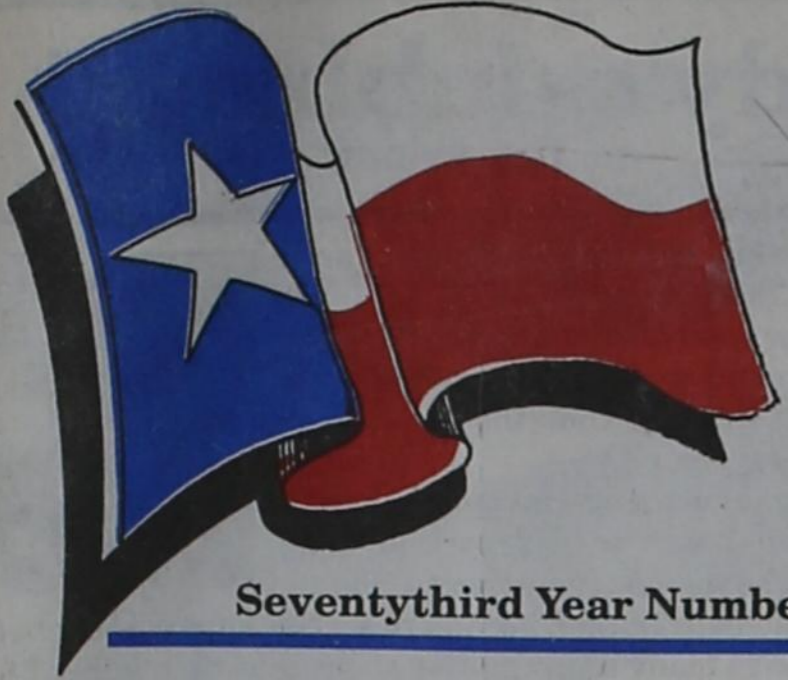


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The Post Dispatch

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35th Annual Jr. Livestock Show & Sale opens with beef show today

The 1999 Garza County Junior Livestock Show kicked off Wednesday afternoon with the weigh-in of 121 hogs, 14 goats, 30 lambs and 29 steers. One heifer was checked in to top off the 195 animals to be exhibited by 42 4-H'ers, 29 Post FFA and 19 Southland FFA members in the county. Nine "Pee-Wees" have signed up for the Pee-Wee Goat show to be held Friday evening. Clay Elliott will judge the Beef Cattle shows Thursday afternoon at 4 p.m., followed by the Swine show at 6:30 p.m. Ernie Eckert will be judging the Swine. Superintendents are Milton Williams for Beef Cattle and Bruce Ledbetter for Swine. Fridays' activities include the new Goat Show beginning at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pee-Wee Goat Show. The Lamb show will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Goat and Lamb shows will be judged by Kermit Wooley, Spur Vo-Ag Instructor. Brad Mason will be serving as Goat and Lamb Superintendent. Sponsoring division Grand Champion buckles this year are Giles Dalby, Jr. Family-Steer and Heifer shows; Victor Ashley family-Swine show; and Junior Stelzer family-Goat and Lamb shows. The buckles are being purchased through Max Haney of Caprock Boots who is donating his cost. Hurst Farm Equipment and South Plains Truck & Equipment are sponsoring the Reserve Grand Champion plaques, ribbons and division banners. Junior and Senior exhibitors will compete for Showmanship buckles sponsored by Garza-Lynn County Farm Bureau, Citizens Bank of Post and Dickens Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Spur. Godbold Inc. and Conner Herefords are sponsoring the steer "Rate-of-Gain" buckle and \$200 cash prize. Caprock Cellular of Spur is sponsoring the Overall Sportsmanship buckle which will be pre-

mented to a youth who has shown outstanding cooperation, assistance to others and leadership during the show. Syd Conner will serve as announcer at the shows and the award ceremony at 9 a.m. Saturday just prior to the sale. Several items have been donated for auction by local businesses to boost the jackpot which pays premiums to the exhibitors. Everyone is invited to the shows and sale. We encourage you to participate as either a premium purchaser or jackpot donor in support of our youth and their hard work.

A concession stand run by 4-H and F.F.A. members and parents will be open Wednesday afternoon through Saturday. An Appreciation Lunch, which will be served from 11:30 to 1:00, is being prepared by G.C.J.L.A. members and will be served by Post High School National Honor Society members.

Plenty of water for new prisons

In spite of the planned opening of one correctional facility and preliminary plans for a similar geriatric unit, residents of the Post area will be assured of an adequate water supply in coming years, County Judge Giles W. Dalby said Monday. Dalby, along with county commissioners and several members of the Post City Council, met with board members of the White River Water District last week to discuss the current and future water needs of local residents.



The Dallas Tap Dazzlers will perform in Post at the Ms Texas Senior Panhandle South Plains Pageant on Saturday, January 30 in the Post School Auditorium at 7 p.m. The performance is free and open to all.

Post Notes

Stew and cornbread fundraiser

The First Baptist Church Christian School will offer a fundraiser meal of stew, cornbread and dessert on Wednesday, January 27 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Carryouts will also be available. Donations are accepted for the meal.

Little Dribblers organizing meeting

An important organizational meeting for Little Dribblers will be held Monday, January 25 at the Post Church of Christ at 8:30 p.m. All interested parents are urged to attend.

Little dribblers sign-up

Sign-up for participants in the Little Dribblers season will be held at Norwest Bank on Thursday, January 28 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Monday, February 1 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. All boys and girls in third grade through sixth grade are eligible and encouraged to participate. For more information call Robert Wilson at 495-2077.

Offices compete for United Way

Employees at the county courthouse, city hall and post office have joined in a competitive race to help this year's United Way fund raising campaign. The strictly voluntary campaign, to be funded by individual contributions, is designed to reach this year's goal for United Way.

United Way campaign seeks \$21,150

The Garza County United Way campaign is seeking a total of \$21,150 to fund 13 participating units. Donations may be made by mailing to Garza County United Way, P.O. Box 425, Post, Texas 79356. Last year the Garza County United Way was honored as one of the top units of its size in the nation.

Blood drive set February 4

"If you have blood, we need you!" That's the message from United Blood Services in announcing the February 4 drive in post at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall from 4 to 9 p.m. All blood donors will receive a FREE t-shirt and a mini-physical, including checks on temperature, blood pressure and iron levels. To sign up for the drive call Paul Jones at 495-2326. Appointments are helpful, but not necessary.

Computer, Internet training

Post High School is offering an adult class on Introduction to Computer Skills and Introduction to the Internet. Classes will be held Monday nights from 7 to 8 p.m. There is no fee. Anyone interested in participating in the class should contact Doris Giddens at the High School Media Center at 495-2770.

Grandma Brag Pages deadline Feb. 5

The traditional "Grandma Brag Pages" will be published this year on Thursday, February 11, with a deadline of Friday, February 5. The cost remains at \$5 per photo, with a limit of two children per photo for the small size. Larger sizes are available at comparable rates. "This is the same low price that has not changed since 1982," Post Dispatch publisher Wes Burnett emphasizes. "There's not too many bargains like this around these days."

City-wide garage sale March 6

A city-wide garage sale will be held at the Algerita Art Center on March 6. Spaces are now for rent, \$15 inside and \$10 outside. For more information call 495-3493.

GCJLA Stock Show & Sale

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold its 35th Annual Garza County Stock Show and Sale January 21-23, 1999. The public is invited to attend the following shows, sale and lunch: Thursday, January 21 - Beef Cattle Show - 4 p.m.; Swine Show - 6:30 p.m. Friday, January 22 - Goat Show - 6 p.m.; Sheep Show - 7:00 p.m. Saturday, January 23 - Awards and Sale - 9 a.m.; Lunch - 12 to 1:30 p.m. Entry Deadline for GCJLA Entries for the Garza County Jr. Livestock Show are due in the Extension office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 14. Also due at time of entry are Wood Shaving Agreements, pen and light fees.

The county judge said he and other local representatives were assured that in spite of the recent opening of the juvenile detention center and the planned opening of the new adult correctional facility, plenty of water would remain available for use by Post-area residents.

The addition of another sizable detention center — the geriatric correctional facility that is currently being discussed, for example — would likely require the addition of another pump station in order to maintain the volume of water necessary to serve the city and its water customers.

"The prison and the detention center will be using all the surplus," Dalby said, "but there'd be no problem if the geriatric prison comes on-line."

Retirement incentive program approved by Post ISD trustees

Trustees for the Post Independent School District approved a retirement incentive program for professional employees Monday evening, a move designed to help curb spending.

Following an executive session discussion on the matter, the board voted to offer professional or degreed employees who are 50 years of age or older and have 24+ years of experience an incentive to take early retirement. These individuals, upon retirement at the end of this school year, will be eligible to receive an amount equal to 50 percent of their 1998-99 contract salary.

"Basically it's a cost-cutting measure," said Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain.

Seventeen Post ISD employees are said to be eligible for participation in the incentive program, Bain said, and five or six have indicated some interest.

Written notices of the newly-implemented incentive program will be mailed out in coming days.

In other action, trustees:

- Following the closed-door session, voted to extend Bain's contract by one year, making it a three-year contract.
- Approved routine financial matters, including a budget amendment allowing for expenditures made necessary with the relocation of basketball games to the Borden County gym (due to recent water damage to the local gymnasium floor).
- Heard a brief report on plans to double the bedspace at the juvenile detention center. The facility currently has 48 beds and as of Monday evening, was housing 43 youths. Plans call for the expansion to be built beginning in March, with completion targeted for this summer. Such an expansion could raise the Post ISD's average daily attendance (ADA) and necessitate the hiring of additional teachers for the juvenile detention facility.
- Heard a report from High School Principal Joe Giddens about a recent first place CX debate win at the Friona Invitational. Derrek Cowley and Scotty Gaydos topped teams from more than 40 other schools, including 3A and 4A competitors, to take top honors in the contest. Sponsor for the debate team is Candace Boling.
- Heard an update from the superintendent on the effort to repair the gymnasium floor. Bain said bids are expected to be available for review at the next board meeting.
- Called for a May 1 trustee election. Seats currently held by Mark Kirkpatrick and Barbara Hardin will be filled in the upcoming election.

Reese housing units to ease shortage here

Thirty-one single-family units and duplexes at Lubbock's former Reese Air Force Base have been tagged and local officials are interviewing movers this week as the effort to increase the availability of housing continues in Post.

Currently, officials are working on financing and hope to start moving homes in late March or early April, County Judge Giles Dalby said Monday. "We're trying to get them in as soon as possible," Dalby said, adding that the properties still await the release of the Air Force.

Plans call for the PEDC to borrow the money to purchase the housing units and relocate them to PEDC-owned properties in Post. "Some may be sold, some may be rented," Dalby said, "but the project is going forward."

More than 300 housing units are available through the recent closure of Reese Air Force Base, the judge said, but a number of communities in this region are vying for the structures. Plans call for the dwellings to be awarded to those communities with the most serious housing problems.

"We definitely qualify there," Dalby said, "and this is one way to meet the demand." Although the need for additional housing has been felt in the community for quite some time, the demand has been stepped up in recent months with the opening of the juvenile detention center and the planned opening of the correctional facility.

Local officials had initially shopped for ways to open up opportunities for new housing in the community but found that option to be too pricey for many of those accepting jobs with the new facilities.

"New housing is just too high for the salaries of the new prison employees," Dalby said. "This (housing initiative) should help meet the needs."

Dry conditions create concerns

January may be yet another dry month for residents of Post and Garza County. The Garza County Sheriff's Department, official recorders of local weather statistics for the National Weather Service, has recorded no measurable rainfall for Post since Nov. 1.

On that date, 0.60 inches of rain was recorded. The city closed out 1998 far below its annual rainfall average, totaling less than 10

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Weather in Post

Date	High	Low	Precip
Jan. 13	72	34	—
Jan. 14	56	27	—
Jan. 15	54	27	—
Jan. 16	77	39	—
Jan. 17	63	45	—
Jan. 18	69	34	—
Jan. 19	70	35	—

January rainfall — 0.00
Year-to-date rainfall — 0.00
Records courtesy Garza County Sheriff's Dept.



Mikki Wilks and Brad Swaffar

Wilks and Swaffar announce engagement

Mikki Wilks of Post and Brad Swaffar of Floydada, announce their engagement. The couple will marry February 13th, 1999 at Little Chapel of Brookhollow in Ransom Canyon. The bride-elect is the daughter of Kim and Patsy Wilks of Post. The future bridegroom is the son of Gene Swaffar of Woodrow and Sue Barnes of Lockney.

Congratulations!!!!
Randy and Raquel
 on the birth of your twins
 Austin and Brandon.
 We are all excited and
 happy for you.
 Fred, Clay, Donna, Kay,
 Teresa, Christy and Shanna

Post's own odd couple

by Judy Bush
 Last week Patsy Sanderson stopped by the office to ask how busy I was. She asked if I might take time to take a picture of something "really cute." I knew just from Patsy's expression that this was going to be good. It turned out the picture was exactly as she described. She sent me to Bessie and J.W. Strawn's home, where I was introduced to Buttercup, a baby goat, one of a twin, abandoned by it's mama. Now this by itself was something, but I also met Toto, a precious black puppy, believed to be part poodle and who thanks to Bessie and J.W. got a second chance at life. When Bessie and J.W. returned home one evening they found the puppy in the road, nearly dead, with matted hair and starving. Bessie took the puppy in and started nursing him back to health. After a couple of weeks, under Bessie's loving touch and wonderful nursing, the puppy now known as Toto (yes, he looks like the "Oz Toto") was well on his way to recovery and out in the front yard for a romp. A neighbor walked by and told Bessie they had only a few weeks before, taken the poor puppy out of the dumpster, but thought he belonged to another neighbor. Toto and Buttercup have become fast friends and along with the Strawns other pup, Tuffy (a nine year old chihuahua) provide endless hours of entertainment in a loving home. I think Buttercup and Toto must have had a guardian angel on their back when they found Bessie and J.W. It's too bad that so many of our mistreated animals could not be as lucky. My hat's off to the two of you! We will keep in touch as I am sure there will be many more stories to come.



Bessie Strawn with Buttercup and Toto. (Photo by Judy Bush)

FBC Christian School Fund-raiser

The First Baptist Church Christian School will host a fund-raiser meal of stew, cornbread and dessert next Wednesday (January 27th) at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. You may enter on the east side of the building and the meal will be served from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. with the cost of the meal being a donation. Students and teachers invite everyone to come "eat out" with them. The Christian School always appreciates the continued support of the community.

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



As you are aware, Pat Burnett lost her mom, Lorene Voyles, this past week. As I know how special my mom is to me, I have had Pat on my mind so much and I would like to take this means to let her know that she is in my thoughts and prayers. Mrs. Voyles was such a special person. I got to know her when I was with American Nat'l. Insurance and she was one of my clients. She and her husband had both worked for American Nat'l many years before and she told me so many funny stories about that time in her life. I know her family and friends will miss her so but I also know she is up there keeping an eye on everyone.

Weekend guest

Pat and Wes had so many friends and family in this past weekend. Visiting in their home were: Rex and Johnnie Voyles of Hobbs, N.M.; Don and Veda Voyles of New Deal; Steven and Shelly, Halie and Keylie Boyd of San Antonio; Vicki, Justin and Morgan Weaver of Hobbs. Fay Mann, Paula and Meaghan Moncrief of Dublin; Belinda Scott and Dawn Scott of St. Louis, Mo. and Nathan Quisenberry of Amarillo; Donny Mann of Murfreesboro, Ill.; Ted and Astrid Mann of El Paso. Joyce Reber of Houston; Donna and Harvey Hale and James Gamble of Mertzon; Linda and Scott Neff, Brandi and Dustin of Sonora. Gail and James Burnett of Pearland, Tim Burnett of Glendale, Arizona; Kim and Allen Dolberry, Alyssa, Cailee, Whitney and Lindsey of Midland. Marsha and Rick Rickard of Colorado City and Ken and Ann Dolberry and Trula Stidger of Lubbock.

The Boss

Mary Welborn and daughter, Margaret Ann McBee, enjoyed visiting in Dallas for a few days during the holidays with Wes and Carol McBee and children Zach, Jason and Ian. Also visiting were Mark and Debbie McBee, Meredith and Mason from Duluth, Georgia. Fun was had by everyone. Grandma Mary spent her time lying on the couch giving orders. If you want to know the inside on that and about her guardian angel ask Mary!!

Birthdays This Week

Birthdays for this week: Thursday 21; Crystal Gomez, Henry Gonzales, Cheech Barrera, Jeri Pruitt and Ollie Abraham; Friday 22; Anniversary; Marion and Pat Cruse; Saturday 23; Dora Basquez, Misty Soto and Amanda Whitten; Anniversaries, Jill and Ed Gossett and Joy and David Conoly; Sunday 24; Carol Williams, Gilbert Flores, Jr., Janell Jones, Steven Tidwell and Shawn Pennell. Monday 25; Kim Pennell, Will Tanner and Jay Nelson; Tuesday 26; The one and only Daniel Yarbrow; Wednesday 27; Ronnie Reed.

Great News

I want to send a special congratulations to Randy and Raquel Britton on the birth of their twin boys Austin and Brandon. I know they are so excited but probably nothing compared to the grandparents!!!

Attention Grandparents!! Please remember

To remind all of you again that it will not be long until it will be time for those sweet pictures of grandkids. Prices will remain the same, so please get those pictures ready and get them to me.

Update

Hopefully by the time you read this W.C. Bush will be home. I am sure praying for that. I know he is ready. They have moved Joe Williams to 576 South, extended care, and hopefully he too will get to come home soon. He enjoyed a long visit with his son Larry, of Dallas over the weekend. Larry came down and stayed with his dad and gave Alma a time out. We love you Joe.

Till Next Week

Guess that is all for this week. Please call in all of your news. So many folks look forward to sharing it with you. Have a wonderful week end and May God Bless Each of You.

In 1616 Ben Jonson became the first playwright to prepare an edition of his own works for publication.

Jerica Tyler performs for Amity Club

The Amity Study Club met Jan. 8 at Citizens Bank.

The group enjoyed entertainment by Jerica Tyler, who has performed at the Cactus Theatre in Lubbock, at Old Mill Trade Days and for many other clubs and organizations. She's also a regular at the All Churches Christmas Music Concert each year.

Her mother acted as her audio engineer and camera crew. Grandmother Nellie had injured a foot and couldn't come with them, so Marinette videotaped Jerica's performance.

"We would have loved Jerica to stay and sing more but she's a school girl and had homework to do," one club member said. "Thank you, Jerica!"

The group had no new business but several members were still turning in Christmas ad money for the scholarship fund. The club expressed its thanks to all who had their names in the Dispatch ad, which serves as the organization's only fund raiser.

The hostesses served mulled cider and hot peach cobbler topped off with ice cream.

Members in attendance were Sandra Alexander, Margaret Bull, Ginger Carlisle, Jane Davis, Joy Dickson, Suzanne Hudman, Naomi Matsler, Janey Middleton, Edna Owen, Joy Pool, Kathy Rankin, Barbara Reece, Anne Sims, Marion Wheatley and Louella Bilberry.

Art Guild drawings

Members of the Post Art Guild met Jan. 11 for a program entitled "We Draw Jack Kennedy." Post's own Jack Kennedy served as the model for the artists.

Members attending included Linda Puckett, Joann Mock, Sherri Reidel, Gracie Hodges, Geraldene Butler, Marie Neff, Lois Roberts and Melba Thomas.

On Feb. 8, the group will meet for "Secrets of Still Life in Photography" with Joe Miller.

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Friday, January 22

Goat Show - 6 p.m.

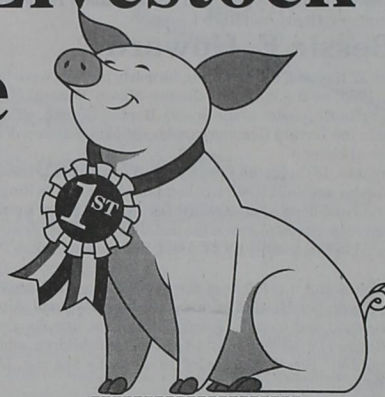
Sheep Show - 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 23

Awards and Sale - 9 a.m.

Appeciation Luncheon

Following sale (12 noon to 1:30 p.m.)



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Obituaries

Virginia Layne Huddleston

Services for Virginia Layne Huddleston, 89, of Bronte, formerly of Post and Snyder, were held Friday, Jan. 15, 1999, in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home with the Rev. Dayton McCarter, a Baptist minister, officiating. Burial followed in the Ira Cemetery.

She died Tuesday, Jan. 12, at the Bronte Nursing Home. Born July 31, 1909, in Glen Rose, she married Homer Walker Huddleston Dec. 22, 1928, in Snyder. Several years after their marriage, the couple moved to Post where they farmed until his death in 1970. She moved to San Angelo in 1979. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Don and Ruth Huddleston of San Angelo; a daughter-in-law, Minnie Huddleston Buchanan of Snyder; four sisters, Thelma Ford and Mattie Hobbs, both of Snyder, and Lou Looney and Anna Belle Stewart, both of Groveton; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Josie Layne; a son, Kenneth Rae Huddleston in 1978; a grandson, Richard Keith Huddleston in 1995; and two brothers, Henry and Buck Layne.

Bessie E. Howard

Services for Bessie E. Howard, 99, of Slaton, formerly of Post, were held Saturday, Jan. 16, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Justice-Mason Funeral Home with the Rev. Billie S. Smith, pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, Jan. 14, in Slaton Care Center. Born Aug. 23, 1899, in Tecumseh, Okla., to John and Julie (Bell) Kuykendall, she moved to Ringold in 1918 where she married Elmer Lee Howard Dec. 5, 1918. They lived in Post until 1952 when they moved to Anson to start their own grocery store. Her husband preceded her in death July 24, 1963. She moved back to Post in 1977.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist church. Survivors include three sons, Edwin Lee Howard of Silver Spring, Maryland, Albert F. Howard of Brownwood and Gerald Howard of Abilene; one daughter, Audrey Bishop of Slaton; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Dale Howard, June 4, 1983.

Corman Lorene Voyles

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 18, 1999 at the First Baptist Church in Silverton for Mrs. Corman Lorene Voyles, who died Friday, January 15, 1999 at Golden Plains Care Center in Post following a brief illness. Rev. Darryl Smith, pastor at First Baptist Church of Post, led a brief worship service Sunday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel.



Mrs. Voyles' nephew Rev. Melvin Rowell of Sour Lake, conducted services at Silverton. Burial was at the Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mrs. Voyles was born January 15, 1907 in San Saba County to William Asa and Molly Virginia (Harrison) Rowell. She married Alton Theodore Voyles on Jan. 16, 1924 at Benjamin (Knox County). He preceded her in death on Jan. 1, 1957. She was also preceded in death by daughters Alta Pearl on Jan. 17, 1933, Charlsie Maxine Alvord on Jan. 24, 1946 and grandsons Gary Layne Voyles on Jan. 17, 1957 and Jimmy Van Loon on Dec. 28, 1957.

Mrs. Voyles was a member of the First Baptist Church of Post. She had moved to Post in 1987 from Silverton, where she had lived since 1972. She was retired from Furr's Cafeterias, having worked at the Town and Country location in Lubbock for a number of years. She had moved to Lubbock from Knox County in 1942, and had lived and worked in Tahoka and Big Spring.

Survivors include her son Rex D. Voyles of Hobbs, N.M., daughters Lillian Fay Mann of Dublin, Joyce Reber of Houston and Pat Burnett of Post; 14 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren, seven great-great grandchildren; brothers Lowell Rowell of Sour Lake, Aubrey Rowell of Silverton and sister LaVerne Mercer of Silverton.

Serving as pallbearers were grandsons Don Voyles, Ted Mann, Donny Mann, Tim Burnett, James Burnett, great grandsons Steven Boyd, Shane Boyd and James Earl Gamble.

The family suggests donations to Garza County Meals on Wheels or Family Hospice of Lubbock in lieu of flowers.

Dickens Electric considers consolidation

Electric co-ops discuss consolidating operations Dickens Electric Cooperative (DEC) and South Plains Electric Cooperative (SPEC) are discussing details of consolidating cooperative resources and operations.

"The consolidation will create economies of scale and improve operating efficiencies at both cooperatives," said DEC President Ned Ward. "Since cooperatives are locally owned by the members they serve, any corporate benefits of the venture will ultimately affect the members of both cooperatives."

"The cooperatives are a good mix," said South Plains Electric's President Tommy Joines. "Our irrigation, residential, cotton ginning and commercial load will blend well with DEC's farm, ranch and oil." SPEC was organized in 1937 and currently serves 29,000 connected meters in Crosby, Hale, Hockley, Lubbock and Lynn counties.

South Plains Electric is headquartered in Lubbock with its service territory bordering the west side of Dickens Electric area. SPEC has an eight-member board consisting of President Tommy Joines, Cotton Center; Vice-President R.D. McCallister, Slaton; Secretary/Treasurer Paul Zuber, Petersburg; Danny Stanton, Shallowater; Clarence Kitten, Slaton; Benny Nixon, Lubbock; Bobby Richey, Wolfthor; and Marvin Schoepf, Lorenzo.

Dickens Electric Cooperative currently serves 5,015 connected meters in Crosby, Dickens, Garza, Kent, King, Motley and Stonewall counties. DEC has a nine-member board consisting of President Ned Ward, Aspermont; Vice-President Glenn Jones, Spur; Secretary/Treasurer Steve Cochran, Aspermont; Harvey Cannon, Spur; Robert Forbis, Roaring Springs; Preston Givens, Spur; Garth Gregory, Girard; Billy Hale, Spur; and Mike Smith, Afton.

Freedom Crusade presents evangelist

Jerry McGee, former drug dealer for Hell's Angels will share his story, and hold revival services starting Jan. 24, at the Grassland Community Church of the Nazarene, (12 and 1/2 mi. west on 380.

Sunday services will be 10:30 A.M. and 6:00 p.m. Monday - Saturday 7:00 p.m. Brother McGee is an outstanding preacher you won't want to miss this event!

Jail gets a little crowded with weekend arrests

Ten individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week but the bulk of that number was made up by individuals serving weekend commitments.

On Jan. 13, a 42-year-old male was picked up for reckless driving (released Jan. 15 on a PR bond) and on Jan. 14, a 39-year-old man was picked up for felony DWI (booked and released the same day).

Three individuals — a 21-year-old male, a 39-year-old male and a 21-year-old female — were placed in the jail on Jan. 15 to serve weekend commitments (each was released Jan. 17 after completing the weekend commitment). Also picked up on that date were a 34-year-old male, DWI/1st (released the next day on a \$1,500 bond) and a 39-year-old male, public intoxication (released the next day after paying fine and court costs).

A 21-year-old male was picked up Jan. 16 for DWI/1st and evading arrest (released Jan. 19 on \$1,500 bail bond and \$2,500 bail bond) and a 20-year-old male was placed in the jail on a weekend commitment agreement (released the next day).

On Jan. 17, a male (no age recorded) was picked up on a DWI commitment. Local law enforcement officers responded to more than 60 calls for service during the past week, according to dispatchers' records. Those calls included, on Jan. 12, a report of a one-vehicle rollover two miles north of the city on U.S. 84 and a possibly rabid cat at Two Draw Lake.

On Jan. 13, lawmen responded to a report of a \$35.78 gasoline drive-off at an 8th Street convenience store and a report of a reckless driver on U.S. 84 north between Slaton and Post.

Incoming calls recorded on Jan. 15 included a report of a theft at a Main Street business and a report of a reckless driver (no address given).

Calls worked on Jan. 16 included a report of a house fire in the 600 block of May Street (fire department notified) and a report of a reckless driver in the 600 block of 13th and 14th streets.

Calls reported on Jan. 17 included an assault in the 100 block of South Avenue Q; a grass fire on the Gail Highway (fire department notified); missing livestock, 380 west; an attempted break-in at a local business; a vandalized motorcycle in the 700 block of North Broadway; an assault in the 300 block of West 12th; juveniles creating a disturbance in the 800 block of West 7th; and an attempted break-in in progress in the 300 block of North Avenue I.

On Jan. 18, lawmen were called out to work a report of criminal mischief in the 500 block of South Avenue I; a report of reckless driving (no location recorded); a minor automobile accident 20 miles south of the city on U.S. 84 (no injuries reported); and a report of wild deer in the area of the Burlington Apartments.

Reports of someone knocking on windows and doors at a residence in the 300 block of West 3rd Street and an automobile accident in the 400 block of West 12th Street (no injuries recorded) were worked on Jan. 19.

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IUGR is important to determine because the best predictor of a baby's survival and good health is its birth weight. To determine IUGR your provider may order special tests such as ultrasound, which allows the provider to look at the baby's organs and measure the amount of fluid around the baby. Also, a nonstress test, which measures your baby's heart rate, over time. Both these tests are simple and painless both to the mother and the baby.

Although good tools, the above tests are not useful early in pregnancy. There are 5 important things to do right now to help your baby grow big enough before it is born: If you smoke quit now. If you drink quit now, even one drink a day can affect your baby's growth. If you use illegal drugs quit, almost all illegal drugs affect a baby's growth.

Eat a proper diet and keep all your appointments for provider's visits and tests. It is never too late to make these changes as a baby gains one half of their weight in the last three months before being born.

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Is cable company gouging local customers?

The following letter was sent to Classic Cable:

Dear Mr Flowers:

Since you have failed to return my calls, I am writing to you about the surcharge of \$3 on late payments. Payment is due 15 days after the statements have been mailed by Classic Cable. Late Friday afternoon, Jan. 8, 1999, I received my statement, payment to which is due on Jan. 17. If I send my payment on Monday, Jan. 11, the chances are that you will not receive it by Friday, which will result in another late charge.

It is neither my fault nor Classic Cable's that the mail takes five to seven days between Post and Kansas, so I think that it would be to your advantage to put an office in or around Post. I have in the past signed a petition in Post, Texas to request that the City Council reject one franchise and engage another to serve the Post community.

At this time, I am inclined to protest to the City Council again, for I am convinced that I am not the only one in Post with a monthly surcharge of \$3. This amount, multiplied by 12 months, is \$36 per year, multiplied by 2,500 Post customers amounts to a fleecing of Post residents \$96,000 a year.

David Boren

Editor's Note: The actual number of cable customers, according to city records, is closer to 1,200. But the issue is clear that the time element for payment makes it nigh to near impossible to meet the stated deadline.

Highway theft nets \$426,086.50 during 1998

by Wes Burnett

Garza County highway revenue collections raked in \$426,086.50 during the 1998 calendar year, with \$27,276.13 taken from unsuspecting travelers during December, as recorded by the two Justice of the Peace Courts.

Although the Texas transportation code technically applies only to those people involved in commercial use of the highways, the vast majority of December's "criminals" tagged in highway traffic fines were paid by "volunteers." Very few, if any, of those victims realize that the cars and trucks they drive are not included in the regulations related to the transportation code.

In December, JP 1 collected \$15,993.75 on 80 "criminal cases," while JP 2 took in \$11,282.38 from 44 "criminals." These victims of highway theft voluntarily gave up their right of travel by declaring themselves "motor vehicle" operators, through applications for certificates of title as well as "motor vehicle" licenses.

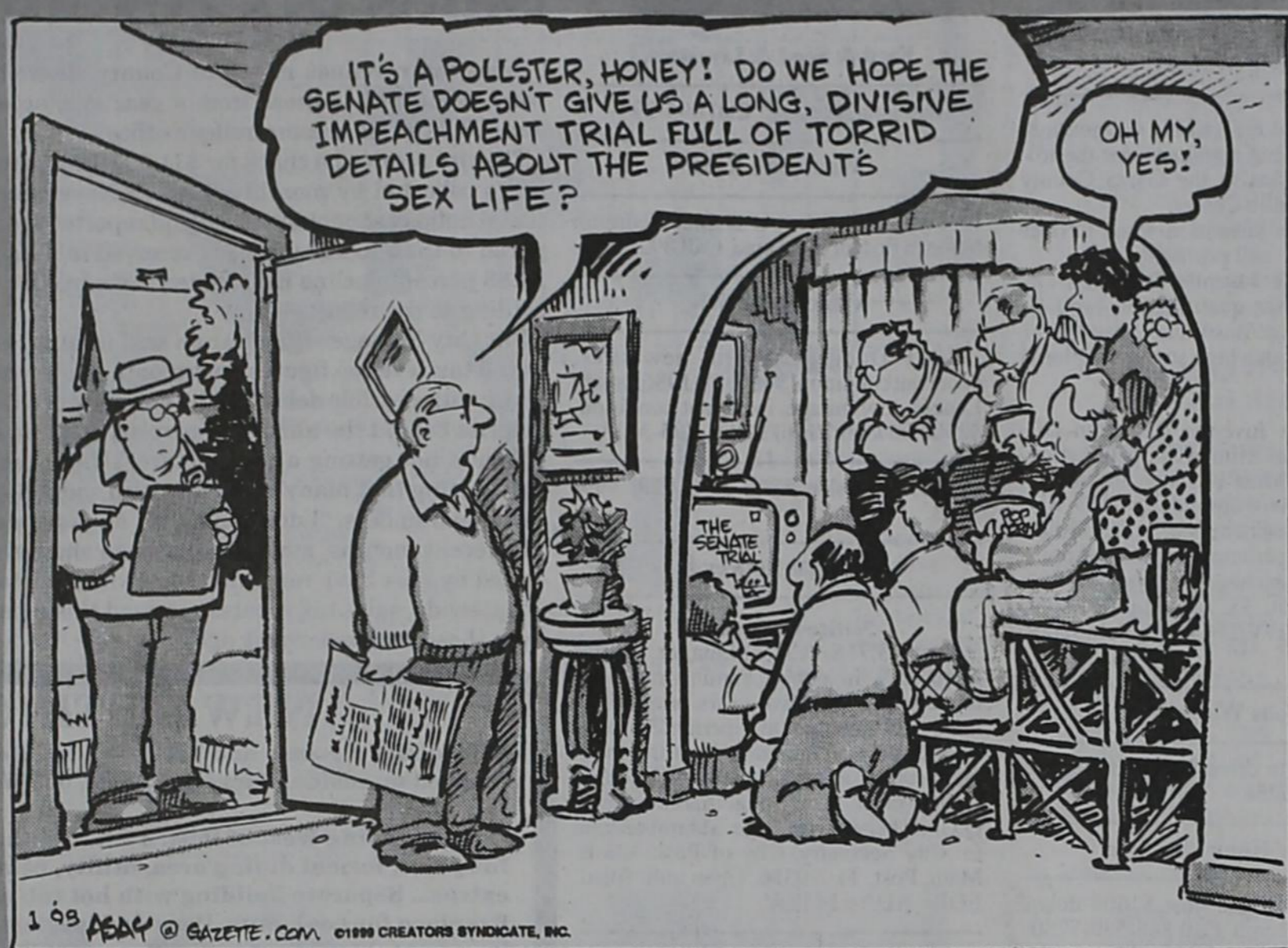
The Texas Transportation Code defines commercial use of the highways as those carrying passengers or property for hire.

Cars and trucks, which are not used for hire in carrying property or passengers, are not "motor vehicles" as defined by the code.

Carrying around a state driver's license is also a severe limit on freedom and liberty... that little piece of paper wrapped in plastic declares the holder to be an "operator of a motor vehicle."

So, when citizens voluntarily apply for a certificate of title to their "motor vehicle," they have placed themselves under the jurisdiction of the traffic laws, which can constitutionally only apply to those who voluntarily declare themselves owners of "motor vehicles."

Contesting this system can be more expensive than paying the highway pirates, who have the backing of legislative thieves and a judicial system that puts statutory rules above constitutional guarantees of individual rights. Under the current Texas legal system, it's a "no-win" situation for most people.



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Is It Time to End the War on Drugs?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

Hardly a week goes by without some mention in the media of the war on drugs. Record drug busts, money-laundering schemes, increasing drug abuse, gang warfare, thefts and robberies, political corruption, infringements on bank privacy, searches and seizures, confiscation of assets, arrests, convictions, and incarcerations.

If the overall situation — both with drug usage and the drug war — keeps getting worse, shouldn't Americans be asking some fundamental questions: How long is all of this going to continue? How bad do things have to get before people finally recognize that the war on drugs has failed?

How many infringements on individual liberty and privacy must still be tolerated? The policy question is: If the war on drugs has admittedly failed to achieve its objectives after decades of warfare, and if the situation has continued to worsen over the years, then why shouldn't this government program simply be terminated?

Of course, the basic moral question is: Why shouldn't an individual be free to engage in self-destructive behavior? Isn't that the very essence of human freedom? If a person is not free to do bad harmful things to himself, then how can he truly be considered free? Under what moral authority does the state regulate and punish an adult for doing something bad to himself?

The true test of a free society is not whether people are free to engage in what the state defines as "responsible" conduct. After all, even the Chinese and North Korean people are "free" by that standard. The real test of a free society is whether an individual is free to engage in irresponsible behavior, so long as it does not interfere, in a direct and forceful way, with the ability of others to do the same.

In other words, as long as a person doesn't murder, rape, steal, burglarize, defraud, and the like, freedom entails the right to do anything a person wants, even if it's the most irresponsible and self-destructive thing in the world. There are also pragmatic reasons for ending the drug war.

For one thing, even if it were capable of succeeding, the price in terms of liberty and privacy would be high. After all, they can't even keep drugs out of prisons. How would they finally keep them out of people's homes — with government cameras and drug-sniffing dogs and children who are taught to rat on their parents?

Moreover, when a person desires or needs some drug, making possession or distribution of the drug illegal is unlikely to achieve its intended result. Since making drugs illegal restricts supply, the price is artificially forced upward. Drug users are usually going to do whatever is necessary to get the money to pay for their drug.

Thus, it is not a coincidence that burglaries, robberies, muggings, and thefts increase when drugs are made illegal. When was the last

time you saw a wino stealing money to pay for wine? The most effective way to treat drug addiction is through therapy, not incarceration. That's why Alcoholics Anonymous has been so effective in treating alcohol abuse. But therapy entails an addict's freely talking about his addiction and the underlying reasons for his addiction.

By making drug use illegal, the drug war has the opposite effect — it makes it much more difficult for people to come forward and openly seek treatment. Ironically, ending the war on drugs would be more likely to achieve the type of society in which most of us would like to live: a peaceful, harmonious, law-abiding one. Does that mean that people wouldn't take drugs? Of course not.

But it would mean that prices would drop and that drug users would have less incentive to steal or rob to get the money to pay for the drugs. It would also enable addicts to talk freely about their addictions, openly admit they have a problem, and seek treatment.

Most important, ending the war on drugs would move us in the direction of replacing the paternalistic state, with its massive infringements on liberty and privacy, with a government whose powers are limited to protecting the right of the individual to live his life as he chooses so long as he respects the right of everyone else to do the same.

Isn't this the principle on which our nation was founded?

Mr. Hornberger is founder and president of *The Future of Freedom Foundation* 11350 Random Hills Road Suite 800 Fairfax VA 22030.

Garza County property owners still waiting response from Duncan, Counts on petition

A letter was sent on August 12, 1998 to State Representative David Counts and State Senator Robert Duncan, signed by nine Garza County taxpayers requesting the following language to provide for an election to dissolve the Garza Hospital District:

For the purpose of determining the dissolution of the Garza Hospital District, the board of directors of the Garza Hospital District shall comply with provisions of Chapter 286.102 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. Petitions signed and submitted by Garza County voters in May, 1998 to the Garza Hospital District shall be recognized as fulfilling the requirements specified in Chapter 286.102 of the Health and Safety Code.

Neither Mr Counts nor Mr Duncan have made any reply to the request from Garza County voters and property owners regarding this important issue.

And thereafter, a wrongful celebration

by Walter E. Williams

Scarcely a day goes by without a reference to preparations for the new millennium. First, what's a millennium, anyway? A millennium is a period of 1,000 years. Does the next millennium start at the beginning of next year (2000) at the stroke of midnight?

Most people think it does, and they're wrong. Here's how to think about when the new — third — millennium starts. Pretend I owe you \$3,000, and I'm counting them out to you one dollar at a time, and I get up to \$1,997, \$1,998 \$1,999.

Now the question is: When have I finished counting out the second thousand dollars and begin on the next — third — thousand dollars? I don't start counting out the next thousand dollars until after I add another one dollar to that \$1,999 that I've already given you, making the total \$2,000. I start counting out the next one thousand dollars when I've given you \$2001.

This reasoning also applies to counting years. The second millennium does not end in 1999, and the third does not begin in 2000. The second millennium ends midnight, Dec. 31, 2000, and the third millennium starts immediately afterward, in the year 2001. All around the world, there are massive plans in place to celebrate the next millennium (and 21st century) when 1999 expires.

I'm not the only one aware of the mistake. There must be people in the major news network like ABC, CBS, NBC and CNN who will read this column and are intelligent enough to understand the mistake. Moreover, they have the means to get the word out. To combat public and official ignorance about the new millennium, the evening news should end with a statement like, "That's it for tonight, in the next to the last year of the second millennium."

School boards could order teachers to explain the error to America's precious children. Why won't they? If people discovered that the new

millennium begins in 2001 rather than 2000, would they cancel all the plans they are making now to celebrate and welcome in next year as the new millennium? Some of the plans are gigantic and costly.

Some airlines plan to have flights over the international date line so passengers can experience the "new millennium" twice. New York City is coughing up mega-bucks for a megaton crystal ball to replace the current one that has been descending on New Year's Eve.

Web sites around the world, including one at the White House, have clocks counting down the "last" days, hours and minutes left in the second millennium. The United States is not the only country with costly celebration plans. I suspect there will be no efforts to cancel plans for next year's celebration in light of the error being made known.

In fact, I suspect that some people will be downright angry at the suggestion that they're celebrating nothing but the start of another year and not the new millennium. How do we explain this? Let me speculate. The math error might be explained by the fact it's the first time in anybody's life that all numbers change at year-end instead of only one or two, as it has been all of our lives.

My second explanation is not as flattering. That is, people believe that the new millennium starts next year. Despite evidence to the contrary, they want to hold on to their beliefs simply because that's what they believe and it's better that way. Let me propose a middle ground.

Keep the celebration plans, but call it celebrations for the last year of a century that featured mankind's greatest achievements as well as his unparalleled brutality.

To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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Monday, January 25

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.

Tuesday, February 2

• Post City Council, city hall, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, February 8

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.

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Green Thumb Garden Club News

Members of the Green Thumb Garden Club met January 14th in the Citizens Bank party room with Ida Jones and Fleta Caffey as hostesses.

The program for the evening was a movie featuring historical rose gardens, which all members really enjoyed.

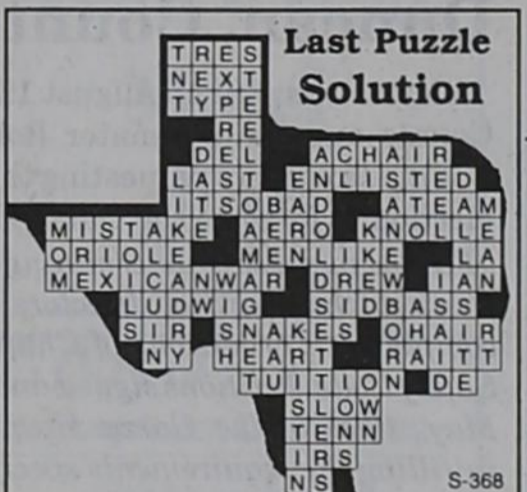
For their upcoming pilgrimage, everyone decided to attend "Fiddler on the Roof" in Lubbock on Saturday 23rd.

Refreshments and a good time were shared by all. Those attending were: Jewel White, Margaret Barley, Marion Wheatly, Louella Bilberry, Shorty King, Naomi Matsler, Carlene Markham, Cybil Cockrum, Iva Hudman, Maurine Hudman, Gladys Blair and the hostesses.

The female argonaut, a sea animal resembling the squid, is 8 to 10 times larger than the male!

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Sales tax revenue down

Sales tax revenues in Garza County showed a sharp drop this month when compared to those from a year ago, according to a report released Jan. 8 by the state comptroller's office.

The city received a check for \$11,592.19 this month, reflecting local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in November at the start of the traditional holiday shopping season and reported to the state in December. Compared to the \$15,432.06 check received in January 1998, the city shows a 24.88 percent decline in sales tax revenues for the new calendar year, according to the report.

But City Manager Rick Hanna said local residents should see a rebound in the tax revenue figures next month. Differences in the reporting period along with possible delays in the handling of sales tax reports are the likely culprits behind the almost 25 percent drop, he said.

"You're not getting a true picture," Hanna said of the comptroller's report, noting that many area cities also showed sizable declines in sales tax revenue numbers. "I don't think it's an accurate figure."

In recent months, state reports have showed the sales tax revenues received by Post have remained somewhat constant.

Statewide, sales tax rebates received this month were 5.1 percent higher than those received a year ago.

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- 1 TX ZZ Top album: "Hombres"
- 5 TX Swayze film: "of Kin" ('89)
- 6 "she's not my ___"
- 7 TX Tarzan Ely (init.)
- 8 Rio, TX
- 9 TXism: "warming ___ (sitting)"
- 15 film: "Night at the Alamo"
- 16 how TX George Bush got in the military
- 18 TXism: "want ___ I could spit"
- 20 Rangers have Triple-___ in Oklahoma
- 22 Nolan Ryan rookie card was sold in '91 for \$12 by ___
- 27 Houston has big ___ space industry world's largest herd is at TX's ___ Jersey Farm
- 29 bird found only in TX: Altamira ___
- 30 TX Garner comedy book: "How Are ___ Noodles?"
- 32 "hasta ___ vista"
- 33 annexation of TX started this conflict
- 36 ex-Cowboy Pearson 007's Fleming
- 38 TX symphonies perform music of ___ van Beethoven
- 39 Fort Worth philanthropist
- 41 Ivanhoe, TX named for ___ Walter Scott novel

- 42 TXism: "he's lower than a ___ belly"
- 45 TX athlete Madalyn Murray ___
- 47 home of Rangers' opponent Yankees (abbr.)
- 48 TX Benton directed "Places in the ___"
- 49 C&W singer Bonnie
- 50 TX university fee
- 53 fleur-de-lis flow over TX
- 54 TXism: "___ as molasses in January"

- 55 Davy's home state (abbr.)
- 56 government agency Texans love to hate
- 57 TX C&W singer Stuckey (init.)

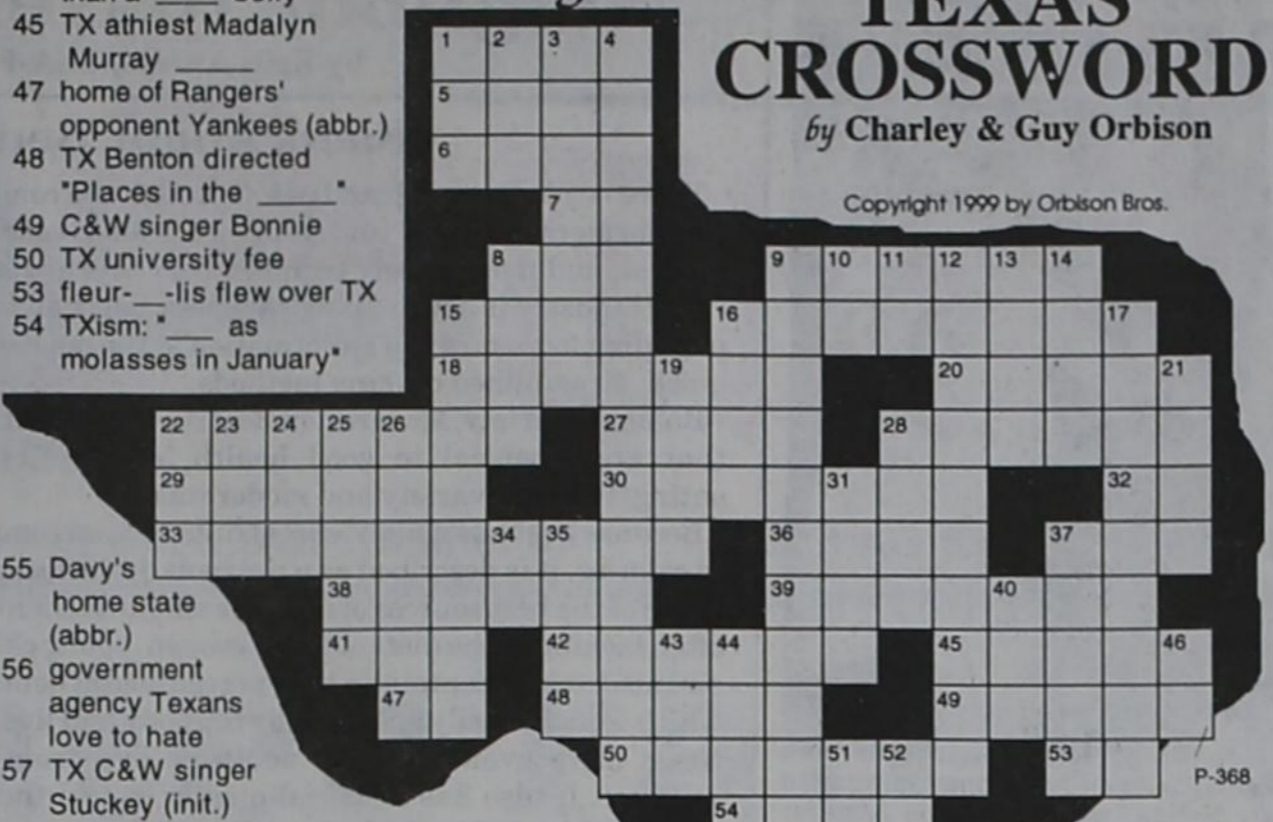
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- 1 explosive
- 2 TX Strait ballad: "Marina Del ___"
- 3 newspaper: San Antonio ___-News
- 4 TXism: "attracted like ___"
- 8 Ross & Margot Perot met on a blind ___
- 9 Alvarado hosts "Pioneers ___"
- 10 this Lindbergh made street landing in TX in '23 (init.)

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- 11 "howdy"
- 12 TXism: "Innocent ___ call"
- 13 TX Henley's "Take ___ The Limit"
- 14 rod and ___
- 15 TXism: "sounds like ___ axle" (poor singer)
- 16 TXism: "___ your keep" (work)
- 17 "Big D" resident
- 18 TXism: "___ joint" (saloon)
- 21 TX Orbison's "___ Woman Blues"
- 22 dad's mate
- 23 TXism: "get his dander up"
- 24 San Antonio IMAX Theatre has ___ story screen
- 25 labors
- 26 TX "Father T's" SMU church: St. ___ Community
- 28 Corpus Christi FM
- 31 TX perennial
- 34 to Post from Austin
- 35 "___ list"
- 37 "___ maybe, and that's final"
- 40 TX Dale Evans song: "___ I San Antonio"
- 43 TX "Babe" was member of this Athletic Union (abbr.)
- 44 she shot J.R.
- 46 TX actor Rip (init.)
- 51 charged atoms
- 52 TXism: "rides his ___ trail" (independent)

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

**Jan. 18, 1989
10 Years Ago**

The Post Art Guild, Inc., held its first meeting of the new year on January 9, 1989 at the Algieria Art Center with Thelma Bilberry and Geraldine Butler as hostesses.

Russell C. Graves, son of Ronnie and Diane Graves of Post, has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist.

The Post Art Guild has selected Robert (Bob) Chennault as Artist of the Month. A collection of Chennault's work is currently on display at the First National Bank of Post.

**Jan. 18, 1979
20 Years Ago**

Linda Williams, nurses aide, has been named Garza Memorial Hospital Employee of the Month for January.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Williams Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Dolen Dempsey of Seagraves.

Miss Lisa Ann Kocurek was honored on her 12th birthday with a party in her home. Members of her family enjoyed cake, ice cream, punch and coffee.

**Jan. 16, 1969
30 Years Ago**

Old Yaller, one of Post's better-known dogs, died late Sunday afternoon, evidently the victim of a dog poisoner.

Bob Nash of Lubbock's Radio Station KFYO and a former president of Lubbock's downtown Rotary club, spoke at the weekly luncheon of the Post Rotary Club in City Hall Tuesday noon on public relations and communications.

Dr. Gerald Lively is in Methodist Hospital for observation after suffering chest pains here Monday morning.

**Jan. 15, 1959
40 Years Ago**

Mrs. W. C. Kiker spent the weekend in Wichita Falls in the home of her sister, Mrs. Golda Taylor, where their mother, Mrs. Mae Payne is ill. Eight of Mrs. Payne's 10 children were there during the weekend. Mrs. Kiker was accompanied home by her brother, Bert Payne, who was en route to his home in San Francisco, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Eulas Brown went to Odessa Saturday where they visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Parchman and daughters.

Abilene visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hill Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McCampbell were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence-Epley. The Epleys are former residents of this city.

**Jan. 20, 1949
50 Years Ago**

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Perkins and his father, of Salem, Ore., are visiting here in the home of her father, N. J. Lanotte.

Dry weather conditions continue

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inches of rain during the calendar year. According to sheriff's department reports, less than three inches of that total — 2.88 inches to be exact — fell in the final six months of the year.

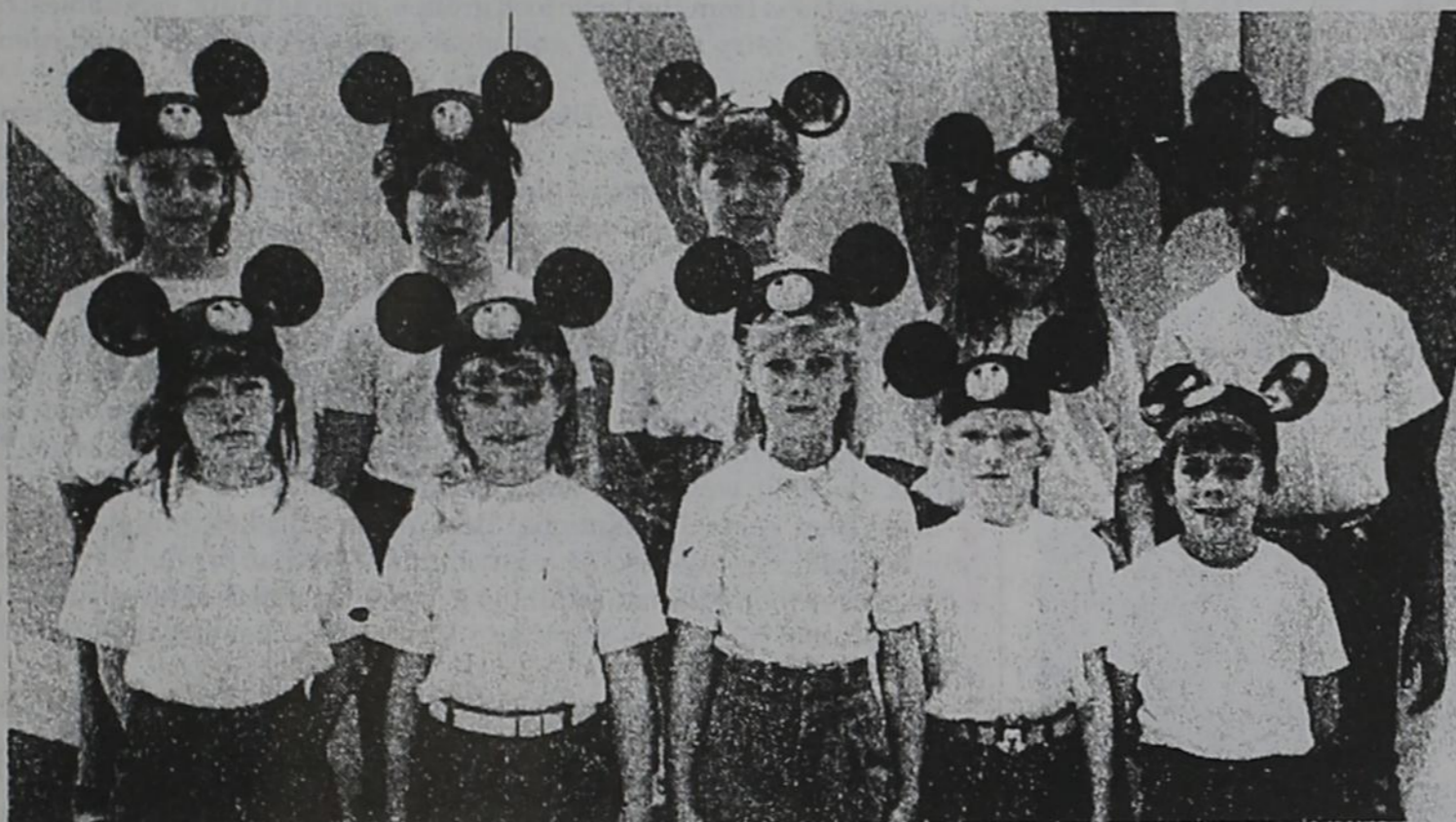
No rainfall was recorded in July and the city's last generous rainfall, a much-welcomed two-inch downpour, helped boost the August total to 2.10 inches. No rain fell in September, while a pair of October showers put that month's total at 0.18.

Add November's 0.60 and December's goose egg and the total is anything but impressive.



G. T. Mason, Jr., one of Garza County's several polio victims in 1948, poses happily with the crutches with which he now walks 15 minutes a day. Stricken with polio, 3-year-old G. T. was admitted to the Lubbock Memorial Hospital on July 18. On August 13, he was taken to the Children's Hospital in Dallas, where he received the wonderful polio treatments for 13 weeks. So remarkable has been his recovery, his physicians believe he will be able to walk normally within 18 months. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Mason, attribute his life today to the research that the March of Dimes Campaigns of years past have made possible. Garza County proceeds from last year's campaign helped pay G. T.'s hospital expenses.

From The Post Dispatch, January 20, 1949



SOLOISTS - (back row, left to right) Bobbie Jo Davis, Jamie Glidewell, Joyce Weidt, Christin Marshall, Donavon Osby, (front row, left to right) Tamara Mason, Kathy Gerner, Amanda Hair, Jennifer Hubble and Cameron Miller.

From The Post Dispatch, January 18, 1989

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, Jan. 22, 1999
Baked ham, potatoes, zucchini, tossed salad/ranch dressing, biscuit

and plum cobbler.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1999
Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, green beans, tossed salad/1000 island dressing, wheat roll and cranberry

dessert.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1999
Beef tips with brown gravy, corn, brussel sprouts, carrot sticks, cornbread and peach cobbler.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1999
Burritos, lime rice, south Texas squash casserole, lettuce and tomato salad pumpkin spice cake.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999
Sloppy Joes on a bun, tator tots, carrots, pickle, pineapple gelatin and gingerbread.

Post ISD

Friday, Jan. 22, 1999

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Fish, macaroni and cheese, carrot sticks, hush puppies, fresh apple, peas and choice of milk.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1999

Breakfast: Fruit-filled churros, sausage links, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Sloppy Joe, pork'n beans, slaw, fried okra, cookie and choice of milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1999

Breakfast: Biscuit and gravy, ham, fruit, orange juice and milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, banana pudding, hot roll and choice of milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1999

Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, fruit, sausage, toast and milk.

Lunch: Fajitas, onions and peppers, refried beans, salad, peanut butter cake and choice of milk.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999

Breakfast: Waffles, butter and syrup, bacon, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, California mix, garlic toast, fruit cocktail and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Friday, Jan. 22, 1999

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Pork rib sandwich, pickle and onions, chips, banana pudding and milk.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1999

Breakfast: Muffins, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken noodle soup, ham sandwich, cheese sticks, cookie and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1999

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, hash browns, biscuit, juice and milk.

Lunch: Baked potatoe with trimmings, mixed vegetables, salad, roll, cherry cobbler and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1999

Breakfast: Cream of wheat, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, corn, jello and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999

Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, juice and milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy mashed potatoes, spinach, roll, pudding and milk.

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Sports

Lady Lopes whip Lady Buffs 41-24

Post's Lady Lopes stunned the Stanton Lady Buffs in Stanton on Tuesday night by outscoring them 41-24. Post led at half time 19 to 16 but came out of the locker room and turned up their defense and offense leaving Stanton behind outscoring them 22 to 8 in the second half. Coach Taylor started his team in a man defense but switched to a zone collapsing on Stanton's six-foot player almost completely shutting them down.

Post hit 32% from field goal range but hit only 31% of their free throws. However, there were not many fouls in the game as Post only attempted 14 from the line making five points from free throws. Scoring for Post were: Rachelle Jones (3-three pointers) 10,

Kenda Looney 10, Kasey Hardin (1-three pointer) 9, Meagan Mills 4, Becca Stelzer (1-three pointer) 3, Kristen Webb 3, Erin Gregory 2. Post out-rebounded Stanton 29 to 20 with the following players contributing: Looney 6; K. Webb and Mills 5; Hardin, E. Gregory, L. Webb 3; Stelzer and D. Gregory 2; Vondi Gradine 1. Mills had 5 assists during the game followed by K. Webb 4, Stelzer and Jones 2, and Hardin 1. There were 12 team steals led by Hardin 4; K. Webb, Looney, and Gradine 2; Jones and E. Gregory 1 each.

Freshman boys take first district victory

The freshman boys traveled to Seagraves Monday, Jan. 11, to defeat the Eagles 44-40.

High scorer was Mikey Gonzales with 13, followed by Roland Castaneda and Allen Bell, both with 12. Hector Reyna added three while Waylon Strawn put in two for the Lopes.

8th grade girls take tourney consolation

The eighth grade Lady Lopes won consolation in the Christ the King Tournament played over the weekend in Lubbock.

On Thursday night, the team played Trinity and lost 40-32. Contributing were Regina Collazo with 11 points, Jessica Mason with 10 points, K'Leigh Babb with four points, Paige Lott with three points and Amanda Workman and Niebes Marin with two points each.

With their Thursday night loss, the team played again Saturday morning, facing St. Joseph. They came away with a 58-31 win. Helping out in the win were Marin with 15 points, Workman with eight points, Collazo with eight and Kyzandre Harper with five, Lott with three points, and Nicole Gray, Babb and Tiffani Hair with two points each.

The win was the first for the team this season.



Vondi Gradine (30) fights for the basketball as the Lady Lopes outgunned Plains last week. Joining in the action are Kenda Looney (31) and Jennifer Strawn (23). (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Lady Lopes take district lead

The Lady Lopes struggled with their shooting from the floor but overcame that as well as Plains' height advantage by ball control turning the ball over only 13 times to win over the Plains Cowgirls 44 to 39. Post had a slight lead as they went into the locker room at half time 21 to 18 but Plains made a run in the third quarter and led by two at the end of that period. Post regrouped and played great basketball during the fourth and final quarter bringing their fans to their feet as they tied the game with three minutes to go.

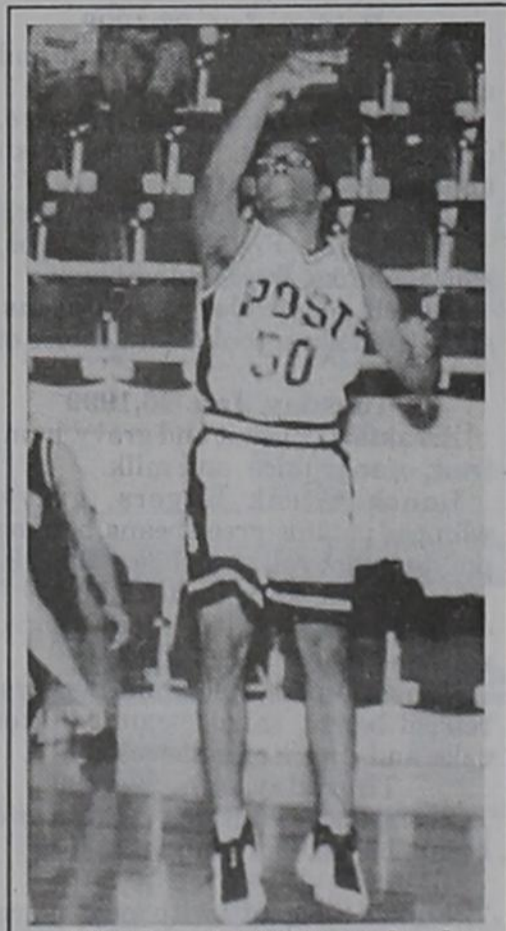
Coach Taylor called a time out and explained to the Lady Lopes how they were going to win this game. He called a "four corners" play which is basically a stall type of offense making Plains have to foul to even have a chance at the ball. The Lady Lopes hit 8 of 14 free throws in the final period as well as 4 of 10 field goal attempts to ice the game.

Post is leading the district 3-0 and they are 12-8 for the season after their win over Plains.

Scoring for Post during the game were: K. Webb 10; E. Gregory 8; Hardin 7; L. Webb 6; D. Gregory 5; Jones and Mills 3; Looney 2. Rebounds were pulled down by: Looney 5; Mills 3; Hardin, Jones, L. Webb, and Gradine 2; K. Webb and E. Gregory 1. The team had nine total steals coming from Hardin 3; K. Webb 2 (with 1 blocked shot); Jones, D. Gregory, L. Webb and Mills 1. Post also had nine team assists made by: Hardin, K. Webb, and Jones 2 each; E. Gregory, D. Gregory and Mills 1 each.



Braden Conner (5) fights for a rebound during last week's game against Plains as R.T. Todd (00) and Tyrone Jefferson (31) join in the action. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Billy Crawford (50) reaches for a rebound during the game last week against Plains. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Kasey Hardin puts two points on the board for the Lady Lopes in their win last week against Plains. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Facts About Beef

There is good news about beef. Through the combined efforts of ranchers and farmers, packers and retailers leaner cattle are being brought to market, and more closely trimmed beef cuts are sold at the retail counter. The industry is also helping shoppers select and cook leaner beef cuts, by providing more nutrition information at the meat counter and by promoting quick, streamlined cooking methods.

Balance, Variety, Moderation Beef is a significant source of many nutrients that are essential to good health, and it fits the basics of healthy eating* balance, variety and moderation.

Because beef has a high level of nutrients as compared to calories, it is described as a nutrient dense food. Beef is one of the best sources of iron, the single nutrient most often lacking in the diets of adult women, young children and athletes. It contains a high percentage of heme iron, which is more easily absorbed by the body and five to ten times more available than nonheme iron from plant sources. It also has a special quality, called the meat factor, which helps the body utilize nonheme iron from other food sources.



Beef is also a major source of zinc, a mineral that is essential for growth and metabolism, and like iron often falls short in diets of women, children and athletes. It is especially difficult to obtain recommended amounts of zinc and iron when meat is not in the diet.

The protein in beef is nutritionally complete. It contains all the essential amino acids necessary for growth. Beef also is a major source of five of the B-complex vitamins, including thiamin, riboflavin, niacin and vitamins B-12 and B-6. Vitamin B-12, essential for growth and the synthesis of DNA, is only found naturally in animal foods.

An average three-ounce portion of cooked, trimmed lean beef provides 18% of niacin, 37% of vitamin B-12, 14% of iron and 39% of the zinc, as recommended in the U.S. RDA. And all for only 183 calories, or less than 10% of a 2000 calorie-per-day diet. Beef is truly a nutrition bargain.

Beef As Part of A Healthy Diet Beef's role in a balanced and varied diet has been confirmed by leading health organizations. Most nutritionists agree that selections from the basic food groups, such as fruits, vegetables, cereals and grains, dairy products and meats, are an excellent foundation for a healthy diet.

Additionally, the new Dietary Guidelines from the USDA and the Department of Health and Human Services promote the importance of eating a balanced and varied diet. The seven guidelines, used in partnership with the food groupings, will help you shape a healthful diet and select and prepare healthy foods for your family.

The first two guidelines form the framework for a good diet: * Eat a variety of foods * Maintain healthy weight The remaining five guidelines suggest specific strategies: * Choose a diet low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol * Choose a diet with plenty of vegetables, fruits and grain products * Use sugars only in moderation * Use salt and sodium only in moderation * If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation.

More Beef Facts The National Beef Market Basket Survey, showed that the beef sold at retail has 27% less trimmable fat than previously documented. The survey found that at retail the average thickness of fat around the edge of steaks and roasts was less than 1/8 inch, with over 40% of the cuts having no external fat at all.

According to the data, an average three-ounce serving of today's cooked, trimmed lean beef contains only 8.4 grams of fat. Beef contains less dietary cholesterol than most people believe. In fact, an average 3-ounce cooked, trimmed serving of lean beef has slightly less cholesterol than a 3-ounce portion of roasted boneless, skinless chicken.

Programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

8th grade girls drop Stanton game

The eighth grade Lady Lopes played Stanton Monday night, losing 32-24. Contributing were Regina Collazo with six points and four rebounds; Amanda Workman with five points, one rebound and one steal; Niebes Marin with six points, five rebounds and six steals; Paige Lott with three points, five rebounds and three assists and a steal; Jessica Mason with two points and three rebounds; and Nicole Gray, two points, five rebounds.

Also, Tiffani Hair had three rebounds and one steal and K'Leigh Babb had one rebound.

Seventh grade girls handed lopsided loss

The seventh grade girls basketball team suffered a 49-7 loss to Stanton Monday night.

Participating in the game for the Lady Lopes were Jerica Tyler, Terry Curtis, Crystal Crawford, Brittany Hanes, Bethany Hanes, Jennifer Reiter, Starlett Greathouse, Briann Heckaman and Paula Voyles.

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Most Texans, like most Americans, support a bipartisan plan to quickly censure the President and get back to addressing the real issues that confront American families.

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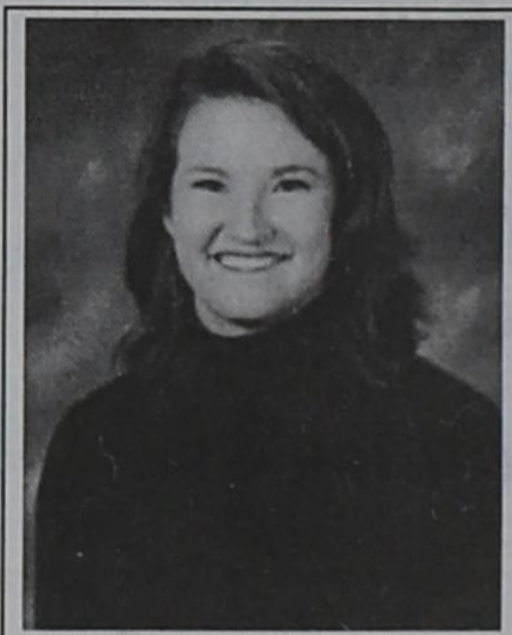
Enough is enough! Censure him and get back to work!

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