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Garza Theatre is beyond repair

By Wayne Hodgin
The Post Dispatch

A new report issued to the city of Post has stated the historic Garza Theatre building is in such a state of disrepair the only option is to raze the structure.

Last March, the members of the City Council voted to spend roughly \$30,000 to install a temporary support structure that would keep the roof from collapsing, thereby damaging more of the building and the surrounding structures.

The move came after a report from Grimes & Associates of Wolfforth, whose engineers found a number of safety issues with the almost

100-year-old building.

The theater was shuttered in the middle of a production in September 2011 because of safety concerns.

The engineers estimated costs for the required improvements at that time to be nearly \$2 million.

City Manager Deana Watson said she authorized a second, independent inspector to assess the building's structural integrity, and the new report, dated Feb. 27, stated the building was beyond repair.

"Basically what it said was that the monetary value of the repairs would be much greater than half of the build-



Anna Gibson/The Post Dispatch

See THEATRE, Page 2 A new report from the city of Post states the historic Garza Theatre should probably be razed.

Census: Oil, gas boom drives growth in Plains

By Wayne Hodgin
The Post Dispatch

Despite a U.S. Census report released last week that said areas among the fastest-growing last year were located in, or at least near, the Great Plains and West Texas, Garza County lost population.

Census estimates released March 13 show Garza County lost 49 residents between April 2010 and July 2011. Looking closer at the year-to-year numbers, between July 2010 and July 2011, Garza County gained 87 residents, but lost 133 between July 2011 and July 2012.

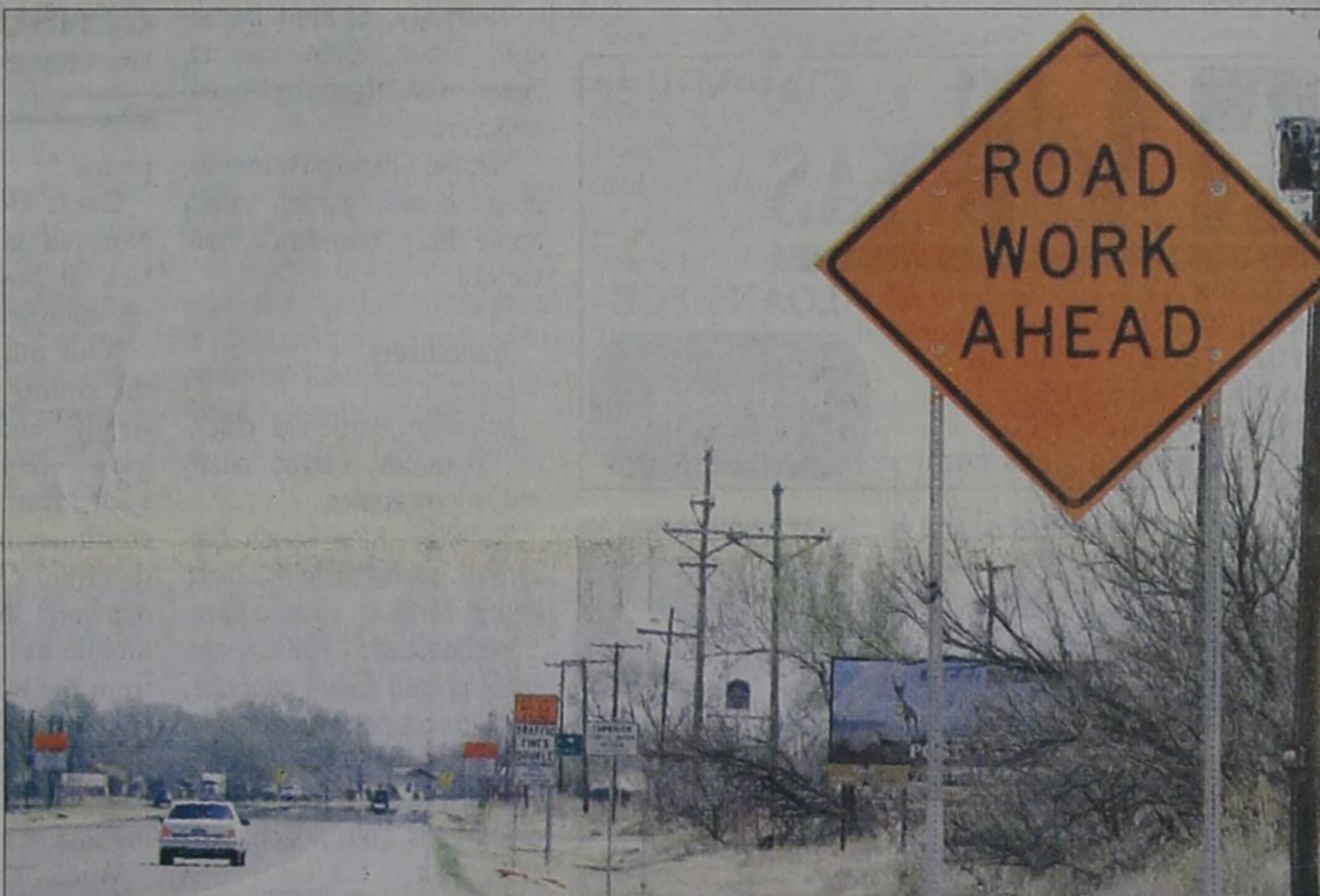
According to the most recent numbers, as of July 2012, the total population of Garza County was 6,412.

Not unexpectedly, Midland was the fastest-growing metro area over the July 1, 2011, to July 1, 2012, period in the United States, with its population increasing 4.6 percent. Adjacent Odessa ranked fifth overall, Austin-Round Rock was seventh, while two areas in Wyoming (Casper and Cheyenne), along with Manhattan, Kan., and Bismarck, N.D., were also among the 20 fastest-growing metropolitan areas.

"After a long period of out-migration, some parts of the Great Plains - from just south of the Canadian border all the way down to West Texas - are experiencing rapid population growth," said Thomas Mesenbourg, spokesman for the U.S. Census Bureau. "There are probably many factors fueling this growth on the prairie, but no doubt the energy boom is playing a role. For instance, the Permian Basin and North Dakota accounted for almost half of the total U.S. growth in firms that mine or extract oil and gas, during a recent one-year

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Construction Ahead



Motorists traveling along U.S. 84 West are urged to be aware of road maintenance expected in the coming days on the northbound bridge coming into the city of Post. Dianah Ascencio, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Transportation district office in Lubbock, said state road crews soon will begin work on the road, and traffic will be down to one lane for about four days at some time during the project. She said it would take no longer than three or four weeks, and the cost of the project is not to exceed \$30,000.

Anna Gibson/The Post Dispatch

Prayers urged for new pope

By Wayne Hodgin
The Post Dispatch

Catholics in and around Garza County rejoiced with the estimated 1.2 billion other members of the Catholic Church throughout the world last week as Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected the 266th pope and took the name Francis.

The election March 13 came on the second day and fifth ballot of the conclave.

The 76-year-old pontiff is the first pope in history to come from the Western Hemisphere, the first non-European to be elected in almost 1,300 years and the first from a Latin American country, just to name a few.

The Most Rev. Placido Rodriguez, bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock, said those "firsts" are not going unnoticed by parishioners throughout the area.

"It is a beautiful, beautiful surprise and a very joyous one to have a pope from the Americas to follow the succession of St. Peter," Rodriguez

said Friday. "It's an answer from the Holy Spirit."

Rodriguez said Francis' humble background will resonate not only with Hispanic parishioners around the world, but also those in the 62-county area of the Lubbock diocese, which includes Garza County.

"Of the 70,000 Catholics in the Lubbock Diocese, more than 80 percent are Hispanic," Rodriguez said. "It is our hope the election of Pope Francis will energize Hispanic Catholics in the United States to continue to spread the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

The symbolism surrounding the new pontiff choosing to take the name Francis, after St. Francis of Assisi, also was not going unnoticed, Rodriguez said.

"St. Francis rejected his fortune and embraced poverty," he said. "During his time in Europe he gathered any followers and led many people to God because of his simplicity, his poverty and his spirituality."

"These are the qualities we see in Pope Francis,

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Photo courtesy of the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth
Pope Francis I greets well-wishers gathered in Vatican Square after the announcement he had been named successor to Pope Benedict XVI.

Post Notes

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

Senior ads

Senior ads for the Post High School yearbook are due by March 22. Prices run \$60, \$120, or \$180. If you have any questions, contact Treva Moore at 495-2770 or nmoore@postisd.net.

Little League fund-raiser

The third annual Little League sandwich fundraiser for the Post Little League Association will be at 11 a.m. March 28 just west of the Main Street red light across from Post Auto. Plates include chips, pickles, onions and a drink for donations. Event is sponsored by the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. For information, contact Treva Yarbro at 495-2175.

Broom/mop sale

The annual broom and mop sale, hosted by the Rotary Club of Post, will begin at 8 a.m. April 9 at 101 W. Main St. Brooms, mops, brushes and many other items will be for sale, including quality cleaning aids for home, business or industry. All proceeds benefit the Caravan Sales for the Blind.

Homestead exemption

Anyone who turns 65 in 2013, or who has a birth date of 1948 or prior, is eligible for the over-65 homestead exemption on their property taxes. Anyone with a business personal property is required to file a rendition with the Garza Central Appraisal District. If a rendition is not filed, a 10 percent penalty will be added to the total tax. For information, or to file an exemption, contact the Garza Central Appraisal District at 806-495-3518 or visit 124 E. Main St., Post. Due date is April 15.

Cotton meeting

Plains Cotton Growers 56th annual meeting will be from 9 a.m. to noon April 5 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane. For information, contact Plains Cotton Growers at 792-4904 or visit plaincotton.org.

Goat/lamb validations

State goat and lamb validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Steer validations

Steer validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Volunteers needed

Post City Festivals is in need of volunteers to help build a number of the miniature houses on site at Silent Night Village. If interested, call Jackie Cruise at 990-9907.

Horse validations

Four-H Connect horse validations will be conducted Friday through May 1. Cost is \$10 through April 15 and \$20 from April 16 through May 1. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact Editor Wayne Hodgin at 806-495-2816 or thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

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Deaths Hershel 'Happy' Bevers

Graveside services for Hershel "Happy" Bevers, 88, of Lubbock were Friday, March 15, 2013, at Terrace Cemetery in Post with the Rev. Steve McMeans of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church in Lubbock officiating.

Memorial services were at Southerest Baptist Church in Lubbock with the Rev. David Brooks officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday, March 13, 2013, at his home in Lubbock. He was born January 3, 1925, in Justiceburg to Sam and Demosille (Skipper) Bevers. He married Imogene Hagood on



Hershel 'Happy' Bevers

Sept. 29, 1946, in Close City. She preceded him in death on Nov. 30, 2010. He was a member of the Marine Corps serving in World War II. Happy and Imogene farmed in Garza County for many years.

Survivors include daughter Sherry Farquhar of Southland, Peggy Young of Midland and Tina Marsh of Hurst; son Mark Bevers of Lubbock; brothers Sam Bevers of Justiceburg and Herbert Dell Bevers of Marble Falls; sister Evelyn Davidson of Stafford, Ariz.; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a grandson, Justin Haire, on Aug. 29, 1998.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to Justin Haire Scholarship Fund at the Architectural Department at Texas Tech or United We Build Fund at Southerest Baptist Church.

MENUS

Menus: Week of March 25-29

Southeast ISD
Breakfast
Monday: French toast sticks, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk
Wednesday: Breakfast bar or cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk
Thursday: Muffins, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk
Friday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch
Monday: Toasted ham and cheese sandwich, broccoli bites, garden salad, oranges,

baked chips, milk
Tuesday: Crispy beef tacos, charro beans, garden salad, salsa, cinnamon apple-sauce, milk
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/ gravy, carrot coins, strawberries and bananas, hot roll, milk
Thursday: spaghetti w/ meatballs, garden salad, savory green beans, sliced peaches, milk
Friday: Cheese pizza, corn, garden salad, veggie cup, fresh seasonal fruit, milk
Post ISD
Breakfast
Monday: Waffles, sausage, butter and syrup, fruit, milk

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THEATRE

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ing's value," she said. "It goes on to say a permit for renovation could not in good faith be issued, only a permit for demolition.

According to the report, obtained by The Post Dispatch, the metal support beams installed to shore up the roof were installed improperly and could cause a catastrophic collapse. In addition, the roof and building has continued to deteriorate and has been subjected to continued water damage.

Last year, city officials had hoped someone or some entity would express interest in buying the building and renovating it. In fact, at least two local organizations did so, including the Post ISD board of trustees.

In the last story that appeared about the theater in the Dispatch, Scott Harris, president of the Garza Theatre board of directors, said his troupe still has a vested interest in performing, but without a venue and the funds to do so his board remains at a standstill.

"We're kind of in limbo right now as to what we're going to do," Harris said. "There's nothing we can do concerning the building. We just don't have the money or the contacts to do anything."

Harris said Garza Theatre board members were shocked

to learn of the building's state of deterioration back in September 2011.

"We all knew that the building needed some work done," he said. "In fact, we had spent and were planning to spend a lot of money doing some of that work ourselves when we were hit with the news that the city was shutting us down.

"No one expected it to be as bad as it was."

The Garza Theatre was opened during the early 1900s during World War I and presented high-quality live performances. The theater was closed in 1955.

In 1957, vandals set fire to the building, and it remained boarded up for more than 30 years.

In 1986, the Caprock Cultural Association persuaded native son Will McCrary to return home and pursue the vision of opening a live theater in the city of Post.

"It's a very unfortunate situation for us and for the good folks in Post," Harris said. "People used to come from miles and miles around — I'm talking a 200- to 300-mile radius — to see Garza Theatre productions. They came here, they ate here, they spent the weekend here, they spent tons of money here. And now it seems to be relic once again."

CENSUS

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period." Garza County Judge Lee Norman said he believes a lack of housing is keeping the county from growing.

"Our oil industry here in the county and strong and steady and continues to grow every day," Norman said. "But housing is and continues to be our biggest deterrent. There are lots of demands for hotels, RVs, mobile homes and the such from the workers the industry attracts. It's a problem here and even in other areas you see that are experiencing lots of growth."

While no new information was released on citywide statistics, Post city officials have worried a population increase could subject the city to more stringent state oversight regulations.

In fact, last July city officials had addressed the

issue and discussed a way to de-annex the Giles W Dalby Correctional Facility out of the city limits in order to avoid the population increase.

To help address the issue, Rep. Drew Springer R-Muenster, recently filed legislation would solve this problem by changing the maximum population for this exemption from 5,000 to 7,500.

Post City Manager Deane Watson said that for now de-annexation is off the board.

"We're looking at other avenues other than de-annexation," Watson said "What we're looking at doing instead is asking the Legislature just not count the population of the prison when. That's something we're asking Rep. Springer to help us with."

POPE

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and I think because of his background he'll re-energize the Catholic base while bringing many new believers into the fold."

The excitement also was being felt at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Post where Father Huge Thekkel urged congregants during services this past weekend to continue praying for the new pontiff.

"Our new pope needs our constant prayers to be steered by the Holy Spirit," he said.

Thekkel said the feedback he had heard from his members were overall positive regarding the new pope.

"Many of us are very excited about what the future holds for Pope Francis," Thekkel said. "He's put himself out there as a humble and simple man of the people and a champion for the poor. So I expect we'll see great things from this pope."



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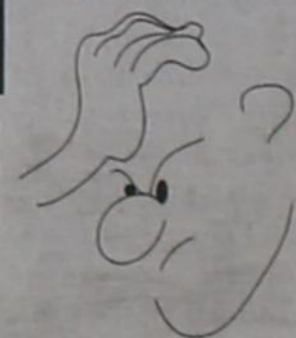
Cryptogram

A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.

Hint: Quote by Eleanor Roosevelt

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Copeland receives training Home Fire

Special to the Dispatch

Michael Copeland, administrator of Garza County Jail, recently completed an extensive training course at the Correctional Management Institute of Texas, a division of Sam Houston State University.

One of only 28 jail administrators chosen from across Texas, Copeland spent more than 40 hours in this program learning the professional skills and techniques needed for managing a county jail.

The program was provided at no cost to Garza County or the registrants, through a collaboration of the CMIT, the Texas Jail Association and the Texas Association of Counties. The Sheriff's Association of Texas endorses this training.

The TAC, which provides training to all county officials, is a non-profit professional organization. Sam Houston State University is known nationwide as the premier school for Criminal Justice students.

The TJA and SAT are professional organizations dedicated to the training and welfare of their members.



Lance Dunn/For the Dispatch

Post volunteer firefighters and other emergency personnel respond to a residential fire in the 600 block of Fourth Street about 9 a.m. Wednesday. No other details were immediately available.

Pet of the week



Janice Plummer/For the Dispatch

Moe has been at the shelter since last August. He is a real people dog and loves to be held. We can't understand why he hasn't been adopted. He's a little bashful with strangers so maybe people think he isn't loving — boy are they wrong! He would be a great addition to any household, but would probably be happiest with a couple or someone with older kids. You can see Moe and all of our other "shelter" dogs by contacting us at postarc@yahoo.com or on Facebook at Post Arc. We are always happy to have people come out and see our operation. If you're not ready to adopt, consider volunteering or fostering one of our homeless dogs.

Chapel room offers unique perspective

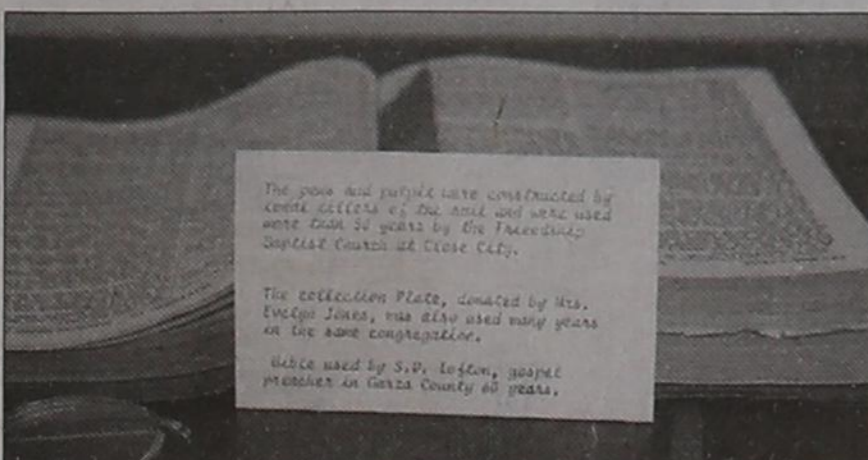
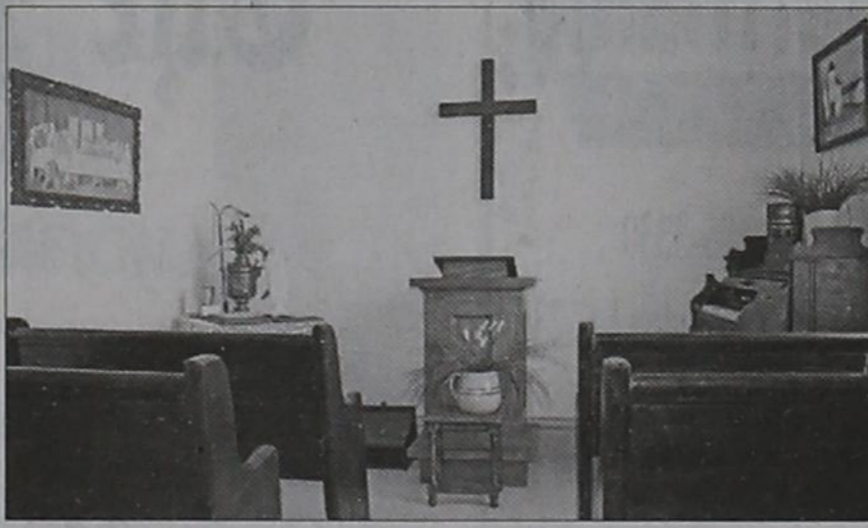
The Chapel Room in Garza County Historical Museum offers a quiet reflection of life in a small town church.

Organs, pews and a pulpit give the feel of church at the beginning of the last century. The Chapel Room is just one of many unique areas in the museum which reflect the proud history of Post and Garza County.

The Garza County Historical Museum is located at 119 N Ave. in Post.



Photos by Christopher Blackburn



The pipe and organ were contributed by some donors in the mid and late 1800s and were used until 1900 by the First Baptist Church of Post, Texas.

The collection plate, donated by Mrs. Evelyn Jones, was also used many years in the same congregation.

Table used by Rev. Taylor, pastor of the church in Garza County 40 years.

Local Farm Service Agency supports National Ag Day

Special to the Dispatch

Victor Ashley, executive director of the Garza-Borden County Farm Service Agency, asks area residents to take a moment in these turbulent fiscal times to celebrate agriculture and honor hard-working farmers and ranchers throughout the area.

This past Tuesday was National Ag Day throughout the country, and this year's theme is "Generations Nourishing Generations."

"According to recent USDA studies, the agricultural sector right now remains a bright spot in terms of economic stability and growth and there is a strong demand for U.S. agricultural products," Ashley said. "Generation after generation of agricultural producers in Texas are getting up early every day to provide the food, fiber and fuel that feed and clothe Americans and others around the world."

As research advances, the future may even be brighter, Ashley said.

"New uses for ag products are being found to utilize natural ingredients for life-saving medicines and supply the critical commodities required in a long list of manufacturing sectors,"

he said.

Despite the onslaught of natural disasters weathered by farmers and ranchers this past year that created less than ideal growing conditions, producers still managed to grow the commodities that keep our economy moving forward. And they maintain our abundant supply of renewable resources in an environmentally sensitive manner.

"For their life-sustaining efforts, we honor Texas' agricultural producers for their vital contributions," Ashley said.

Major commodities produced in Garza and Borden counties include cotton, wheat, and grain sorghum. Texas agricultural production contributed more than \$7.5 billion in export revenues during 2011.

Today each American farmer produces enough food to feed more than 144 people, a dramatic increase from the 25 people a farmer sustained in 1960. These increased efficiencies demonstrate that American Agriculture is producing more — and doing it better than ever before.

Ag Day is a project of the Agriculture Council of America. For further Ag Day information and events visit agday.org.

Poka Lambro annual meeting slated March 28

The Post Dispatch

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative Inc. is set to host its 62nd annual membership meeting on Thursday.

The meeting will be held at Poka Lambro's main business office located 11.5 miles north of Tahoka on U.S. 87.

Member registration will begin at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. The business meeting will begin at 1 p.m.

Meeting highlights will include the election of directors for Districts 2 and 6, the reports of officers and directors and the presentation of Poka Lambro Scholarships. All Poka Lambro Telephone

Cooperative members are encouraged to attend the meeting. Members may pick up door prize cards when registering at the meeting. Members must be present to win door prizes.

For additional information please contact Amy Preston at 1-800-422-2387.

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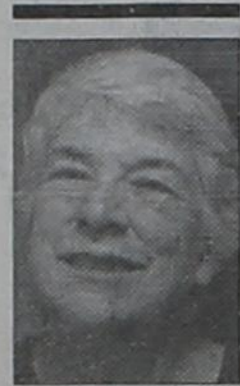
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The 501 It's never the thermostat

It's never the thermostat. If I were going to write a vehicle repair manual, that'd be the opening line of the preface, if manuals had prefaces. Mine will.



HANABA
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WELCH

Last week my husband and I tackled the problem of a crazy-acting water temperature gauge on the tractor.

Now the tractor has two new thermostats plus a new temperature sensor, all unnecessary.

Originally, we'd meant to let our tractor mechanic determine why the temperature gauge was giving us false readings. When he went off to be a saddle-maker instead

(and you know who you are), we sighed and decided to fix the thing ourselves.

"It's never the thermostat," I told my husband.

He didn't disagree, but that's where we started.

For the right diagnosis, you have to think like a doctor and rule things out. When my mother had an out-of-town hiatal hernia attack and ended up in a hospital emergency room, they gave her nitroglycerin. It didn't help, so they ruled out a heart attack. Yes, sometimes people do have heart attacks. I'm convinced people have heart attacks more often than vehicles need new thermostats. My opinion. Feel free to get a second opinion. But I'm right.

Anyway, when we went to town for the thermostats, gasket and temperature sensor, not all the parts were in stock. That's Parts Rule No. 1, worthy of mention in

my introduction, if not the preface.

Two days later, Parts Rule No. 2 struck. The tardy thermostats had to be back ordered. Sigh.

When all the parts finally came in, we installed them — thermostats first and temperature sensor second. Sure enough, neither procedure made any difference.

I felt like the woman who heard that faith moves mountains and prayed that very night for the mountain near her house to be gone the next day. (It was blocking her view.) The next morning when she woke up, she looked out her window and said, "Just like I thought. It's still there."

Running out of options, we called to see what it would cost to replace the entire instrument panel. A lot.

We decided we'd rather put up with faulty gauges and spend the \$745 on something else. I'm not sure what my husband was thinking, but a roundtrip flight to Europe sounded good to me. Working on a tractor can make you want to get away to almost anywhere. At that point, I would have settled for another trip to town for parts. Too bad the instrument panel was so pricey. And no doubt it wasn't in stock anyway.

Rats.

And there you have the most important rule. It's always rats. When we looked closely at the bundle of wires to the gauges, we saw three gnawed in two.

I got my wish for a getaway — one more parts run for what we needed to fix those wires.

We did it right with solder. Then we started the engine. It rumbled, and the needle on the heat gauge moved slowly to the right, perfectly.

It's always rats.

Legends

History of the O.D. Cardwell family

The following story on the history of the O.D. Cardwell family was published in the Post Dispatch on Sept. 12, 1957.



LINDA
PUCKETT

O.D. Cardwell arrived in Post in 1917. It wasn't a covered wagon, but a Model T Ford that brought him here from Spur, Texas. He was a Texas Ranger working with the Cattle Raisers Association and came here to investigate cattle stealing in this area. On

being assigned here, Cardwell came out from Austin to Spur on the train. The cattle stealing problem was aggravated by the drought of 1917 and 1918.

His first home here was the Algerita Hotel located at the corner of Main Street and Avenue I. At the time there was just one building on the south side of the street west of the hotel, the Day & Night Garage. The courthouse was where the Gulf Station on the southeast corner of Main Street and Broadway now is. The Post office was in the building occupied until several years ago by Lanotte Furniture Company, but later was moved into the building that is now the Garza Hotel. Mark Hardin was postmaster and Ed Harper was city Marshall at that time. The Algerita Hotel then belonged to the Double U Company.

In 1918, Cardwell married Miss Annie Rodgers. From 1921 until 1924 he worked with Mrs. Cardwell in the Ladies Apparel Store. After that, Mr. Cardwell was on a real estate deal to colonize Mexico

for several months. He bought the picture show from Mrs. Cardwell's brother, the late Nonnie Rodgers, operating it four years and selling out when talkies came in. Admission for the movies was 10 and 30 cents.

Dances were still the main recreation when Mr. Cardwell first came to Garza County. The last one he remembered attending was given by Bert Brown at the 24 Ranch. He and Mrs. Cardwell went in a Model T and got home just after sun-up. Refreshments included barbecue beef and beans.

Mrs. Cardwell came to Post in 1912 and opened her first business venture here in 1914. The former Annie Rodgers was born in Weatherford. Her family lived in Kent County at the time but no doctors were available, so her mother returned to Weatherford for Annie's birth. Her father was a cattle rancher and moved to Garza County in 1912, buying what is now the K Stoker Ranch.

Mrs. Cardwell bought out the piece goods and ladies shoe departments of a store run by S.J. Farber. The location was where the Southwestern Public Service Company is now (in 1957). Besides the original departments, she sold ready-to-wear for ladies and children.

Among the stores operating here at that time were Collier Drug, Doughty Hardware, Ben Williams Barber Shop, Ed Myers Furniture Store and Carter Grocery.

Part two of the Cardwell family history continues next week.

Linda Puckett is the curator of the Garza Museum and director of the Garza County Historical Commission.

Church Directory

Assembly of God

Bethel Assembly of God (Bi-Lingual)- 407 May street
Lifeline Church- 108 N. Broadway

Baptist

Calvary Baptist Church- 210 E. 6th Street, 990-2342
First Baptist Church, Post- 402 W. Main Street, 495-3554
First Baptist Church, Wilson- 806-628-6333
Grace Baptist Church- 820 N. Avenue S- 990-3497
Justiceburg Baptist Church- Justiceburg
Pleasant Home Baptist Church- E. 14th & N Ave F
Southland Baptist Church- Southland
Temple Bautista- 315 W. Main
Trinity Baptist Church- 915 N. Ave O, 990-3038

Catholic

Holy Cross Catholic Church- Ave K and Main Street- 495-2791

Church of Christ

Church of Christ- 108 N. Ave M 495-2326
Graham Chapel Church of Christ- 15th & Ave S

Church of God

Church of God of Prophecy- 602 W. 14th, 495-3644
Power House Church of God and Christ, Pine Avenue

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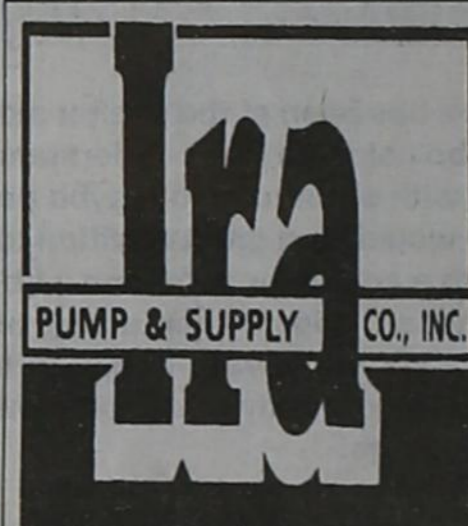
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Varsity Boys

3rd Place, 400 M Dash, Dalton Holly, 55.13

JV Boys: 2nd Place with 111 points

6th Place, High Jump, Ethan Self, 5'4"
1st Place, Triple Jump, Ethan Self, 37'8"
4th Place, Long Jump, Blaine Reece, 18'1"
1st Place, Discus, Bryan Smith, 122'11"
3rd Place, Discus, Alejo Rodriguez, 107'7"
1st Place, Shot Put, Bryan Smith, 43'2.75"

2nd Place, 4x100 M Relay, Bryan Smith, Dylan Pearson, Ethan Self, and Blaine Reece, 47.63

4th Place, 100 M Dash, Dylan Pearson, 12.63
2nd Place, 4x200 M Relay, Blaine Reece, Dylan Pearson, Ethan Self, and Austin Garza, 1:40.88
1st Place, 400 M Dash, Bryan Smith, 56.73
2nd Place, 400 M Dash, Sammy Soto, 58.06
2nd Place, 4x400 M Relay, Ethan Self, Sammy Soto, Austin Garza, and Bryan Smith, 3:53.65

Varsity Girls: 5th Place with 65 points

1st Place, Long Jump, Haily Berry, 17'1"
1st Place, Triple Jump, Haily Berry, 38'2"
****Haily Berry set a new school record in Triple Jump beating her old record from last season of 37'5.5"**
2nd Place, Triple Jump, Kelbie Oden, 36'0"
6th Place, Discus, Taylor Osborn, 94'5.5"
2nd Place, 4x100 M Relay, Kelbie Oden, Bethany

Curtis, Miranda Apolarin, and Haily Berry, 53.00
5th Place, 4x200 M Relay, Miranda Apolarin, Bethany Curtis, Taylor Osborn, and Kelbie Oden, 1:55.01
1st Place, 200 M Dash, Haily Berry, 27.21
6th Place, 200 M Dash, Taylor Osborn, 28.70
6th Place, 1600 M Run, Andi Soliz, 6:29.49
5th Place, 4x400 M Relay, Kelbie Oden, Bethany Curtis, Taylor Osborn, and Haily Berry, 4:29.09

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Cures
- 6. Packed ski trail
- 11. Not outer
- 12. Fishing weight
- 13. Pea containers
- 14. Coarse fabric used for bags
- 15. Round one's lips
- 17. Sound unit
- 18. Marriage vow
- 19. Double curves
- 20. Leaping frog
- 21. Autonomic nervous system
- 22. Tenant farming
- 25. Tell on
- 26. Basics
- 27. Total
- 28. Printing speed measurement
- 29. A way to work the soil
- 30. They
- 31. Hat store
- 38. Possessed
- 39. Ensnare
- 40. Sharp or severe
- 41. Time unit
- 42. Reform journalist Jacob
- 43. Cliffs (Hawaiian)
- 44. Shrews
- 46. A smudge of ink
- 47. Love intensely
- 48. Excessively fat
- 49. Fire resistant fiber
- 50. USA vs. Europe golf cup

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mud wallows
- 3. Tenor Bocelli
- 4. Lower in standing
- 5. Not Jr.
- 6. 1/64th rupee
- 7. Writing liquid
- 8. Winter sport
- 9. Leans toward
- 10. Consequently
- 12. Used to smooth wood
- 14. Cleansing agent
- 16. Point midway between E and SE
- 17. Coal burning residue
- 20. Suspended cable car
- 21. Mandela's party
- 23. Maltreatments
- 24. Big Blue
- 27. Sun (Span.)
- 28. Pre college school
- 29. Concealed
- 30. Freshwater ducks genus
- 31. A diacritical mark (-)
- 32. Rainbow goddess
- 33. Bark sharply
- 34. Covered with healing sores
- 35. Cleaned strawberries
- 36. Serving no useful purpose
- 37. Annoy constantly
- 38. Intoxicating
- 41. Herringlike fish
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- 48. An alternative

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Nancy's Notions Healthy bowels need dietary fiber

Dietary fiber provides many benefits for human health. In addition to lower body weight due to its lower energy, improve lipid profile, lower blood sugar by slowing starch digestion and absorption, and reduce risks of breast and prostate cancer, a high fiber diet keeps a healthy bowel.



NANCY MCDONALD

Dietary fiber can add bulk to the stool, as well as softening it via absorbing water. A larger stool is easier for bowels to move. This benefits the flow of food through the bowel. In the bowel, soluble fiber is broken down into a gel-like substance; insoluble fiber cannot be digested by human body, but the bowel

bacteria break it down. A high-fiber diet helps the bacteria growth. These intestinal bacteria work to aid digestion, prevent gas and bloating and discourage growth of harmful bacteria.

People who develop colon cancer, irritable bowel syndrome and diverticulosis have had a long history of difficulty with their bowels. Irritable bowel syndrome is a disturbance in the bowel characterized by discomfort, bloating, constipation, diarrhea and even vomiting.

Diverticulosis is a condition in which the walls of bowels bulge. In most instances, people with these diseases suffer from chronic constipation. The usual cause of chronic constipation is a lack of adequate dietary fiber.

Eating adequate amounts of dietary fiber can help to regulate the flow of food through digestive system to relieve irritable bowel symptoms, stimulate the muscle activity of the bowels, and help to achieve normal bowel movements and normal bowel habits.

Dietary insoluble fiber is effective at inhib-

iting colon tumor development. This may be due to the interaction between fiber and colon bacteria.

Fermentable fibers as well as mixed fibers have been found local and systemic anti-inflammatory activities. Anti-inflammatory activities refer to the properties of activities and treatments that reduce inflammation, which is associated with development of colon cancer, irritable bowel syndrome and diverticulosis. Fermentable fibers are known to affect the bowel bacteria. The role of the bowel bacteria and bacteria activities could contribute to the systemic and local anti-inflammatory activities of fibers.

Dietary fiber is generally from plant foods, and consists of parts of plant that cannot be digested by human. To keep the bowels healthy, a lifelong daily intake of 20 to 35 grams of dietary fiber daily is required.

Black Bean and Tomato Salsa

Dietary Fiber 4 g
Ingredients:
1 cup seeded, diced plum tomatoes (3-4 tomatoes)
1 cup canned black beans, rinsed
2 tablespoons chopped scallions
1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro or parsley
1 tablespoon lime juice
1-1/2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil
1/2-1 teaspoon minced canned chipotle in adobo sauce
1/8 teaspoon salt, or to taste
Directions: Combine all ingredients in a medium bowl; stir to blend. If not serving immediately, cover and refrigerate for up to 2 days.

Nancy McDonald is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Garza County.

The Idle American Teachers and Ides of March

Julius Caesar's assassination marked 'em, Will Shakespeare wrote about 'em, and teachers seem destined to perpetuate 'em. Bad news — like "Ides" of old — blows in each year, "hammerlocked" with destiny on the wings of each windy March.



DON NEWBURY

School personnel — lumped together — harbor fear premonitions of the school year's final lap. They know that lurking on the other side of spring break are unpredictable situations — the kinds that try their souls — to make chopped liver of whatever nerve endings remain.

Superintendents — haunted by indignities inflicted at many ceremonies — wander through stores featuring graduation specialties, checking on new "toys" invariably added for the ceremonial season. Chins are rubbed at the prospect of stereophonic air horns and mice-priced cheaper by the dozen. There are also spring-powered devices that propel mortarboards to highest ceilings, with special adhesive for attachment thereto. They cringe as their throats dry.

School folks welcome spring break like cattle to new pastures. They regain enthusiasm that initially drew them to the profession, lick wounds and gird up for the homestretch.

After all, they prize the weeklong recess as much as students.

Meanwhile, parents' lips quiver at the challenge of keeping boredom's clutches at bay for a whole week.

For "Exhibit A" in this vignette, consider Andy Adams, a Kilgore principal who soon will complete two decades in the field. He called the two days prior to spring break this year "the toughest in memory."

He spent most of the hours refereeing, without nearly enough thumbs to poke into educational dike holes that spring open when the natives are most restless. He was equal to tasks, but emergency crews were at the ready.

A respite never was so appealing. Saturday, he figured, he'd simply "unlax," claiming the fruits--hopefully low-hanging--of an unstructured, "do-nothing" day. He'd blot out thoughts of upcoming mandated exams and the barrage of excuses abounding as the year grows old.

Andy, a "no-nonsense" principal with a commanding presence at 6-foot-3 and 20-

plus pounds, waked that Saturday half-relaxed. He'd begin it with a leisurely 15-minute ride to Longview with his father-in-law.

Little did he know that a sighting alongside Highway 259 would trigger out-of-control laughter that abated just short of a connoption fit.

A motionless coyote — its last breath drawn at least a day earlier — sprawled. (At once the "cartooned" picketing chicken needed word changes to warn of the hazards of road-crossing: "Even with the best of outcomes, you'll never hear the end of it.") Hard to explain was the message on the Mylar balloon tied to the coyote's paw: "Get Well Soon."

Who, wondered Andy and his kin, would have such a warped sense of humor? Who would take time to make the purchase, perhaps smiling when the check-out clerk added hopes for a quick recovery? Who would risk being seen "tying one on"?

Andy's near-convulsive response perhaps was cathartic. Now limp, he's relaxed enough to see the school year through to its end. (Smiling, he wonders how many others saw the same scene.)

I mentioned his being "no-nonsense." This description dates back a quarter-century, when he was a college freshman and I was the president. He wanted to be the "kind of teacher who wouldn't put up with the nonsense" he got by with.

Indeed, he was "impish" — as many freshmen are — but his devil-may-care smile reduced misdemeanors to lower-case demerits.

I recall a reception for freshmen parents during the spring semester. Suffering from "maltuition," they delighted in their offsprings' lofty goals — to become teachers, ministers, lawyers, researchers and so on.

When all eyes turned toward Andy's dad, he responded, "I pray God that Andy wants to become...a...a...a sophomore!"

Later, he married Kathy Robinson, a student worker in my office. She "had it all," Christian values, beauty, strong work ethic, creativity and a host of other laudable traits. Some say she took on Andy as a project.

We've joked about it, but truth to tell, theirs is a marriage worth modeling. They and their three children, deeply rooted in their community, are "as good as it gets."

That's my opinion and that of legions of others. But I'm glad he had his dad-in-law along to verify the "Get Well Soon" balloon story.

Don Newbury, former chancellor of Howard Payne University, is a humorist and motivational speaker.

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Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of TROY PALMER NELSON, deceased, were issued to the undersigned 13th day of March, 2013, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, in Garza County, are hereby required to present the same at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed and within the time required by law to my attorney Preston L. Poole, Jr., at P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356 or myself.
Joyce Nelson, 1540 CR 165, Post, Texas 79356
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JOYCE NELSON Independent Executrix
Dated 3/13/2013

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE
OF MARIE LEWIS Cause # 1975
Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of MARIE LEWIS, deceased, were issued to the undersigned 19th day of March, 2013, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, in Garza County, are hereby required to present the same at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed and within the time required by law to my attorney Preston L. Poole, Jr., at P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356 or myself.
DORIS LEWIS GIDDENS, 1013 Camden Circle, Post, Texas 79356.
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DORIS LEWIS GIDDENS, Independent Executrix
Dated 3/19/13

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
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March 20, 2003

About 63 percent of the total number of stops made in 2002 by the Garza County Sheriff's Department involved Caucasians, according to a sheriff's report directed to the Garza County commissioners and the Post City Council.

Last year, the sheriff's department recorded a total of 1060 traffic and pedestrian stops. Of that total, 672 involved Caucasians; 289 - or about 27 percent of the total - involved Hispanics; and 94 - or 8.8 percent of the total - involved African-American descent.

During a pair of meetings conducted last week, members of the Garza County Health Care District board of directors voted to call for a May 3 election to allow voters to decide whether or not a new hospital will be constructed and opened in Post.

According to Tanya White, interim administrator for the health care district, the board discussed two options - presenting the proposed construction of a new hospital building on the May 3 ballot or asking voters if they are interested in

renovating and reopening the existing hospital.

A recent move by county commissioners to better secure county-related credit card use has drawn attention to a situation involving alleged credit card mishandling by a Garza County elected official. Judge Giles Dalby did not name the individual allegedly involved, nor were specific details provided.

20 years ago

March 24, 1993

Braving cold damp winds, approximately 80 people watched the Comanche ritual Taba'na Yuané in Post's city park. Just as the sun was supposed to peak over the cloud shrouded eastern horizon, Chief Runkles, taking his cue from the swirls of smoke from the ceremonial fire, knelt and pointed the an eagle feather to the northeast.

According to Indian legend, wind from this direction is supposed to herald the coming of a prosperous year for people on the South Plains.

Garza County is caught in a crunch because of conflicting federal and state laws. The federal government, in adopting the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) is forcing the county to modify the courthouse to

meet ADA guidelines while the Texas Historical Commission is saying any additions to the courthouse are unacceptable because they would detract from the building's historical significance.

The Garza County Commissioners Court, in its regular meeting Monday, March 2, adopted a resolution opposing the building's historical significance.

30 years ago

March 23, 1983

And intensive membership drive will be conducted tomorrow afternoon by Post Chamber of Commerce board of directors, as more than 60 area businesses will be offered the opportunity to join the organization.

There are not 89 members of the Chamber of Commerce, with 57 businesses and 32 individual memberships.

"Our goal is to make sure every business in Post has a chance to be a part of the Chamber," membership chairman Don Glidewell comments.

"We are planning some really aggressive projects for this year, and we're going need lots of help to accomplish our objectives," Glidewell adds.

Jeff Lamb, 17-year-old son of Mrs. Dan Lamb, has been invited to be a member of the United States Acro-Gymnastics Federation team for International Competition in South Africa in April.

Jeff, who has been in gymnastics for approximately seven years under coach Jackie Arnwine, has done very well in some out of state competition, and has been invited to several distinguished meets all over the US.

No job is too small, proves to be true of the Garza County Sheriff's Department, as is evident in the following letter of thanks received by the Sheriff's Department last week. The story has it that two young ladies were driving through Post on their way to Sudan, and stopped on US 84 on top of the cap to change drivers, and in doing so a tennis shoe belonging to one of the girls was kicked out of the car. They notified the department here in Post, and one of the deputies found and returned the shoe.

40 years ago

March 22, 1973

Garza's "1972-73" cotton harvest already has set a new record of an estimated 30,526 bales, and before it's all over in April - as The Dispatch has

been predicting - gin managers expect to see it wind up at something like 34,204 bales.

The best previous production was slightly over 28,000 bales.

County Judge Giles W. Dalby and his wife, Nelda, were presented an appreciation plaque by Mayor Giles C. McCrary here last Thursday on behalf of Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, N. M., for the assistance the assistance they rendered a Cannon AFB airman Feb. 20, 1973 after he wrecked his automobile near their ranch home east of Post.

Highland Resources, Inc., plans to construct an automated plant just outside Post to treat natural gas so that the gas now being burnt by flares around Post can be sold commercially in the growing energy crisis.

Putnam Haddox of Houston, vice president of the firm, announced the plans in a talk before Post Rotarians at their weekly luncheon in City Hall Tuesday noon.

Michael Haas, 12, a sixth grade student at Post Junior High School, won the annual Garza County spelling bee over 14 other Post and Southland junior high students here last Friday afternoon.

50 years ago

March 21, 1963

Ed Sims' paint mare, Honeycomb, apparently not content with winning a world's championship in 1962, is well on her way to top honors again this year.

The six-year-old mare, which has never been defeated in her class and was the world's champion paint halter horse last year in addition to piling up points in the performance classes.

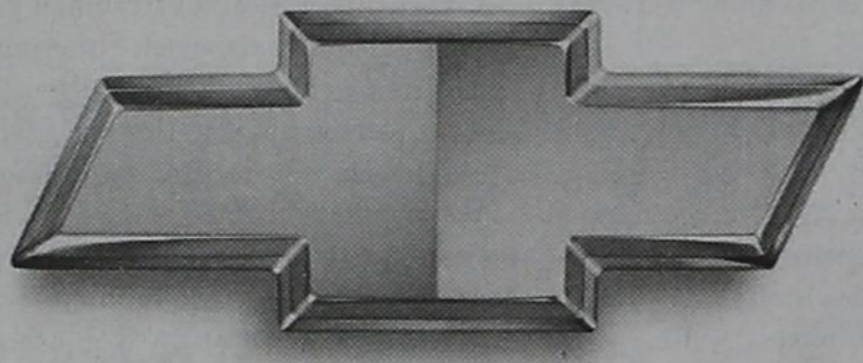
Several hundred Garza County residents are expected to show up at the school cafeteria Sunday afternoon for Type III Sabin oral polio vaccine, which will complete the three-phase here.

The vaccine will be administered from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m., according to Phil Crenshaw, chairman of the SOS steering committee.

Post men were high bidders on all cattle and farm equipment and grazing land leases on the four farm units of the O. G. Hamilton estate here last week.

J. B. Potts, executive vice president of the First National Bank whose trust department is handling the estate, told The Dispatch that a total of 31 bids were received, a lot of interest was shown, and results were very satisfactory.

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Post's Seven Day Forecast

Friday Partly Cloudy 68 / 46	Saturday Mostly Sunny 68 / 33	Sunday Mostly Sunny 55 / 30	Monday Mostly Sunny 56 / 32	Tuesday Sunny 58 / 34	Wednesday Mostly Sunny 61 / 39	Thursday Partly Cloudy 59 / 38

Local UV Index

0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

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Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 68°, humidity of 19%. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 94° set in 1995. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 46°. East wind 5 to 10 mph. The record low for tonight is 23° set in 1983. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 68°, humidity of 14%. East northeast wind 10 to 20 mph. Skies will be partly cloudy Saturday night with an overnight low of 33°. West northwest wind 15 to 20 mph.

Weather Trivia

What year had the most active Atlantic Hurricane season on record?

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Answer: In 2005, there were 27 tropical storms and 15 hurricanes.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Fri	8:02-10:02	7:32-9:32	Tue	11:13-1:13	10:43-12:43
Sat	8:49-10:49	8:19-10:19	Wed	11:30-1:30	11:00-1:00
Sun	9:36-11:36	9:06-11:06	Thu	---	11:34-1:34
Mon	10:24-12:24	9:54-11:54	www.WhatsOurWeather.com		

Weather History

March 22, 1920 - A spectacular display of the Northern Lights was visible as far south as Bradenton, Fla., El Paso, Texas and Fresno, Calif. At Detroit, the display was said to be "so brilliant as to blot out all stars below first magnitude".

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Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	7:44 a.m.	7:59 p.m.	3:40 p.m.	4:36 a.m.
Sat	7:43 a.m.	7:59 p.m.	4:37 p.m.	5:12 a.m.
Sun	7:42 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	5:36 p.m.	5:48 a.m.
Mon	7:40 a.m.	8:01 p.m.	6:37 p.m.	6:23 a.m.
Tue	7:39 a.m.	8:02 p.m.	7:39 p.m.	6:58 a.m.
Wed	7:38 a.m.	8:02 p.m.	8:43 p.m.	7:35 a.m.
Thu	7:36 a.m.	8:03 p.m.	9:49 p.m.	8:14 a.m.

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days			
					Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
3/12	60	37	65/35	0.00"	3/12	0	3/16	10
3/13	70	33	65/35	0.00"	3/13	2	3/17	6
3/14	83	43	66/36	0.00"	3/14	13	3/18	6
3/15	88	41	66/36	0.00"	3/15	14		
3/16	76	44	66/36	0.00"				
3/17	76	37	67/36	0.00"				
3/18	68	44	67/37	0.00"				

Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.

Dixie Divas Teaching and learning

In those days — the ones of my cherished youth — my cousin Ronnie, a year older than I, worked for my daddy.



RONDA RICH

He had what the lucky ones on Daddy's side of the family inherit: a quick-thinking sense of humor that is succinct, clever and smart.

While I remember many good things about my sweet-spirited cousin in those days, the thing I remember most — and admire beyond explanation — is how he trailed around behind Daddy, hanging on to his every word and carefully processing his advice.

I guess he was around 14 when he started working part-time for Daddy, helping him around his garage after school during the week and spending all day on Saturday doing farm work. Ronnie was then and still is a hard worker who gives a good day's work for a wage and then studies carefully on how he spends each dollar. Daddy taught him how

to change a carburetor, repair a transmission, fix a contrary tractor, bush hog through a yellow jackets' nest, doctor an ailing cow and do business on a handshake alone.

Aside from that, he learned what Daddy taught best — life and the wisdom that its lessons deliver.

In my mind, I clearly recall how Ronnie would listen intently to anything Daddy said. Sometimes I'd stop by the shop and find them hanging out with Daddy sitting at his desk and Ronnie leaned back in a chair in front of the Coke machine with his long legs stretched to full extension. Daddy would be extolling on this or that and Ronnie would be nodding, his eyes squinted slightly, as he absorbed fully whatever was said. Daddy enjoyed teaching. Ronnie enjoyed learning.

"Now, let me tell you one thing," Daddy would be saying about someone who had just walked out. "Don't you ever do business with that sorry son-of-a-gun. He'll set your little field on fire. Lemme tell you what he tried to pull on ol' Ralph one time."

Or, on a Saturday, they'd be herding cows from the pasture at home to take to our bigger farm and Ronnie, smart but youthfully naive, would make a mistake of some kind.

"Boy, I'm gonna learn you a thing or two," Daddy's voice would boom. "You can't do that around a bull. He'll clean your plover for you."

Whatever Daddy said was both law and gospel to Ronnie, for he had an unerring sense to be drawn to a man of hard-earned wisdom, listen to it and learn from it. I remember in those days, I was proud of both, the young man and the old one. Then, I didn't realize exactly why but now I know — each one innately knew and accepted a responsibility. Daddy wanted to pass his teachings along, and Ronnie wanted to accept them. It is hard to say who was wiser.

When Daddy was dying, Ronnie came to the hospital. Sorrow covered him like an ill-fitting cloak as he sat in the corner of the waiting room and, sadly, gazed out the window, pensive in thought over losing a hero.

Brandon came to work for me several years ago when he was 17 and reminded me much of my cousin in both looks — sans the freckles — and attitude. He was earnest, smart and willing to work hard so I invested in him as Daddy had invested in Ronnie. Once when he didn't keep his word to me, and I gave him a strong life's teaching about honor, Brandon said humbly, "Yes ma'am. Miss Ronda, I'm young and I'm still learning, but I won't do that again." And, he didn't.

The future belongs to both those in age and those in youth. May we all be wise enough to know when to teach and when to learn for to each, there is a season.

Ronda Rich is Southern humorist, storyteller and best-selling author. Her latest book, "There's A Better Day A-Comin'," is available at rondarich.com.

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