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Local man found dead on tracks

by Sheri Lewis

Gerardo Lara of Post died over the weekend, possibly as the result of being struck by a train.

DPS Trooper Kyle Edwards said it appears that Lara may have been lying on the railroad tracks between 10th and 11th Streets at North G Place. Personnel on the train reported spotting something on the tracks in that area and worked quickly to stop the 42-car train.

The train stopped within a quarter of a mile, the DPS trooper said. The incident was reported at about 3 a.m. Sunday.

An autopsy has been ordered to determine the actual cause of death. Results are not expected for two weeks, Edwards said.

In addition to the autopsy, local lawmen are also "interviewing local people" in connection with the incident.

DPS and sheriff's department officials worked the accident.

County 4-H'ers honored at banquet

"Where the Millennium Ends and the Tradition Continues" was the theme of the 1999 Garza County 4-H Achievement Banquet held Saturday, August 21, at the Post Community Center. The program conducted by the 1998-99 4-H Council led by President Jennifer Josey, honored the hard work and accomplishments of 167 4-H'ers and leaders in Garza County.

Proving that 4-H is a family affair, the top two honors went to Matthew Ledbetter who was selected as 1999 "Gold Star" winner, and LaRinda Ledbetter, who was selected as 1999 "I Dare You" recipient. To be eligible for these awards, 4-H'ers must complete and turn in Record Books detailing their project work, leadership and citizenship activities, to be judged on county and district levels. Matthew, a nine year 4-H'er, and LaRinda, an eight year 4-H'er, are members of the Graham 4-H Club. They are the children of Bruce and Debbie Ledbetter.

Laci Williams was awarded the "Senior Progress" award. She also completed and turned in a Record Book and exhibited a continued

desire to achieve in 4-H. Laci, an eight year member of the Golden Clover 4-H Club, is the daughter of Jeff and Jami Williams.

Jennifer Josey was presented the new "Seed Sower" award for outstanding leadership and persistence to improve and expand 4-H in Garza County. Jennifer, a nine year member of the Golden Clover Club, also completed a record book which won second at district. Jennifer is the daughter of Kohen and Patti Josey.

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Prayer at games?

No final decision has been made in the Post Independent School District, but Southland school officials have already made their decision — prayers will no longer be allowed as part of the pre-contest observance at football and basketball games, as well as other school-related events.

"We plan to follow the intent of the law," Superintendent Berhl Robertson Jr. said Tuesday. "Our decision is to not pray."

Earlier this year, a ruling by the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans upheld a ruling that prayer at events conducted by public schools is unconstitutional. The ruling was based on a lawsuit filed against the Santa Fe Independent School District near Houston.

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GCHD holds closed session on bids

by Wes Burnett

No action was taken by Garza County Hospital District directors following a closed session August 18 regarding bids for providing health care services here. Two bids were received, one from Covenant Health Systems and one from a Lubbock doctor.

After opening the bids, board member Carol Tobias entered a motion to reject all bids, which was seconded by Charles Propst. In defending her motion, Tobias pointed out that the district does not have legal authority to lease any of its facilities for any purpose other than a hospital. She also reminded board members of the Attorney General opinion and Texas Supreme Court decision which had been introduced at the August 5 regular meeting.

The motion failed on a 3-2 vote, as Travis voted with Zoe Kirkpatrick and David Tyler to break the tie.

A motion to close the meeting to discuss the two bids was also approved on a 3-2 vote, with Tobias and Propst voting against the motion.

Following the closed session, Travis announced that consideration of the bids would be tabled until legal advice on the matter could be received.

The next regular meeting of the board will be held Thursday, September 2 at Citizens Bank community room beginning at 6 p.m.

School enrollments about same as '98

Area school enrollments appear to be fairly stable when compared to figures from the 1998-99 school year.

In the Post Independent School District, total enrollment stood at 957 Tuesday morning. That figure includes the 38 students at the juvenile detention center for which the school district is responsible, as well as the half-day kindergarten students.

Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said the figures were actually down a bit on the primary school campuses, but up some at the detention center.

"We're about where we thought we'd be," he said. At Southland, Tuesday's enrollment figures totaled 165, down 17 students from the beginning of the 1998-99 school year, Superintendent Berhl Robertson Jr. said.

Enrollment at the First Baptist Christian School, which is open to students ages three through fourth grade, stood at 40. A school official said that number was "pretty close to the same" as last year's enrollment.

Eddie and Pauline are together again

by Wes Burnett

Eddie Warren, founder of The Post Dispatch and long-time civic community leader, left a strong legacy when he died last Friday at his home on West Main Street. He'd been frail and ill for some time, and I suspect much of his ailments stemmed from his emotional grief at the loss of his life-long partner and wife, Pauline, several years ago.

They were, as those who knew them, truly partners in life.

Much could be written about Eddie, and much has been written and said, but one thing that has stood out above all other comments to me is the number of young people who walked through The Post Dispatch on their way to adulthood. I'm not sure an accurate count has ever been made, but just in the few short years we've been in Post, I know at least 30 or 40 people who have boasted with pride about working for Eddie and Pauline at the Dispatch.

I guess we ought to have a reunion of former Post Dispatch workers some day, it'd probably fill the community center.

We can hardly mention Eddie, though, without including Pauline. So we'll just say that they were so gracious to us when we came to Post, and were marvelous neighbors to Pat's mother when she lived on Avenue N.

We always appreciated Eddie's perky visits downtown and sharing old memories with him. Whenever times get a little tough, I remember him telling me one day not to get too discouraged, "there was a time or two when we had tough times," he'd smile. And I remember that when Eddie and his mother started publishing The Post Dispatch, there were two other newspapers well established here... the original Post City Post and the Garza County News. That didn't daunt Eddie, he just got after it. During the depression years, when the dust settled, there was only one newspaper remaining ... and it was Eddie and Pauline at the helm.

I asked him once about the name of the paper, "Well, we wanted a name that was sorta famous and well known," he said, "and

you know, in those days the St Louis Post Dispatch was about the most famous in these parts." I also wonder if being from Missouri might have had something to do with it.

Anyhow, he was a grand fellow, and I've never heard one disparaging remark about him. Eddie said a few weeks ago that he wanted to be with Pauline again, I believe his wish has been granted ... they are holding hands with Jesus, and happy as never before.



Pauline and Eddie Warren at the 1991 Post Chamber of Commerce banquet.

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United Way plans 1999 campaign

Garza County United Way board of directors will meet at noon today (Thursday) at noon in the Citizens Bank community room. Officers will be elected and begin work on the fund raising campaign. Letters have been sent to last year's participating organizations, asking for written funding requests for the meeting. Interested non-profit organizations are encouraged to submit budget requests.

PHS Class of '59 reunion

The Post High School Class of 1959 is planning a 40th year reunion at the Hotel Garza on October 1. A reception will be held at 4 p.m. with dinner at 5 p.m. Those classmates interested in attending should contact Don Davies at (817) 473-3454 or write him at 2406 Summer Breeze Court, Arlington, Texas 76001. Classmates Linda Waldrip and Pat Bilbo may also be contacted.

Rotarians sponsor grocery raffle

Post Rotarians are selling \$1 tickets to win either \$100, \$50 or \$25 back-to-school groceries from United Supermarket, Post. You may purchase from all Rotarians, including Charles Hardin, Fred Myers, Marie Neff, Wanda Mitchell, Victor Ashley, Fred Stephens, Giles McCrary, Terry Bartlett, James Mitchell, Jana Bullard, Obie Kelly and others. The winning tickets will be drawn on Tuesday, Aug. 31, in the Rotary Room of the Post Community Center.

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Labor Day holiday schedule

The Post Dispatch will close Friday, September 3 and Monday, September 5 for the Labor Day holiday. Regular deadline is Tuesday at 4 p.m. for the September 5 edition.

Dickens Senior Citizen Dance

The Dickens Senior Citizen Dance will be held on September 4 from 7 to 11 p.m. on the slab, one mile east on Hwy 82. Music will be by Mike Porter, tickets are \$3 per person.

Antelope season tickets

Post Antelope season tickets are now on sale, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Post High School office. There will be five home games. The season ticket is \$15. Reserve seats are same as gate prices.

VFW Fish Fry

The Post VFW will host a Fish Fry, Saturday, Sept. 4, followed by a dance. The fish fry will be from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Adult plates are \$5, children's plates \$3. The plate includes fried fish, beans, cole slaw, hush puppies, hominy and dessert. To go plates are available. The dance will begin at 8 p.m.

Apple Butter Festival

Rotary District 5730 and Apple Country Orchards are presenting the 4th annual Apple Butter Festival on Saturday and Sunday, September 4 and 5, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Apple Country Orchards on Hwy 62/82, four miles east of Idalou. Proceeds benefit South Plains Food Bank and the Rotary Apple Orchard.

'Almost Anything Sale'

The Algerita Art Center is sponsoring an "Almost Anything Sale" on Saturday, September 4. The new and used item sale features booth rentals at \$15 inside and \$10 outside. Those interested in donating items to the Art Center for the sale should call 495-3493. Unsold items will be donated to local charities. The one-day event is designed to assist in funding efforts to support a wide variety of community projects.

Fill the Boot MDA drive

The Post Volunteer Fire Department will offer a "Fill the Boot" fund raising drive on Saturday, September 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The firemen will have a fireman's boot at the corner of Main and Broadway and at Old Mill Trade Days.

Chennault featured at program

The regular meeting of the Algerita Arts Center on September 13 will feature artist Bob Chennault. Reservations for the program should be made by calling 495-3493.

Founders Day booths downtown

The Founders Day committee is devoted to making this year's celebration a community-wide event, including the reviving of a downtown tradition. Outside and inside booths downtown are available for interested organizations. The committee is seeking arts, crafts or food booths to fill Main Street. Booths are \$10 with no electricity and \$15 with electricity. Call Judy at 495-2816. Deadline for reserving space is September 20.

Crazy Quilts of Autumn

The Algerita Arts Center will host "Crazy Quilts of Autumn" from September 28 through October 5. Entries will be accepted at the center on Tuesday, September 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Resource Fair Sept. 21

The Family and Consumer Sciences Committee of the Garza County Extension Program Council, is sponsoring a Resource Fair September 21 at the Post Community Center from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. This will be a great opportunity to let the community see what your organizations do, whom they help, or how they can help. For more information on the Resource Fair, read Kelly Ahrens regular column in today's paper, or call Kelly at 495-4400.

Flag football starts soon

Signups for students first through sixth grades will be held August 25-31 from 3-5 p.m. at Da House for MAD DADS sponsored flag football. Registration fee is \$15 per player. Teams will be selected on September 1 with practice starting the following week. Games begin September 11. The number of participants will determine how many divisions and teams will be fielded. Call Rodney Tidwell at 495-3960 or 495-1244 for more information.

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Mrs James Clint Melton

Davis, Melton united in marriage July 17

Lesley Renee Davis of Lubbock and James Clinton Melton of Post were wed in a double-ring ceremony Saturday, July 17, 1999, in a 2 p.m. ceremony at the Church of the Nazarene with Brother Jim Graham officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Rebecca Brewer of Lubbock and Garland Davis of Loganville, Georgia. The groom is the son of James and Sheila Melton of Post.

Given in marriage by her grandfather, Robert Tate, the bride chose a full-length white dress and train accented by satin roses and beads. The dress draped off the shoulders and her veil fell from a flowered headband. The bride carried a long, flowing bouquet of navy and white flowers.

Adrienne Davis of Lubbock served as her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaid was Gina Rainey of Lubbock.

Kristen Leach of Post, the groom's niece, and Kelbie Oden of Post, the bride's cousin, served as flower girls. Kristen wore a blue-and-white checked dress with white daisies, while Kelbie wore a navy dress with white lace trim. Each carried a white basket with navy and white flowers.

Kelly Line of Post was best man. Heath Eagle of Dallas served as groomsman. Dylan Thomas of Abilene, the groom's nephew, was ringbearer. Each wore navy Wranglers and white long-sleeved shirts.

Ushers were Shawn Pennel of Post and Jim Simpson of San Antonio. Candlelighter was the groom's nephew, Jarryd Thomas of Abilene.

Wedding music included hymns, "Ice Castles Theme," "I Do Cherish You" and the traditional wedding march and recessional.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The bride's, groom's and gift tables were decorated with navy and white tablecloths and decorations.

After a wedding trip to Lubbock, the couple is at home in Post.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents in the fellowship hall of the Church of the Nazarene.

The bride, a 1995 graduate of Monterey High School in Lubbock, holds an Associate of Arts & Sciences from South Plains College, Levelland, where she was listed on the National Dean's List from 1995-1997. She is currently a student at Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

The groom, a 1994 graduate of Post High School, is employed with Mason Brothers Construction.

Juanita Davis, Riley Feagin exchange vows

A waterfall served as the backdrop for the Saturday, Aug. 14, 1999, garden wedding of Juanita Davis and Charles (Riley) Feagin. The double-ring ceremony took place at 7 p.m. in the courtyard of the Hotel Garza in Post, with the Rev. Donnie Blacklock of Post officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Leslie and Linda Davis of Post and the granddaughter of Juanita Justice of Lubbock and the late Howard Justice, T.F. Davis of Post and the late Ruby Nell Davis. The groom is the son of Sally Feagin of Post and Robert Feagin of Plainview. His grandparents are Damon and Markey Stotts of McAdoo.

The garden gazebo under which the ceremony was conducted was entwined with English ivy, tulle and gardenia vines. Hanging baskets of lavender spring flowers complimented the altar area.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an elegant white bridal peau satin wedding gown designed by Sweetheart. The dress featured a sleeveless bodice with a scoop neckline. The bodice was appliqued with Alencon lace adorned with solid pearls and Australian crystal sequins. Small satin bows sat at the back neckline, one at the waist and another at the skirt. The bows each had pearl centers, and satin-covered buttons were placed between each bow. The skirt was a full A-line silhouette.

To complete her ensemble, the bride wore a beaded crown headpiece accented in the back with a crystal and pearl bow and finished with fingertip-length veiling.

The bridal bouquet, designed and created by the bride's mother, consisted of cascading white and pale peach silk roses accented by seed pearl sprays, pearl-shaped hearts, illusion ribbon and English needlepoint ivy. Bridal streamers were tied with love knots and two gold wedding bands completed the bouquet.

Following the wedding tradition, the bride carried handkerchiefs belonging to each of her grandmothers as "something old," wore jewelry given to her by her parents and her wedding gown as "something new" and wore a veil belonging to her cousin, Mendy Warwick, as "something borrowed." Her garter was "something blue." In her shoes, the bride had a six-pence and pennies minted in the birth years of the couple.

The groom wore a formal black tuxedo by Christian Dior with black satin notched lapels, accented with a paisley vest and bow tie. The groom's boutonniere was a single white silk rosebud accented with baby's breath.

The couple's son, Riley (Reese) Feagin stood with his parents as their vows were said. He wore a Christian Dior tuxedo identical to his father's and a miniature rosebud boutonniere accented with baby's breath.

Guests were greeted by Ashlee Davis, the bride's niece. Providing the music was Christie Oden. Guests were seated to "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," "Oh Wings of Song" and "Largo from Xerxes." The couple's parents and grandparents entered to "Canon in D." The couple's mothers were ushered in by Chad Davis and Aaron Davis, brothers of the bride.

The groom and the couple's son entered to the song, "Cherish You" by Mark Wills. The bride entered the courtyard to the traditional "Bridal March."

After the couple repeated their vows, each embraced the other's parents before departing to the song, "From This Moment" by Shania Twain.

A reception immediately followed inside the Hotel Garza. The couple's table was adorned with a traditional three-tiered white wedding cake separated by white Grecian columns. The cake, created by Jimella Simpson, was decorated with pale peach and lavender rosebuds, miniature sugar bells and butterflies. The cake topper was a delicate display of two glass-blown wedding bells. A bridal portrait and the bride's bouquet served as the centerpiece. The table was decorated by Mrs. Jamie Cooper and Amber Eagle.

The couple lit a unity candle during the reception. Photos were taken by Charles Wallace and videotaping was done by Mrs. Jami Williams.

Holly Hardin and Christie Oden served cake and punch to guests.

Bags of birdseed were distributed to guests for the couple's departure in a black stretch limousine.

Following a honeymoon in Las Vegas, Nevada, the couple will be at home in Lubbock.

Both are graduates of Post High School.



Mrs Riley Feagin

You are cordially invited to a 90th Birthday Reception
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Judy's Jabberin'
By Judy B. Bush

One more week! Back into the swing of things, with school and all that goes with it! Can you believe how the time flies?

Rag Town Reunion
Rick and I had the pleasure of taking W.C. and Maurice Bush to the Rag Town reunion Saturday (held at the Community Center) and we really did enjoy ourselves.

Just guessing, hopefully LaVerne Aten will have a report, there were probably around 100 present that had attended school at Close City at some time or another.

We saw lots of folks that we had not seen in a long time. They voted to have another reunion in two years and I'm sure the turnout will be just as big if not bigger!

- From an Alabama cuz!**
10 Ways to Increase Your Happiness
1. Give something away with no strings attached.
 2. Do a kindness and forget it. Don't expect to be "repaid."
 3. Spend time with the aged because experience is priceless.
 4. Look intently into a baby's eyes and marvel.
 5. Laugh often. It's life lubricant.
 6. Give thanks for your blessings many times a day.
 7. Pray, or you'll lose the way.
 8. Work with vim and vigor.
 9. Play as though you will live forever.
 10. Live your life today as though you will die tomorrow.

Thankful For The Rain
As I write this on Tuesday morning, I'm sure everyone was delighted to see the rain, as was I.

Those Alabama pine trees I'm sure are in cultural shock anyway, so I know they were glad to see that they had not been planted in a no rain climate!!

Our farmers and ranchers sure needed it and they are all in line for a good year. Though they a little appreciated sometimes, where would we be without them?? Ever thought about that?

Get Well's
I would like to send a get well message out to Hiwatha Garza who is hospitalized in Covenant. Hope she is up and around soon and feeling much better.

Also, Penney Rains and Mary Martin are still in our prayers.

Birthdays this Week
Thursday, Aug. 26; Brayden Permenter and Camille Blevins; Anniversary; Jim and Sharla Wells; Friday, Aug. 27; Courtney Basquez, Jacob Lott, Geneva Belonga and Matthew Kane; Saturday, Aug. 28; Larissa Halford and Stacy Hair; Sunday, Aug. 29; Deann Bratcher, Jordan Andrew Payne, Sara, Michael James McClain, Andy Williams, Cathy Whitten, Febe Diaz, Zachariah Quinonez and Solomon Abraham; Anniversary; Joey and Tabatha Cowley;
Monday, Aug. 30; Felix Leos, Eva Quinonez and Teresa Schoonover; Tuesday, Aug. 31; Mikey Gonzales, Truett Horton, Steve Curb, Jacoby Bilbo and Brenda Nelson; Wednesday, Sept. 1; No birthdays!

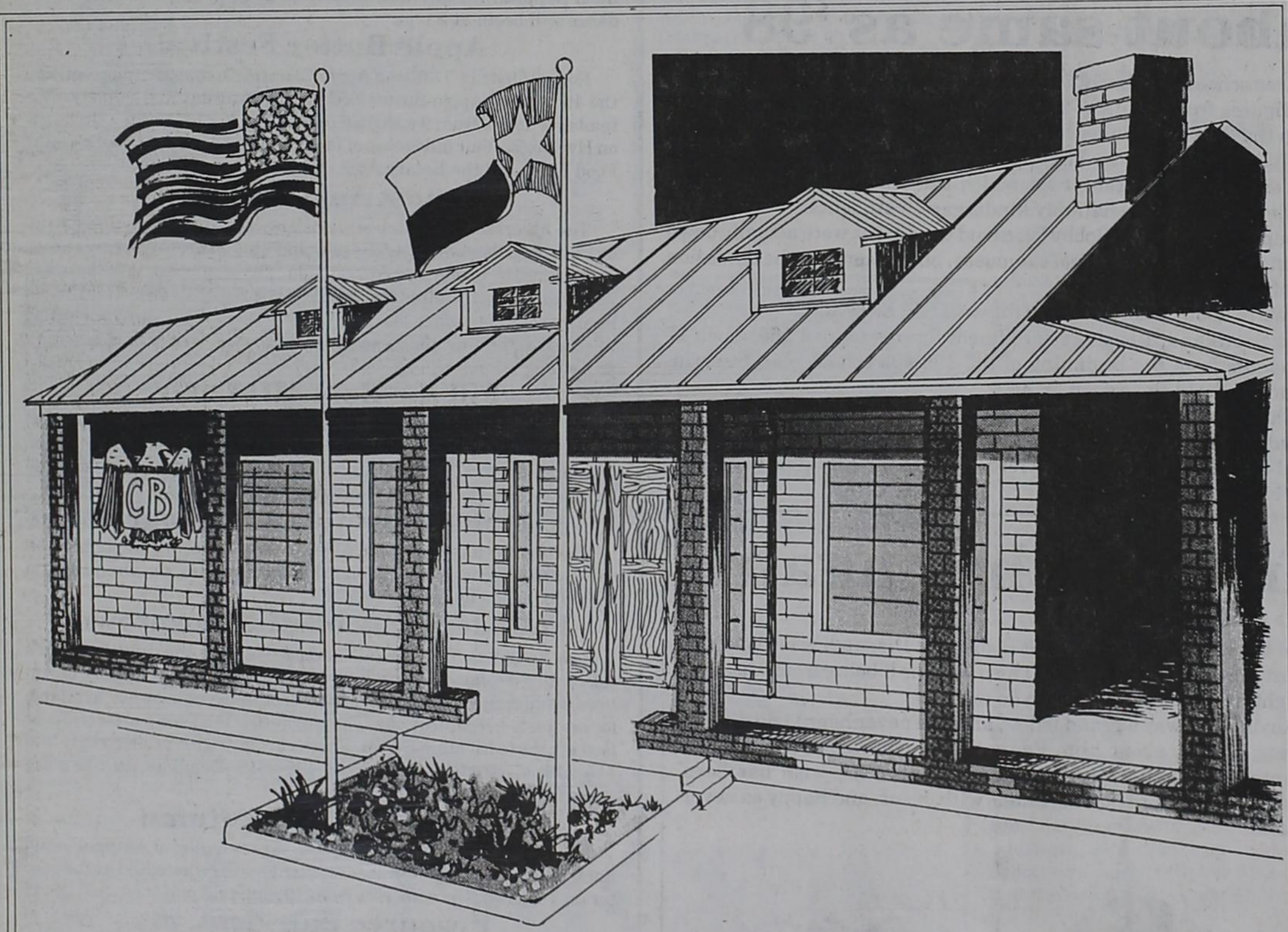
Lots of Memories
I received a call from Thelma Epley telling me about the trip to Oklahoma that she and Jerry and Lometa took not long ago. She relived lots of memories as they visited with many friends and relatives that she had not seen for many years. She enjoyed staying with her niece, Betty Jo Chambers in Ardmore.

Jerry and Lometa visited Bundi, where Jerry started his school years, then took Thelma to Foster, Oklahoma where she finished school. Thelma also visited her fathers grave site which she had not been able to do in many years.

She said they had a wonderful time renewing friendships and spending time together.

To Betty JO
I wanted to let Betty Jo know that I have had so many calls from people that logged on to the classmate connection she sent to us. Thanks to her for letting everyone in on it!

Till Next Week
Guess that is all for this week. Hope that all of you have a wonderful weekend, maybe we will be in store for more rain! May God bless each of you.



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Jennifer Iovinelli and Brad Sharp exchange wedding vows

Jennifer Marie Iovinelli and Bradley Dan Sharp were united in marriage on Saturday, June 12, 1999, at one thirty in the afternoon at St. Gertrude Catholic Church in Franklin Park, IL. Father Al Corbo performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Iovinelli of Las Vegas, NV, formerly of Schiller Park, IL. The groom is the son of Betty Jo Sharp of Austin, TX, formerly of Post, TX, and the late James D. Sharp. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hill.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father, Michelle Crawford, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Candice Prossio, Charlene Bisiada, and Susan Stultz.

Jeff Sharp, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsman were Ralph Iovinelli, brother of the bride, Blake Clements, and Michael Seals. Serving as ushers were Kent Duren and Andrew Fehler.

The mother of the groom was escorted by her son, Jeff Sharp, and the mother of the bride was escorted by her son, Ralph Iovinelli.

A reception was held at six thirty in the evening at The Seville. Jennifer is a graduate of Mother Theodore Guerin High School in River Grove, IL, and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ.

She is currently employed as a Space Shuttle Flight Design Engineer for Barrios Technology in Houston, TX. Brad is a graduate of Post High School and The University of Texas at Austin. He is currently employed as a Space Station Systems Instructor with United Space Alliance in Houston, TX.

The rehearsal dinner, given by the groom's mother, was held at Giuseppe's Restaurant. Following a honeymoon in Negril, Jamaica, the couple will reside in Houston, TX.



Enjoying visits with old friends last weekend at the 1999 Close City "Ragtown" Reunion were (back, left to right) D.R. Adamson, (unidentified), Lucille Bush, Ruby Carpenter, Hooter Terry, (front) Maurice and W.C. Bush. (Photo by Judy Bush)

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

The Rules of the Road

While many children enjoyed a break from school and had fun in the great outdoors over the summer, the school bell has signaled the beginning of another school year. Parents and care-givers can put aside the worries of the summer - sunburns, hectic travel plans, and the boredom factor - and begin to think about school.

Many students ride the yellow school bus to school, some for the first time and some as seasoned veterans. School buses are one of the safest forms of transportation in the nation, nearly 2000 times safer than the family car. (Sources: NHTSA web site and National School Transportation Association, 1999)

The reality of school bus safety is that more children are hurt outside a bus than inside one. The greatest potential danger is actually not riding the bus; its before & after: before getting on and after getting off. As the school year begins, motorists need to stop when the bus's warning lights are flashing or the stop arm comes out, and share the road the yellow bus!

In so many communities, students walk to school, and that presents different challenges for motorists. Students are at the greatest risk for injury as pedestrians at the beginning and end of the school year because there are more students on the streets. Very few students under eight years of age can deal safely with traffic as they are impulsive, believe the driver can see them and cannot judge the speed or distance of traffic.

The ultimate responsibility lies with the motorists. Motorists should slow down in school areas and always remember that children are impulsive and tend not to think before they act. Respect school zones and watch that speedometer! Drive by any school and one will notice bicycle racks full of bicycles. Students and drivers need to remember that the bicycle is not a toy, but means of transportation subject to the same laws as motor vehicles.

Students need to stop at intersections, ride to the right of the road, obey all traffic signals, and wear a bike helmet. Motorists need to be on the lookout for bicyclists and not assume that the student knows all of the rules of the road, watch for riders popping out of side streets, and remember that young riders view the traffic world much different than adults.

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



Births

Alexis Marie Antillon

Alexandria Antillon is proud to welcome home her little sister, Alexis Marie Antillon. Parents are Jorge and Angela Antillon.

Alexis was born July 15, 1999 at 3:50 pm at UMC in Lubbock. She weighed six pounds, six ounces and was 19 inches long.

Marernal grandparents are Charles and Kay Wallace of Post. Great grandmothers are Johnnie Wallace of Post and Peggy Altman of Slaton. Great-great grandmother is Francis Sargent of Slaton.

Paternal grandparents are Bernardo and Maria Antillon of Juarez, Mexico.

Sonya Harp honored at shower

A bridal shower honoring Sonya Harp, bride-elect of Stephen Ellis, was held at the Hotel Garza Sunday, Aug. 15, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Punch and thumbprint cookies were served by Camie Payne and Mandy Terry.

The honorees and LeeAnn Hodges and Theresa Harp greeted guests. Hostesses for the event included Eydie Capps, Louanne Terry, Sherry Dorner, Marilyn Williams, Edwina Pettyjohn, Debbie Bain, Jane George, Carol Payne, Sharon Kocurek, Nancy Kemp, Karen Nichols, Kembra Jones and Marinette Tyler.

The hostess' gift to the couple was a serving platter.



Alexandria and Alexis Antillon

Pxi Delta Rho

Pxi Delta Rho met Monday, Aug. 23, at 7 p.m. at Citizens Bank.

Members enjoyed a salad supper and discussed several business items, but no formal program was provided.

Members present included Meg Nelson, Amy Babb, Melinda Mason, Sherry Dorner, Celia Mason, Angie Babb, Shanda Kelso, Trevah Yarbrow, Jan Acker, Vicki Walls, JoAnn Stelzer, Mary Edwards, Dana Babb, Jody Whisenhunt and Susan Boren.

Girl Scouts plan ice cream social Aug. 29

Post Girl Scouts will hold an Ice Cream Sundae Social at the City Park at 3 pm Sunday, August 29th. Any girl, age 5-18, who is interested in being in Girl Scouts is invited. Please bring a parent or other adult with you.

Two new members at Rotary Club

Twenty-six Rotarians and two guests attended the Post Rotary Club meeting on August 17th while twenty-three Rotarians and one guest were present for the meeting on August 24th. The Club meets every Tuesday at noon in the Post Community Center Rotary Room.

At the first meeting Jana Bullard, Director of Club Service, presided for the installation of new Rotary members, Dr. James Bell and Fred Stephens.

Joanna Duncan of the American Society was the featured speaker at the meeting on August 24th. Involving more than 2 million volunteers in the United States, the American Cancer Society is instrumental in raising and providing funds for cancer research and education. While in 1998 the numbers of deaths declined for the first time ever, much is left to do in the fight against this disease - particularly when 3000 teenagers start smoking every day in the United States.

The Post Rotary Club voted to contribute \$100 to the Breedlove Dehydration Plant of Lubbock to help ship food to the victims of the earthquake in Turkey.

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This Sweet Sixteen her mother's pet ain't been kissed by the right boy yet

Happy Birthday, Sam

THEN and NOW!

by Eunice McFall

I read this article in a recent issue of the Motley County Tribune and thought you might get a good laugh out of it.

A strange old lady moved into my house

A very weird thing has happened. A strange old lady has moved into my house. I have no idea who she is, where she came from, or how she got in. I certainly didn't invite her. All I know is that one day she wasn't here, and the next day she was.

She's very clever. She manages to keep out of sight for the most part, but whenever I pass a mirror, I catch a glimpse of her there; and when I look into a mirror directly to check my appearance, suddenly she's hogging the whole thing, completely obliterating my gorgeous face and body.

It's very disconcerting. I've tried screaming at her to leave, but she just screams back, grimacing horribly. She's really rather frightening.

If she's going to hang around, the least she could do is offer to pay rent. But no. Every once in a while I do find a couple dollar bills on the kitchen counter, or some loose change on my bureau or on the floor; but that certainly isn't enough. In fact, though I don't like to jump to conclusions, I think she steals from me quite regularly; I go to the ATM and withdraw a hundred dollars, and a few days later, it's gone.

I certainly don't go through it that fast, so I can only conclude that the old lady pilfers it. You'd think she'd spend some of it on wrinkle creams--goodness knows she needs it.

And money isn't the only thing she's taking. Food seems to disappear at an alarming rate. Especially the good, ice cream, cookies, candy - I just can't seem to keep them in the house - she really has a sweet tooth. She should watch it, she's putting on the pounds. I think she realizes that and to make herself feel better I know she's tampering with my scale, so I'll think I'm gaining weight too.

For an old lady, she's quite childish. She also gets into my clothes closets when I'm not home and alters all my clothes. They're getting tighter every day.

Another thing. I wish she'd stop messing with my files and papers on my desk. I can't find a thing anymore. This is particularly hard to deal with because I'm extremely neat and organized, but she manages to jumble everything so nothing is where it is supposed to be. Furthermore, when I program the VCR to tape something important, she fiddles with it after I leave the room so it records the wrong channel or shuts off completely.

She finds innumerable, imaginative ways to irritate me. She gets to my newspapers, magazines and mail before me and blurs all the print; and she's done something sinister with the volume controls on my TV, radio and phone. Now all I hear are mumbles and whispers. She's also made my stairs steeper, my vacuum cleaner heavier, and all my knobs and faucets hard to turn, and my bed higher and a real challenge to climb into and out of.

Furthermore, she gets to my groceries as soon as I shelve them and applies super glue to the tops of every jar and bottle so they're just about impossible to open. Is this anyway to repay my hospitality?

As if all this isn't bad enough, she is no longer confining her malevolence to the house. She's now found a way to sneak into my car with me, and follow me wherever I go. I see her reflection in store windows as I pass, and she's taken all the fun out of clothes shopping because her penchant for monopolizing mirrors has extended to dressing rooms.

When I try something on she dons an identical outfit - which looks ridiculous on her. Then she stands directly in front of me so I can't see how great it looks on me.

I thought she couldn't get any meaner than that, but yesterday she proved me wrong. She had the nerve to come with me when I went to have some passport pictures taken, and she actually stepped in front of the camera just as the shutter clicked. Disaster! I have never seen such a terrible picture. How can I go abroad now? No customs official is ever going to believe that crone scowling from the passport is me.

She's walking on very thin ice. If she keeps this up, I swear I'll put her in a home. On second thought, I shouldn't be too hasty. First, I think I'll check with the IRS and see if I can claim her as a dependent.

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Obituaries

Almeta Reed

Services for Almeta Reed, 74, of Kress were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, 1999, at the First Baptist Church in Kress with the Rev. Jay Simpson, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Kress Cemetery under the direction of the Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, Aug. 19. Born July 15, 1925, in Garza County to James D. and Lucy Hammett King, she graduated from Post High School in 1942 and moved to Kress in 1948 after living in Lubbock, Amarillo and Plainview. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Joe, Johnie, Jimmie and Jeff, all of Kress; two brothers, Gene King of Hereford and David King of Detroit, Michigan; one sister, Judy McAlister of Post; and six grandchildren.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the First Baptist Church or to Vista Care Family Hospice, 4418 Clinton Road, Plainview.

Edward Allen Warren Jr.

Services for Edward Allen Warren Jr., 96, of Post were held Monday, Aug. 23, 1999, at 10 a.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Syl Moore, interim pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Aug. 20 at his home. Born Jan. 21, 1903, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, he moved to Post in 1918.

He operated a newspaper in Southland from 1923 to 1926 and began publishing The Post Dispatch in 1926, a job he continued until his retirement in 1957. His work as editor of the newspaper was interrupted when he served as a photographer in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1943 to 1945.

In 1941, he was instrumental in the organization of the Southwest Championship Junior Rodeo Association in Post. In 1945, he helped develop the first "Shop at Home" campaign in Post and promoted the Cowboy Band and the Post Junior Cowboy Band. In 1950, he was one of the leaders working to establish a hospital in Post.

From 1961 to 1968, he served as Post city manager and was active in the promotion and development of the White River Lake project. He also served on the White River Municipal Water District board of directors from 1969 to 1975.

In 1991, he was named Citizen of the Year in Post. He married Pauline Tyson Dec. 19, 1924, in Post. She preceded him in death Nov. 10, 1994.

Survivors include three nephews, Jack Tyson Routh of Fort Worth, Joe Bartlett Strayhorn of Rotan and John Wallace Strayhorn of Burkburnett, and three great-nephews.

Pallbearers included Glen Norman, Johnny Kemp, Dan Redman, Preston Poole and Wallace Strayhorn.

Chester C. McCampbell

Services for Chester Calvin McCampbell, 75, were held Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1999, at 3 p.m. in the Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Bryan Crittendon officiating. Burial followed in the Resthaven Memorial Park.

He died Sunday, Aug. 22, at the Midland Skilled Facility. Born Feb. 2, 1924, in Post to Authur Thomas and Jewel Annice (Pruett) McCampbell, he attended school at Close City "Ragtown" and attended and graduated from high school at Post. He married Wilma June Helvey Oct. 11, 1950. He married Norma Jean Grantham June 14, 1978. He was employed with Phillips Petroleum for 30 years before retiring in 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Norma Jean McCampbell of Midland; one son, Dennis R. McCampbell of Stanton; three daughters, Nina McCampbell Lassiter of Richardson, Iris Rowena Folger of McCamey and Lanetta June Cooper of Midland; his stepsons, Gary Grantham of Lamesa and Ronnie Grantham of Oklahoma; his stepdaughter, Cheryl Riddle of Midland; one brother, Elvin Howard McCampbell of Wichita Falls; eight grandchildren; 11 step-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Truman.



These Post Elementary School teachers have the distinction of opening the world of education to the PHS Class of 2000, who graduate next May. The teachers are (back, left to right) Paula Miller, Karen Nichols, Diane Windham, (front) Carol McDonald and Dorothy McCook. (Photo by Carol Payne)

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Women's Division plans monogrammed shirts

The Women's Division met in regular session Wednesday with 22 members in attendance.

President JoAnn Stelzer reported that the cookbooks are selling well. Organizational shirts are now being monogrammed and will be available next week.

It was decided to have a booth at the Post Information Fair, which is set for Sept. 21. A garage sale will be held Nov. 6 at the Community Center.

The organization will make a \$100 donation to the Caprock Cultural Association and a \$50 quarterly donation to Meals on Wheels. Ronnie Eaton will be the recipient of the organization's college scholarship. The Senior Ladies Pageant will be held in the latter part of January.

Gladys Blair shared her plan to make Post one big neighborhood by encouraging residents on each side of their street to take notice of their neighbors to be sure that all is well.

It was noted that there is one black jacket, size 18, left over from the previous order and the person for which it was intended should claim it.



A grandmother clock does not exceed 6 feet, 6 inches in height.



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Your provider can determine if a murmur is "normal." If so, your child can run, jump and play, with no limits on activity. Your child does not need to take any medicine or be careful in any special way.

Sometimes a heart problem can cause a murmur. These may involve the valves in the heart that may leak or not open fully. There can also be a hole in the heart between two of its chambers. If this is the case your provider may send your child to a pediatric cardiologist who will do further testing to determine if there is a problem and what, if anything needs to be done.

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Maybe we should have voted on closing the hospital?

by Wes Burnett

When the Garza County Hospital District voted on August 29, 1996 to close the hospital, apparently that action rejected advice from an Austin law firm which the district had contacted.

A June 24, 1996 letter from Davis & Wilkerson, P.C., Attorneys at Law in Austin was recently brought to our attention. The letter was addressed to "Marita Reed, Garza Memorial Hospital."

"You had asked whether the Hospital District can sell, lease or close the Hospital and continue to operate as a Hospital District? We have reviewed the Texas Health and Safety Code, the District's Enabling Act and related Attorney General Opinions."

After listing several options, the letter closed with a recommendation that the district "request an opinion from the Attorney General with regard to the authority of the Hospital District following the sale, lease or closing of the Hospital." The letter does, however, state that the board was not required to take that action, and cited Section 285.051 of the Health and Safety Code for authority.

Had the hospital directors requested an Attorney General's opinion, they would have discovered the Titus County Hospital District opinion of 1984 and the Supreme Court decision supporting the restrictions on leasing district facilities for any purpose other than a hospital.

Another interesting comment in the letter revealed that Garza County voters could have petitioned the district to hold an election to decide the issue of closing the hospital. Citing Section 285.051, the law firm pointed out that "If within 31 days after the date of the resolution ordering the sale or closing, ten percent of the qualified voters of the District petition the governing body, the Board must order an election on the sale or closing of the Hospital. The sale or closing may not take effect before 31 days after the order or resolution, or the deadline for filing a petition. If an election is required, the Hospital may be sold or closed only if a majority of the qualified voters approve the sale or closing."

We did a review of newspapers published in the weeks following the August 29, 1996 meeting, and found no evidence that the hospital district board of directors made any mention of such a provision. It's too late now, but certainly the question must be asked, "would Garza County voters have been energized on the closing to garner 10 percent of qualified voters for a petition?" Not having been informed that such a provision existed, leaves a question of why the hospital district directors did not advertise that fact, even though they were not by law required to do so.

The Austin law firm did not elaborate on the restrictions placed on the use of the facilities, as determined by the Attorney General in the 1984 opinion, as well as the Texas Supreme Court decision requiring "quasi municipal corporations" to adhere closely to their enabling legislation. In this case, the enabling legislation authorizes only the operating of a hospital. Therefore, the district can not lease its building for any purpose other than a hospital.

The problems facing the hospital district today, could have been avoided if the former directors had merely taken the time to formally request an Attorney General's opinion. Or, had they informed voters here of the possibility for an election to decide the issue, there could have been a clearer understanding of the mood of taxpayers.

Now the district must wrestle with the fact that it is operating outside the limits of the law, and is in a real bind because many voters have come to expect taxes to be used to subsidize a clinic, even though that subsidy is a clear violation of the law.

So, it's back to the question of following the law. We wonder how much the district paid that Austin law firm for advice it did not heed.

And thereafter, an ugly conspiracy of silence

by Walter E. Williams

If there's to be racial goodwill and harmony, at the minimum we must be willing to confront sometimes ugly truths. One of those truths has to do with interracial crime. We all readily condemn highly publicized racial violence, and rightly so, such as last year's brutal murder of James Byrd by white supremacists in Jasper, Texas.



However, there's little notice and condemnation of interracial crimes when whites are the victims. Last June, Jared Taylor, president of New Century Foundation, in Oakton, Va., held a press conference at Washington's National Press Club to report on the foundation's recently released study, "The Color of Crime."

Some of the study's findings about interracial crime were surprising, so much so that I did an independent verification of the numbers. Since 1972, the U.S. Department of Justice has conducted a National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) to determine the frequency of certain crimes. One category is interracial crimes.

Its most recent publication (1997), "Criminal Victimization in the U.S.," reports on data collected in 1994. In that year, there were about 1,700,000 interracial crimes, of which 1,276,030 involved whites and blacks. In 90 percent of the cases, a white was the victim and a black was the perpetrator, while in 10 percent of the cases it was the reverse.

Another finding of the NCVS report is that of the 2,025,464 violent crimes committed by blacks in 1994, 1,140,670 were against whites — that's slightly over 56 percent. Whites committed 5,114,692 violent crimes; 135,360, or 2.6 percent were against blacks. In 1997, there were 2,336 whites charged with anti-black crimes and 718 blacks charged with anti-white crimes, so-called hate crimes.

Although the absolute number of white offenders was larger, the black rate per 100,000 of the population was greater, making blacks twice as likely to commit hate crimes. Regardless of race, criminal violence is despicable and

deserving of condemnation. But far more destructive are the official and unofficial attempts to mislead and conceal.

Roughly 400 members of the major print and electronic media were invited to the press conference on "The Color of Crime." According to Taylor, several asked for advanced copies before they'd consider sending anyone. Only 14 people stayed for the briefing and only a couple reported on the study, most notably The Washington Times and C-Span.

One reporter said that he'd like to write a story but he doubted he could get it by his editor. If the facts were the other way around, everybody from The New York Times and President Clinton to the NAACP, Jesse Jackson and the Congressional Black Caucus would be shouting about it and demanding that something be done.

Some might want to keep silent about the facts for fear that publicizing the true nature and magnitude of interracial crime might give, as I've been told, "aid and comfort to America's white racists." To the contrary, silence is perhaps one of the most effective recruitment tools for racists.

They can use our silence for proselytizing disaffected whites with demagoguery about how hate crimes are not important unless a black is the victim and how no one cares about blacks raping white women and assaulting white men. Interracial crime has other devastating effects on racial relations. Whites are apprehensive of blacks, and blacks are offended at being the subjects of that apprehension.

Whites are less willing to live in black neighborhoods. For the unthinking among us, these and other responses to racial disparities in crime translate into simple racism.

Multi-ethnic societies are inherently unstable, and how we handle matters of interracial crime is just one of the ways that we're contributing to that instability.

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Dumbing down the tests: The race to ignorance

by Vin Suprynowicz

Here is a question which was included on the "verbal" portion of the 1998 Scholastic Aptitude Test, in a "try-out" section that didn't count on the final scores:

- DUNE: SAND
 a) beach: ocean
 b) drift: snow
 c) wave: tide
 d) rainbow: color
 e) fault: earthquake.

The question was designed to test vocabulary skills — the ability of the student to quickly intuit the relationship between the words "dune" and "sand," and seek a parallel relationship among the other five sets of words. The best answer is "b" — drift: snow.

But guess what? This question was eliminated, and will not be used on future versions of the SAT. Why? Because 23 percent more whites than African-Americans and 26 percent more whites than Hispanics answered the question correctly.

The Educational Testing Service, which compiles the SATs, hypothesizes that this unacceptably divergent result may stem from "regional variations." In an explanation provided to the Wall Street Journal, the ETS staff theorizes "High proportions of African-Americans and Hispanics live in the south and southwest areas of the country, where there is less familiarity with terms associated with extreme winter weather."

Now, some self-policing to eliminate class or cultural bias from such tests is admirable. Test-writers in suburban New Jersey should take care not to ask a preponderance of questions about boat shoes and polo ponies.

But the pressure is building to go much further than that. In June, the U.S. Education Department's Office of Civil Rights (and here you thought they just provided pencils and crayons) began circulating draft legal guidelines outlining what it will now consider "bias." As a result, the Journal reports, "colleges using the SAT may face legal action because of disparate scores."

Not because of a willful refusal to correct bias, mind you: because of disparate results.

Has no one in Washington visited the raucous madhouse which is the typical inner-city public school in this country? And then compared it to the more orderly process of education in suburban towns where most students are the children of two-parent families, brought up in houses full of books?

Yet no one can think of any reason other than "flaws in the test" why minority students — far more frequently educated in a chaotic, inner-city environment — might do less well on standardized tests?

Those who compile the SAT have already added "reading passages featuring women and minorities ... to make the test more balanced," while avoiding certain topics — like sports and the military — perceived as more likely to engage the interest of boys than girls, the Journal reports.

But still it's not enough. Outcomes must be equalized — somehow a test must be contrived which will result in black youths from the inner city and Hispanic lasses from poor Texas farms scoring **exactly as well** as wealthy children from Old Greenwich, Beverly Hills, and Grosse Pointe Farms, or the federal government now threatens to lower the boom, sponsoring lawsuits designed to eliminate such tests as a tool for college admissions, altogether.

This is nuts. In the real world, a child who does not know that blowing snow will form "drifts" is not merely a child from a warm climate. He or she is also a child who has almost certainly not been exposed to many books or cultural artifacts, and is thus indeed unlikely to prosper when loaded up with the kind of reading assignments which confront any freshman at a decent American college or university — precisely what the SAT is designed to measure.

When they come from backgrounds which place an equal stress on reading and education, Americans of all races have demonstrated they can do equally well on the SAT, and in American universities.

But merely providing such an equal opportunity is not good enough for Washington. No, our new race police must see equal results by quota. And so we play a ridiculous and finally dangerous game, in which mathematics is de-emphasized because girls tend to do more poorly on those questions, and we absurdly assume that only children living on the seacoast can be expected to know that Moby Dick was a whale.

Shall we also rig the outcomes of the medical schools, so that graduating classes have the right quotas by race and sex, even if it means we have to eliminate some of the more difficult anatomy questions, since some groups of students haven't been doing as well on those?

Vin Suprynowicz is the assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His new book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available at \$21.95 plus \$3 shipping through Mountain Media, P.O. Box 271122, Las Vegas, Nev. 89127, or at 1-800-244-2224, or via web site <http://www.thespiritof76.com/wacokillers.html>.

 Vin Suprynowicz, vin@lvj.com
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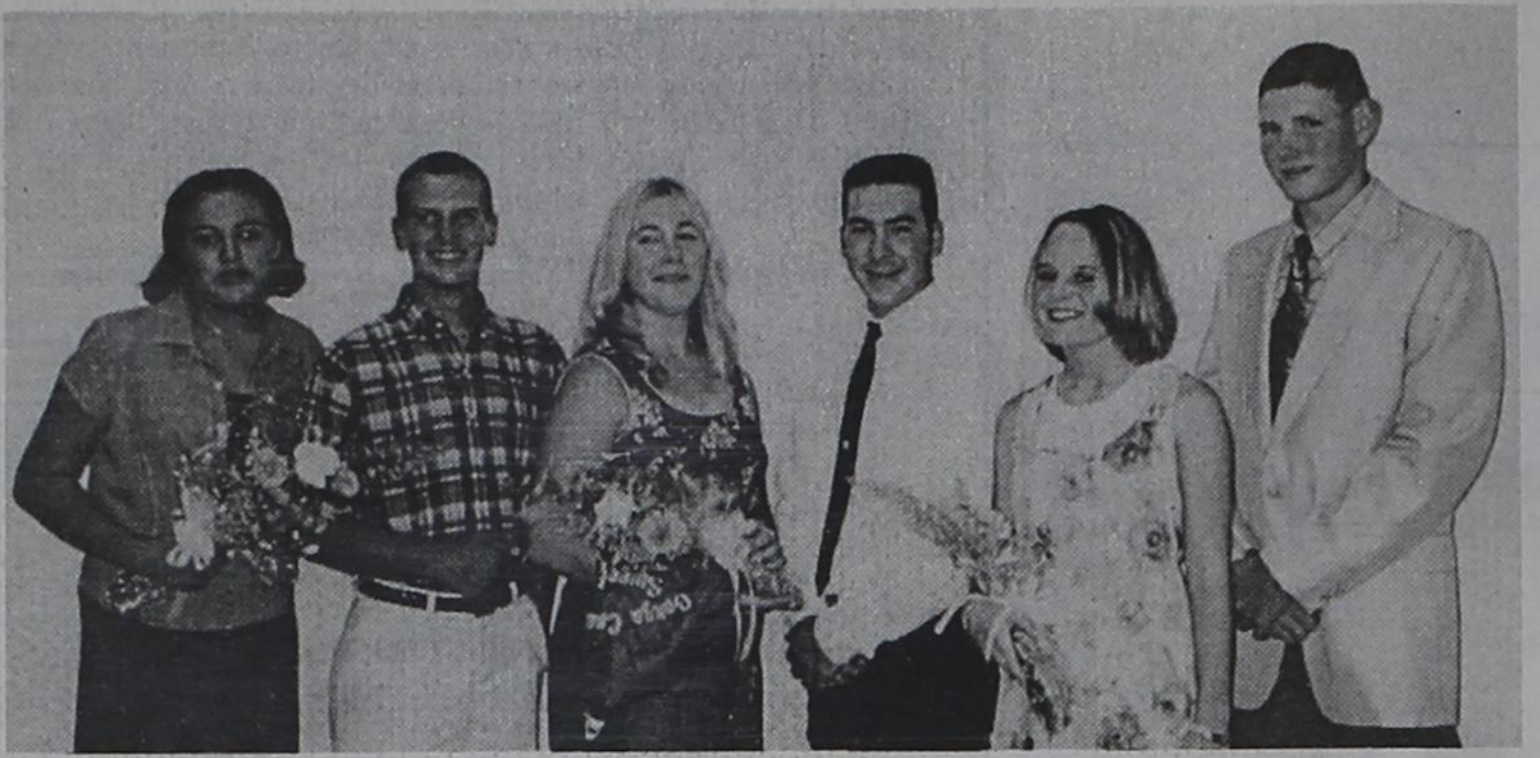
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LaRinda Ledbetter (center), escorted by Matthew Ledbetter, represented the Graham 4-H Club and was elected 1999-2000 Garza County 4-H Sweetheart. On the left, Diana Zubia, represented the Generation H Club, was escorted by Tye Mason, a member of Graham 4-H. On the right Laci Williams, escorted by Aaron Cooper, representing Golden Clover 4-H Club. (Photo by Diane Graves)

4-H Banquet

(Continued from Page 1)

"Best First Year" Record Book awards went to Allison Blevins in the Junior I Division, and Traci Nelson in the Junior II Division. Allison is the daughter of Gary and Jaquita Blevins, and Traci is the daughter of Danny and Kathy Nelson. Both girls are members of the Golden Clover 4-H Club.

In appreciation of his support, Garza County 4-Hers selected Obie Kelley as the 1999 recipient of the "Friend of 4-H" award. Mr. Kelley has donated annually to 4-H and the stock show sale and has provided support by helping cook and deliver several hundred briskets during their annual fund raiser.

Because of prior commitments, State Representative David Counts was not able to attend but sent a Texas flag that had flown over the state capitol building as a door prize. Winning the door prize was Christopher Curb.

Three 4-Hers were candidates in the Sweetheart Contest. The candidates and their escorts were: Laci Williams of the Golden Clover Club, escorted by Aaron Cooper; LaRinda Ledbetter of the Graham Club, escorted by Matthew Ledbetter; and Diana Zubia of the Generation H Club, escorted by Tye Mason. After information was presented on each candidate, 4-Hers voted and elected

LaRinda Ledbetter as 1999-2000 4-H Sweetheart.

Honorary 4-Hers recognized and given 4-H frisbees included Paden Babb, Seth Babb, Kaegan Eagle, Ben Mason, Kenzie Mason and Taylor Osborn. 4-Hers who completed and turned in Project Forms or Record Books were presented with Year Pins. These are based on the number of years these forms were turned in and not the number of years they have been in 4-H. They included: First Year - Allison Blevins, K'Nell Dalby, Janice Ham, Allen Heckaman, Claire Kirkpatrick, Stace Norman, Keisha Odom, Josie Whisenhunt, Ashley Wilson and Brady Wuensche. Second Year - Kylie Easterling, Monica Lopez, Yuri Lopez, Traci Nelson and Steffi Norman. Third Year - Dionn Heckaman Fourth Year - Christin Collier, Breann Heckaman Fifth Year - Jennifer Josey, Tye Mason Sixth Year - LaRinda Ledbetter and Matthew Ledbetter. Eighth Year - Laci Williams.

Teen leaders, recognized for their work in conducting project activities and leadership shown in assisting others, were presented 4-H pens. They included: Aaron Cooper, Jennifer Josey, LaRinda Ledbetter, Matthew Ledbetter and Laci Williams.

Officers of the 4-H Booster Club were introduced and leaders were recognized for the number of years they have served. Receiving certificates were: First Year - Patti Babb, Steve Babb, Gary Blevins, Jaquita Blevins, Nita Jo Heckaman, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Kathy Nelson, Kim Norman, Ronda Norman and Trevah Yarbo. Second Year - Bobby Heckaman, Ray Mason, Danny Nelson and Diane Zubia. Third Year - Mark Kirkpatrick, Brent Mason, Karleen McDougal and Benjie Smith. Fourth Year - Giles Dalby, Jr. and Josephina Serrano Fifth Year - Jeff Williams Sixth Year - Brad Mason and Milton Williams Eighth Year - Jamie Williams Fourteenth Year - Bruce and Debbie Ledbetter Twenty-second Year - Diane Graves

County Extension Agents Kelly Ahrens and John Senter then honored the 4-H Club Managers including Trevah Yarbo and Brent Mason of the Graham Club; Karleen McDougal and Jamie Williams of the Golden Clover Club; and Josephina Serrano and Diana Zubia of the Generation H Club.

4-Hers who participated in District and State activities were recognized. They included: District Food Show: Jacklyn Curb, Janice Ham, Allen Heckaman; Dionn Heckaman, Jennifer Josey, Steffi Norman and Ashley Wilson. District Senior Fashion Show: Jennifer Josey District Rifle Contest: Heath Fellhauer, Claire Kirkpatrick, Wes Mason, Jose Zubia, Mariela Zubia, Austin Ham, Breann Heckaman, Mitch Holly, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Trent McDonald, Colt Vernon, Kadie Vernon, Clinton Yarbo, Jarrett Bland, LaRinda Ledbetter and Matthew Ledbetter. District Livestock Judging: Ethan Bilbo, Allison Blevins, Allen Heckaman, Jay Josey, Jennifer Josey, Traci Nelson, and Aaron Cooper. District Method Dem-

onstrations: Elizabeth Serrano State Method Demonstrations: Jennifer Josey, Adrian Serrano and Miguel Torres. District Leadership Camp: Allison Blevins, Christopher Curb, K'Nell Dalby, Heath Fellhauer, Dionn Heckaman, Wes Mason, Josie Whisenhunt, Ashley Wilson, Brady Wuensche, Clinton Yarbo, and Quinton Yarbo. District Electric Camp: Breann Heckaman, DeeDee Jarrett and Miguel Torres. State 4-H Prime Time Camp: Christopher Curb, Jacklyn Curb, Madison Mason and Josie Whisenhunt. District and State Horse Shows: Clint Johnson and Laci Williams. Major Stock Show Exhibitors: Braden Conner, Brody Conner, Brooks Conner, Aaron Cooper, Christopher Curb, Jacklyn Curb, Donae Dalby, K'Nell Dalby, Jay Josey, Jennifer Josey, LaRinda Ledbetter, Matthew Ledbetter,

Chase Miller, Traci Nelson, Casey Williams and Laci Williams. District 4-H Fashion Follies: Caitlin Cravy, Ericka Cravy, K'Nell Dalby, Victoria Fannon, Dionn Heckaman, Claire Kirkpatrick, Madison Mason, Steffi Norman, Bailey Odom, Jodye Rutherford, Lesley Rutherford, Natasha Scroggins, Kadie Vernon, Josie Whisenhunt, Ashley Wilson and Ashley Young. District Nutrition Quiz Bowl: Allison Blevins, Jarrett Blevins, Allen Heckaman and Breann Heckaman.

4-H Achievement Pins and District Judging ribbons for Record Books were presented to: Allison Blevins - Swine Pin and Blue Ribbon; Traci Nelson - Swine Pin and Blue Ribbon; Jennifer Josey - Horticulture Pin and 2nd. Place Ribbon; LaRinda Ledbetter - Swine Pin and Recognition ribbon; Matthew Ledbetter - Shooting Sports Pin and Recognition ribbon; and Laci Williams - Leadership Pin and Recognition Ribbon.

After awards and recognition, the 1999-2000 4-H Council officers were installed including LaRinda Ledbetter as President, Matthew Ledbetter as Vice-President, Laci Williams as Secretary and Diana Zubia as Reporter. Aaron Cooper and LaRinda Ledbetter will serve as District Council Delegates, Tye Mason as Alternate Council Delegate, and Diana Zubia and Casey Williams as Junior Council Delegates.

Agents Kelly Ahrens and John Senter made a surprise presentation to Commissioner Mason McClellan consisting of a 4-H Poultry Pin. The pin had been found in the Extension Office files and it was estimated that McClellan was awarded the pin at a 4-H banquet in the late 50's but had failed to pick it up. This also proves that 4-H is a family affair since McClellan was present to watch four of his grandchildren receive awards.



Garza County extension agents Kelly Ahrens (left) and John Senter (right) are 4-H Club managers honored at the Achievement Banquet last Saturday evening. Club managers are (left to right) Brent Maosn, Graham 4-H; Karleen McDougal and Jamie Williams, Golden Clover 4-H and Diana Zubia, Generation H Club. (Photo by Diane Graves)



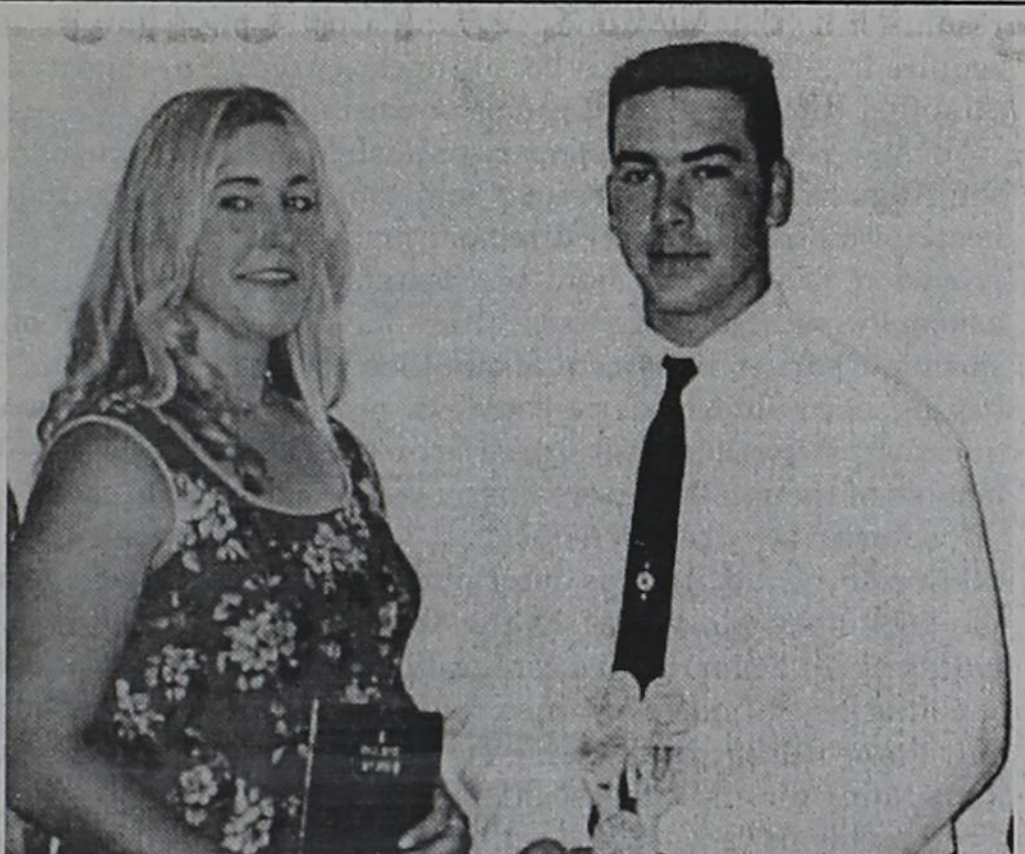
Obie Kelley was selected by Garza County 4-Hers as the 1999 Friend of 4-H. Obie has contributed annually to the county stock show and 4-H program and has volunteered his time to help cook and deliver several hundred briskets during the annual 4-H fund raiser. (Photo by Diane Graves)



Christopher Curb, son of Christi Curb, won a Texas flag as a door prize at the Garza County 4-H Achievement Banquet. The flag, which had flown over the capitol building in Austin, was sent by State Representative David Counts. (Photo by Diane Graves)



Garza County extension agents Kelly Ahrens (left) and John Senter (right) congratulate Laci Williams, daughter of Jeff and Jamie Williams, for her Senior Progress Award. (Photo by Diane Graves)



Garza County extension agents Kelly Ahrens (left) and John Senter (right) congratulate Jennifer Josey for her certificate of achievement and "Seed Sower" award at last Saturday's 4-H Achievement Banquet. Jennifer is the daughter of Kohen and Patti Josey. (Photo by Diane Graves)



Garza County extension agents Kelly Ahrens (left) and John Senter (right) congratulate Ashley Wilson (left to right), Jodye Rutherford, Lesley Rutherford and Natasha Scroggins with Participation Certificates. (Photo by Diane Graves)



The 1999-2000 Garza County 4-H Council inducted at the Achievement Banquet last Saturday evening are (left to right) Diana Zubia, reporter and junior district delegate; Matthew Ledbetter, vice-president; LaRinda Ledbetter, president and district delegate; Aaron Cooper, district delegate; Laci Williams, secretary and Tye Mason, alternate district delegate. Not available for photo was Kasey Williams, junior district delegate. (Photo by Diane Graves)



Breann, Allen and Dionn Heckaman, children of Bobby and Nita Jo Heckaman, were presented several award certificates at the 4-H Achievement Banquet last Saturday evening. (Photo by Diane Graves)

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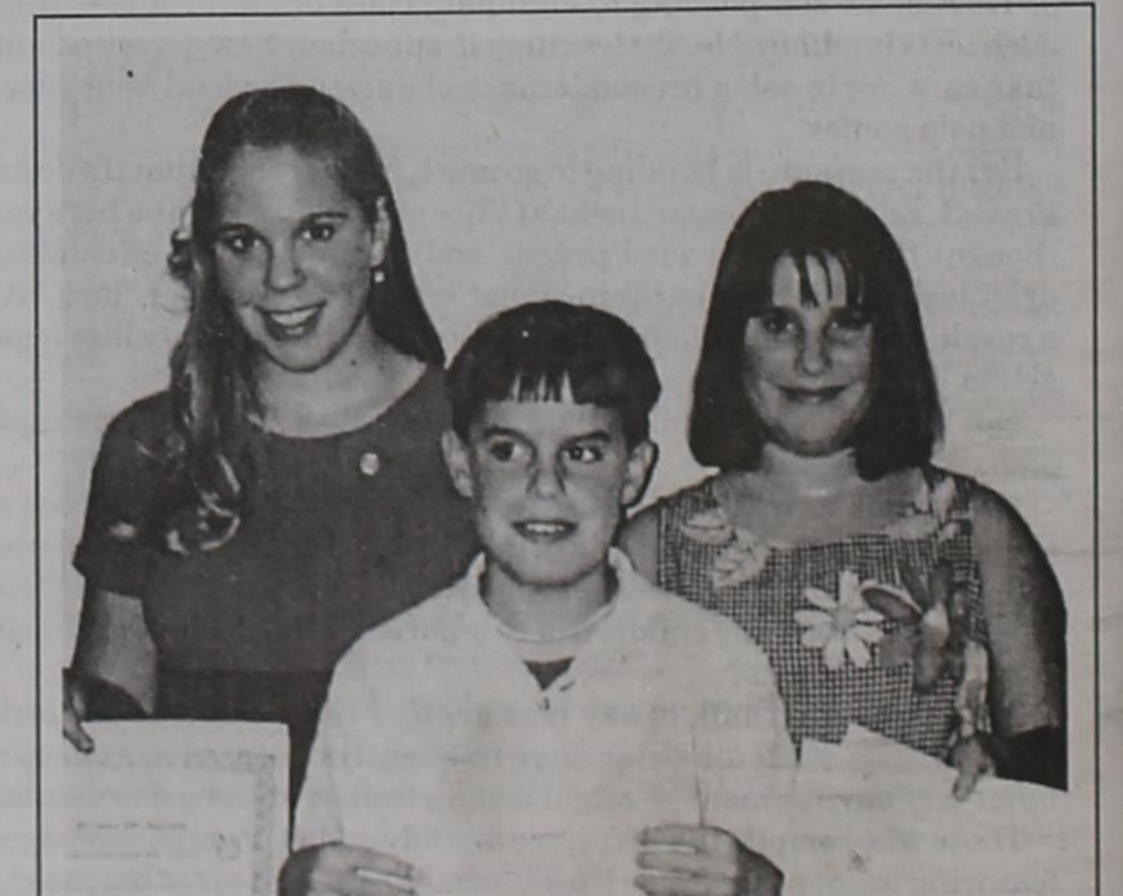
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Garza County extension agents Kelly Ahrens (left) and John Senter (right) congratulate Allison Blevins (left) and Traci Nelson, winners of the Junior I and Junior II Best 4-H Record Book awards. Each also won blue ribbons for District Record Book competition. Allison is the daughter of Gary and Jaquita Blevins and Traci is the daughter of Danny and Kathy Nelson. (Photo by Diane Graves)



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ACROSS

- TXism: "happy as with two tails"
- some Texans scuba in Canyon Lk.
- TXism: "flat as handle prairie"
- TXism: "it'll"
- the enamel of your molars" (hot chili)
- TXism: "_____ on rooster"
- TX Reynolds film: "Say _____ For Me"
- former Amarillo mayor
- TX actress Sandy (init.)
- Lady _____ Johnson
- female aviator Earhart
- ready-to-assemble building
- TX gunman Ben Thompson ran an Austin _____ parlor
- TXism: "_____ Steven"
- Arlington auto plant (abbr.)
- "old time religion" preacher
- TXism: "them _____ there"
- Pres. Bush to Gov. Bush (abbr.)
- to carry out the death penalty in TX
- in Hays Co. off I-35
- undiluted whiskey
- TXism: "quaking _____ (scared)"
- former Mavericks coach Dick
- weekday (abbr.)
- poker pot start
- ex-Astro Ortiz
- where JFK was taken at _____ (abbr.)
- TXism: "hook _____ horse smart" (wise)
- varnish oil
- TXism: "_____ in the bud"
- Houston-made "The Thief Who _____ To Dinner" (72)
- purchase at the "Ford House" (2 wds.)
- spy fiction writer Deighton
- in Concho Co. on 83
- Love Field abbr.
- many early Texans _____ from _____ eastern states
- TX journalist Donaldson
- Astro & Ranger sport
- company's image effort (abbr.)
- TX TV "Tarzan" Ely (init.)
- Adam's "ball and chain"
- TXism: "it'll take a faith healer to _____"
- TXism: "_____ cement"
- Deer Park's "Dow Park & Gardens"
- variable star
- TXism: "hot as road _____ in July"
- "there's _____ every crowd"
- anti-DWI mothers
- TX Dabney played this Merle in "Mary Hartman" TV series
- _____ Marcus

DOWN

- Houston oilman Robert _____ Sr.
- TXism: "put that in your _____ smoke it"
- county south of Real Co.
- prefix meaning five
- TXism: "_____ chaser" (womanizer)
- Houston hockey player
- TXism: "get _____"
- TXism: "foaming _____ the mouth" (mad)
- TXism: "_____ hankerin' for it"
- TX Mark Chesnutt tune: "Old Flames Have New _____"
- TXism: "_____ like scales on a fish"
- TXism: "tie up the loose _____"
- ex-Astro Gonzalez
- TX Roddenberry's "Star Trek" milieu

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

August 30, 1989 10 Years Ago

The Claborn family once again invaded Post for the yearly reunion and this time they gathered at the home of Irene Claborn.

Scott and Tiffany Clinesmith are proud to announce the birth of their son, Cameron Scott, who was born Monday, August 14, 1989 at 5:02 p.m. at Medical City in Dallas.

Virgil M. Stone and Esker L. Stone celebrated their 66th Wedding Anniversary at a family reunion hosted by their children and grandchildren the weekend of July 21-23 at the Days Inn in San Angelo.

Virgil and Esker were married July 22, 1923.

August 30, 1979 20 Years Ago

Birthdays today are:

Mrs. O. F. Clary
Mrs. R. B. Wilke
Danny Gunn
A. C. Thomas
Amy Britnell
George Self

Reitha Roxanna Smithey, celebrated her 5th birthday and her first day of school Monday, Aug. 27 when she entertained Mrs. Glenn Norman's Evening Kindergarten class. She and her class were treated with birthday cake and punch made by her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Matthies and girls of Pampa were weekend guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. David Tyler, Debbie and Mark spent the last 10 days visiting with Renald Tyler in Lafayette, La. and with family and friends in Jacksons Gap, Ala.

August 28, 1969 30 Years Ago

A son, Timothy James, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Prather at 4:40 a. m. Aug. 23 in Mercy Hospital, Slaton. Timothy weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz., at birth. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Childs, Route 2, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Prather of Vinita, Okla.

The Post Jaycees, with assists from the Jaycee-ettes and local merchants, will open their Labor Day rest stop Friday night and keep it open through Labor Day. The rest stop will be located southeast of town on U. S. Hwy. 84, according to Jerry Bush, the Jaycees' rest stop chairman.

VIETNAM — Marine Pfc. Johnny J. Perez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perez was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" while serving with the Third Battalion, Fifth Marine Regiment, First Marine Division in Vietnam.

August 27, 1959 40 Years Ago

Mrs. Ida Beauchamp returned to her home in Roby recently after a visit here with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Davis.

Mrs. Jack Burress was honored with a coffee on the occasion of her birthday Friday, with Mrs. Curtis Davies and Mrs. Douglas Tipton hostesses. It was held at the Davies home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. McDaniel spent the weekend in Sweetwater visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Poe.

August 25, 1949 50 Years Ago

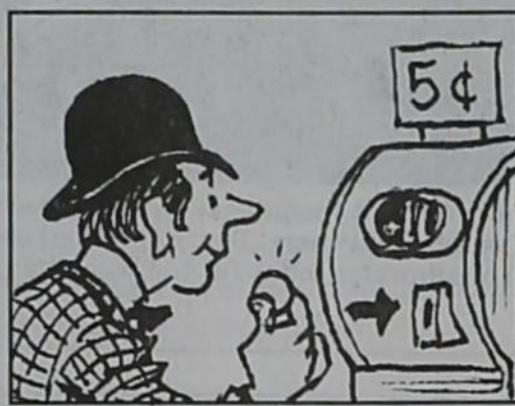
Bill DeWalt, Jr. was ill the first of the week suffering from a serious ear and throat infection.

Sunday guests of Mrs. J. H. Babb and family included her sister, Mrs. Martha Conlee, of Winters; Mrs. Conlee's daughter, Mrs. Cora Trentham of Columbus, O.; the latter's brother-in-law, Fred Harbor, and son of Abilene.

Kenny Ownbey of Oklahoma City arrived here Saturday for a month's visit in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Owen.

Jess Wright spent Saturday in Anton.

Vivian Cooper is the new personality at Herring's Dry Goods. She formerly was employed at Hundleys.



The first nickelodeon—now called a movie theater—was established in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, in 1905 by John P. Harris and Henry Davis.

JAMES EASTERLING
Received his BA degree from Angelo State University he has had no previous experience. He will teach math and coach tennis. He is single and is a member of the Methodist Church



SUSAN RADLE
Married to Coach Darrell Radle. She has a BS degree in elementary education and will teach kindergarten with four years experience. They and their two children reside at 715 West 14th and are members of the Church of Christ.



DARRELL RADLE
Has a master's degree in physical education from Sul Ross State with nine years experience. He will coach junior high and teach PE. He and his family are members of the Church of Christ.

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J. C. Turner, right, and his brother, J. K. Turner, sit atop Garza County's first 1949 bale of cotton and look at the \$25 check which J. C. received from the Post Chamber of Commerce as a reward.

From The Post Dispatch, August 25, 1949



GYM PAINTING — This 7 x 10 foot color painting was presented to the student body of Post High School during opening assembly Monday morning by Lynn Simpson, left, FCA Huddle Captain. Melissa Tatum, right, Student Council president received the painting on behalf of the student body. The painting is on the north wall of the gym. — (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, August 30, 1989

POST CITY POST OF 1915 IS INTERESTING— THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1949

Happenings In Post 34 Years Ago Are Recalled Here

Happenings in Post 34 years ago were preserved for posterity by the late Ira Weakley who, as county clerk, filed a copy of the Post City Post of Dec. 9, 1915, in the county records.

It must have been a dull December for local news, as only one local item was published on Page 1. It was about a meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association and it said: "Quite a number were present but not nearly as many as should have been." Mesdames Robinson and Mayfield were welcomed as new members.

Front page display advertisements were The Fair, which had "a most exquisite line of holiday goods;" The W. O. Stevens Co., who said, "the very nature of our stock makes everything in this store suitable for Christmas gifts;" the Murray-Ruth Co., which used "the newest and latest improved Hoffman Steam Press;" O. B. Kelly, who wanted to sell a "nice six-room residence with three lots, plenty of out-buildings, etc." for \$2,500, and The Citizens Bank (unincorporated) which "opened its doors for business Saturday, Nov. 27."

A notice on page 2 said that bids would be received by the Post Sanitarium until Tuesday noon for an eight-room addition to the hospital building.

Junior Class Officers
The following officers were elected by the Post High School Junior Class: Buford Terrell, president; Clarice Haynie, recording secretary and treasurer; Eldridge White, corresponding secretary.

The church column revealed that Weakley was superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school where "strangers are always welcome;" J. D. Lamkin was Baptist pastor; Baptist Ladies Aid Society officers were: Mrs. Lee Duckworth, president; Mrs. J. H. Babb, vice-president; Mrs. Stinson, secretary; Mrs. Biven, treasurer, and Mrs. A. J. Oliver, reporter.

W. O. Stevens was Methodist Sunday school superintendent, and W. C. Hinds was pastor; T. R. Greenfield was president of the Senior Epworth League, and Women's Home Mission Society officers were Mrs. W. O. Stevens, president and Mrs. M. G. Underwood, secretary.

The Rev. J. P. Word was to hold Presbyterian services at the Methodist church each month on Friday night before the third Sunday. The Presbyterian Aid Society would meet each alternate Monday.

News briefs scattered through the paper revealed that:

Dr. S. D. Baxley, dentist from Stephenville, Texas, will open dental offices in Post City on Dec. 10. A new veterinary surgeon, Dr. L. W. Kitchen, comes to Post City. Letters of recommendation from Trent and Anson were published in his behalf.

On League Program
Assisting with a Junior League program, "The First Christian," were Helen Hume, leader; Margaret Clark, recitation; Andra Hardin, reading; Faye Davis, piano solo; Stella Terrell, recitation; Susie Graham, Zelma White, Victor Robinson and Winfred Maupin, quartet; Mildred Boren, Bible story; Andar Cash, reading; Blanche Bradley, piano solo; Bruce Ellis, recitation; Rosa Lee Self and Gladys White, duet.

The Sunbeam program on "How Joshua Conquered the Land of Canaan," was led by Faye Davis, who was assisted by Zeima White, Isobel Housman, Ruby Harris and Luella Collier.

The Senior League program was "Thinking Black," led by Arline Maupin, assisted by Victor Robinson, Mrs. Underwood, Mr. Diethich, Mrs. McCoach, Bro. Hinds, and Miss Clara Porterfield.

Watch Given Away
In the advertisements: Boyd Grocery Company "will give a handsome 17-jewel Waltham watch in a 20-year case to the one who buys the most candy and cigars at this store before December 25, 1915."

C. S. Brown had coal to sell as follows: "Fancy Egg Coal, \$8.50; Domino Coal, \$9; and Fancy Mixed Lump, \$9.50."

Newbury and Collins Mattress Company wanted everybody to patronize their own home mattress factory.

The Santa Fe had special Christmas and New Year holiday rates. J. W. McCoach was agent. D. R. Reid, proprietor of the Imperial Barber Shop, advertised first class work and courteous treatment.

A. E. Hutchinson of the Post City Restaurant advertised "Butterflakes, a luxury at the price of a necessity."

James Samson, plumber and steam fitter, specialized in tin work and stove repair.

R. H. Collier Drug Co. was displaying "Pyrylin" brushes, puff boxes, combs, nail buffers, files, etc.

Bet You Still Can

Napier and Samson advertised: "You can put in nice concrete walks for less than the damage the mud will do to your floors and rugs in one season."

Warren Bros. advertised Parker Fountain Pens as a Christmas gift suggestion.

W. T. Stacy, manager of The Cash Store had just unloaded a car of flour, meal, bran and chops.

Davis-Mason Furniture Company's ad said: "You will be surprised at how far a little money will go in the purchase of good furniture here."

The First National Bank advertised to "Resolve to join our Christmas Banking Club and have money in our bank next Christmas."

O. W. Roberts, proprietor of the Cap Rock Dairy delivered at any time. The telephone number was 10R—one long, two short rings.

R. L. Kirkpatrick, proprietor announced that the Post City Dairy, "is now open for business."

Pants Given Away

Stacy-Jones, tailors and hat-ters, offered one \$10 pair of trousers free "to the one that has the most cleaning and pressing done by January 1."

Donnell Bros., proprietors of the City Garage, said, "We are never too busy to give immediate attention to emergency auto repair work."

John R. Williams, "the Feed and Mule Man" advertised a good supply of salt for salting meat.

A. L. Elkins and Sons of the City Cafe said, "You are invited to inspect our kitchen and see your bread while it is being made."

J. V. Beauchamp advertised automobile and machine repairing, but added that horse shoeing was a specialty.

Carl C. Clark had just opened a new coal yard. . . J. D. Teakell was "prepared to do all kinds of job hauling, dray work or anything requiring a good team and man. . . A. L. Capps, jeweler, offered free engraving on any gift article. . . the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Ry. Co. announced that its schedule was subject to change without notice.

Sports

Post Antelopes get ready for '99 season

by Mark Odom

Well, Antelope fans, it's been nine long months, but it's finally here. The long hot practice days are finally over and it's time to get down to business. After the scrimmage with Slaton, the 'Lopes will need to look for improvements to live up to the polls this year. Picked third in the district, behind Seagraves and Stanton (so what else is new?). This is what many consider to be the toughest district in Class AA, with all three teams being ranked in the top 25.

Stanton got 11 votes and Seagraves picked up three, with Post getting one vote by the Associated Press top ten poll.

With 14 of 22 starters returning, coach Richard Gorman feels the prediction is pretty accurate.

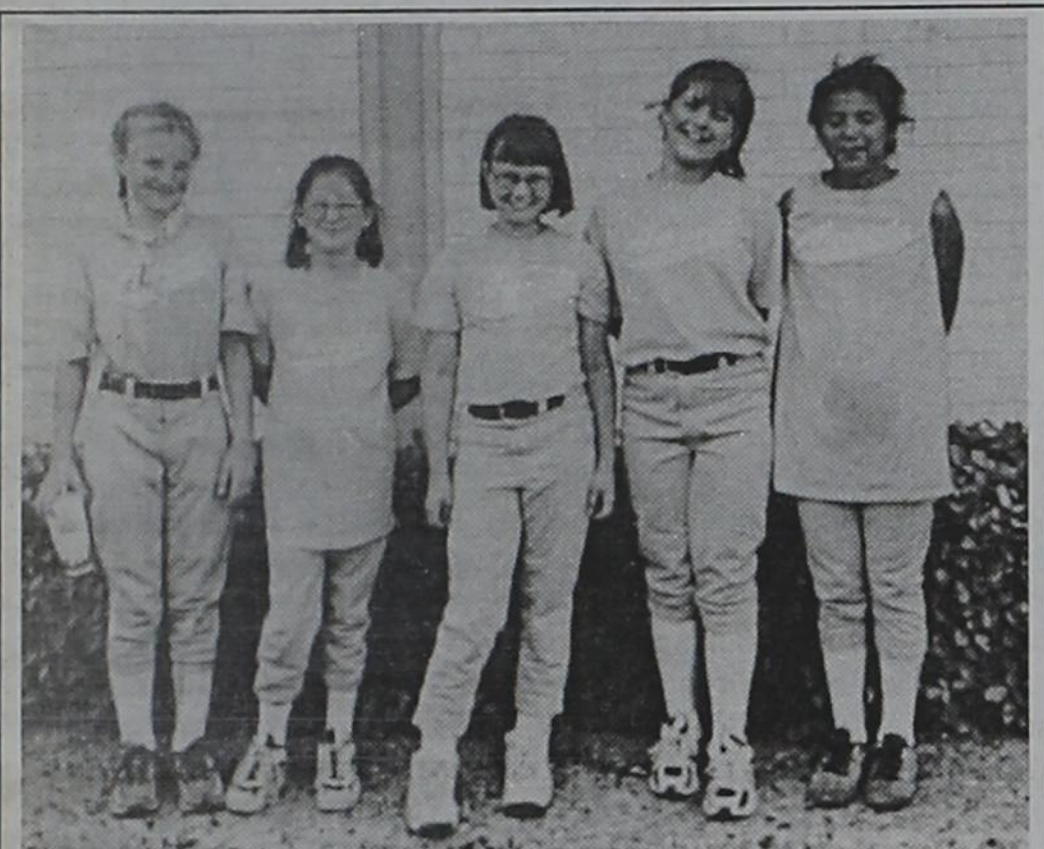
At last Thursday's scrimmage with Slaton, the 'Lope defense held its own, shutting out the Tigers. Coach Gorman was pleased with the defense. He said one of the top team goals this year is to eliminate the big plays from other teams' offenses.

The 'Lope offense sputtered in the first scrimmage, with several plays being called back due to penalties.


The 'Lopes travel to Shallowater Thursday, with the J.V. Gold starting at 5 p.m., followed by the J.V. Black and varsity is expected to begin between 7 and 7:30 p.m.




Post Antelope football players Ross Babb (66) and Justin Acevedo (25) square off during pre-scrimmage work-outs last Thursday here. The 'Lopes shut out Slaton in the scrimmage and travel to Shallowater today for the second and final scrimmage.



Summer baseball league Post players were (left to right) Steffi Norman, Rachel Gray, Ashley Young, Keisha Adom and Roxanne Odom. Coaches were Sherri Young and Rhonda Norman. Not available for photo were Roseanne Orona, Vanessa Runnels, Diana Ratke and Kayla Morris. Coaches and parents expressed pride in the team.



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Resource Fair

The Family and Consumer Sciences Committee of the Garza County Extension Program Council, is sponsoring a "Resource Fair" September 21 at the Post Community Center from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. This will be a great opportunity for you to let the community see what your organization is all about. For more information on the Resource Fair, call Kelly Ahrens at 495-4400.

Fall Forum & NQB

4-H parents and leaders are invited to attend the Fall Forum, Saturday, August 28 at Texas Tech University Human Science Department. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. In conjunction with the Fall Forum is the District Two Nutrition Quiz Bowl. Four Garza County youth including Allison Blevins, Jarrett Blevins, Allen Heckaman and Breann Heckaman, will be participating in the NQB contest. We wish them good luck!

4-H Clothing Group.....

.....will meet Tuesday, August 31, 3:30 p.m. in the Extension Office. Bring a sample of fabric used for project.

Golden Clover 4-H Club.....

.....will meet Tuesday, September 7, at the Show Barn. Officers will be elected for 1999-2000.



A few of the 110 motorcycles in Post last Saturday were parked at United Supermarket during the Blue Knight "poker-run" in support of the U-Can Share Food Drive and MAD DADS. (Photo by Judy Bush)



Helping youth help themselves
by Rodney Tidwell
495-1244

I am sure when many in Post saw the Blue Knights Motorcycle Club all dressed in leather, come to town on Saturday Morning, the thoughts were "oh no, there goes the town."

If you were one that thought this, let me let you in on a "secret". All the riders who come to town were here for a fund raiser for the U-Can Share Food Drive and the local Chapter of MAD DADS INC. These fine friendly folks were helping our town in more ways than one.

Oh yeah, they may have looked a little rough, but did you take the time to talk to any of them. Just like most "bikers" these were some of the most friendly folks around. They truly helped our organization tremendously. Everyone was invited to come to this event, you didn't have to ride at all, just come and eat and talk, or just hang out and try to win a door prize.

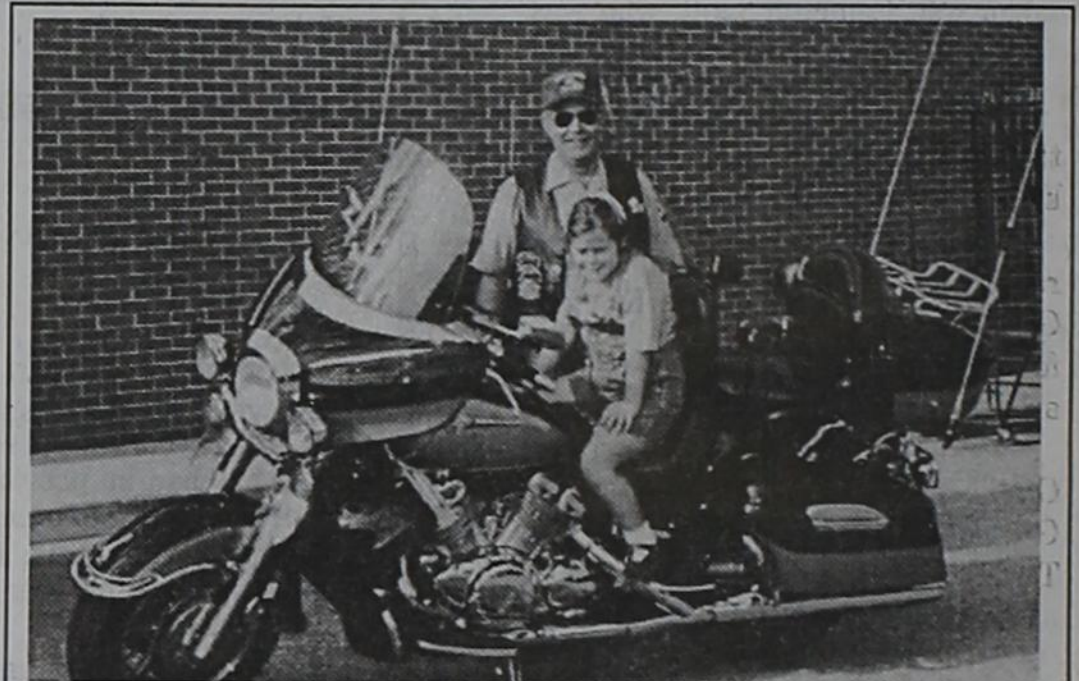
Maybe everyone will get off there butts and come on out next year and join in. We sold brisket plates with beans and potato salad and the trimmings for \$5 per plate. You could not beat the price and it was very good eatin'.

Next year we plan to do the same and hopefully you will get out and come on and at least eat with us. This fund raiser made MAD DADS INC. just under \$800 to go toward some new equipment, games or projects the board of directors, both the youth board and adult board, feel is necessary to keep our teen center an attraction to those youth in 6th through 12th grade.

Keep an eye open for future events, or just come on down and see what you can do to help. You know all of us have a talent that we need to use, use it or lose it. Another thing I want to do is let you know we have flag football sign ups till Tuesday Aug. 31st.

The football board has decided to have an all pass season. There will be no running plays from the line of scrimmage, everyone will be eligible to pass the ball and everyone can catch the ball. This should eliminate some of the hard hits and keep players from trying to just run over another player. This will let all the players have a chance to catch and run the ball.

We will have a great season and everyone will have a blast, no matter if you are playing or just watching the youth of Post for a great time. Ya'll come on out on Saturday, Sept 11th for the first game of the season. We will be playing on the practice field behind the High School Field House. See ya there.



Les Jeffcoat, an investigator with the Tyler County District Attorney's Office, was in Post last Saturday for the Blue Knight "poker run" in support of the U-Can Share Food Drive and MAD DADS. Rheana Nava, granddaughter of J.W. and Becky Jolly of Post, gets a special seat on Jeffcoat's motorcycle. (Photo by Judy Bush)

ICA concludes annual trade show

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas concluded its 25th annual Trade Show and Convention after four days packed with information aimed at increasing the productivity of the state's cattle producers.

Held in the Alamo City, the gathering kicked off Saturday, July 31, and wound down Tuesday, Aug. 3.

Through the ICA Trade Show and Convention always offers an opportunity to learn more about the cattle industry, this year's event brought together enough Ph.D.s to start a small college.

In fact, that is exactly what happened on Sunday in San Antonio. The Omni Hotel and Convention Center was the site of the first ICA/Pfizer Animal Health Cattlemen's College. All cattle producers were invited to attend this free event with other ICA members.

The eight-hour Cattlemen's College brought together college professors, veterinarians and other experts to hold seminars on topics ranging from "Diagnosis of Common Cattle Diseases" to "Range Management Decisions."

ICA was created 25 years ago by a group of 17 ranchers concerned with the methods of Brucellosis testing and funding. Today, ICA is a strong grassroots organization that boasts a membership of more than 4,500 members and has appeared before the U.S. Congress and the Texas Legislature representing the interests of its members.

"Our goal is to help independent producers be the best they can be,"

ICA Executive Director Charles Carter. "It is through events like the Cattlemen's College that we give our ranchers the tools they need to compete in the global market."

But the annual gathering is not all work and no fun. There is plenty of opportunity for ICA members to relax and visit with friends, many of whom only see each other during this annual event.

Saturday, ICA members were treated to a "Night at the Races" at the Retama Race Track. ICA members and their spouses tried their luck at the world-class race track.

ICA's 6th annual benefit golf tournament was held at San Antonio's Silverhorn Golf Club before the start of business on Sunday.

Monday evening capped the convention's entertainment with the annual Scholarship Draw-Down and Casino Night extravaganza. The Draw-Down is probably the convention's most anticipated event and is conducted for a good cause. Each year it raises more than \$10,000 for the ICA's youth scholarship fund.

ICA's annual affair would not be complete without the other half of the event — the ICA trade show. The show allows ranchers to see up close and personal the products and services that help get the jobs done. Vendors exhibited their wares to the visiting ranchers and answered their questions throughout the three-day event.


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Letters to the Editor

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I should've walked out of closed meeting

I owe the taxpayers and voters here an apology and explanation. At the hospital district board special meeting last Wednesday (8/18/99) I voted against closing the meeting to the public, because I didn't think that it was right to shut out the public from hearing us talk about the bids that were opened in public by the board president. All that information is public knowledge.

But since the agenda said we'd be negotiating lease payments and such, and I knew from reading the open meetings act that is one item that is okay to close the meeting to the public, I went along with it.

That's why I'm apologizing. Once the camera was turned off and the board was behind "closed doors," we did not talk about the lease, it was more of a gripe session, with the opposing camps dressing each other down. I don't recall much of our discussions in closed session relating to the issue of leasing the building, other than Mr Travis repeatedly saying "we're not going to consider that" whenever Mrs Tobias and I brought up the fact that we are not legally allowed to lease the building for anything other than a hospital.

I am ashamed to admit that I participated in that closed meeting, and I should have had the sense to get up and walk out when I saw that we were not sticking to an approved closed session agenda. I give you my promise that in the future I will not participate in such trickery. The public has the absolute right to see and hear us, even if we look like fools, and hiding our differences behind closed doors is just not right.

Nothing was accomplished by that closed session, except to show one more time that some board members could care less what the law says we can and can not do.

Charles Propst

Thanks to city workers

I want to take a moment and extend a big "Thank You" to the men who work for the City of Post. The day before school was to open these fine gentlemen helped solve a big problem for us. They patched a broken water line and helped keep our school opening on schedule. To city manager Fred Stephens, please pass on to those men our deepest gratitude and appreciation for a job well done.

Marvin Self, Post Elementary School principal

Thanks for all your support

I would like to thank all those who came out and ate with us during the Blue Knights annual Poker Run and U-Can Share Food Drive. I know the food drive was a success.

The BBQ lunch was a great success for MAD DADS INC. as a fund raiser. I want to thank Babb's BBQ for cooking the brisket, Claudette Gill for the potato salad, Anita Morris for the beans, Mark Kirkpatrick for purchasing the brisket and United Supermarket for all the little and big things they did to help us.

A special thank you to the servers: Nicole Gray, Jerrica Tyler, Kyle Gunn, Milton Williams, Mark Kirkpatrick, Archie Gill, Claudette Gill, Deana Gunn, Kelly Baker, Kam Baker, and Keith, Roxanne and Taylor Osborn.

We would never have gotten it done without these people helping. Also thank you, J.W. Jolly, and the Blue Knights Motorcycle Club for choosing MAD DADS INC. to help with this annual fund raiser and food drive. May God continue to bless each of you!

Rodney Tidwell, MAD DADS INC.

Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by John Senter, CEA-AG

Fall fertilization?

The subject of fall fertilization of perennial crops has long been debated and approached with hesitation in this area. In other parts of the world, fall applications of nutrients has been a standard practice for many years, and may be one we need to consider. To begin with, it is appropriate to start with the potential detrimental effects that have kept us from making blanket recommendations of this practice.

Our climate often mimics that of more tropical regions where seasonal growth patterns are defined by wet/dry cycles as much as warm/cold periods. Although it is true our summers are often blistering hot, we often find times during the winter months where moisture and temperatures are conducive to plant growth. The fear in applying nitrogen in August or September is that when temperatures moderate in mid-autumn, plants would respond with vigorous, vegetative growth, leaving them susceptible to winter injury in those years where we have an early, sudden hard freeze. Although this is a potential threat to trees, in fact, trees that are otherwise well cared for may actually come through hard freezes better if well supplied with nitrogen late in the growing season.

Nutrients, especially nitrogen, are traditionally applied in early to late spring to encourage a canopy capable of supporting a crop load. As nitrogen is lost in the soil profile and utilized in the plants, it is common for nitrogen reserves to be depleted by late summer. Plants only absorb nutrients through root tips, so periods of post-harvest root growth are ideal for uptake. Additional nitrogen slows leaf senescence, leaving them functional far longer in the fall. If plants retain a healthy canopy up until first frost, they have higher carbohydrate levels in buds, limbs, and roots, which make them more cold hardy and provide a greater initial "push" in the spring. It makes sense that higher stored carbohydrate levels are at least partially responsible for increased fruit set.

If plants have made good growth during the majority of the season, there should be no reason to expect a big vegetative push in the fall. The key to minimizing winter injury is to keep trees healthy as long in the fall as possible. Plants enter dormancy through distinct environmental cues. The first cue is a response to photoperiod, or shortening of days. The other cues that prepare plants for dormancy are cooling fall temperatures and finally first frost. If plants are well supplied with carbohydrates (complex sugars), they have a greater ability to withstand low temperatures. When applying fall nitrogen, moderation should be the guide. In most cases, 30 to 40 units (lbs. actual nitrogen) should be sufficient. Excessive amounts should be avoided, and if trees have not made good growth this season, this is not the time to try to catch up for lost time.

Retaining healthy foliage is the key, so in late August, take a look at your trees and see if basal leaves are becoming yellow or starting to fall. It could be that trees need some nitrogen, and fall applications may pay off next season.

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.



Highway revenue strip \$143,734 off county travelers

by Wes Burnett

Revenue from highway traffic criminals in July dipped to \$26,833, as reported by the two Justice of the Peace courts here.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 collected \$15,862.50 from 92 revenue victims, while Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 took in \$10,970.50 from 39 violators of the traffic code.

In the first seven months this year, Garza County a total of \$143,734,018 has been taken from unsuspecting corporate policy violators traveling through the county.

Most, if not all of these victims of highway theft, have no idea that they are part of a gigantic legislative scheme, which considers all who travel to be doing so within certain boundaries of an incorporated area, therefore the "subjects" are required to follow the corporation's rules.

Although most Texans think of themselves as free to move about as they wish, they discover their true status as a corporate "citizen" once they become victimized by the corporation's policy enforcers.

The Texas transportation code is nothing more than a corporate policy, and since the State of Texas is a corporate subdivision of the incorporated U.S., then all who live or travel inside those boundaries are considered corporate subjects, bound to obey corporate policies.

One of those policies is the registration of privately owned modes of travel, such as cars and trucks. Once an individual voluntarily signs over ownership to the corporation (state), the driver or owner automatically agrees to abide by the rules of the real owner of the car or truck.

Notice that when you register your car or truck, you get a "certificate of title," not an actual title or manufacturer's certificate of origin. The real title is held by the real owner, in a vault somewhere in Austin.

Because of the extortionate expense of defending the right of travel in the corporation's court system, most Texans meekly submit to the extortion and 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.

Although the Texas transportation code technically applies only to those people involved in commercial use of the highways, it is obvious that the vast majority of June'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, unless the original owner voluntarily submitted to the corporation policy.

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 corporate (state) traffic laws, which can constitutionally only apply to those who voluntarily declare themselves owners of "motor vehicles."

The system is perpetuated by ignorance and the expensive fees required to defend against the highway theft program. Those who enforce the corporate rules have the full backing of legislative thieves and a judicial system that puts corporate rules above constitutional guarantees of individual rights.

Under the current Texas legal system, it's a "no-win" situation for most people, except those who wear a corporate badge and those who live off the regular highway revenue producing program.



Airman Johnny Collazo, Jr. of Post graduated from U.S. Air Force Basic Military Training at Lackland AFB, Texas on August 6. He is now stationed at Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, Texas. Collazo has entered technical training in the material munitions system career field. He is the son of Linda Collazo of Post and the late Johnny Collazo, Sr.; grandson of Angelita Banda of Littlefield and Mike Sanchez of Post.

Bustoz earns commission

Jacob A. Bustoz has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army after successfully completing the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Advanced Camp at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash., and graduated with a bachelor's degree from Texas Technological University, Lubbock.

Advanced Camp is a five-week training program which contains intensive military leadership training and evaluation exercises in communications, management, and survival training.

Bustoz is the son of Louisa Bustoz of 716 W. 13th St., and John Bustoz of 504 E. Oak St., both of Post, Texas. He is a 1990 graduate of Post High School.

Brucellosis still a concern in Texas

Planning to bring cattle to Texas from other states for grazing or breeding? Importing the animals is easier, now that brucellosis has been wiped out in 44 states, with Kansas the latest to reach Class "Free."

Texas and five other states — Louisiana, South Dakota, Missouri, Oklahoma and Florida — are Class "A," meaning these states haven't had 12 consecutive months without a case of the bacterial disease that can cause cows to abort, deliver weak calves or less milk. In some cases, diseased cattle may have no signs of the disease, but are capable of spreading the infection.

"As of the first of August, Texas had four herds quarantined because of cattle brucellosis," said Dr. Terry Beals, state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission, the state's livestock health regulatory agency. These herds were in Culberson County in far West Texas near El Paso; in Palo Pinto, near the Dallas Metroplex; in Henderson County in East Texas; and in Matagorda County on the Texas coast.

"Although that sounds great, we have to look at 12 consecutive months," said Beals. "We've had 22 infected herds during the past dozen months, a far cry from the zero infected herds we must have to earn Class 'Free' designation. Luckily, we have state and federal depopulation money, so we offer buy-outs for infected herds and get them off our official herd county quickly."

"As states whip brucellosis, it gets easier to move cattle interstate. Conversely, it could become more difficult for 'clean' states to accept our cattle if we don't finish our battle against the disease."

Cattle from Class "Free" states don't need a brucellosis test for entering Texas, but like all livestock entering the state, the animals need a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within the past 30 days.

If they originate from a Class "A" state, sexually intact cattle 18 months of age or older moving to Texas must have a negative test for cattle brucellosis, unless the animals originate from a certified brucellosis-free herd. The cattle must either have the negative test within 30 days prior to entry or move directly to a USDA Specifically Approved Texas livestock market where they will undergo a test prior to change of ownership.

As an added precaution, dairy and

registered beef breeding cattle 18 months of age or older also must have a negative TB test within the previous six months if they are from a state that is not Accredited TB-free. (The test can be skipped if cattle originate from an accredited TB-free herd.) States besides Texas that are not Accredited TB-free include California, Michigan, New Mexico and Pennsylvania.

Texas cattle sold within the state aren't required to have a certificate of veterinary inspection, but a brucellosis test is required for sexually intact cattle 18 months of age or older, whether the animals are sold through a market or by private treaty unless they are from a brucellosis certified-free herd.

"More than two million brucellosis tests are run in Texas each year, and historically brucellosis infection is usually detected by testing cattle at the livestock market. When an infected herd is detected, we also test nearby or adjacent herds and frequently uncover additional cases," Beals said, adding that blood samples for testing also are collected at slaughter plants.

"Even after we reach Class 'free,' brucellosis testing at the livestock market will remain an integral part of disease surveillance for three to five more years to ensure the last vestiges of infection have been found," he said.

"Although it isn't required, heifers purchased within the state should be vaccinated with RB-51 brucellosis vaccine, especially if the animals will be used for breeding or dairy operations."

To bolster immunity against possible brucellosis exposure, heifers between four and 12 months of age entering the state must be vaccinated with RB-51, the official brucellosis vaccine. Heifers moving through a Texas livestock market may be vaccinated at the market and be transported without restrictions. (The TAHC does not pay for this vaccination.) If out-of-state heifers are hauled directly to a Texas farm or ranch, they may enter on a calfhood vaccination permit and must be vaccinated at the owner's expense within 14 days of arrival.

RB-51 vaccine does not cause "false-positive" test results on brucellosis test, Beals said. This has allowed the TAHC to lower the brucellosis test-eligible age for sexually intact cattle to 18 months of age or older, he said. Testing cattle at a younger age allows a "wider net" to

be cast for disease and catches infection sooner, hopefully before it can spread throughout an entire herd. When the old Strain 19 vaccine was used, more time was required between vaccination and testing, to reduce the possibility of confusing test results.

A TB test is not required for moving cattle within the state.

"Several years ago, we had special counties and extra testing requirements where brucellosis infection was at its greatest," Beals said. "Thanks to the extra efforts of producers, private veterinary practitioners and regulatory staff, we've made great progress in eradicating brucellosis."

Beals said state and federal depopulation funds are available to buy infected cattle herds.

"Between the salvage payment and depopulation funds, the rancher receives market value," he said. "Producers who have infection can get out from under quarantine in a few weeks and be back in business with clean cattle quickly."

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GAS RATE CHANGE

On August 4, 1999, Energas Company filed Statements of Intent to change its gas rates with each incorporated city listed below. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days after filing. Each city may suspend the proposed effective date for an additional 90 days.

The Company proposes to increase rates to General Service (residential and commercial), Small Industrial Service, Large Gas Air Conditioning and/or Electric Generating Gas Service, and the Air Conditioning Rate Rider. The company may implement a different rate design than proposed provided the increased revenue does not exceed that specified herein.

The proposed changes are expected to increase the company's annual revenues by approximately 8.8 percent or \$9.8 million. The proposed changes to the rates are unrelated to gas cost which the company will continue to charge only cost paid to its supplier. The proposed changes could affect approximately 200,000 gas consumers in the following communities:

Abernathy	Lamesa*	Quitaque
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Anton	Littlefield*	Ransom Canyon
Big Spring*	Lockney	Ropesville
Bovina	Lorenzo	Seagraves
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Edmondson	New Home	Sudan
Floydada	Odessa*	Tahoka
Forsan	O'Donnell	Timbercreek Canyon
Friona	Olton	Tulia
Hale Center	Opdyke West	Turkey
Happy	Palisades	Vega
Hart	Pampa*	Wellman
Hereford*	Panhandle	Wilson
Idalou	Petersburg	Wolfroth
Kress	Plainview*	
Lake Tanglewood	Post	

*The level of revenue increases in these communities constitutes a "major change" as defined by state law.

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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. Door opens at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., cake and coffee following the meeting. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

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Saturday, August 28th, 9 am till 2 pm, 105 N. Ave I, back of building in alley.

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Saturday, Aug. 28th, 8 am till noon, 1015 Sunset Dr.

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Lost: Ladies gold wrist watch. Return to Post Dispatch, reward offered.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this notice: August 19, 1999 Published in The Post Dispatch in Garza County.

1. Notice is hereby given that the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P. O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0869, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather-modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below.

2. The Colorado River Municipal Water District has a valid Texas weather-modification license that was originally issued in 1975 and has been renewed annually. The most recent license renewal was granted by the Commission on October 16, 1998 and expires on August 31, 1999. An application by the District for renewal of its license for 2000 was filed by the CRMWD on June 15, 1999 and is now being considered by the Commission.

3. The purpose of weather-modification operations is to increase rainfall to affect the inflow of fresh water into the J. B. Thomas and E. V. Spence reservoirs located in Borden, Coke, and Scurry Counties of Texas. The requested period of the permit is four years from the date of issuance by the TNRCC.

4. The proposed weather-modification operation is to be conducted by and on

behalf of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P. O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79721-4869.

5. The proposed weather-modification operation is to be carried out in both an operational area and a target area to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area includes the counties of Lynn, Garza, Kent, Fisher, Nolan, Coke, Sterling, Glasscock, Martin, and Dawson.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather-modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as bounded by a line beginning at a point of origin at Big Spring, in Howard County, and running along Highway 87 in a northwesterly direction to Lamesa; thence, north-northeast on Highway 87 to the north border of Dawson County; thence, east along the northern boundary lines of Dawson, Borden, and Scurry Counties to Highway 84; thence, southeast along Highway 84 to Roscoe, in Nolan County; thence, south-southeast to Maryneal; thence, southerly to Robert Lee, in Coke County; thence, westerly to Highway 87 at a point approximately thirteen miles northwest of Sterling City, in Sterling County; and thence, northwesterly along Highway 87 to the point of origin at Big Spring, Texas. That is, the target area includes all or part of Howard, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Nolan, Coke, and Sterling Counties.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation include a licensed meteorologist who will select cumulonimbus or other appropriate clouds for seeding, using a weather-radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecast techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports. The licensed meteorologist will direct one or more aircraft equipped with flare racks or generators to dispense either glaciogenic or hygroscopic seeding material into the up-draft portions of selected clouds to perform seeding operations.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact George Bomar, MC-160, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-0770.

9. A public hearing on this application may be called by mailing a petition that requests a hearing to the Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the last date the Notice of Intention is published in week one of the mandatory three-week period required by 289.17(j) of Commission rules. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission shall hold a public hearing on an application prior to issuance of a permit.

Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting procedures, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll

Free, at 1-800-687-4040. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest

Council, MC-103, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-6363.

Notice of Public Hearing

Garza County Hospital District will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. on September 2, 1999 at Citizens Bank community room to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2000. The property tax rate is 0.160 per \$100 of value.

The State of Texas

To Jason Michael Hill and to All Whom It May Concern, Respondent (s). "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk that issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

The petition of Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, petitioner, was filed in the District court of Garza County, Texas, on August 18, 1999, against Jason Michael Hill, numbered 98-01-05370-CV, and entitled "In The Interest of Nikita "Niki" McDougle, Josephina Robles and Mario Valentine Robles, Children. The suit requests protection of a child, for conservatorship, and for termination of the parent-child relationship. The date and place of birth of the children who are the subject of the suit: Nikita "Niki" McDougle, born May 31, 1991 in Lubbock County, Texas; Josephina Robles, born September 15, 1996 in San Patricio County, Texas; and Mario Valentine Robles, born September 16, 1998 in Lubbock County, Texas.

"The court has authority in this suit to render an order in the children's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children's adoption."

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said Court at Post, Texas, on August 20, 1999.

Sonny Gossett, District Clerk
106th Judicial District Court
Garza County, Texas
by Lina Duran, deputy

The State of Texas

To Carlos Durante and to All Whom It May Concern, Respondent (s). "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk that issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

The petition of Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, Petitioner, was filed in the district Court of Garza County, Texas, on August 18, 1999, against Carlos Durante, numbered 98-01-05370-CV, and entitled "In The Interest of Nikita "Niki" McDougle, Josephina Robles and Mario Valentine Robles, children. The suit requests protection of a child, for conservatorship, and for termination of the parent-child relationship."

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"The court has authority in this suit to render an order in the children's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children's adoption."

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said Court at Post, Texas, on August 24, 1999.
Sonny Gossett, District Clerk
106th Judicial District Court
Garza County, Texas
by Lina Duran, deputy

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

DWI, PI lead arrests

Accusations of DWI, public intoxication and making alcohol available to a minor were behind most of the arrests made during the past two weeks in Garza County.

On Aug. 13, a 58-year-old was picked up for DWI and unlawfully carrying a weapon. Also picked up on that date was a 21-year-old, commitment, a 49-year-old, DWI/1st and endangering a child; and a 21-year-old, revocation of probation, DWI.

Three arrests came Aug. 14, including that of a 34-year-old for public intoxication; a 27-year-old, warrant; and a 67-year-old, DWI/2nd.

Four arrests were made Aug. 15, including that of a 32-year-old for public intoxication, making alcohol available to a minor; a 39-year-old, public intoxication and possession of a controlled substance; a 28-year-old, DWI/2nd offense and making alcohol available to a minor; and a 26-year-old, warrant.

A 31-year-old individual was arrested for public intoxication Aug. 17. On Aug. 19, a 22-year-old was jailed for making alcohol available to a minor.

Others jailed in recent days included, on Aug. 20, a 43-year-old, commitment; on Aug. 21, a 37-year-old, DPS warrants; and on Aug. 22, a 25-year-old, warrant. On Aug. 23, a 29-year-old was picked up for DWI/1st.

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Preservation Plan Bids
Garza County is seeking bids from engineering firms to draft a Master Court-house Preservation Plan for the Garza County Courthouse, located in Post, Garza County, Texas. For details contact the following office: Giles W. Dalby, Garza County Judge, 300 W. Main, Post, Texas 79356, 806-495-4405. Deadline for submission of bid is 5:00 p.m. September 8, 1999.

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Legal Authority: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Menu

Trail Blazer

Friday, August 27, 1999
Fried fish, macaroni and cheese, broccoli, cornbread and plum cobbler.

Monday, August 30, 1999
Taco Salad, pinto beans, tossed salad, tortilla chips and apricots.

Tuesday, August 31, 1999
Pork chop, sweet potatoes, green beans, beet-onion salad, hot roll and lemon cake.

Wednesday, September 1, 1999
Polish sausage, cabbage, corn, cornbread and pumpkin bars.

Thursday, September 2, 1999
Hamburger on bun, cheese slices, tater tots, three bean salad, and oatmeal raisin cookies.

Post ISD

Friday, August 27, 1999
Breakfast: Cereal, toast and honey, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Sandwich, chips, salad, pickle spears, orange and choice of milk.

Monday, August 30, 1999
Breakfast: Waffles, butter & syrup, sausage links, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chili dog, French fries, pineapple and choice of milk.

Tuesday, August 31, 1999
Breakfast: Churros, sausage, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Taco salad, lettuce and tomato, pinto beans, apples and choice of milk.

Wednesday, September 1, 1999
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, bacon, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Ham with gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

Thursday, September 2, 1999
Breakfast: Pancake on stick, fruit, orange juice and milk.

Lunch: Wildcat wrap, salad, pork'n beans, cobbler and choice of milk.

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Lunch: Cheeseburgers, fries, hamburger fixings, ice cream and milk.

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Breakfast: Pancakes and sausage, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken patty sandwich, burger salad, strawberry short cake and milk.

Tuesday, August 31, 1999
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Stuffed baked potato, broccoli and cheese, crackers, fruit jello and milk.

Wednesday, September 1, 1999
Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, fruit, graham crackers and milk.

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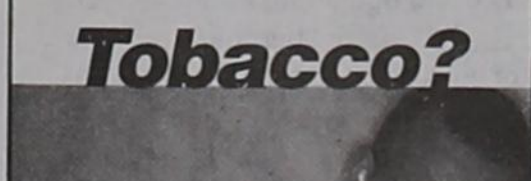
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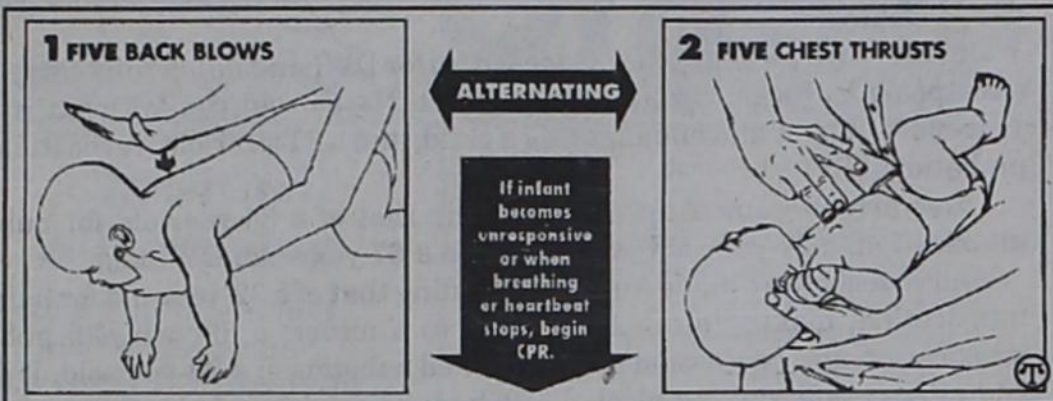
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- "Supervise mealtimes for young children," said Dr. David Vukich of ACEP. "Many choking cases occur when older brothers or sisters offer unsafe foods to a younger child. Some foods that can cause choking include hot dogs, nuts, chunks of meat, grapes, hard candy, peanuts, popcorn, chunks of peanut butter and uncooked vegetables."
- Avoid toys with small parts and keep other small household items out of reach of young children. Balloons are particularly dangerous.

Treating Choking Infants

"If a child is choking, first find out if the child can breathe, cry or speak," said Dr. Vukich. "A strong cough generally means little or no blockage, and the child may be able to dislodge the blockage by coughing. Only begin first aid if the child cannot breathe at all, or the child's airway is so blocked that there's only a weak cough and a loss of color."

According to ACEP, the ways to properly treat choking victims, especially children under age four, are first aid that everyone should learn—to help people breathe easier.

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2. Deliver up to five back blows, forcefully, between the infant's shoulder blades using the heel of your hand.

3. While supporting the head, turn the infant face up, head lower than torso.
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A weak cough and loss of color are indicators that an infant is choking

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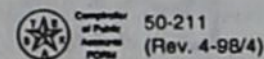
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1999 Property Tax Rates in GARZA COUNTY & HOSPITAL DIST.

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for GARZA COUNTY & HOSPITAL DIST. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	GARZA HOSPITAL DISTRICT
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,407,641	\$ _____	\$ 529,508
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-	\$ _____	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,407,641	\$ _____	\$ 529,508
Last year's tax base	\$ 323,594,660	\$ _____	\$ 320,914,130
Last year's total tax rate	\$.435/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.165/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,406,875	\$ _____	\$ 529,230
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 268,944,902	\$ _____	\$ 266,087,750
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.52310/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.19889/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.52310/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.19889/\$100

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ -0- /\$100
- Effective tax rate	\$ -0- /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate)	\$ 1,406,875	\$ _____	\$ 529,230
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 268,944,902	\$ _____	\$ 266,087,750
+ This year's effective operating rate	\$.52310/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.19889/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.56494/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.21480/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
+ This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.56494/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.21480/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.56494/\$100	\$ _____/\$100	\$.21480/\$100

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ -0- /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.56494/\$100

For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ -0- /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.56494/\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL FUND	\$1,056,331.
R&B # 1	67,469.
R&B # 2	44,210.
R&B # 3	25,541.
R&B # 4	81,020.
GARZA HOSPITAL DISTRICT	491,390.

Schedule D State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The GARZA County SHERIFF certifies that GARZA County has spent \$ -0- in the previous 12 months beginning JULY 1, 19 98, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. GARZA County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on the _____. The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____. (Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, 300 WEST MAIN, POST, TX.

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Hot Flash! Thyroid From Menopause

(NAPS)—Millions of American women who have unresolved menopausal-like symptoms, such as unexplained mood swings, depression and insomnia, may not be suffering the effects of menopause. Although frequently associated with menopause, these symptoms may actually be a sign of an often-overlooked disease involving the small, butterfly-shaped thyroid gland.

Despite the signs, symptoms and potential long-term complications of thyroid disease, many women are not aware of the pivotal role of the thyroid hormone.

A new survey by the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists (AAACE) found that only one in four women who have discussed menopause with their physician were recommended to be tested for thyroid disease.

Perhaps even more astounding, an estimated one third of women 40 years of age and older who are on HRT for symptoms of menopause continue to experience such symptoms as mood swings, depression and sleep disturbances, according to the AAACE survey. For these women, an underlying thyroid condition may be playing a critical role in their health.

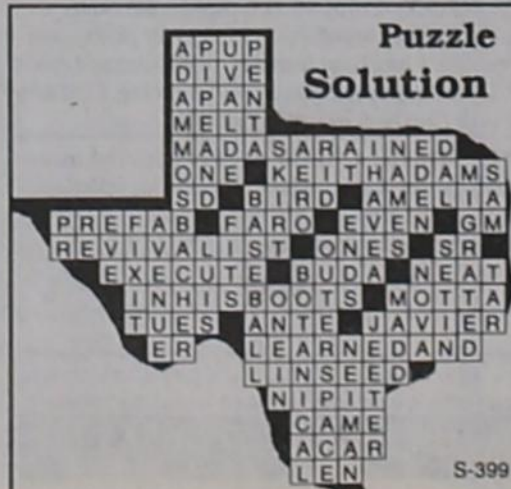
"Because the signs and symptoms of thyroid disease and menopause overlap, it is easy to see why the role of the thyroid hormone is often overlooked," says AAACE President Helena Rodbard, M.D. "As women approach menopause, many symptoms may be quickly attributed to this milestone in a woman's life without complete discussion of other easily treatable disorders, such as thyroid disease, that often mimic or accompany menopause."

Thyroid: The Missing Hormone

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