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Farmers begin effort to kill eradication plan

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Garza County farmers seeking redress from the High Plains zone of the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation may join farmers in Hale County in recall election. A group of Hale County farmers have started a petition drive to force a recall election on the issue.

Tommy Applewhite of Cotton Center was named by the Hale County farmers to coordinate recall election efforts.

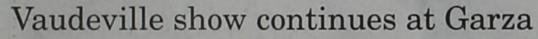
PHS band members excel in regional contest

Bill Cole qualified to advance to the state U.I.L. solo contest following regional competition in Lubbock last weekend. Cole will compete at the state contest the last weekend of May.

Five PHS band members earned First Division ratings for their solo efforts: Leticia Ortiz, flute; Elizabeth Stegall, clarinet; Shelley Shifflett, clarinet; Jose Diaz, alto

saxophone and Cole, trumpet. Other students participating in the regional event were Lacey Hodges, clarinet; Marty Dissinger, trumpet; LaTricia Martin, clarinet; Heather Mason, contra-alto clarinet; Isaac Perez, alto saxophone; Leonard Rodela, timpani; Robert Kilmer, timpani; Jake Loredo, trumpet; Tammy Matthies, contra-bass clarinet and Jason Abraham, alto saxophone.

"Our congratulations to these students for their dedication and hard work," band director David



"Salute to 80 Years of Vaudeville," a nostalgic tribute to that early form of entertainment, continues this weekend at the Garza Theatre.

The show is produced by The New Musical Gray's Stock Company, with performances set Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 23-25 and March 1-3. Shows begin at 7:45 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Call 495-4005 for reservations.

Blue Prairie's 'Cowboy Night' Tower

"Cowboy Night" this Saturday at the Tower is hosted by Blue Prairie and features music by The New Pioneers, entertaining with the famous music of Bob Wills, The Sons of the Pioneers, Roy Rogers

The evening will also include trick roper Brice Chapman and cowboy poet Howlin Harry Wolf.

The country and western show is a really family entertainment event, which starts at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 2. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$6.50. Special discounts for parties of eight or more are \$6.50 and \$5.50. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 806-



High school teacher Delton Moore (left) and middle school teacher Debbie Palmer and elementary teacher Rowena Pierce (not available for photo) were recognized as Teachers of the Year at the Post Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.



award as Citizen of the Year following the presentation at last Saturday evening's Post Chamber of Commerce awards banquet. A.C was recognized for his years of community service and Tower



OS Ranch Museum founder Giles McCrary and Louise McCrary (right) are joined with staff members Gladys Blair and Marie Neff in accepting the Business of the Year award at last Saturday's Post Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.



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group are (left to right) Gary West, Bob Terry, Hoss Crow, Bobby Smith, Berry Kellon, Vernon Gross, "Slim" and Michael Gross. Old Mill Trade Days begins Friday morning and continues through Sunday. (See "The Tradin' Post" in this

Commissioners settle damage claim, set ban on open fires

by Wes Burnett

Seventieth Year Number 39

A \$5,750 settlement was approved by the Garza County Commissioners' Court at the regular meeting Monday morning, related to damages owed the county from a 1994 accident. The issue was discussed in executive session with county attorney Leslie Acker, then the court voted in open session to accept the payment from Farm Mutual on behalf of their customer Fernando Trevino, who was driving a vehicle that collided with a county-owned truck in

Commissioners also approved a resolution proposed by Judge Giles Dalby to ban outdoor fires for an unspecified period of time due to the extreme fire hazards caused by extended dry weather. The ban allows for approved CRP and soil conservation burns, trash and

outdoor food grills. Judge Dalby issued a state of emergency statement related to dry conditions throughout the county, and the order prohibits "any open burning in the unincorporated areas of Garza County except the burning of combustible material in approved enclosures, such as trash barrels and charcoal grills, which are designed to contain all flames and embers. CRP and Wind Strips land that has been approved by the Soil Conservation Service and notification will be given to the fire marshall of Post, Texas."

The resolution calls for the implementation of the order "immediately and will be in effect for the next 10 days, and then will stay in effect until significant moisture occurs."

In other action, commissioners approved a budget amendment to include \$3,918 for the summer youth program, which will be expanded to six weeks. Dalby emphasized the importance of the program, pointing out that more than 300 youth participated last year. There was no opposition to the project. The program is also expected to get equal funding from the Post ISD and the City of Post.

The court approved the sale of property being held in trust by the Post ISD related to tax foreclosures.

A budget amendment was approved to pay for the cost of repair and replacement of the emergency generator at the Sheriff's Department. The total cost was \$13,610.

An agreement was approved, extending the current contract with

See Page 8 for details of Clyde Miller



as Conservation Farmer of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.

Lubbock County for space as needed at the juvenile detention center

in Lubbock. Attending the meeting were commissioners Royce Josey, John Valdez, Mason McClellan, Lee Norman, Judge Giles Dalby, clerk Sonny Gossett, treasurer Ruth Ann Young and attorney Leslie Acker.

Post Notes

"Echoes of the Past" at OS Museum

The OS Museum, located at 201 East Main in Post, invites you to view "Echoes of the Past." This exhibit features type specimans from the Garza County Neyland Sight (Trassic Period, c230m years). The exhibit was planned and mounted by Museum Science Students at Texas Tech University. The museum is open Monday thru Saturday, 10-12 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. Hurry and see this exhibit before it closes on March 16,

Girls' baseball adds 13-15 year-olds

The Post Summer Baseball program is adding a 13-15 year old girls' softball division for the 1996 season. Those young ladies interested may register with all other summer baseball registrants on March 4 and 5 at Norwest Bank. There is a \$10 per player registration fee and a birth certificate must be presented.

Lions Club to hold drawing

The Post Lions Club will hold a drawing for 1/2 beef on Thursday, February 29. Two halves will be given away. You have two chances to win on each ticket purchased. This is a fund raiser for eye glasses. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and may be purchased from any Lions Club member.

First day of early voting

The first day of early voting for the March primary will be February 21 in the county clerk's office. Early voting will end March 8th. Applications for mail-out ballots is in effect until March 5th. Contact the county clerk at 495-4430.

Benefit for David & Trena Woods

A benefit will be held for David and Trena Woods on Saturday, March 9. The event will be held at the Post Community Center from 5-8 p.m. A bar-b-que with all the trimmings, raffle, auction and cakewalk will be held. The event, which is sponsored by Xi Delta Rho Sorority, V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary and Volunteers from the Sophomore Class of PHS, is to help offset medical expenses. A bar-b-que pit, built by Tim Gaydos, will be raffled off. You may purchase tickets from any of the sponsors.

Class of 1976 seeking information

The Post High School Class of 1976 is seeking information on class mates. If your address has changed or you know where someone else is please contact Kim Mitchell Mills at P.O. Box 519, Post, Texas 79356.

Bicycle safety program March 30

The Garza County Sheriff's office will again sponsor their annual bicycle safety program on Saturday, March 30th at the Post Middle School gym. Two bicycles will be given away as will 24 safety helmets. Watch the Post Dispatch for more details in

Asthma in-service to be held Friday

A asthma in-serice will be held at Garza Memorial Hospital Friday, March 1, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. If you need more information contact Debbie Jenkins, CRTT, at 495-2828.



Members of the Clyde Miller family attending the Post Chamber of Commerce annual awards banquet last Saturday night were recognized by Ronnie Dunn in the presentation of the "Cowboy Hall of Fame" award to the late Clyde Miller. Family members are (back row, left to right) Jarrod Tortorelli, Riley Miller, David Smith, Excel Smith, Willie Moreno, Ben Miller, Clay Miller, Clell Knight, Ralph Miller, Mike Valentine, (seated, front) Jonalea Tortorelli, Jamie Smith, Elizabeth Miller Smith, Mary Elizabeth Murphy, Becky Miller, Dewey Fay Miller, Tammy Valentine, Mary Miller, Jennifer Miller Smith, (children front) Jessica Tortorelli, Bonnie Murphy, Gage Murphy, Miles Valentine and Miller Valentine.

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Trevah Bush becomes the bride of Daniel Yarbro February 17, 1996

The First United Methodist Church was the setting for the wedding of Trevah Bush and Daniel Yarbro on Saturday, February 17, 1996. The 2:00 p.m. ceremony was performed by Paul D. Jones, minister of the Post Church of Christ.

Parents of the bride are Mr and Mrs Jerry Bush. She is the granddaughter of Mrs J.D. McCampbell and Mrs Elmo Bush. The groom is the son of the late

Herbert Yarbro.

Double ring vows were read before a fifteen arch brass candelabra centered between two heart candelabras. They were entwined with greenery, strands of pearls and white satin bows. White tapers were used. The background was centered with a large basket of white gladioli, purple larkspur, purple iris, babies breath and a white satin bow. Family pews were marked with hurricane globes, white candles and greenery. Other pews were marked with bows of white satin, purple and teal ribbons and stands of pearls.

Given in marriage by her father

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a princess style gown of white slipper satin and Alencon lace. The bodice, encrusted with pearls and sequins, featured a Vneckline and long sleeves that came to a point over the hands and a fitted waist. The back featured a large satin bow and swept to a cathedral train adorned with lace appliques adorned with pearls and sequins.

To complete her attire the bride's silk illusion veil was attached to a satin caplet highlighted with pearls and roses.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of white orchids, purple iris, white stephanotis and entwined with white ribbon streamers.

Carrying out the tradition of something old, she wore her Grandmother Satterwhite's cameo ring, something new was her dress, something borrowed included a pearl necklace belonging to her maternal grandmother and pearl drop earrings belonging to her paternal grandmother, and something blue was her garter, made and given to

the bride by Mrs Sue Maxey. Matron of honor was Traci Bush, sister of the bride; maid of honor was Salli Bess Bush, sister of the bride; bridesmaids were Jayta Cravy and Dodie Beggs. They wore deep purple crepe street length dresses, fashioned with a fitted waistline, long sleeves and scalloped necklines. They wore pearl necklaces, pearl drop earrings and carried long-stemmed white roses tied with purple, teal and white ribbons.

Flower girl was Ericka Cravy. She wore an ankle length white eyelet dress accented with purple and teal ribbons and a purple, teal and white bow in her hair.



Dean's List

Michael Voss and Lorena Voss of Post were among more than 800

students from Abilene Christian
University named to the Dean's
Honor Roll for the fall 1995 semester.
To make the Honor Roll, a student
must complete at least 12 semester
hours and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

Michael and Lorena are the children of Jim and Serena Voss of

Best man was Cliff Laws. Groomsmen were Clinton Yarbro and Quinton Yarbro, sons of the groom, and Ronnie Metsgar. Ring bearer was Ryan Belongia, nephew of the bride. The groom and his attendants wore black tuxedo jackets, white collarless shirts and black wranglers. Ushers were Jerry D. McCampbell, of Roswell,. New Mexico, and Ricky Bush, uncles of the bride, and Wendel Johnson and Dee C. Justice.

Guests were registered by Amy

Mason, cousin of the bride. Pre-wedding music was by Jane Terry on the piano. Amy Easterling sang "Wind Beneath My Wings" as the families were seated. Noel White sang "Keeper of the Stars." The attendants entered to "Friends" and White sang "I Cross My Heart" after the vows. The couple exited to "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the fellowship hall.

The bride's table was covered with a white satin cloth overlaid with a white battenberg lace cloth. Silver candelabras with white tapers and the bride's bouquet at its base centered the table. A hand crossstitched bride and groom picture, made by Sallie Bush as a gift to the couple, adorned the table.

The bride' cake was a three pedestal cake in white trimmed with deep purple ribbon with the third cake topped with a Precious Moments cake topper was served by Debbie Mason and Donna Aten, cousins of the bride.

Champagne punch was served from a crystal punch bowl by Laura Vitt, of Crossroads, New Mexico, cousin of the bride.

The groom's table was covered in a teal cloth with a battenberg lace topper. Centering the table was a fireman's hat, firetruck and Dalmatian puppies. Chocolate cake, baked by Eunice Pope, aunt of the groom, was served. Coffee and spiced tea were served by Tricia Metsgar and Amanda Bush.

Rice bags were distributed by Jill Davis of Lubbock and Reece Belongia, nephew of the bride.

Members of the houseparty were Orabeth White, Jennie Cowdrey, Diane Graves, Judy Bush, Donna Craig, Barbara Reece, Jean Morris, Eydie Capps, Jane Mason, Loveta Josey, Lometa Epley, Barbara Ethridge and Josephine Serrano. After a wedding trip to Ruidoso,

New Mexico, the couple will be at home in Post at 301 South Avenue S. The bride is a graduate of Post High School and Tarleton University and is employed by Citizen's Bank in

The bridegroom, also a graduate of Post High School, is the owner of Fashion Cleaners.

Harp inducted in **Honor Society**

Sonya Harp's outstanding academic record made her eligible for membership in Phi Theta Kappa, the internal honor society for two year colleges.

The induction ceremony was held Monday, February 12, 1996 on behalf of Kappa Mu, Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Speaker for the ceremony was State Representative Gary L.

Kappa Mu is one of the most respected organizations on the South Plains College campus and membership is a highly coveted honor that will remain with students as they pursue their future career and educational goals.

Births

Alexis Gwen Estep

Jase and Gwen Estep are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Alexis Gwen. She was born February 15, 1996 at 9:15 in the Methodist Hospital in Levelland. Alexis weighed 6 lbs. 10 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Jay and Treasa Loper and Mike and Freda Harper all of Post.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Debbie Palmer of Post and Phillip

and Brenda Estep.
Great grandparents are Joleina
Bridgman of Rockport and Novella
Turner and Carel Turner.
Godparents are LaVena and Monk
Palmer of Post and uncle and aunt,
Sid and Doc'ds Esten of Post

Sid and Dee'Je Estep of Post.

Common sense is not so common.

-Voltaire



Jodi Maxwell and Trevor Thuett announce engagement

Jodi Maxwell and Trevor Thuett are pleased to announce their engagement and approaching

Jodi is the daughter of Annette Dewbre of Lubbock and James J. Smith of Waco. She is a 1989 graduate of San Angelo Central High School and attended Angelo State and Texas

Tech Universities. She is employed at Texas Tech Health Science Center. Trevor is the son of Ronald and Nancy Thuett of Post. He is a 1989 graduate of Post High School and a 1994 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is

employed at Compliance Services Group, Inc of Lubbock

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Jodi Maxwell and Trevor Thuett

Grandparents' Corner

Papa Wesley Guthrie enjoys the company of his grandson, Trent Laurence. Trent is the son of Terry Guthrie of Post.

Bring your favorite grandparent photo to The Post Dispatch to be included in this weekly feature. Photos will be published "first come, first served."

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF POST

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Post will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on March 5., 1996 at the Council Chambers in City Hall, 105 East Main, in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development, Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizens participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Rick Hanna, City Manager, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact City Hall. For further information, contact Rick Hanna at the City Hall (806) 495-2811.

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Seven percent of Texas dairy farms out of business in last two years

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farms') cost of inputs - feeds, equipment and services - have risen percent larger than the current much more rapidly than the price average of 243 cows. they get for milk," said Max "Genetic improve Research and Extension Center at culling methods should increase Overton. "Nearly all are getting by production by at least 100 pounds of on the good will of their bankers, milk per cow, per year. Improved hope, and the equity they have in

more efficient, better-managed pounds per year," Sudweeks said. operations in the last decade, but many dairy farmers are finding they pounds (1,773 gallons) of milk yearly. just aren't efficient enough for the If Sudweeks' projections are correct, dairy economy of the mid-1990s, he and farmers adopt the prescribed explained. Only the larger, most management strategies, the average efficient dairies are turning a monthly cow's production could increase to profit. Most farms have been losing 16,058 pounds (1,867 gallons) by the money for months. In the last two year 2000. years, the number of Texas dairy farms have decreased from 1,960 to reflect use of the newest of dairy

shakedown is occurring while the per capita consumption of milk in the United States and Texas is poised to increase. Nationwide, intensified advertising campaigns for generic and name brands of dairy products, and lower product prices are spurring consumption. Also at play is an increased awareness of the possible role of dairy food in preventing dental decay, hypertension, osteoporosis and rectal cancer, he said.

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a harbinger of a more severe shakedown coming. Industry experts predict there will be 51 percent fewer dairy farms by the year 2000.

The seven percent decline may be

Those fewer dairies are expected million pounds. to have much larger herds than

Texas milk consumption has stayed today's farms and produce more milk per cow. The state's population will years, but seven percent of Texas most likely expand to 20 million by dairy farms were capsized during the same period by low prices and high input costs, according to a dairy specialist with the Texas Agricultural the same period by low prices and concomitant increase in demand for dairy products, yet one out of two of today's dairy farms will not be in business to meet that demand. As a "It's an economic thing. Their (dairy result, experts expect the average Texas dairy herd of 2000 to be 44

"Genetic improvements, use of Sudweeks, who is based at the Texas high-production sires and dams, A&M University Agricultural coupled with aggressive testing and feeding and management could contribute another 150 pounds of milk Most dairies in Texas have become per year for a total increase of 250

The average cow produces 15,250

These production increases don't technologies, bovine somatotropin, a Sudweeks said it's ironic that the growth hormone that can greatly increase a healthy cow's production

> "If bovine somatotropin is widely adopted, the average per-cow production could increase to 20,000 pounds by the turn of the century," Sudweeks said.

> Historically, the number of Texas dairy farms has steadily declined since 1945, when the total Texas herd peaked at 1,594,000 head. Since then, cow numbers have decreased to 400,000 head. But the herd in 1992 produced nearly 6.3 billion pounds of milk, Sudweeks pointed out, while the four-times larger herd of a halfcentury ago only produced about 4

Safe because you eat low- fat foods

cholesterol because you eat low-fat at The Methodist Hospital. foods, think again, says a heart specialist at Baylor College of your risk"

Medicine in Houston. "For years, physicians have emphasized diet to patients who want to lower their blood cholesterol levels," said Dr Antonio M. Gotto, Jr., chairman of medicine, and scientific director of The DeBakey Heart Center at Baylor and The Methodist Hospital.

Recent studies have shown that a low-fat diet and drug therapy can reduce heart attack risk in people with heart disease.

The key is keeping your cholesterol level in check.

According to Gotto, many heart surgery patients never have their cholesterol checked. At least 50 percent of the people who take a cholesterol-lowering drug stop taking it after six months - a habit that can be fatal.

"Some people can reduce or go off medication and follow a low-fat diet and exercise plan," Gotto said. "For others, taking medication to control cholesterol is a lifetime commitment."

Gotto says, however, that taking drugs to thwart high cholesterol is not a license to eat high-fat foods. "A bad diet can undo the effects of medication," said Gotto, who is also

> **Garza County Political** Directory **Democratic Party** Primary March 12 Sheriff **Marcial Salinas**

Kenneth Ratke

Gotto offers a few tips to help reduce

If you think you're safe from high chief of the internal medicine service by following a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet and exercise program.

* Look at food labels and check the *If you are overweight, lose weight amount of saturated fat, total fat,

cholesterol, and total calories per * Get your cholesterol checked

* Keep your cholesterol intake to every five years. If you have a family history of high cholesterol or other diseases such as diabetes or high blood pressure, get it checked more

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **CITY OF POST**

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT

The City of Post is considering a proposed amendment to its approved 1994 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to install new 6" water distribution lines and necessary appurtenances. The areas to be served are along East Fourteenth Street and Avenue I; West Third Street and South Ave R; and West Fourteenth Street from Broadway to Avenue **M**.

A public hearing concerning the proposed amendment is scheduled to be held at 6:30 p.m. on March 5, 1995 at City Hall located at 105 East Main, Post, Texas. The purpose of this public hearing will be to discuss the proposed amendment and solicit citizen input on the proposed change in the scope of the City's 1994 TCDP project.

All citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and present their views to the city. Disabled individuals who might have difficulty in attending this public hearing should contact the City Secretary's office to arrange for special assistance. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact the City Secretary's office prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. If you cannot attend in person, written comments may be submitted and will be accepted by the City until this public hearing is concluded.

A copy of the proposed amendment is available for review during normal business hours at the City Hall address listed above. For further information concerning the City's 1994 TCDP project and/or this proposed contract amendment, please contact Rick Hanna, City Manager, City of Post at (806) 495-2811.

Post Antelope baseball team gears up for 1996 season

by Cameron Miller

It is time for spring sports again. The end of basketball marks the beginning of track, golf, tennis, and the focus of this article, baseball. Coach Fred Postell is in his fifth season as a head baseball coach for Post. He previously coached baseball for two years at San Saba. I talked to Coach Postell, to get his thoughts about baseball seasons of the past

and a forecast of this year's team.

Since starting a baseball program in 1992, there have been a lot of things happen to Post baseball. Coach Postell gave me a review of the past

He considered the first year to be just a learning experience. Post finished the season 4-8. The next year he coached the team to a tie with Ralls for the district championship, but they lost in the seeding playoff game and then lost in the first round of the playoffs.

Postell said, "The third year was going to be our year, we played real When asked about this years team's well and were 6-0 in district, but played Lockney in the be-district round and just had a bad day and got beat. That bunch could have gone

Last year was a rebuilding year and the team had many freshman and the team had many freshman when we discussed whether this when we discussed whether this inexperience was shown as they

play that lasted six games.

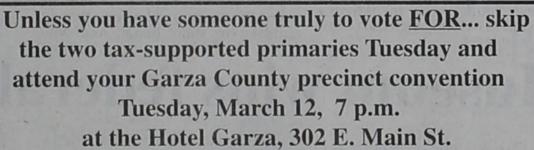
Other teams in the district also have had strong baseball programs.
Post and Ralls contended for district in the 1993 and 1994 seasons. Tahoka won the district title last year, but Idalou also had a very good team.

strengths and weaknesses, he indicated that we would have a good pitching staff, a fast outfield and great hitters.

team would be stronger offensively committed a total of 168 errors in 16 games. The year before they had committed only 12 errors in district us to be at Tahoka and Idalou." Tahoka

If some of these players step-up this The outlook is bright for 1996. Post has 19 players reporting for baseball. When asked about his expectations for this year's team, Postell said, "We expect to win the district some of these players step—up this team could be really good. Expect to see them doing well this season. They should be a fun team to watch and should keep building tradition for a young Antelope baseball program.

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> Thank you, Irene Fry **Democratic Candidate**

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Giving Post Elementary students a first-hand look at fire safety last week were Conoco employees and Post Volunteer Fire Department firemen. Working together on the project were (back row, left to right) Casey Zachary, Warren Emerson, Chuck Hamilton, Gilbert Cobos, Reesa Wilkes, Joey Tarasiewicz, Ricky Ward, Lynn Gunn, Larry Johansen, (front row) Daniel Yarbro, Dennis Mason, Janice Holley, Marcus Del Toro and Gilbert Lujan. (Photo by Becky



PHS band members competing at the recent U.I.L. solo and ensemble contest were (left to right) Robert Kilmer, Isaac Pereez, Leonard Rodela, Jake Loredo, Jose Diaz, Jason Abraham, Monty Dissinger and Bill Cole.



PHS band members competing at the recent U.I.L. solo and ensemble contest were (left to right) Shelley Shifflett, Lacey Hodges, Heather Mason, Latricia Martin, Elizabeth Stegall, Leticia Ortiz and Tammy Matthies.

Post summer baseball

The Post Summer Baseball orogram will have registration March and 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Norwest Bank room. Registration fee is \$10 per player for girls ages 5-12 and

oys ages 5-15. Players must present their birth certificate at the time of registration.

Tax 'n Facts by Terri S. Cash, CPA

Disability Insurance and Taxes

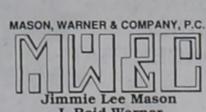
As if it weren't bad enough to become disabled -- too sick to work -- many people then discover that their disability benefits, however slim, are subject to income tax!

Two factors work against the disabled employee. First, company disability benefits are generally limited to 60 percent of base salary, not including commissions or bonuses. Second, the benefits are taxable, says the Interna Revenue Service, unless the employee paid tax on the company paid premiums -- and few companies include the premiums when calculating the worker's taxable income, not wanting to raise everyone's taxes.

In some cases, where employer and employee have split the cost of premiums, only the employerpaid portion is taxable.

Where possible, workers can ask that taxes be levied on the premiums; the amount is minimal. The more expensive alternative is buying individual longterm disability coverage.

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The program offers boys and girls T-Ball (ages 5 and 6), girls coach pitch (ages 7-12), boys minor league (ages 7-12), girls softball (ages 9-12), boys little league (ages 9-12) and boys senior league (ages 13-15).

The age of the child is determined as of their age on July 31, 1996. A big league team for boys ages 16-18 will be started this year. Registration fee for this league is \$75 per player with a minimum of 12

players and a maximum of 15 players. A coach and managers meeting will be held March 7 at 7 p.m. at the Norwest Bank room for anyone interested in helping with the teams at any age level.

Up and Down Main Street

by Wanda Mitchell, Post Chamber of Commerce

huge success. Many awards were

follows: Citizen of the Year, A.C. Cash; Business of the Year, OS Museum; Conservation Rancher of the Year, Ida Mae Wilks; and the

Garza County Cowboy Hall of Fame Award, Clyde Miller. Teacher of the Year honors

Elementary school; Debbie Palmer for Middle School; and Delton Moore for High School. Special recognition went to Linda Gordon for her constant drive and courage as well as her encouragement to others and her ability to work with her students. Linda is an inspiration to all of

Jim Plummer was recognized for his two years of serving as President of the Chamber of Commerce. The Women's of the show. If you haven't seen the show, make your reservations outgoing President, Marie Neff and welcomed their new miss it. President for next year, Gladys

We believe the Chamber really had people wondering for Banquet last Friday night was a a little while. Isn't that right, Barbara?

The food was great and we thank L.D.'s Daughers for doing such a wonderful job. The entertainment, The Holyghost Express, was just the kink of lift we needed to make everyone go home with a great attitude and a positive feeling about Post and the Chamber of Commerce. The Women's Division decorated and as always it was a tremendous job. a big "thank you" to everyone involved.

I went to the Garza theatre on Sunday afternoon to see the went to: Rowena Pierce for "Tribute to 80 Years of Vaudeville". It is a really good show. My favorite was the musical singing group, "The Polka Dots" and our ONLY performer from Post, Marlee Plummer made us all so proud of her. Give her a few years and she will be starring at the Garza or the Tower.

Cherri Brooks, a regular at the Garza and Scott Timms were very good in their duet and Scott brought the house down with his George M. Cohan music at the end

Blair. They also recognized outgoing director, Diana Collier and Carolyn Halford as a new incoming director.

People began to get a little uneasy when a total stranger (and I do mean strange) came (and I do mean strange) came into the hanguest and wanted to be sure and be on hand Saturday night at the Tower Theatre because "Cowboy Nite" is going to be great. A.C. is a little worried about getting a horse on stage for the trick roper but we understand it will surely be worth it. Howlin Harry Wolf will be on hand saturday night at the Tower Theatre because "Cowboy Nite" is going to be great. A.C. is a little worried about getting a horse on stage for the trick roper but we understand it will surely be worth it. Howlin harry Wolf will be on hand with Be sure and be on hand Saturday into the banquet and wanted to sit and eat with us. He said he had a flat tire and needed some help to change it but in the meantime, he could eat supper with us. As it turned out, he was part of the entertainment but he part of the entertainment but he there and be sure to Take Pride and Take Part in Post!!!!!!

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Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

EIC explained...

1996 is in full swing, and as always, tax time is upon us. April 15 is not far off, and for those filing in the hope of a receiv

ing a return or at least writing a small check, may want to investigate before actually mailing. There are several changes that have been made

for 1995 filing. Everything from higher exemption amounts to self-employment tax to direct deposit of refunds has made its way into the system.

Earned Income Tax Credit (EIC) is a special tax benefit for working people who earn low or moderate incomes. It reduces their tax burden, supplements wages and makes work more attractive than welfare. Even people who do not owe income tax and qualify can get the credit. A person must file a federal tax return

to receive the credit.
WHO CAN GET THE EARNED INCOME CREDIT? 1. Single or married workers who are raising children in their home, and who

earned less than \$26,673 in 1995 (or less than \$24,396 if they were raising only one child) qualify. To determine the amount of and receive the EIC, individuals file Form 1040 or 1040A, and attach Schedule EIC. 2. single or married workers at least age 25 and under age 65, who were not raising children in their homes, and who earned less than \$9,230 in 1995 may receive the EIC by filing any tax form.

Individuals may get information about how to get the EIC and free help filing their taxes by calling the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. EIC can benefit employers, too. By helping qualified employees complete a W-5 form, the employee will have less tax withheld from each paycheck. EIC lets the employer send the worker home with more money without having to increase the payroll.

In March, I will be conducting a workshop on EIC at the M.H. Center. An exact date has not been named, but watch for details in the next few weeks.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, sex, color, religion, disability or national origin.

Museum wins federal grant

The Garza County Historical Museum has been awarded a Museum Assessment Program grant by the Institute of Museum Services. Through guided self-study and on site consultation with a museum professional, the grant will enable the Garza County Historical Museum to evaluate its current practices, establish priorities to achieve professional museum standards, and plan how to best serve the community. "We congratulate the Garza

County Historical Museum on the receipt of this grant," said Ed Able, President and CEO of the American Association of Museums the organization that develops and manages the grant, "and wish them well as they begin this process of selfreview and planning for the future." The Museum Assessment Program

is one of several programs offered by the AAM to help museums actively improve their programs and operations in order to achieve the highest standards of quality and professionalism.

The AAM, based in Washington, D.C., is the national organization representing the concerns of the museum community. The AAM assesses museum programs and accredits museums; provides education and training; operates international museum programs; and advocates for the advancement of museums. Since its founding in 1906, AAM has grown to include more than 13,700 members including 9,600 museum professionals, 2,900 museums, and 1,200 corporate

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by Stephen Chapman

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Editor's Note: This column was originally written December 10, 1995.

In his 1960 manifesto "The Conscience of a Conservative," Barry Goldwater said that "there is no difficulty in identifying the day's overriding political challenge: It is to preserve and extend

freedom." Ronald Reagan never tired of echoing that theme, declaring in his second inaugural address that Americans should strive for "The ultimate in human freedom consistent with an orderly society." Congressional Republicans are supposed to be the heirs of Goldwater and Reagan, but freedom is a word seldom on their lips

and even less seldom on their legislative docket. They are more at home curtailing our rights than protecting them. In truth, Goldwater and Reagan were not consistent libertarians;

they knew the words of freedom but were often deaf to the music. The Gingrichites on Capitol Hill, however, have shown little interest in either. When Newt Gingrich invokes the Declaration of Independence, he quotes the part about being "endowed by our Creator," not the part about "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

None of the 10 promises in the GOP Contract With America was concerned with augmenting personal liberty. In fact, the document didn't contain a single reference to the issue. Tax cuts, term limits, the death penalty, anti-missile defenses, tort reform and a balanced budget amendment — all found a place. Safeguarding the rights and autonomy of individual Americans from overreaching government power, once a vital concern of conservatives, did not

The GOP agenda has not changed for the better since last November. The strong repressive impulse long evident in most Republicans has become even more pronounced with their new power.

The constitutional amendment to ban flag desecration, passed by the House last summer and due for a vote in the Senate this week, illustrates the urge to silence unpalatable dissent. In its 1989 decision striking down a Texas flag-burning statute, the Supreme Court recognized that the law served to punish a form of political expression purely because of its offensive content. But Republicans (along with quite a few Democrats) would like to incorporate that

explicit suppression of symbolic speech into the Constitution.

said the amendment's co-sponsor, Utah Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch. Banning it, however, spurns the response to offensive ideas envisioned by the First Amendment ~~ which is for people who disagree to make the case for their own ideas. If Congress is going to outlaw every type of expression that offends our values, it will be

POUND OUT

very busy. Republicans do not shrink from the task. They have been fighting for months for a measure that would virtually end political advocacy by non-profit organizations that commit the unpardonable sin of accepting federal grants authorized by the Republican Congress.

The supposed goal is to end "welfare for lobbyists" and to stop tax dollars from being used for lobbying. But the latter is already against the law, and Republicans have not been able to find any actual violations. Their real objective is to muzzle groups that have had the gall to question the GOP's legislative agenda. As in the case of flag desecration, the Republicans are saying quite candidly: We don't agree with you, and we will use any means available to shut you up.

The censorial impulse also made itself felt in the debate over what to do about sexual material on the Internet, which both houses have resolved by electing to ban anything "indecent" that could possibly be accessible to minors — with infractions punishable by a \$100,000 fine and five years in prison. Erotic photos and four-letter words that are perfectly legal in magazines made with ink and paper will be illegal in magazines composed of electronic impulses.

But it would be deeply unfair to accuse Republicans of hypocrisy, since they would be delighted to forbid "indecency" in traditional media as well. The Meese Commission on Pornography, you will recall, threatened dark consequences for convenience stores that merely sold Playboy magazine. There you have the GOP view: A society that allows Playboy cannot be considered a decent society.

A party that was truly dedicated to the cause of human liberty would take the opposite view: A society cannot be considered decent if it does not tolerate Playboy, flag-burning, criticism of the government even by groups that get money from the government and all sorts of other activities that offend many and even most people.

Ronald Reagan once said, "There are no constraints on the human mind, no walls around the human spirit, no barriers to our progress except those we ourselves erect." Today's Republicans think it's high

time we erected some. Why? Because desecration of the flag offends "American values," COPYRIGHT 1995 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Senator Cohen blames mess on talk-show hosts

by Walter E. Williams

Retiring Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, was interviewed by Washington, D.C., WAMU radio talkshow host Diane Rehm. He talked about the changing political climate both in Congress and the nation. Cohen lamented how America's traditional skepticism toward Congress and politicians has turned into jaded cynicism, "where there is a presumption of

guilt or presumption of wrongdoing," adding, "There is greater polarization in our country." Senator Cohen's reasoning for this was the economic pie has been shrinking.

Therefore, increased competition for thinner and thinner slices has led to increased incivility. Without a mention of Rush Limbaugh, he argued that incivility has been exacerbated by the provocative and inflammatory rhetoric of radio talk-show hosts. Though Cohen agreed we ought to have a healthy debate on how we construct government that is of the right size, he said it should take place in

a context of respect for one another's viewpoints. Cohen is probably a good person, but like so many other good people in Congress, he has awe some power and little understanding. Let's analyze a few of his comments in his interview with Rehm: First, we don't need a debate about the right size of government -

it's already in our rules, namely, Article 1, Section 8 of our Constitution. When the Constitution was first proposed, many Americans feared an all-powerful central government like we have today. To assuage those fears, James Madison, in the "Federalist Papers," wrote: "The powers delegated by the proposed federal government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the state governments are numerous and indefinite." Cohen's asking for us to respect the viewpoint calling for big, intrusive government is the same as though, in a poker game, I were to ask you to respect the viewpoint classes. The seats of the Senators of the first class shall be vacated that my two pair beats your three of a kind. The rules clearly say at the expiration of the second year, of the second class at the

The framers saw limited government as a necessary requirement for liberty and tranquillity. Government allocation of resources raises the potential for human conflict. Since government can't give what it doesn't first take, in order for government to be benevolent make temporary appointments until the next meeting of the toward one person, it has to be malevolent toward another.

About benevolent spending, James Madison said, "I cannot undertake to lay my finger on that article in the Constitution which granted a right to Congress of expending, on object of benevolence, the money of their constituents." James Madison, an author of the Constitution, couldn't find authority for spending on benevolence, but Cohen and his colleagues can.

How much civility and respect are due those who exhibit contempt for the letter and spirit of our Constitution? It's not just spending that creates anger and resentment. Congress' civil-forfeiture laws permit property confiscation without due process if drugs are found on it — even if the owner had no knowledge or participation. In the name of protecting wetlands and endangered species, Congress stops people from using their property and refuses to compensate them for the loss. Both are open violations of Fifth Amendment guarantees. Then there's government-mandated race and sex discrimination, euphemistically called affirmative action, adding to resentment and polarization.

with Cohen's observations of growing incivility. Acts of Congress trial, judgment and punishment, according to law.

make for a better explanation. If we continue along the road of increasing government usurpations, today's level of incivility will pale in comparison to tomorrow's. After all, American people are basically no different than people in Lebanon, Ireland and Sri Lanka — and we have last century's bloody War Between the States to

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Wisdom

"It is universally conceded that a verdict of acquittal, although rendered against the instructions of the judge, is final, and cannot be set aside; and consequently that the jury have the legal power to decide for themselves the law involved in the general issue of guilty or not guilty.'

From the dissent by Gray and Shiras, Supreme Court, Sparf and Hansen v. U.S., 156 U.S. 51, 174 (1894).

Preamble to Amendments

The conventions of a number of the States having at the time of their adopting the Constitution, expressed a desire, in order to prevent misconstruction or abuse of its powers, that further declaratory and restrictive clauses should be added: And as extending the ground of public confidence in the Government, will best insure the beneficient ends of its institution. (Note: items which are no longer in effect due to amendments are in italics).

ARTICLE I SECTION 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the legislature thereof, or six years; and each Senator shall have one vote.

Immediately after they shall be assembled in consequence of the first election, they shall be divided as equally as may be into three expiration of the fourth year, and of the third class at the expiration of the sixth year, so that one-third may be chosen every second year; and if vacancies happen by resignation, or otherwise, during the recess of the legislature of any State, the executive thereof may legislature, which shall then fill such vacancies.

No person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the age of thirty years, and been nine years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that State for

which he shall be chosen. The Vice President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have no vote, unless they be equally divided. The Senate shall choose their other officers, and also a President

pro tempore, in the absence of the Vice President, or when he shall

exercise the office of President of the United States. The Senate shall have the sole power to try all impeachments. When sitting for that purpose, they shall be on oath or affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the Chief Justice shall preside: And no person shall be convicted without the

concurrence of two-thirds of the members present. Judgment in cases of impeachment shall not extend further than to removal from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States; but the party False claims about a shrinking economic pie have nothing to do convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to indictment, Entered at U.S. Post Office, Post, Texas for transmission through the mail as Second Class matter, according to an Act of Congress, March 3, 1879. Second Class Postage Paid at Post, Texas 79356. Postmaster: send address changes to: The Post Dispatch, 123 E. Main St., Post, Texas 79356 Wesley W. Burnett, Publisher

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Why prosecutors should support "Fully Informed Jury" (FIJA) legislation

by Fully Informed Jury Association Co-Founder Larry Dodge

Larry Dodge holds a Ph.D. in sociology from Brown University, 1992. His doctoral dissertation was a study of community power. He co-founded "FIJA" in 1989, and has been educating Americans in their rights, powers, and responsibilities as jurors since then.

Part Two (Continued from Last Week)

Starting with the most frequent assertion, "FIJA legislation would result in anarchy!" There are a variety of ways to phrase this allegation, including "We are a nation of laws, not of men!" and "You can't just let twelve people undo the work of the legislature, and take the law into their own hands", etc. And at first blush, it sounds like bona fide apprehension.

But let's face it: anarchy we've already got, it what we mean by the term is widespread disregard for the law. Any sociologist, myself included, or any political historian can easily detail the circumstances which generate anarchy, and we'll tell you it has never been attributed to juries, no matter what instruction they have been given.

Rather, anarchy happens whenever there is a wide gap between the laws of the land and the will of the people. In democratic societies, it happens whenever special—interest legislation veers too far and too long from the public interest, to the point where the citizens either cannot or will not obey the law any longer—which is increasingly the case in these United States. increasingly the case in these United States.

The knee-jerk, authoritarian reaction is to pass increasingly oppressive laws, coupled with ever more draconian punishments. But more top-down control and coercion are not real answers. They merely fuel the fires of social disintegration and provide still more excuses for building a police state. A "nation of law" may seem an attractive cliché until one considers how terrifying such a nation can be when the citizens have no way to say "no" to bad law-as any survivor of the Third Reich or the Soviet Union can attest.

The answer to "anarchy", then, is not to continue disinforming citizen jurors that they must apply the law as given by the judge, "like it or not", but to inform them about their right to bring in a general verdict. And it makes no sense to "worry" that juries will "take the law into their own hands". After all, whose law is it,

Law making may be delegated to the legislative branch, but the law "belongs" to the citizens. and if citizen jurors deem a given piece of legislation to be a poor tool for the dispensation of justice, perhaps even so bad that it deserves to be broken and thrown away because it's been doing more harm than good, does it make sense to lie to them telling them they've got to use it anyway?

Much better to be glad that the law is "in the hands" of a group of ordinary people, who are going to have to live with their verdict, and admit to them that the law is a guideline to consider in their search for a verdict which makes good common sense and expresses their consensual sense of justice.

By candidly informing jurors that their sense of justice is even more important than the letter of the law, the way is paved for juries once more to perform the political function that the nation's founders intended for them—to check and balance the actions of the legislature, and provide lawmakers with unpaid (i.e., true public) opinion on the law, so that they will be able to make needed repairs—tailoring the law to reflect the will of the people. History shows that the result of this process has been increased public respect for the law, which is the exact opposite of "anarchy"

The benefit of such ongoing feedback for prosecutors is that it would allow them to enforce and apply the laws of the land with full confidence that the public is behind them. Further, it would enable them to exercise their own power of prosecutorial discretion guided by public sentiment concerning this or that law, and to know that doing so is a legitimate part of their job description—and that their political future is as secure as their sensitivity to the public will.

True, after passage of FIJA legislation, there could follow a short period of adjustment, because laws enjoying little public support would take a beating at the hands of juries. But once the "fit" ware found, the frequency of jury nullification, and whatever frustration with juries prosecutors might have felt during the adjustment period, would subside, and remain negligible from then on.

How about the likelihood of dangerous criminals "walking"? This can happen (and could continue to happen) if and when a jury is confused by the instructions given it, or by the law itself, or by the evidence—or when a jury has to make hard moral choices, and makes the wrong one.

But juries are known for their conservatism, for their sincere intention to do a conscientious job for the sake of their own sense of justice and desire to protect their communities. Giving them more and better information is unlikely to make them go "soft on crime."

In fact, research has shown that when juries perceive a defendant to be dangerous, they tend to be harsher than the judge would have been if the verdict and/or sentencing ware left to the bench. After all, who is going to suffer the consequences if violent person is returned

One of the big problems with our criminal justice system today is that too many violent persons returned to the streets—but almost always by one or another government agency—hardly ever by a jury. So to argue that 'fully informed" juries would somehow go berserk and let bad guys loose on the streets is the flimsiest of "paper tiger" objections to FIJA legislation.

Additionally, FIJA legislation would enable both prosecutors and defenders to do their plea (and/or sentence) bargaining with the jury, in open court. Fully informed juries would nearly always be willing to find truly harmful defendants guilty at whatever level the evidence would support—if not guilty as charged, then guilty of a lesser included offense.

(Continued Next Week)

Hard work, the origin of property

by Frederick Bastiat (1801-1850) excerpt from "The Law" published by The Foundation for Economic Education Inc., Irvington-On-Hudson, New York, N.Y.

Victims of Lawful Plunder

Men naturally rebel against the injustice of which they are victims. Thus, when plunder is organized by law for the profit of those who make the law, all the plundered classes try somehow to enter-by peaceful or revolutionary means—into the making of laws. According to their degree of enlightenment, these plundered classes may propose one of two entirely different purposes when they attempt to attain political power: Either they may wish to stop lawful plunder, or they may wish to share in it.

Woe to the nation when this latter purpose prevails among the mass victims of lawful plunder when they, in turn, seize the power to make laws! Until that happens, the few practice lawful plunder upon the many, a common practice where the right to participate in the making of law is limited to a few persons. But then, participation in the making of law becomes universal. And then, men seek to balance their conflicting interests by universal plunder. Instead of rooting out the injustices found in society, they make these injustices general. As soon as the plundered classes gain political power, they establish a system of reprisals against other classes. They do not abolish legal plunder. (This objective would demand more enlightenment than they possess.) Instead, they emulate their evil predecessors by participating in this legal plunder, even though it is

against their own interests. It is as if it were necessary, before a reign of justice appears, for everyone to suffer a cruel retribution—some for their evilness, and some for their lack of understanding.

Bryony Martin featured with Lubbock Youth Orchestra

Bryony Martin, Post Middle School band member is a co-principal flutist in the Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra. Bryony, an 8th grader is the 13 year old daughter of Mr and Mrs Jerry Martin. The LYSO continues its

year old daughter of Mr and Mrs Jerry Martin. The LYSO continues its 1995–96 concert season on Sunday, March 3, 1996.

The performance by the Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Lubbock Youth Symphony Apprentice Program Orchestra will be held at 3 p.m. in Hemmle Recital Hall on the Texas Tech University campus.

Tickets priced at \$4 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens may be purchased in advance beginning February 19 at the LSO office, 8200 Nashville, Suite 204. Call 794–7175 for more information.

Tickets priced slightly higher, \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens will be sold at the door.

citizens, will be sold at the door. The LYSO, directed by Dr. Eric Fried, presently includes 94 student musicians ranging in age from 12 to 18. Membership in the orchestra is by audition only. Students in the LYSO represent the immediate Lubbock area,

as well as Levelland, Plains, Plainview, Post, Slaton, Lamesa, Amarillo and Midland. The LYSAP, a string training program for students aged 9 to 15, is directed by Ann Stutes and Sharon Herschberger.

The LYSO concert will also include Debussy's "Petite Suite" and Herold's Overture to "Zampa". The LYSAP programming includes "Three Rustic Dances" by von Weber, "Sinfonia" by Bach, and "Finale from the Water

The public is invited to attend the LYSO-LYSAP Spring concert and hear these talented, young musicians on Sunday, March 3, 1996 at 3 p.m. All proceeds from this concert will benefit the scholarship and touring portions of the LYSO program.

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Bryony Martin, an eighth grade student at Post Middle School, is performing Sunday at 3 p.m. with the Lubbock Symphony Youth Orchestra in Lubbock at the Texas Tech Hemmle Hall.

Distrust of government keeps growing: will the Libertarian Party benefit?

according to a series of articles in the families. Washington Post last week - and may present a historic opportunity worsened "the income gap between for the Libertarian Party." wealthy and middle-class

According to a new public opinion Americans." study by the Post, 75% of Americans no longer "trust the government in Washington to do the right thing most of the time. "By contrast, a mere 24% didn't trust the government

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Distrust of politicians and the increased "the chances that children federal government is skyrocketing, will grow up in single-parent

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On all three issues, only 10% say the federal government "helped make

things better. In the words of the Post, "Substantial segments of the public believe the federal government has

But the distrust isn't just general - hurt the economy and society in What's the result of all these

is increasingly ... ready to believe 37% believe government has that raising taxes to pay for federal programs is a wasteful strategy that may do more harm than good," said

National Director Perry Willis.

"The Washington Post theorizes Cook said. that Republicans may benefit from this distrust of government - but, in "club," lambs had to be registered to the long run, that's not likely," said the youngster showing them by Willis. "After all, the Republican November 1. This is to prevent Party has been an eager co- persons from bringing in outside conspirator in the growth of big lambs just before a show, he government for the past 50 years. explained.
And even the GOP's most radical "It's not fair for someone to show robust three percent yearly rate."

its consistent message of smaller, government - is poised to capitalize said. They are: on this phenomenon. Only the *A small group of people who are Libertarian Party is advancing just crooks. "They're in every kind of serious proposals to take power away program," he said. from government, and return it to

will be to convey our Libertarian remind them not to, they won't," he message to an increasingly receptive added. American public," said Willis.

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> For information call: Carolyn B. Chapman Garza County Republican Chairman (806) 495-3974 or (806) 795-6184

Sheriff's office has quiet week with 56 calls

By Becky Warren

receiving only 56 calls. On February 21 a 54 year old female was arrested on a class "C" assault. She was released after posting a \$200

On February 23 a 19 year old male The Garza County Sheriff's office was arrested on an assault (family has one of those nice quiet weeks violence) charge. He was released on a \$1,500 bond.

On February 24 a 38 year old male was arrested for public intoxication. He was released after paying \$230 in fines and court costs.

even so much the money anymore

like it used to be. Mostly it's the

daddies. They just want to beat each other. In the heat of the moment,

they lose track of their priorities and

some will do anything to have their

You see it to some degree in all youth

activities," Cook said.

"It's the old little league syndrome.

"Remember the ultimate purpose

He recommended that parents

vocational agriculture teachers and

county Extension agents shift their

involvement to more of a coaching

mode as the child gets more adept at

local level ethics programs. "We've

(includes shipping and handling) from the Instructional Materials

of doing the right thing," he said.

for and exhibiting an animal.

unethical behavior.

77843-2588.

Ethics: changes implemented at major livestock shows

Unethical behavior at youth livestock shows is kind of like dirty laundry — it's better aired from the inside out.

"My position is that the vast majority of people at the (youth livestock) programs are doing the right thing, but the time has come to not tolerate the people who don't," said Dr Jeff Goodwin, Dallas County Extension agent.

"As long as we don't discuss it, the unethical people will have free rein," he added. "I've been accused of airing our dirty laundry, but dirty laundry is better aired from the inside out."

The four biggest possible downfalls of the youth livestock program, Goodwin said, are illegal and extra labeled drug use on show animals, physical alteration of animals, false ownership of animals, and excessive involvement of professional fitters who do the work for the exhibitors.

Many of the major livestock shows already have instituted some type of ethics policy, Goodwin said.

A newly-implemented lamb validation program was instituted this year for major shows throughout the state, said Ken Cook, district Extension director in San Angelo.

may do more harm than good," said the Post.

This is good news for the Libertarian Party, said the party's Notice of Notice of Porty Willis.

Nose printing has been done on Texas show steers since 1975 with excellent results. By using the process, positive identification of Notice of Porty Willis. individual animals is unquestionable,

This season, all Texas show, or

proposals call for the federal these 'ringers' they've had only a government to keep growing at a short time when everyone else has bust three percent yearly rate." been feeding and fitting their animals "Only the Libertarian Party - with for months," Cook said.

Offenders at youth livestock show less expensive, less intrusive fall into three categories, Goodwin

* Those who will cross the line if it's convenient to do so. "If everyone "Our challenge in 1996 and beyond else is doing it, they will. If we can

Those who may never break the rules but are at the stock show for the wrong reasons. "Adult egos are at the root of 99 percent of the problems in the program," he said. Cook added, "The professional

lamb fitters are not necessarily to blame for the bulk of the wrong doing, though in a youth show, the child should be doing his own work. It's not

April 23 deadline on forfeited land

A catalogue listing 511 tracts of forfeited state land reserved exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is now available from the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB). Bids will be opened on April 23, 1996

at 1 p.m.

The catalogue, which contains bidding instructions and a detailed description of each tract, can be ordered by calling 1-800-252-VETS. Located in 127 counties, the tracts

range in size from five to 200 acres. The tracts, known as Type 1 tracts, can be purchased with no down payment. Bids are restricted to eligible Texas veterans.

There is one tract of land in Garza and Scurry county to bid on.

The VLB will finance the entire loan amount of all winning bids. There is no limit on the amount loaned or on the number of tracts that an individual can bid on. However, eligible Texas veterans are limited to one purchase in the sale.

"Since these tracts have never been offered for sale by the board, this sale give Texas veterans an excellent opportunity to buy good land with 100 percent financing," said Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro who is VLB chairman. Mauro noted that setting aside new

forfeitures exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is a long-time VLB policy.
"The Veterans Land Program is tradition that goes

part of a Texas tradition that goes back to the days of the Republic of Texas," Mauro said. "It's my belief that Texas veterans should get first shot at any forfeited tracts.

Tracts not sold in the April sale will be offered to both veterans and non-veterans through local real estate agents.

Texas vete ans will receive a 7.64 percent interest rate with a 30-year assumable fixed-rate loan. A \$25 nonrefundable fee for each bid is required. The sale will be by sealed bid only, with a minimum bid set by the board.

at 1 p.m. Bidders need not be present at the opening. Details of the sale can be obtained by calling 1-800-252-VETS.

All bids must be received by April 23

Flattery, like cologne water is to be smelt of, no swallowed.

-Josh Billings



Ronald Thuett was recognized at the Post Chamber of Commerce banquet for his service as a director with the Garza Soil and Water Conservation District.

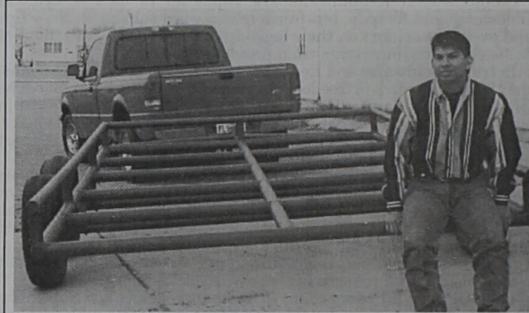
Energas wins

Energas Company was recently named the Top Utility Marketing Company for 1995 and Consultant of the Year at the Annual Utility Automation Awards Ceremony, held for the youth livestock show program
— youth development," Goodwin in Tampa, Fla. The company was also a finalist for the Customer Care

These awards were in recognition of company's "Smart Water Management" program. This program demonstrates techniques and technologies that may be used handling the responsibility of caring to reach maximum irrigation efficiencies. Energas provides Additionally, he recommended, 4- natural gas to farmers for en H and FFA clubs should institute that power irrigation pumps. natural gas to farmers for engines

These are the second and third seen a lot of positive things happen mational awards that Energas has when we do that," he said. won. Last year Energas won an Rules should be enforced, and a American Gas Association "zero tolerance" level developed for Marketing Achievement Award for its on-site power generation Goodwin has developed a video called "A Question of Ethics." The 20-minute video is available for \$60.50 conservation.

Vice President of Marketing Lavon Pagett said, "Because Service, F.E. Box 2588, Texas A&M Energas competed with more than University, College Station, Texas, 1,000 gas, electric, water and telecommunication utility "Ninety-five percent of the people companies from all across the who've seen it just love it. They say nation, we feel very honored to it's about time. We're just on the side receive this recognition.'



Daniel Garcia takes great pride in his PHS vocational ag welding project. Daniel completed the trailer recently and has begun work on another project.



Cross-country horseback riders (left to right) Walker Young, Judson Conway, Susan Kimkowski and Eustace Conway stopped in Garza County Sunday evening on their way to California from Georgia. They started on the trip in Christmas 1995 at Jekyll Island on the coast of Georgia and expect to be north of San Diego, Calif. by Easter. While here they camped at Larry and Sandra Scrivner's farm west of Post. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)



Earning All-District honors for their basketball efforts are Post High School Lady Lopes (left to right) Arimy Gradine, Macee Mills and Jody Hawkins. Macee, a sophomore, was named to the second team. Arimy, a sophomore and Jody, a junior, were named honorable mention.



Children of the Grassland Nazarene Community Church collected 32,000 pennies to help send a "Work and Witness" team to Lamarta, Mexico to build a church there. Grassland youth involved were (back row, left to right) James Loftus, Matthew White, Jared White, Danny Rieter, Byron Mason, Jehri Loftus, (middle row) Sierra Rieter, Israel Beggs, Krystal Loftus and Caleb

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The family of W.S. "Billy" Johnson

I want to thank everyon for the prayers, visits, calls, cards and flowers since I have been in the hospital. Thanks for the food after I came home. I appreciate all the thoughtfulness and it will always be remembered.

Love, Clara Rolan

Personals

Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. We have supper at 7 p.m. and the speaking starts at 8 p.m. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

Post Independent School District invites the Senior Citizens of the district to come by the Superintendent's office and receive a gift of a complimentary general admissions pass that will admit you to all school functions. (You will be asked to present identification so that a pass can be issued in your name).

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Bid documents may be obtained upon request from the Purchasing Department at 1625 13th Street, Room L-04, Lub-Carpet installation and repair. New and bock, Texas 79401, (806) 767-2167/Fax (806) 767-2164.

City of Lubbock, Victor Kilman, Purchasing Manager

Public Notice

Invitation For Proposals The City of Post, in behalf of applicants under the City's TCDP Program is seeking proposals for home improvement

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Peggy York Rehabilitation Coordinator

Notice of Sale

A sale will be conducted on the second Tuesday of the month, that being March 12th, 1996, at 10 a.m. This sale is in accordance with Chapter 682; Sections 683.011 - 683.015, of the Texas Transportation Code, concerning abandoned motor vehicles.

One vehicle will be sold at auction to the highest bidder. There will be a minimum bid required. Sale will be cash basis, or approved checks.

The vehicle to be sold is a 1980 Ford Fairmont 2 door, VIN#OK93B134943; Texas license 517VVY.

Wrecker Service, 912 West 4th Street, Post, Texas 79356. This auction will be held on the west side of the Garza County Sheriff's Depart-

This vehicle may be seen at Mason's

Job Training Partnership Act Program Year 1996 Title 11A, Title

ment, on the courthouse square.

11C, Title 111 Title 111: The Private Industry Council Inc. (JobSource+), acting as the Administrative Entity for Lubbock and Garza counties Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) funds, intends to operate a Title 111 Economic Dislocation and Worker Adjustment Assistance (EDWAA) program with Job Training Partnership Act funds. The 1996 allocation will be approximately

The program period will be July 1, 1996, through June 30, 1997. Program activities will include, but are not limited to, Job Search Workshop, Job Club, Classroom Training, On-the-Job Training (OJT), and GED preparation.

Title 11A and Title 11C: The Private Industry Council Inc. (JobSource+), acting as the Administrative Entity for Lubbock and Garza Counties Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) funds, intends to operate Title 11A and Title 11C programs for program year 1996. The combined 1996 allocation for the two programs will be approximately \$400,000.

The program period will be July 1, 1996, through June 30,1997. Program activities may include, but are not limited to: On-the-Job Training (OJT), Job Search Workshop, Vocational Classroom Training, Basic Education, and Job Placement.

The final combined plans for Title 111, Title 11A, and Title 11C will be available to the general public for review and comment after April 12, 1996, in the JobSource+ office, 1218 14th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79401

JobSource+ is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request for individuals with disabilities.

Local and area businesses are invited to a meeting on Monday, March 4, 1996 at 7 p.m. at the Service building on the Snyder Highway in Post, Texas.

It is the policy of South Plains Community Action dba SPARTAN Transit System to involve minority businesses, specifically Small and Disadvantaged Businesses (DBE's) and Women Owned Businesses (WBE's) to the fullest extent feasible in all phases of its procurement practices. SPARTAN wants to provide small and disadvantaged businesses equal opportunities to compete for contracts for: construction, provision of professional services, purchase of equipment and supplies, and any member of other services required by SPARTAN as a community service, transportation provider.

SPARTAN will provide assistance, when requested, to DBE's and WBE's by providing instructions on the preparation of bid specifications, compliance with procurement policy, and fulfillment of general bid requirements.

SPARTAN will encourage joint ventures among DBE's and WBE's and between majority and minority firms.

SPARTAN will seek and will use its best efforts to insure that DBE's and WBE's are informed of current and future procurement activities through newsletters, including minority newspapers, local minority chambers of commerce, and other minority entrepreneurs.

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The on-again-off-again cycle of closer. the 1995 Farm Bill debate is about to be turned on again as the U.S. House legislation will proceed to Conference of Representatives reconvenes Monday, February 26th.

Cotton Growers (PCG) the endeavor that is completed the final package to get workable Farm legislation will be sent to President Bill Clinton passed by Congress and sent to the for his signature. President has reached the critical

of farm legislation to date continues, situation," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "Time is of the essence and we are hopeful that the House can get right to work on this issue and get something to

the President in short order.' Several key decisions will have to be made before the House can vote on farm legislation. An important one will be made by the House Rules Committee which will decide whether or not amendments can be offered to floor for deliberation.

Members of the House Agriculture growers. Committee appear to be eager to get the process moving as soon as possible. Rapid action will go a long way towards alleviating the apprehension the issue is creating among producers. The calendar waits Growers, United States Department

producers unable to finalize their From Plains Cotton Growers, 1996 production plans are watching as planting windows get closer and

Once acted on, House farm Committee where differences between it and the already passed According to Lubbock-based Plains Senate Bill will be worked out. After

Regular listeners to the "AgEd "If the pattern of obstacles and station KRFE-AM 580 from 12:30 station know probably noticed that p.m., have probably noticed that many of host "Bid Ed" Wilkes' guests we could be in a very serious have a common interest-cotton and the High Plains cotton industry. According to Lubbock-based Plains

Cotton Growers (PCG) there is a simple reason for this phenomenon: Most of these people are in some way associated with an informal group known as the High Plains Cotton Information Committee. The Cotton Information Committee, as it is sometimes called, meets on a regular basis during the growing season and the legislation when it gets to the works to develop a cohesive, helpful information flow to area cotton

Originally the group was organized to pool the knowledge and informational resources of Texas Tech University, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agricultural for nobody and across the nation of Agriculture, and the Texas

Department of Agriculture. The group represents a vast supply of knowledgeable and enthusiastic guests and speakers that regularly address various facets of the High Plains cotton industry.

Group members are available at any time. Local news agencies, and civic groups wanting to learn more about the cotton industry, are encouraged to make use of the tremendous resource that has been

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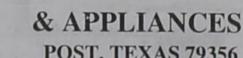
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by Pat Burnett

10 Years Ago February 26, 1986 Jeanette Bell has been named as the new librarian for the Post

Public Library. "Footprints" a history of Garza

Co. has gone to press. Leigh McCook as been listed on the Dean's Honor Roll at Abilene Christian University for

the 1985 fall semester. A new birth is Casey Jae Greer,

who was born February 17, 1986.
Casey's parents are Sgt James
Mark and Crystal Greer.
20 Years Ago
February 26, 1976
Mrs Ida Mae Wilks gave a talk
on "The American Cowboy" at
the regular Amity Study Club
meeting recently.

meeting recently.
Henry Wheatley is home from the hospital following his heart attack. He is doing much better.
Happy Birthday today to H.C.
Drake, Mrs Don Altman, Mrs
Margie Lewis, Jayne Claborn

and Mike Hair. Clark Cowdrey of Dallas and his sons Cary and Rusty of Wichita Falls spent last weekend with their mother and grandmother, Mrs Mary Cowdrey.

Jerry Riedel is in Methodist

Hospital undergoing tests.
30 Years Ago
March 3, 1966

Post and Garza County voters approved the city-county airport bond issue.

Mrs Joe Irons was elected president of the Women's Auxiliary of Garza Memorial Hospital. Mrs Kenneth Clark was

honored recently with a baby shower at the home of Mrs R.W.

Dean A. Robinson, Garza County school superintendent, is one of the first persons in the county to receive a Medicare eligibility card.

Clydus Newberry of Crossville, Tenn. visited last week with his uncle and aunt, Mr and Mrs Harrison Newberry.

president of the Post Rotary Club. Weekend guests in the home of Mr and Mrs Bill Mathis were Mr and Mrs Roy Mathis and baby of Hillsboro.

Mr and Mrs Dolan Dempsey and family from Seagraves spent the weekend with Mr and Mrs J. W. Rogers and family.

Charlotte Taylor won first place cash prize of \$7.50 at Monday night's talent show, sponsored by the Post High School Senior class. Miss Taylor sang "I Saw a Man" as her winning talent.

50 Years Ago
February 28, 1946
Mr and Mrs Gene Gaury and daughters. Reba. Dorothy and

daughters, Reba, Dorothy and Pauline, visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr and Mrs Thelbert

McBride of Graham. Miss Dorothy Becker and Burnell Mueller were married Sunday, February 16, 1946.

This week at the Garza theatre be sure to see "Our Vines have Tender Graps" with Margaret O'Brien and Edward G. Robinson and "I Love a Bandleader" with Phil Harris.

Mrs Jack Hickerson the former Claudine Blacklock, is now in Odessa with her husband who is

employed by an oil firm there.

The Post Senior Class enjoyed a combination kid party and box supper Monday night. Ray Smith and Wayne Hundley served as

Ladies Auxiliary

VFW make donation

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW made a donation of a United States flag to the Southland schools. A flag presentation program was given to the students by JoAnn Stelzer, Rebecca Jolly, and Lina Basquez. Small flags and certificates were given to each student.

The ladies also held an auxiliary meeting Monday February 26, 1996 with president JoAnn Stelzer presiding.

Adiscussion on the benefit for Trina Woods and the date for presentation of the Auxiliary pens was held. The VFW 50th anniversary dinner was set for March 31st.

March 1, 1956

Miss Pat Wheatley won first place in the Post schools spelling bee.
Dr. Harry A. Tubbs was elected

Members present were JoAnn Stelzer, Ruth Walls, Jo Ella Sparlin, Dena Morgan, Alva Shepherd, Shirley Williams, Faye Stone, Mary A. Teaff, Maleecy Johnston.



Odyessy of The Minds team members at Post Middle School are (left to right) Diana Williams, Jennie Jones, Keri Holly, Miranda Palmer, Amy Petersen and Ashley Mason (front). (Photo by Becky Warren)



Post Middle School students participating in the Odyessy of the Minds are (back row, left to right) Ramon Silva, Bonnie Felts, Raymond Jefferson, Kerry Cahill, (front row) Laura Tobias and Mayra Armendariz. Team member Camille Blevins was not available for the photo. (Photo by Becky Warren)

Odyssey of the Mind teams

the Mind teams recently competed in the Greater Mid-West Regional tournament. Odyssey of the Mind is an international program in which students solve long-term and spontaneous problems with creativity and thinking and problem solving skills. All ideas, art work, props and presentations must be the students

Rocky Gomez received a Ranatra Fusca award, the most coveted Odyssey of the Mind award, for exceptional creativity in the "design of a device" in spontaneous problem

Great Impressions team, which placed 4th, combined a reproduction of Combat of Kersarge and Alabama painting, the poem "The Raven", with

shadow dancing and skit. Crunch team, which placed 5th, solving.

being hit by billard balls.
Technical coaches were Larry Scrivner for Crunch and Carol Tobias, Linda Puckett and Zoe Kirkpatrick for Great Impressions.

tall tale in skit about five seasons becoming four. Mind was Joleen Cahill with parents,

an original poem and painting, exceptional creativity in the "design

by Joleen Cahill designed and built an 8 inch, 17.6
The Post Middle School Odyssey of gram balsa wood bridge that held 150 pounds in competition, while War II.

Amusin Crusin, which placed 5th, built a vehicle powered only by gel/dry batteries that performed 5 tasks and journeyed thru two attractions. Tall Tales presented an original

teachers and community members

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Clyde Miller Remarks by Ronnie Dunn in They have raised their family in presenting Garza County Cowboy Trinchera, Colorado. Geral, their son, Hall of Fame at the annual Post ranches on the ranch and has raised

Cowboy Hall of Fame:

Clyde Miller, a native of Stone Wall County, was eight when the R.N. Miller wagons trailed into Borden County in 1900 to establish a ranch on Bull Creek, ten miles northeast of Gail. The family had stopped a while on the eastern edge of Scurry County on Rough Creek, but dug their first of successive Borden County homes in the banks of Bull Creek. This was to be the nucleus of what was to become the Miller Community in Borden and Garza Counties.

Miller saw the clash between cattlemen and nesters when open range became homestead land. He helped fight prairie fires set by settlers to drive Col. C.C. Slaughter from his graze, and he was home the day his father brought 151 land rushers home for dinner after all of the food in Gail was gone.

Around early camp fires, Miller listened to tales spun by old timers, including buffalo hunter, J. Wright Mooar. He raised polo ponies for western and eastern riders alike. Clyde Miller added thoroughbreds to his quarter horses for the pleasure of seeing them move on the race track seeing them move on the race track.

Clyde bought a ranch in Colorado in 1943. In 1946, he bought a ranch in South Dakota. When he shipped stock to Fort Worth, Colorado or South Dakota, he always drove the herd down Griffin Canyon to Instigatory as long as it was a Justiceburg as long as it was a

shipping point.
Clyde Miller had a love for land, cattle and horses. This is the story of

West Texas and pioneer cattlemen, like Miller, who helped develop it.
Clyde married Bessie Philena Riley in 1913. They lived their entire married life at the same place for the next 59 years. Bessie died in November 1972 and Clyde died three months later on February 1973. They are buried in the family cemetery just above the home where they lived.

Clyde and Bessie were truly pioneers of Borden and Garza Counties, and raised their family

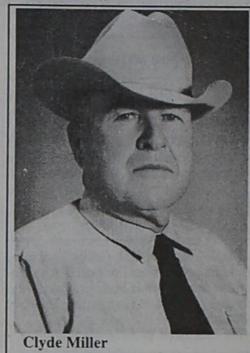
Elizabeth and her husband Excel Smith moved to the ranch in Colorado and New Mexico, when Excel came home from the Air Force after World

Chamber of commerce awards his family there. Jo Beth, their daughter lives at Bridgeport, Texas.

Clyde Miller, a native of Stone Wall County, was eight when the R.N. Airlines, and they ranch at

Bridgeport. Riley and Mary have ranched in Garza County for nearly 46 years. Their son, Ben and his family live and ranch at the same place where Bessie and Clyde lived.

Their daughter, Jenny, and her



family live on the ranch in the South part of Garza County. Her husband is an engineer for Halliburton in Algeria, Africa.

Ralph and Dewey Fay have ranched in Borden County for 45 years. Their daughter Tammy Valentine and her family ranch in Borden County. Their daughter, Becky, teaches at Union near Brownfield.

Clyde and Bessie's oldest son, Ritch Miller, was an artist and lived in

Last but not least Willie Moreno has been a Miller Ranch hand since the age of 15 years. He has raised his family in Garza County.

Clyde Miller's life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him that Nature might stand up and say to all the world, "This was a Man!"

Pvt Daniel Morales, Jr graduates from artillery cannoneer course

Army Pvt Daniel Morales, Jr has received artillery cannoneer course at Fort the handling of ammunition and Sill, Lawton, Oklahoma.

graduated from the basic field communications, maintenance and

ll, Lawton, Oklahoma. explosives.

During the course, students were Morales is the son of Daniel Co-ordinater for Odyssey of the taught the duties of a Howitzer or Morales of Snyder, Oklahoma, and gun section crewman. They also Alice Salinas of Post, Texas.

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Willy Awards to be held Saturday, March 23

operation!! To celebrate, the Board of Directors is hosting another annual Willy Awards Party at the Post Community Center on Saturday, March 23. The evening begins at 6 p.nm. and will include food, entertainment, a silent auction, a raffle, and the awards ceremony.

The price of this year's ticket is \$12 and you must get them in advance. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Reservations for the awards party

can be made in advance by calling the Garza Theatre box office at 495-4005. Regular office hours are 12:30 to 5:30 Monday through Friday or you can leave a message. Payment for the tickets must be received no later than 5:30 p.m. on Friday. March

The Willy Awards Party is open to everyone and we encourage all those

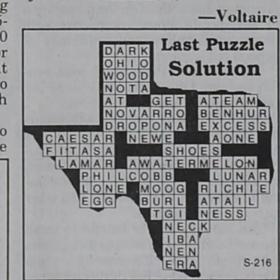
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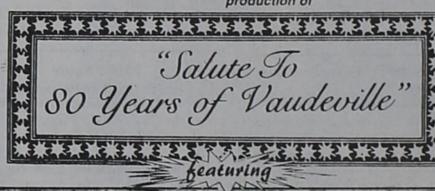
1995 marked our first decade of who can to put on your best and come celebrate with us. This is the "Academy Awards" for Post' Garza

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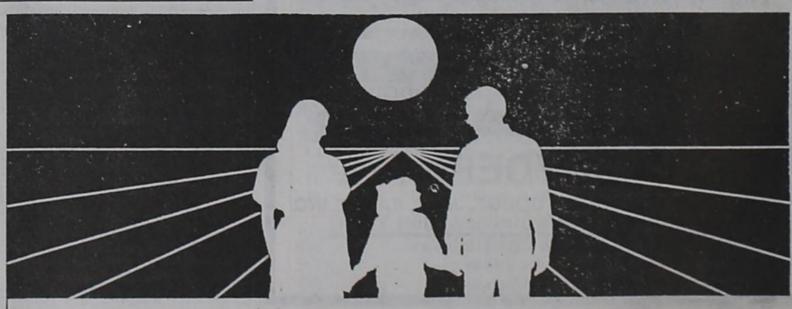


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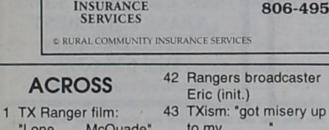
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Post volunteer firemen Ivan Line (left) and Dan Hodges remove articles from

Perry Smith's barn in response to a small fire last week. There were minor

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Smoldering welding particles are expected to be the cause of the blaze. (Photo

Obituaries

William F. "Willie" Bayer

William F. "Willie" Bayer, 91 of Brenham, Texas died Wednesday, February 14, 1996 in Trinity Medical Center, Brenham. Funeral services where Friday, February 16, 1996 at 3 p.m. in Foehner

Funeral Home in Burton with Rev Bill Derrick officiating. Interment in Oak Hill Cemetery, Burton.

Mr Bayer was born May 29, 1904 in Burton, Texas and was the son of Rudolph Roman and Maria Rosa "Mary" (Baumgartner) Bayer. On June 12, 1929 he was married to Lydia Sturm in Winters, Texas.

Mr Bayer was a farmer and was employed by Foehner Funeral Home in gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans,

Burton until his retirement.

Survivors include his wife of Brenham; son and daughter-in-law, Joe E and Gwen Bayer of Channelview, daughters and sons-in-law, Lilly May and Bruno Cendalski of Post, Ora Nell and Melvin Loesch of Brensham, Frances and Alvin Lehmann of Brenham and Rose Marie and Billy Blocker of Ingram; daughter-in-law Joanne Bayer of Whitehouse, Texas; 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant son; son, Daniel; four fruit, milk. brothers; four sisters and one granddaughter. Nephews and friends served as pallbearers.

Novella Barto

Funeral services for Novella Barto, 79 of Whitney, were held Saturday, February 24, 1996 at the Mount Olivet Funeral Home Chapel in Fort Worth. 'n honey, milk. Rev Randy Rogers, Dr James E. Sciratt and Rev Mike McGlassen officiated at the service.

Burial was in the Mount Olivet Cemetery. Mrs Barto died Thursday, February 22, 1996 in a Fort Worth hospital.

She was born June 29, 1916 in Truce. She was a retired restaurant manager.

She was preceded in death by a son, Norman Ray Long in Octobr 1986. Survivors include her husband, Eugene Barto of Whitney; her mother, Mrs Brown of Whitney; step-sons, Roger Barto and Steve Barto, both of Fort Worth and Kent Wade of Kansas; step-daughters, Becky Warren of Post, Sharon Gollehon and Fairy Wolfe, both of Fort Worth; daughter-in-law, Margaret Long of Fort Worth; brother, Elston Baker of Chico; 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Ellwood Corbin Nelson



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Funeral services for Ellwood Corbin Nelson, 69, will be held Thursday, February 29, 1996 at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with Paul D. Jones, minister of the Post Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr Nelson died Monday, February 26, 1996 in University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born December 7, 1926 in Lubbock to Helmer E. and Alice Melinda (Grimland) Nelson and attended

school at Close City. He served in the U.S. Army in the 6th Calvary and Constabulary Squadron of the Army Occupation Forces in Germany. He married Rita Fay Mathis on July 23, 1948 in Post. He had owned and operated Nelson & Son Automotive for 35 years and was also a farmer. He was a lifetime member of the John Miller VFW Post 6796. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. After his retirement he enjoyed woodworking as a hobby and attended craft shows.

Survivors include his wife, Rita of Post; one daughter and son-in-law, Patti and Dennis May of Lubbock; one son and daughter-in-law, Ricky and Melva Nelson of San Antonio; one brother, Troy Nelson of Post; three sisters, Callie Strofer of Post, Bernice Lee of Oakdale, California and Evelyn Lemond of Andrews; two sisters-in-law, Helen Jones and Doris Riddle, both of Post; two granddaughters, Katrina May of Lubbock and Jennifer Nelson of San Antonio and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Guy Troy Nelson, Danny Nelson, Ted Tatum, Gene Hays, David Anderson and Arthur Striblin.

Honorary pallbearers will be all friends old and young alike.

Garza Healthtalk

Asthma is a disease of the lungs labeled instructions.

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will occur before age 10. Your physician can diagnose as directed. asthma through a medical history, function tests, physical exams and p.m. at Garza Memorial Hospital. allergy tests. If you do have asthma, Everyone is invited to attend. your physician will decide on a treatment. Proper medical treatment can help most patients live active, productive lives. Self-medication can be very dangerous - even with overthe-counter drugs. Follow your physician's instructions. Use drugs

by Debbie Jenkins, CRTT, EMT-P only as prescribed according to

that affects more than 10 million Bronchodilator drugs can relax and Americans, many of them children. widen bronchial tubes, making it Asthma is not contagious, is not easier to breath. If prescribed usually fatal and can be controlled treatments do not relieve the asthma but not cured. Episodes can be mild attack, go to the hospital emergency

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Monday, March 4

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Monday, March
Salisbury steak

Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, milk. Lunch: Chicken fried steak, cream udding, hot rolls, milk.

Tuesday, March 5 Breakfast: Malt-O-Meal, sausage, toast and jelly, fruit, milk. Lunch: Corn dogs, french fries, mixed vegetables, brownies, milk. Wednesday, March 6

Breakfast: Muffins, sausage link, Lunch: Stew, cheese sandwich, fried okra, sliced peaches, ice cream

cup, home made bread, milk. Thursday, March 7 Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast Lunch: Tamales, pinto beans,

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Tuesday, March 5

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beverage.

Baked ham, navy beans, carrots and zucchini, tossed salad w/French dressing, cornbread, pineapple

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Living for the Moment

by Jack Alexander, First Christian Church

The King will reply, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40 He was dirty, he smelled, he was a bundle of wasted humanity. As I stood there looking at this miserable creature, my heart was filled with a sense of compassion, fear and judgment. What had caused this person created in God's image to fall into such a depth of despair? What trials in life had been beyond his capacity to cope?

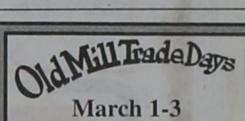
He reached out his hand hoping to receive a small sum of money from me. I handed him a dollar bill. Our eyes held one another for a long moment. In that moment we saw into one another's souls. In that moment we saw the similarities between two men created in God's image. In that moment we saw the possibilities. For a moment I saw Jesus in him. For a moment my eyes beheld him as a child of God, a human being created by the same hand that created me.

Then the moment was gone. My own revulsion and fear returned.

My own attitude of judgment tried to resurrect itself.

Our Lord and Savior had compassion for all with whom he came in contact. He did not judge. He forgave with a love that passed understanding. He saw beneath the reputation, beneath the outward appearance to the soul of man. Perhaps during the season of Lent, a time of spiritual renewal, we too can assimilate in our lives more of the compassion of our Savior toward our fellow man.

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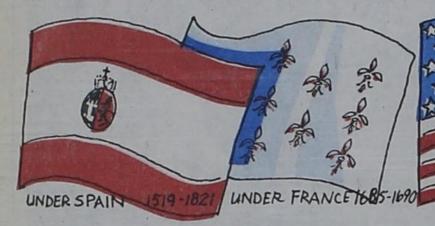
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GENERAL CONVENTION, AT WASHINGTON, ON **MARCH 2D. 1836** When a government has ceased to protect the lives, liberty, and property of the people, from whom

its legitimate powers are derived, and for the advancement of whose happiness it was instituted; and so far from being a guarantee for their inestimable and inalienable rights, becomes an instrument in the hands of evil rulers for their oppression. When the Federal Republicans Constitution of their country, which they have sworn to support, no longer has a substantial existence, and the whole nature of their government has been forcibly changed, without their consent, from a restricted federative republic, composed of sovereign States, to a consolidated central military despotism, in which every interest is disregarded but that of the army and the priesthood, both the eternal enemies of civil liberty, the ever-ready minions of power, and the usual instruments of tyrants. When, long after the spirit of the Constitution has departed, moderation is at length so far lost by those ina power, that even the semblance of freedom is removed, and the forms themselves of the Constitution discontinued, and so far from their petitions i and remonstrances being regarded, the agents who bear them are thrown into a dungeons, and mercenary armies sent forth to enforce a new government upon them at the point of

When, in consequence of such acts of malfeasance and abduction on the part of the government, anarchy prevails, and civil society is dissolved into its original elements, in such a crisis, the first law of nature, the right of selfpreservation, the inherent and inalienable right of the people to appeal to first principles, and take their political affairs into their own hands in extreme cases, enjoins it as a right towards themselves, and a sacred obligation to their posterity, to abolish such government, and create another in its stead, calculated to rescue them from impending dangers, and to secure their welfare and

Nations, as well as individuals, are amenable for their acts to the public opinion of mankind. A statement of a part of our grievances is therefore submitted to an impartial world, in justification of the hazardous but unavoidable step now taken, of severing our political connection with the Mexican people, and assuming an independent attitude among the nations of the earth.

The Mexican government, by its colonization laws, invited and induced the Anglo-American population of Texas to colonize its wilderness under the pledged faith of a written Constitution, that they should continue to enjoy that constitutional liberty and republican government to which they had been habituated in the land of their birth, the United States of America. In this expectation they have been cruelly disappointed, inasmuch as the Mexican nation has

acquiesced to the late changes made in the government by General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, who, having overturned the Constitution of his country, now offers, as the cruel alternative, either to abandon our homes, acquired by so many privations, or submit to the most intolerable of all tyranny, the combined despotism of the sword and the priesthood.

It hath sacrificed our welfare to the State of Coahuila, by which our interests have been continually depressed through a jealous and partial course of legislation, carried on at a far distant seat of government, by a hostile majority, in an unknown tongue, and this too, notwithstanding we have petitioned in the humblest terms for the establishment of a separate State government, and have, in accordance with the provisions of the national Constitution, presented to the general Congress a Republican Constitution, which was, without a just cause, contemptuously rejected.

It incarcerated in a dungeon, for a long time, one of our citizens, for no other cause but a zealous endeavor to procure the acceptance of our Constitution, and the establishment of a State

It has failed and refused to secure, on a firm basis, the right of trial by jury, that palladium of civil liberty, and only safe guarantee for the life, liberty, and property of the citizen.

It has failed to establish any public system of education, although possessed of almost boundless resources, (the public domain,) and although it is an axiom in political science, that unless a people are educated and enlightened, it is idle to expect the continuance of civil liberty, or the capacity

It has suffered the military commandants, stationed among us, to exercise arbitrary acts of oppression and tyranny, thus trampling upon the most sacred rights of the citizen, and rendering the military superior to the civil power.

It has dissolved, by force of arms, the State Congress of Coahuila and Texas, and obliged our representatives to fly for their lives from the seat of government, thus depriving us of the fundamental political right of representation.

It has demanded the surrender of a number of our citizens, and ordered military detachments to seize and carry them into the interior for trial, in contempt of the civil authorities, and in defiance of the laws and the Constitution. It has made piratical attacks upon our commerce, by commissioning foreign desperadoes,

and authorizing them to seize our vessels, and convey the property of our citizens to far distant parts It denies us the right of worshipping the Almighty according to the dictates of our own conscience, by the support of a national religion, calculated to promote the temporal interest of its human functionaries, rather than the glory of the true and living God.

It has demanded us to deliver up our arms, which are essential to our defence—the rightful property of freemen-and formidable only to tyrannical governments. It has invaded our country both by sea and by land, with the intent to lay waste our territory,

and drive us from our homes; and has now a large mercenary army advancing, to carry on against us a war of extermination. It has, through its emissaries, incited the merciless savage, with the tomahawk and scalpingknife, to massacre the inhabitants of our defenceless frontiers.

It has been during the whole time of our connection with it, the contemptible sport and victim of successive military revolutions, and hath continually exhibited every characteristic of a weak, These, and other grievances, were patiently borne by the people of Texas, until they reached that

point at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue. We then took up arms in defence of the national Constitution. We appealed to our Mexican brethren for assistance: our appeal has been made in vain;

though months have elapsed, no sympathetic response has yet been heard from the interior. We are, therefore, forced to the melancholy conclusion, that the Mexican people have acquiesced in the destruction of their liberty and the substitution therefor of a military government; that they are unfit to be free, and incapable of self-government. The necessity of self-preservation, therefore, now decrees our eternal separation. We, therefore, the delegates, with plenary powers, of the people of Texas, in solemn convention assembled, appealing to a candid world for the necessities of our condition, do hereby

resolve and declare, that our political connection with the Mexican nation has forever ended, and that the people of Texas now constitute a FREE, SOVEREIGN, and INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC, and are fully invested with all the rights and attributes which properly belong to independent nations; and, conscious of the rectitude of our intentions, we fearlessly and confidently commit the issue to the Supreme Arbiter of the destinies of nations.

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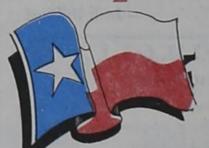


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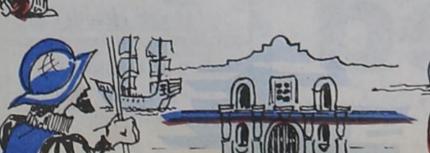
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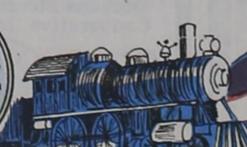
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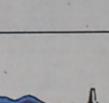


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