club house. New year books were presented.

Theme of the public affairs meeting was "We The People", commemorating the bicentennial of the United States Constitution. In keeping with the patriotism theme, the evening's program was directed by Sarah Jane Field and presented by Mr. and Mrs. Ty Earl Powell, Lebert and Jo Lena.

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The family shared their impressions of a recent visit to Washington, D.C. They were among some 300,000 people who attended the July Fourth celebration in the Mall.

Hostesses Mmes. Macky McWhirter, Eddie Earnest, Greg Crawford and Polly Rushing served an "American Supper" of hot dogs on buns with chili-bean sauce, watermelon, apple pie, tea and coffee.

Table appointments were Early

AHA Introduces Heart Kits

To Elementary Grades 1-3

American crocks and jars. Napkins were red, white and blue.

Mrs. Leon Simpson, president, conducted a business session following the program. Goal for the year for members is to better understand the Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Mmes. Thrash, Blundell Attend Fall Conference

p.m

Barbara Thrash and Billie Blundell represented Plains Fine Arts Club at the fall conference of Texas Federation of Music Clubs Saturday, in Asbury United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

President of the local club, Mrs. Thrash received a blue ribbon for the club. She extended an invitation for members of District II to meet for their fall conference in 1988 in Plains. Featured speaker was Mrs. W. Lavoy Whitworth of Austin, president of Texas Federation of Music Clubs. Mrs. Phillip W. Johnson of Lubbock, president of District II, presided. Hosting the conference was Lubbock Music Club.

Shower To Fete

Ruth Ann Curtis

Mrs. Billy Dan Curtis, nee Ruth

Ann Diaz, will be complimented

with a bridal shower Saturday, Oct.

3 in the home of Mrs. Vaughn

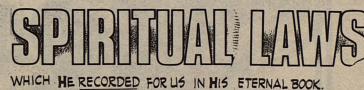
Culwell. Calling hours are 2 to 4

Friends and relatives are invited.

Entertainment was provided by Stacey Hills of Western Texas College, recipient of the District II D'Aun Marshall Scholarship. Coronado Chamber Group under direction of Dennis Richards, also performed in special commemoration of the 75th anniversary of music in public schools. All public school music teachers were honored. The District includes clubs from Levelland, Crosbyton, Lubbock, Seagraves, Seminole, Snyder and Plains.



WE CANNOT VIOLATE GOD'S HAMMERING



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Filmtime youngsters meeting Wednesday in Yoakum County Library in Plains saw two films, "Zoo" and "Up a Tree". Book of the day was "If I Found a Wishful Unicorn". Youngsters played teapot.

Attending were two guests, Crystal Ivins of Denver City and Danielle Huerta. Others were Noel Castillo, Chase Howell, Kyle Kight, Jayce Clayton, Chad Maines, Elizabeth Wilmeth, Ashlei Mason, Dustin Six, Tarren and Keenan Hancock, Tiffany Canon, Tanya Vasquez, Adam Garcia, Briana Garza, Eve Mendoza, Jessica Mendoza, Kelsey Blundell, Justin Taylor and Jose Mendoza.

"The Man Who Rode Midnight" by Elmer Kelton

"Touch" by Elmore Leonard

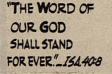
"The Parson's Daughter" by Catherine Cookson

"Weep No More, My Lady" by Mary Higgins Clark

"The Great Depression of 1990" by Dr. Ravi Batra

"Flight of the Old Dog" by Dale Brown

There are many new books in the library. Go by and check out something for your reading enjoyment.



Heart disease, Texas' number one killer, often begins early in life and to alter the course of the disease with children, the American Heart Association in Texas will make available a new heart health program, Heart Explorers, at no cost for all Texas accredited elementary schools with a first, second and third grade program.

American children are especially at risk for heart disease, having relatively high levels of cholesterol. The Heart Explorers curriculum provides teachers with the necessary materials and information to develop children's positive attitudes and behaviors toward their health and their hearts. Each grade's lessons suggest that it is easier to form good habits as a child, than it is to change bad habits as an adult; therefore, children can and should learn about a heart healthy lifestyle early in life.

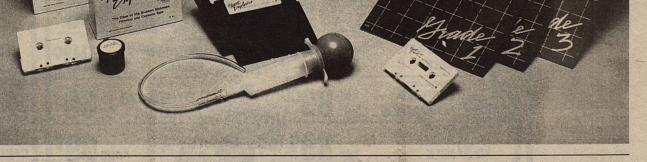
Heart Explorers teaches students in grades 1, 2 and 3 the basic principles of preventing heart and blood vessel disease through the process skills of science, language and fine arts, along with the health and physical education content. This curriculum was developed by an AHA in Texas volunteer task force and pilot-tested twice in four Texas school districts by teachers and students. The study found that students enjoyed the Heart Explorers lessons and learned basic heart-health knowledge.

Each grade level of Heart Explorers teaches the basic concepts of heart health using these five modules: structure and function of the heart; nutrition for the heart; physical activity and the heart; smoking avoidance; and blood pressure and pulse (in grades 2-3 on-ly). The curriculum's support materials include guides, worksheet and test masters, a wall poster, stethoscopes, a bulb syringe and plastic tubing, a parent newsletter master, filmstrips, cassette tapes,

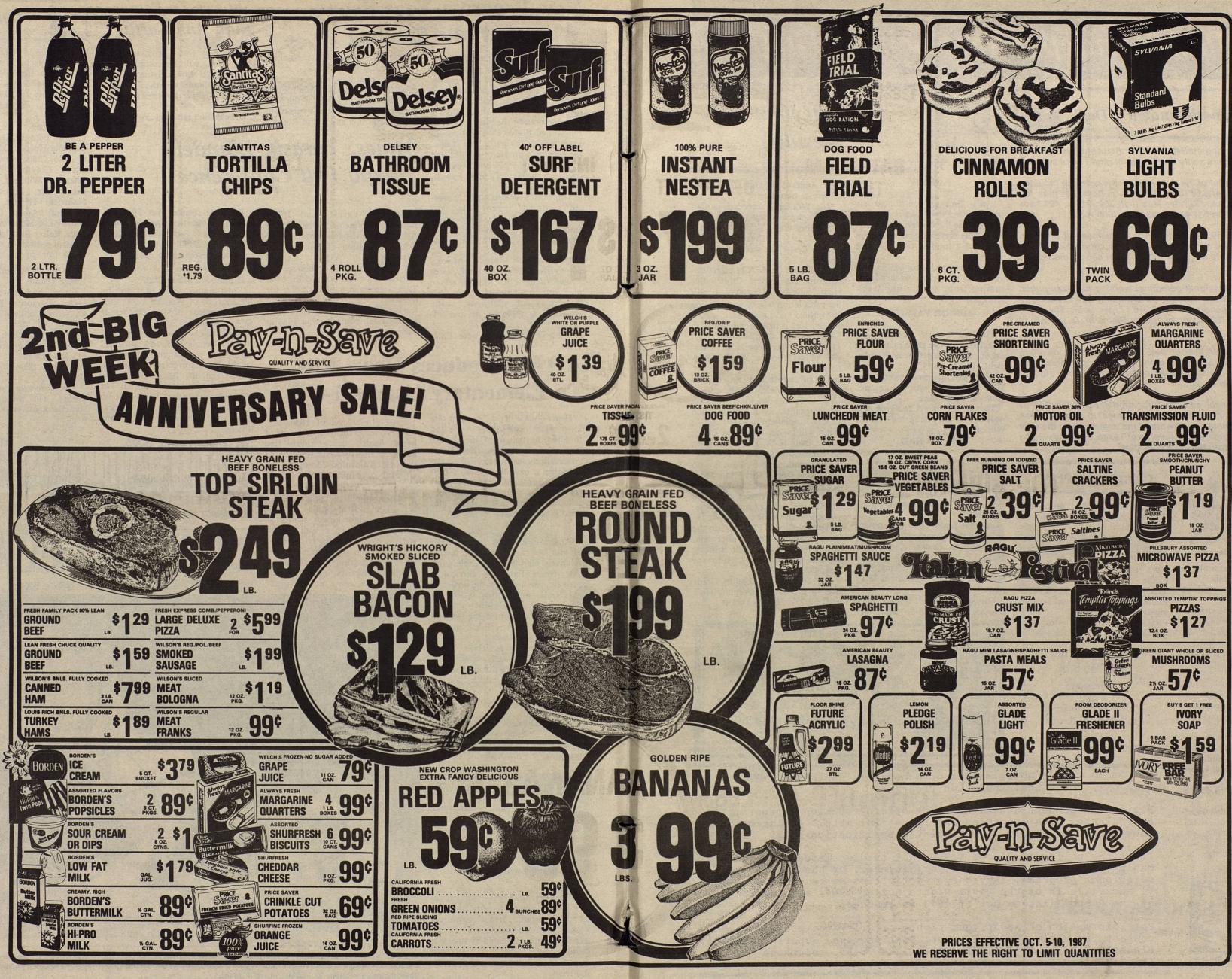
computer diskettes, a list of Essen-

tial Elements, and a reorder form.

Teachers found the curriculum easy to use and the lessons appealing to youngsters. Heart Explorers meets many of the required Essential Elements mandated by state law and provides "hands-on" and small group and individual activities for students.



In the spring of 1988, all accredited public and private elementary schools in Texas will receive a free gift from the American Heart Association. The gift is called Heart Explorers, and is made possible through the generosity of the Houston Endowment, Inc., a philanthropy endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Jones.



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Plains Independent School District

From The Superintendent's Desk

There are many interesting statistics to be noted concerning Texas Schools. The following are some that I thought might be of interest:

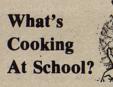
In Texas there are a total of 1,411 school districts which includes private and public districts. Of these districts, 77 have less than 100 average daily attendance, 282 have less than 300 A.D.A., 421 have less than 500 A.D.A., and 631 have less than 1000 A.D.A.

Houston I.S.D. has 1,759,280 students or 5.9 percent of the total 2,981,831 students being educated in Texas. Houston educates the same number of students as 544 of the smallest school districts in Texas.

There are 222,099 professional personnel working in Texas public schools, with the average teacher salary being \$24,927.00. The average per pupil expenditure is \$3,316.17 per year. The state average tax rate is \$0.7804 as compared to Plains I.S.D. tax rate of \$0.36.

There are 13,877 regular school bus routes in Texas traveling 184,616,101 yearly, or 931,051 miles daily, at an average operational cost of \$1.39 per mile. The state average cost to transport a student to school is \$274.78 per year.

There are many costs involved in the education of our students that often are overlooked. It is interesting at times to ponder these statistics so as to become more aware of the immensity of the task we undertake as we educate the students of Texas. Perhaps we can take another look at statistics at a later date.



BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal and raisins, grape juice and milk. TUESDAY - Donut, apple juice

and milk. WEDNESDAY - Toast, scrambl-

ed eggs, orange juice and milk. THURSDAY - Waffles, syrup,

butter, tomato juice and milk. FRIDAY - Frosted flakes,

pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Taco with taco sauce, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, sopapillas, cinnamon spread and milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce, blackeyed peas, tossed salad, peanut butter, honey and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onion rings, potato chips, fruit, chocolate chip cookies and milk.

THURSDAY - Tuna salad on lettuce, pea salad, carrot sticks, blueberry shortcake and milk. FRIDAY - Salisbury steak with gravy, carrots, lettuce wedge, hot rolls, peanuts and milk.

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MONDAY, OCT. 5: 2 p.m., 1987 Plains Volleyball against Brownfield

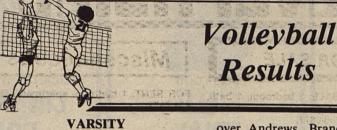
TUESDAY, OCT. 6: 2 p.m., 1987 Plains Football against Stanton

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7: 2 p.m., 1987 Plains Volleyball against Crane

THURSDAY, OCT. 8: 2 p.m., 1987 Plains Cowgirls at Imperial Tournament

FRIDAY, OCT. 9: 2 p.m., 1987 Plains Football against Stanton

> REMEMBER... Fridays Are Black & Gold Days!!



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Lydia Jimenez contributed six kills to power the Cowgirls past Jal 15-1, 15-5 in the Cowgirl gym Tuesday night. Karen Cobb had three acres and a total of twelve service points.

The Cowgirls, now 15-4, will travel to Wink this weekend for competition with the Wink Wildcats.

JUNIOR VARSITY

The Junior Varsity Cowgirls were defeated in a three game match with Jal in the Cowgirl gym Tuesday night, 15-13, 10-15, 9-15. Leading the Cowgirls in service points was Martha Rivera with 15 service points and four aces.

The JV will travel to Wink this weekend for a 2 p.m. game with the Wildcats.

JUNIOR HIGH

The Seventh Grade defeated Denver City and Andrews to bring home the third place trophy from the Denver City Junior High Volleyball Tournament last weekend.

Brandy Lester had 12 service points in the Wranglers' first round victory over Denver City, 15-4, 16-14.

They lost a 1-15, 11-15 match to Seminole in their second round of play.

The Seventh Grade claimed third place by posting a 15-5, 15-8 victory

over Andrews. Brandy Lester had 10 service points.

The Wranglers recorded anotherwin Monday afternoon on the home court when they downed Denver City, 15-11, 15-11. Darce Pierce and Brandy Lester had six service points each.

The Eighth Grade A Team returned from the Denver City Junior High Volleyball Tournament with the consolation trophy by defeating Brownfield and Levelland.

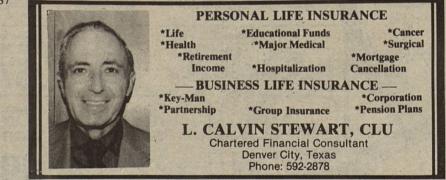
They lost a first round match to Denver City "Red" 8-15, 15-7, 11-15. Rena McElroy had ten service points for the Wrangler offense.

The girls advanced to the consolation match by defeating Brownfield 15-3, 15-8. Jo Lena Powell had six service points. Rena McElroy had 12 service points followed by Ashlee Winn with seven and Kemi Cobb, six, in their 16-14, 5-15, 15-13 win for consolation against Levelland.

The Eighth Grade A Team lost to the visiting Denver City Fillies Monday afternoon 15-12, 15-12. Rena McElroy had 10 service points and Amy Jones had eight service points.

The Eighth Grade B Team downed Denver City B 15-2, 15-5 in the Cowgirl gym Monday afternoon. Leticia Vasquez and Leslie Brinkley had nine service points each for the Wranglers.

The Seventh and Eighth Grade girls will host the Plains Junior High Volleyball Tournament this weekend.



Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Vocational Education Programs

Plains Independent School District offers vocational programs in agriculture, home economics and industrial arts. Admission to these programs is based on student classification only

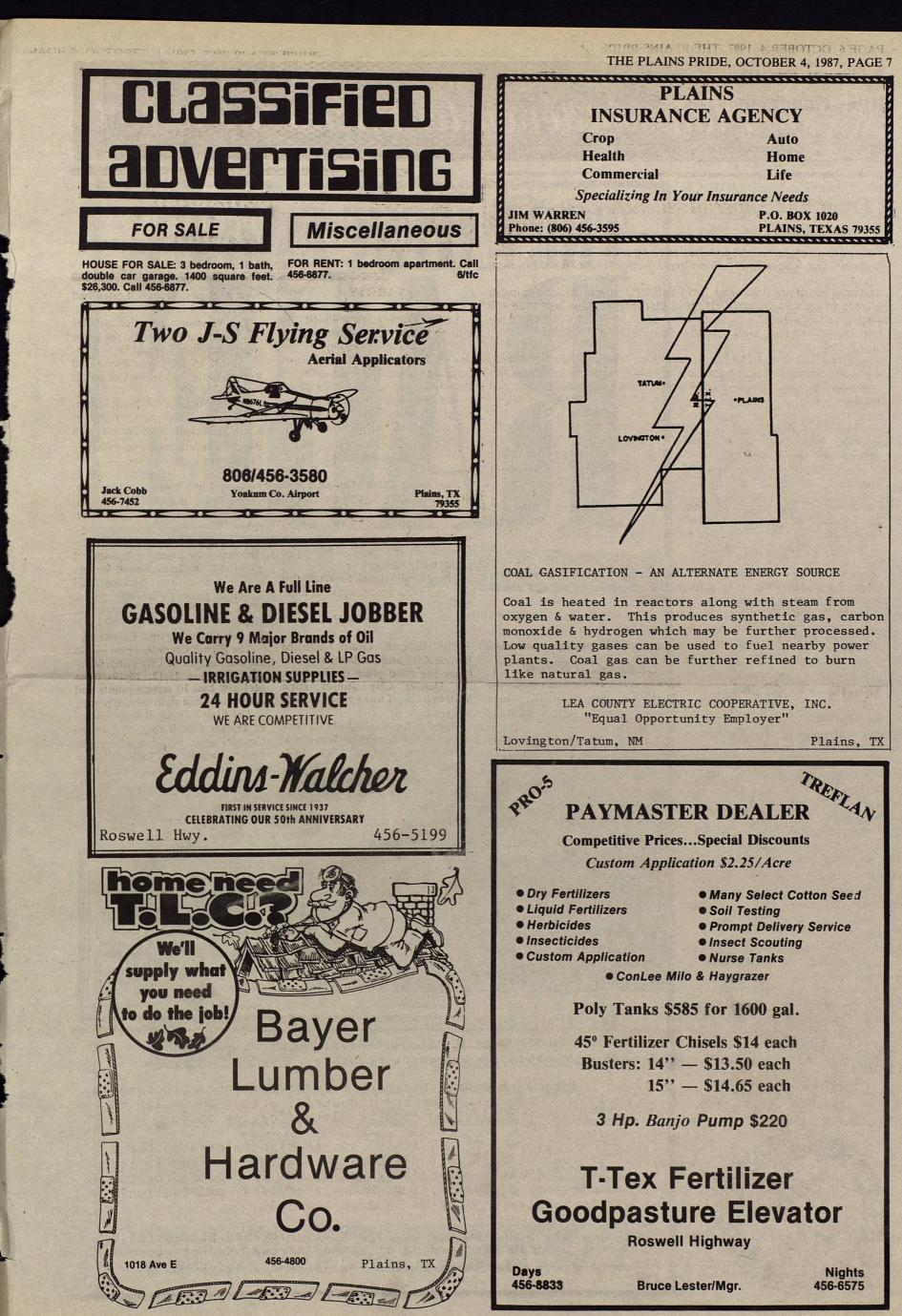


The amoeba is considered the lowest form of animal life.

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It is the policy of Plains I.S.D. not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI and Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended.

For information of about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Dean Andrews, Superintendent, Plains I.S.D., P.O. Box 479, Plains, TX 79355, telephone 456-7401.



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Leonard Smith **Rites Conducted**

Services for Leonard O. "Pete" Smith, 79, of Tahoka were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29 in First United Methodist Church with Revs. Mark and Twila Gibbens-Rickman, pastors, officiating.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home.

He died at 9 p.m. Thursday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born July 4, 1908 in Moody and moved to Lynn County in 1925. He married Vera Davis in 1935. She died in 1980. He married Louise Wyatt on Oct. 22, 1981, in Tahoka. He was a retired farmer and rancher. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Sandra Ellison and Sheila Stephens, both of Plains; a son, Lanny of Plains; two step-daughters, Jerre Ann Martin of Lubbock and Mary Ellan Moe of Waitsburg, Wash.; a sister, Lorraine Cabe of Brownfield; two brothers, W.H. of Lubbock and H.B. of Pecos; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Steve Smith, Tim Smith, Kyle Stephens, Travis Mires, Brent Van Dyke and Steve Jones.

Former Resident Buried Here

Services for Willie V. Smith, 98, of Brownfield were held recently in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken Horn, pastor, officiating.

He was assisted by the Rev. E.K Shepherd, senior adult minister of First Baptist Church in Brownfield.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith died at 6:10 a.m. Monday in Brownfield Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

She was born in Tarrant County and moved to Hereford in 1917 before moving to Plains in 1940. She moved to Brownfield in 1975. She married Harold Smith on Dec. 2, 1906, in Harrold. He died in 1969.

Survivors include four daughters, Hazel Lackey of Brownfield, Dorothy Wolf of Edwards, Mo., Evelyn Gault of Albuquerque, N.M. and Billy McCravey of Plains; three sons, Edward of Brownfield, Farris of Cookeville, Tenn. and Glen of Sundown; 17 grand-children; and 27 greatgrandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, George Lackey, Steve Lackey, Greg McCravey, Byron Smith, Harold Smith and Kraig Smith.



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