



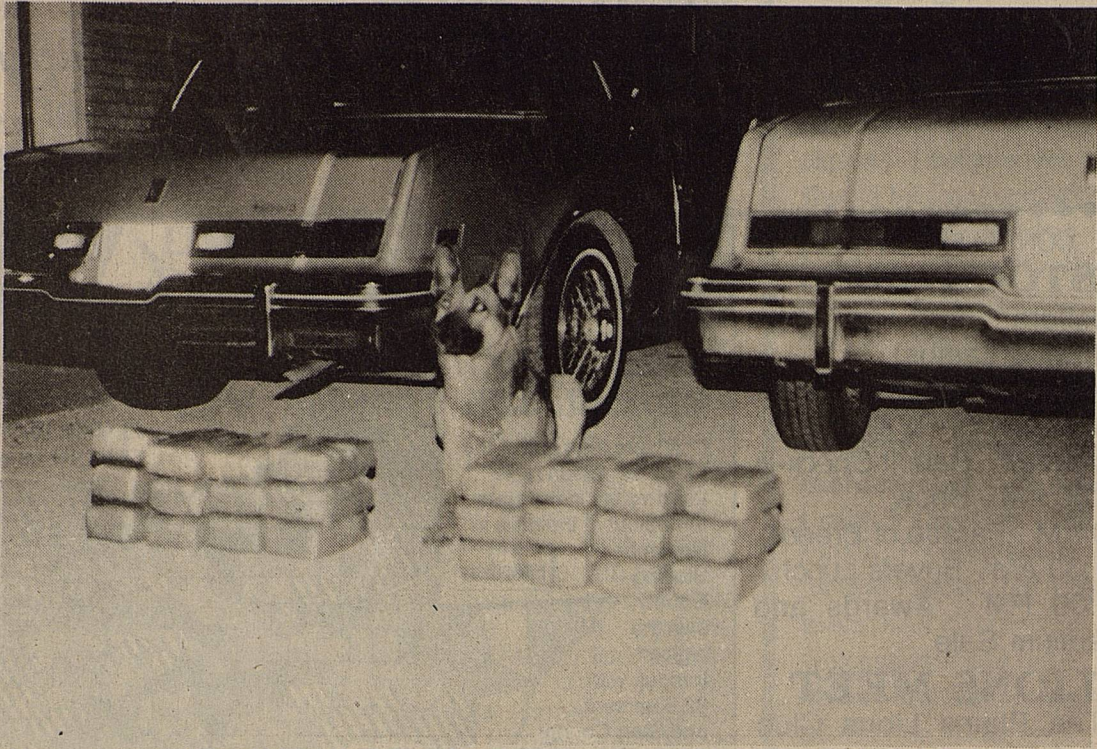
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DRUG BUST ON 214



'AUDIN', THE DOG WITH THE \$96,000 NOSE

This Monday afternoon around 3 PM, Officer Richard Dickson of the Permian Basin Drug Task Force was routinely patrolling on Highway 214 North of Plains when he noticed something unusual about four vehicles, apparently traveling north in a group. All four vehicles were registered in the Amarillo area of the state. Dickson followed, and radioed his suspicions to the Yoakum County Sheriff Department. Soon Sheriff Deputy Jerry Howard joined Dickson in the surveillance pursuit. Word of the action was relayed, and soon Sheriff Jim Rice and Captain Don Corzine joined the trailing law enforcement vehicles. When the suspicious four cars were observed speeding, the officers pulled all four vehicles over.

The drivers were asked to consent to a search of their vehicles. Three agreed to the search, and when the fourth refused, Judge Melba Crutcher, Justice of Peace, Precinct 2, speedily furnished a search warrant.

Dickson allowed his drug detecting dog, 'Audin' to explore the vehicles with his well trained nose, and in short order, the officers found approximately forty pounds of marijuana, wrap-

ped in duct taped bundles, in each of the trailing, older model Oldsmobile Tornados.

The law men were soon joined by Denver City Police Chief Joe Hester, Officers Joe Commander, Gary Duesler and Jack Howard of the Drug Task Force and their drug dog, 'Reno'.

The dogs detected traces of drug residue in the lead white Lincoln and the second vehicle, but no drugs. Four of the vehicles occupants were subsequently arrested. The driver who refused the search had no drivers license. One occupant was wanted on an outstanding warrant from Randall County, and since his vehicle was stopped in Cochran County, he was jailed there. The three in the local jail are charged with possession of marijuana, and violation of the controlled substance tax law.

The eighty pounds of marijuana has a street value of \$96,000, some \$1200 per pound. Officer Dickson said his fellow officers, Commander, Duesler and Howard, spend much of their time working the Interstate Highway in the Midland --- Odessa area. "Their enforcement work on our West Texas major highways has pushed a lot

of drug traffickers to secondary highways, and 214 is a major route for them heading north."

He and the other Task Force Officers were quick to thank the Denver City Police and the Yoakum County Sheriffs' Department for their cooperation with the Drug Task Force.

"We wouldn't be nearly as successful in our enforcement program without their help. The assistance we get in Yoakum County is outstanding."

It is ironic that just 16 days prior to this drug bust, Dickson was guest speaker at our local Lions Club. He and his wife, Nancy, showed a video of the Drug Task Force at work, and the important role their four drug dogs play in the unending battle against illegal drugs. His amazing dog, 'Audin', demonstrated his training, quickly sniffing out a minute amount of hidden cocaine. If there were any skeptical readers of our article about the meeting, and 'Audin's' abilities, you can rest assured, this is one valuable and intelligent dog, and the Permian Basin Drug Task Force is a hard working and effective force against drugs.



CHAMBER MEETING

The Plains Chamber of Commerce met at Johnnies' Restaurant Tuesday morning. Members present were David Brunson, Johnnie Fitzgerald, T.J. Miller, Gary and Holly Dyer, Harry Richardson, Dolores Davis, Toni Jones, Vaughn and Carolyn Culwell.

Two tentative dates for the annual Chamber banquet were picked, March 30 and April 6. A prospective guest speaker is to be contacted, and the final date will be announced

upon his acceptance of the speaking offer.

Plans were also discussed for nomination of the Citizen of the Year award at the banquet. When the nominating forms are published in this paper and placed at local business sites, citizens are urged to nominate a citizen of their choice, keeping in mind the form is their nomination, not an actual vote for that person.

There was more discussion on the planned metal greeting signs the Chamber hopes to place at both the east and west entrances to

the town.

Chamber members are reminded their 1995 dues are payable now. If you don't belong to the Chamber of Commerce, you should. We need more people with more ideas to improve our community and economy. Why not help us make Plains grow.

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'CAT' INSURANCE IS A MUST IF YOU FARM

Some 66 farm producers and insurance suppliers attended a Catastrophic Insurance (CAT) program Thursday in the community building.

Gary Six, Executive Director, Consolidated Farm Services Administration, spoke on requirements for the CAT insurance.

Any producer or landowner wishing to be eligible for any USDA price support and production adjustment program, Conservation Reserve Program, loans or any other USDA provided farm credit including ownership, operating and emergency loans under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act must obtain at least the minimum CAT coverage.

To participate, prior to signing up for the 1995

farm program, CAT coverage must be obtained by the March 15 deadline. The coverage is available from either CFSA, or private insurers.

Coverage level for the program is 50/60; 50% of the actual crop production history, and 60% of the market price.

There is an administrative fee of \$50 payable at time of application, not to exceed \$200 per county of production or ownership, or \$600 per producer or owner.

There are currently six approved crops in the county eligible for CAT coverage, cotton, grain, wheat, peanuts, corn and potatoes. It is possible other crops may be covered.

A land owner with an unchanged CRP contract does not need CAT

coverage unless he has a covered crop growing in the same county of the CRP contract.

CAT insurance guarantee yields are based on Actual Production History, and producers are required to furnish their own production history in calculating the APH.

The CAT Insurance Program was adopted to take the place of the Ad Hoc Farm Disaster Programs. It was implemented to benefit the producer and taxpayer burden. The program provides producers a self funded emergency insurance program.

CAT insurance coverage is absolutely mandatory if you participate in any shape, form or fashion of any USDA farm program.



LIVESTOCK SHOW THIS WEEKEND

The 43rd Annual Yoakum County Livestock Association exhibit and sale gets underway Thursday, February 9. A total of 163 County FFA and 4-H Club members will show swine, steers and heifers, lambs and rabbits during the three day show.

Livestock Assoc. President Jim Brown expects a very large field of animals in the show. The exact number will not be known until the weigh-in is over Thursday afternoon.

Other officers and directors of the Association are Kreg Keese, Vice-President, and Larry Mason, Secretary-Treasurer; Directors are Bill Anderson, Steve Bowlin, Stephen Benningfield, Bill Rowe, Roger Brown, Wayne House, Jerry Lindt, and Randy Tuggle.

Others playing a very big and important role in making the stock show a big success for the youngsters are; Joe Pierce, PISD Agriculture Instructor and FFA Coordinator, Geoff Cooper with the same

positions in Denver City's school system and Todd Knight, Yoakum County Ag-Extension Agent.

The following individuals are to serve as judges in the show; Bill Binder, swine, Kyle Smithwick, lambs, Greg Jones, steers and lambs, Marsha Ribble, rabbits, Joel Lanier, showmanship, and Marvin Ensor, classifier.

Dozens of other county residents will work hard behind the scenes, keeping records of the show

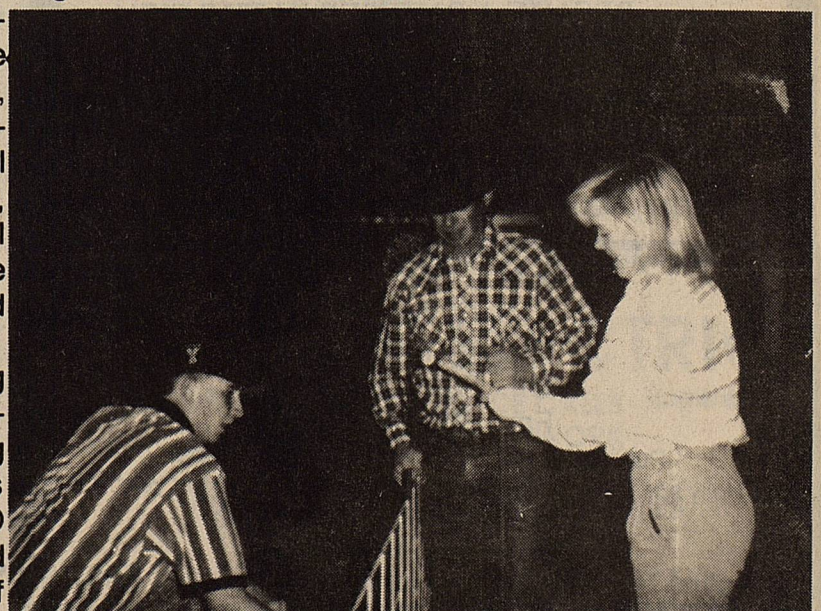
and sale results, helping move and pen the animals, and manning the busy concession stand.

The following is the three day show schedule:

THURS. --- WEIGH-INS
Swine 9-12 AM
Lambs 1-3 PM
Steers & Heifers 3-4 PM
FRIDAY --- SHOW
Swine 8 Am
Lambs 1 PM (or following swine)

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BOLL WEEVIL FIGHT PLANNED

In the early 1960's it was recognized that cotton production in the High Plains was threatened by the boll weevil. That threat was faced by the Plains Cotton Growers Inc. (PCG) Boll Weevil Control Program in 1964.

Now, 31 years later, the weevil is again posing a serious threat to area producers. To the south and east, production is being decimated by the dreaded pest.

Despite the best efforts of PCG's control program, four consecutive mild winters have enabled and some survival of weevils, especially in Gaines and Dawson counties.

The PCG Steering Committee is preparing a bold enhancement to its Diapause Control Program in response to this threat.

The program would trap, map and scout cotton fields in a greatly expanded diapause control zone, covering some 30 High Plains counties. The program would treat infested cotton fields in the fall of 1995 to minimize diapausing weevils leaving fields for overwintering habitat. It would also coordinate cultural approaches with area producers.

The program would continue in the enhanced areas through the fall of 1996 and 1997. By spring of 1998 infestations will have been drastically reduced. Eradication of the remaining small populations could then be easily accomplished in coordination with eradication activities in the Rolling South Plains, Central South Plains and St. Lawrence suppression areas.

The enhanced program 1995 timetable follows: *Educational meetings and Legal Notifications leading to hearings Jan., Feb., Mar. *Referenda and Board election late March - April. *Trapping project starts April. *Assessment collection May, June, July,

August. *Areawide field mapping June, July, Aug. *Trapping and scouting Aug., Sept., Oct. *Field treatments mid Sept., Oct., early Nov. *Environmental monitoring Sep., Oct., Nov.

There are 3,800,868 effective cotton base acres in the 30 county area. The estimated 1995 cost of the enhanced boll weevil suppression program is \$13,700,000. If the area producers vote to adopt the referendum, these costs would be met with assessments on producers planted acres and assessment on the producers county average program yield.

In the case of Yoakum County, the per acre rate is \$1.25, and rate per yield is \$0.75 per pound, or a total cost of \$3.71 per planted acre. The total county revenue for the program would be \$316,588.

We will continue to publish information on this program as it develops.

COUNTY COURT MEETS

Yoakum County Commissioners Court met Monday, February 6, County Judge Dallas Brewer presiding. In attendance were Commissioners John Avara, Bob Thurston, Jim Barron, and Macky McWhirter.

Also attending were Hazel Lowrey, County Auditor, Ruby Bruton, County Clerk, and Toni Jones, Treasurer.

The following agenda items were discussed and acted upon as follows;

Review of bids for one bottom dump trailer for Precinct 4. Bids were opened from J & B Trailer and Equipment, Odessa (2), Permian Mack, Hobbs (4), and American Equipment and Trailer, Lubbock. Net bid of \$12,607 after trade-in was awarded to American Trailer and Equipment.

Received bids from

JP COURT

The following is a summary of cases heard and action taken in Justice of Peace Court, Precinct 1, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.

72 Traffic cases filed by DPS; One felony case filed; 5 cases issuance of bad checks.

Bonds Set; Possession of a controlled substance to wit-Marijuana-\$1500 bond. Driving while intoxicated, third offense-held until transported.

Assault-Family violence-\$2500 bond. Violate promise to appear, out of Sutton County-\$200 bond.

Motion to revoke probation on original charge of felon in possession of firearm-no bond.

Parole violation-State Parole Board, no bond. Violate Drivers License restriction; DPS Warrant out of Sutton County-\$93 fine.

Possession of Marijuana-\$1500 bond.

Aggravated kidnapping-\$25,000 bond.

Driving while license suspended-\$500 bond.

Driving while intoxicated, first offense- \$1000 bond.

Issuance of bad check out of Hockley County-\$500 bond.

Plains State Bank and Norwest Bank of Denver City to serve as depository for County funds for two year period. Action will be taken on the bids at the next meeting February 13.

Approved petition of Texas Alltel, Inc., to construct communications cable under and across county roads in Precinct 1, 2, and 3.

Approved advertising for proposals for salary life, longevity life and dependent life insurance coverage for county employees for period April 1, 1995 thru March 30, 1998.

Approved payment of all county bills and part time employees.

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Effective February 13, 1995, because of Liability Insurance requirements, allergy immunization shots will no longer be offered at the Plains Clinic except on Thursdays. Charge is \$5.00 per shot. If two or more shots per week are required, they can be administered at Dr. Boyd's office in Denver City.

Macky McWhirter,
Commissioner
Precinct 4

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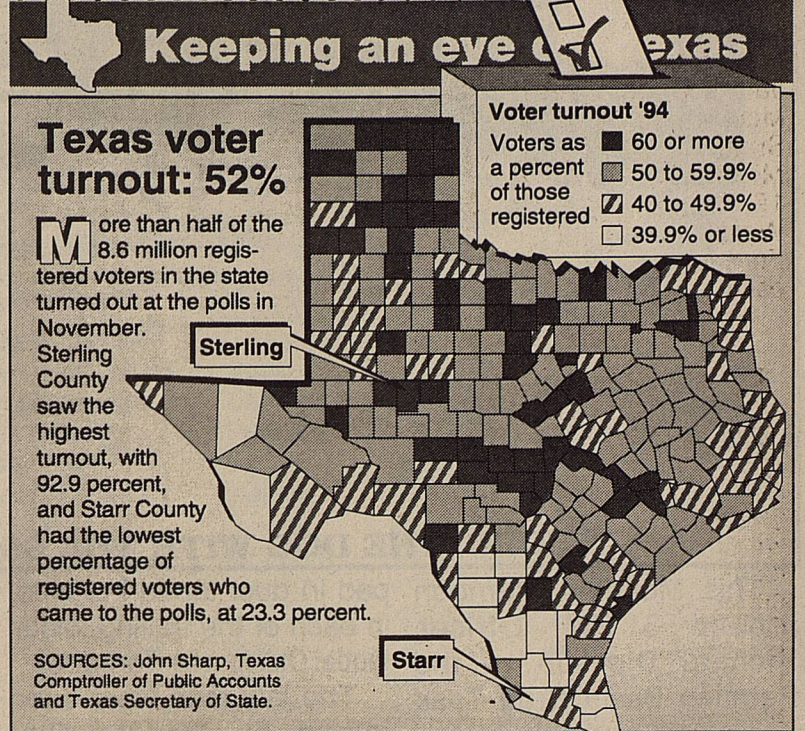
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10 AM - Parade of Breeds
11:30 AM - Buyers Lunch
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LIONS MEET

The Plains Lions Club met for its regular lunch meeting Thursday, Feb. 2. Some eleven Lions attended, and welcomed Jess Gass as a new member.

Ronnie Jones, sales representative, Yellowhouse Equipment, Lubbock, was a special guest. Mary Jo St. Romain was another guest.

The Lions enjoyed a presentation by Lattrell McDonald, County Librarian, on the many services and resources available at the Library. The members were reminded of what a large and important role the Library plays in a small community like ours.



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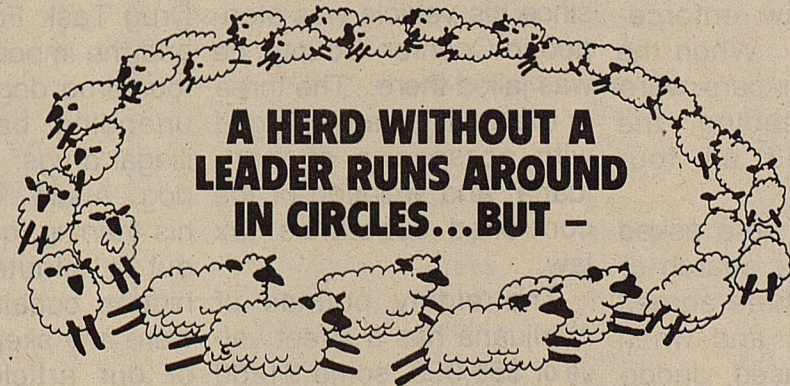
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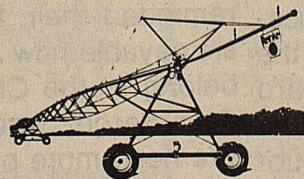
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COWGIRLS DOWN O'DONNELL

The Varsity Girls had a good outing against the Lady Eagles Jan. 31, winning 59-42. Amber Bryan had 5 steals, Stacey Jones led the rebounding with 7, and four girls were in double figures scoring, Kyley Bearden with 12, Robin Squyres, Bryan and Jones 10 each, Misty Willett 8, Sandi Warren 5, Kassie Lowe and Tessa St Romain 2 each.

COWBOYS WHIP EAGLES

The Cowboy varsity had a cold first period, turned the ball over 20 times, and shot just 44% from the field, but managed to whip O'Donnell Jan. 31 in a district contest. McMinn had 16 rebounds, Shannon Ward had 6 steals. McMinn led the scoring with 19, followed by Winn 18, Ward 16, Bitolas 12, Pete Flores and Johnny Davis 2 each.

7th GRADE WRANGLERS BEAT SMYER

The 7th grade boys had a fun game against Smyer Jan. 30, whipping them convincingly, 43-9. Fermin Luna was top scorer with 17, followed by Colt Winn 8, Joshua Bell 6, Patrick McGinty 5, Alex Tarango 4, Jeremy Morphis 2, and Jeremy Gonzales 1.

8th GRADE WRANGLERS BEAT SMYER

The 8th grade boys continued their winning ways by downing Smyer 43-21, and extended their undefeated record to 15 games. Tanner Blount scored 16 points, followed by Matt Morgan 10, Dustin Brunson 7, Steven Bunch 5, and Mike Bell 2.

7th LADY WRANGLERS DOWNSMYER

The 7th grade girls had a good game against Smyer Jan 30, winning 30-21. Candace Bowers led the scoring with 11, Kelli Osborn 6, KrystleBlundell 5, Kristen Gray and Rebecca Robertson 4 each, and Patty Ruiz 1.

8th LADY WRANGLERS LOSE TO SMYER

The 8th grade girls were downed by Smyer in a squeaker, 26-24. Kayla Redman and Marcey House led the scoring with 9 each, followed by Jolene Burgess 4, and Lisa Parrish 2.

JV GIRLS BEAT O'DONNELL

The JV Cowgirls dumped O'Donnell Jan. 31 very convincingly, 27-13. Sylvia Tarango scored 10 points, followed by Dolly Gonzales and Neomi Stewart 6 each, and Lindsey Six had 2.

FRESHMEN WIN OVER O'DONNELL

The Cowboy freshmen took on the O'Donnell JV team Jan. 31, and won big, 54-35. Jamie Caballero was top shooter with 12 points, followed by Abraham Garcia and Adam Dominguez 8, Shawn Cullins 5, Chris Willett 4, Travis Bennett and Roy Ramirez 3, and Will St Romain and David Flores 2 each.

COWGIRLS BUMPED BY ANTON

The Varsity girls were bitten by the Anton Lady Bulldogs Jan 28, losing the district contest 54-43. They managed to lead by one point at half time, but couldn't stop Anton's hot offense. Sandi Warren played well, with 7 rebounds and 2 steals. Scoring was led by Stacey Jones with 13, Warren and Misty Willett 7 each, Tessa St. Romain and Robin squyres 2 each, and Kassie Lowe 1.

COWBOYS 69, ANTON 66

The Cowboys scored a big win over Anton Jan. 28, avenging an earlier defeat by the District foe, and putting the two teams in a deadlock for the district lead. Brad McMinn had 10 rebounds, Ladd winn had 9 assists and Shannon Ward had 5. Despite a very cold first period, the Cowboys heated up to shoot 56% of their field goals in the very important game. Kirk Parrish, playing Varsity for the first time this season, had an excellent defensive game against Stewart, Anton's top scorer. Scorers were: Winn with 26, McMinn 24, Parrish 8, Ward 5, Stephen Bitolas and Victor Bernal 3 each.

COWBOY JV DOWNS ANTON

The Junior Varsity Cowboys extended their winning ways Friday, Feb. 3, soundly beating the Anton JV 67-39. Their season record now stands at 18 wins, 4 losses. Chase Clananhan was top scorer with 17 points, followed by Joey DeFries 13, Ralph Ramirez 10, Jacob Lester 8, Yancey House 8, Chris Payne 5, Marte Pierce 4, and Jamey Garland 2.

JV COWGIRLS 28, ANTON 48

The JV girls ran into a tough Anton JV team Feb. 3, and lost by twenty. Scoring leaders for the Cowgirls were Sylvia Tarango and Shawna Box with 7, followed by Lindsey Six 6, Dolly Gonzales 4, Wendy Beckham 3, and Mary Morales 1.

COWBOY FRESHMEN WIN TOURNERY

The Plains Freshmen boys basketball team had an excellent showing in tournament action Feb. 4, winning the Whitharel JV basketball tourney. In the first game Plains Freshmen beat Levelland Sophs. 46-44 in overtime. Scoring for Plains were: Eric Estrada 12, David Flores 12, Abraham Garcia 8, Roy Ramirez 6, Chris Willett 4, Adam Dominguez 2, Travis Bennett 2. Also seeing action were Doug Rushing, Gideon Traweek, Will St. Romain.

In the finals in another close contest, the Cowboys defeated Whitharel JV 41-38. Scoring for Plains were: Estrada 14, Flores 12, Ramirez 6, Dominguez 4, Cullins 2, Garcia 2, and Willett 1. Also seeing action were: Rushing, Traweek, St. Romain, and Bennett.

These 2 victories boosted the Freshmen basketball team's record to 11-2, an excellent season.

THANKS!!

The fourth grade students would like to thank Bayer Lumber and Hardware, Pay 'N' Save, Farmers Insurance Group, and Farm Bureau Insurance for presenting each student in fourth grade with their own personal book titled, *Feeling Good About Me*. We really enjoyed reading each story and would like to say THANKS once again for your kindness!

Sincerely,
The Fourth Graders

HOW 'BOUT THOSE COWBOYS & COWGIRLS!

Can you believe that two thirds of our school year has already passed? It has certainly passed quickly, but it has been a lot of fun. The success that our students have seen in academics and extracurricular activities has made life exciting at Plains High School. This success is, no doubt, the result of three important factors: caring parents and homes, super good, motivated kids, and a caring teaching staff. These three ingredients are essential for achieving ultimate student success, and the community of Plains is blessed with all three. First, let me commend the parents of Plains. I have lived in several other communities and I have yet to observe as many stable, supportive homes as in Plains. As I attend activities, I see many parents and grand-parents who make the time to attend their children's activities. This, at times, is at their own sacrifice for a job or personal agendas. They simply put top priority on the activity in which their kids are involved. I also see parents who value education, and promote the benefits of it to their children. Every Sunday I see families, not just kids or just parents, attending and being active in the church of their choice. I believe this is a key to the kids' good manners and moral values. Parents, you should be commended for the great job you are doing in providing the positive home environment you have, even though this isn't the norm in today's society. Next, let me say that this is the finest, politest, most well-mannered group of young people I have ever worked with. They understand the direct relationship between hard work and success, and strive to be the best they can be. They are also very supportive of one another and truly exemplify, in most cases, the team concept. Our kids are very competitive. Whether it be in the academic classroom or extracurricular events, they have no desire to come in second. The other day I saw a slogan on a t-shirt which I feel explained very well the attitude of most of our students. It said "Second Place is the First Loser." Our kids are true winners. Finally, I would like to make the community aware of the excellent group of teachers we have at Plains High School. As I walk down the halls each day, I see instruction taking place in all classrooms. I see teachers who work for seven periods and then sponsor a concession stand until 10 p.m. I see staff members giving up Saturdays to attend UIL literary contests. I see teachers meeting students on Saturday mornings who need to make up tests or finish work prior to six weeks grades being turned in. I also see a very experienced staff who is widely known and respected by its peers. In summary, I see a staff who has bought into the fact that "Kids don't care what you know, until they know you care." We have all benefited from seeing our students excel in academics, athletics, and band this year. Our students are learning valuable life and educational skills while setting goals for themselves to achieve to their highest level. This is no accident, since we are truly blessed with the three essential ingredients for good schools. Let's all strive to maintain what we have and if possible, even make it better. And in closing, "How About Those Cowboys and Cowgirls!"

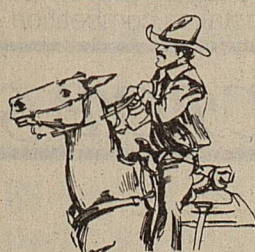
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Plains High School Principal



PISD STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Plains High School Student of the Week is Wayne Willett. He is a Sophomore at Plains High School and is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Willett. He was nominated by Mr. Brink. This week's student of the week is easily one of the friendliest student's in school. He always seems to be having a good day as he is never moody or pouty. He

also is a very helpful student. In athletics, his number one attribute is his great attitude and willingness to work hard. It was my pleasure to have nominated Wayne as this week's student of the week. Wayne is in the hospital having shoulder surgery and so his sister Misty accepted the award for him.



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PHS MATH & SCIENCE MEET RESULTS

Plains High Math and Science Team traveled to Andrews Saturday, Jan 28, to compete in a UIL Practice meet. Team members were Ken McAdams, Brad McMinn, Valerie Blair, Johnny Davis, Yancey House, Heath Bowlin, Shawna Box, Shawn Cullins and Gideon Traweek.

They competed with other students in their own grade level from class A to AAA schools. Mc Minn placed 2nd in Number Sense, 5th in Calculator, and 3rd in Math. Davis placed 9th in Science. House placed 4th in Number Sense, Bowlin placed 9th in Number Sense, 4th in Calculator, and 7th in Science. Box placed 5th in Number Sense, 6th in Calculator, 3rd in Science, 8th in Math. Cullins placed 1st in Number Sense, 2nd in Calculator, and 7th in Math. Gideon Traweek placed 4th in Science.

The Number Sense Team placed 2nd, Calculator Team 7th, Science Team 8th, and Math Team 8th. Plains High placed 5th in the overall Sweepstakes competition. The team travels to Lubbock February 4th to compete in the Coronado Practice Meet. Congratulations to both team and coaches.

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FINAL RITES FOR KENNETH O'NEILL

Graveside funeral services were held Saturday, February 4 at the Plains Cemetery for Kenneth B. O'Neill. Wesley Stutts, Church of Christ Minister, Jal, New Mexico officiated, and the Honor Guard from Reese Air Force Base paid final honors.

He passed away February 1 in Brownfield Medical Clinic following a lengthy illness.

He was born April 29, 1929, at Ringling, Oklahoma, the son of the late Elton and Mary O'Neill. He graduated from Eastland High school, and served in the US Army in World War II, the US Air Force in the Korean War, and served two tours of duty in Vietnam.

His service decorations included the WWII Victory Medal, Presidential Citation, Korean Service Medal, UN Service Medal, Distinguished Service Medal, and Purple Heart.

He retired as a Master Sergeant in 1972.

He attended Ranger JR. College, Tarleton State, and received a Bachelor of Science degree from Northwest Texas State University.

O'Neill married the former Loretta Clark in Yuma Arizona in 1983. The couple moved to plains from Ranger in 1987.

He is survived by his wife, and two sons, Bob, of Star, and James, of Amarillo; Two daughters, Ruby, of Big Spring, and Tina Thomas, Big Spring. Also, four step children, Sherry DeFries Rosenbaum,

Allen, Debbie Smith, Plains, Norm Bangle Jr, New Braunfels, and Pamela Valdes, Jacksonville, N.C.

Also, 19 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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

FIRST GOLF TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCED

The first Yoakum County Golf Club tournament of 1995 will be held Saturday and Sunday, Mar.18 and 19. Club Pro Wiley Osborne said this is not only the first event of the year, but the first event on the new 18 hole regulation course.

Osborne said, "We are expecting a good turn out of golfers. The format is a three man scramble, and the entry fee is \$90 per team." He said teams can choose their starting hole, number one or ten, and tee times from 9 to 10 AM, or 12:30 to 2:00 PM. For more information call the club house, 592-2947.

YOAKUM COUNTY GOLF CLUB 1995 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

- 4/8 - Masters at YCGC;
- 4/29 - Cancer Society Benefit Scramble
- 5/20-21 - Men's Partnership
- 5/29 - Scramble
- 6/7 - Jr. Tour
- 6/10-11 - Jack & Jill Scramble
- 6/26 - Pro-Am
- 7/4 - Chamber of Commerce Scramble
- 7/22-23 - 2 Man & 1 Lady Scramble
- 7/29-30 - Lady Club Championship
- 8/12-13 - Cotton Kilpatrick
- 8/26-27 - Men's Club Championship (Stroke Play)
- 9/4 - Scramble
- 9/9 - Mamy Yoakum
- 9/23-24 - Fall Partnership

PISD TRUSTEES MEETING

The Plains Independent School District Board of Trustees met in a called meeting on Thursday, February 2, 1995, at 5:30 p.m., in the board room of the administration building.

Members present were; Tim Addison, Stanley Ashburn, Danny Bell, Anna Gonzalez, Jerry Parrish, Brad Palmer, Gary Six. Also present, Pete Simmons, Superintendent, and Andrew Chance, Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Jerry Parrish. The board met in closed session, and later reconvened in regular session.

Mr. Stanley Ashburn moved and Mr. Tim Addison second to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the resignation of Israel Martinez, and the motion carried; 7-1. There being no further business, Mr. Parrish adjourned the meeting.

CORONADO U.I.L MATH & SCIENCE MEET

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The students competed with other students in their own grade level with schools ranging from A to AAA. Brad McMinn placed 3rd in Number Sense, 3rd in Calculator, 2nd in Math, and 4th in Science. Kirk Parrish placed 10th in Calculator. Yancey House placed 4th in Number Sense. Shawn Cullins placed 1st in Number Sense, 5th in Calculator, and 7th in Math.

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CORONADO HIGH SCHOOL ONE ACT PLAY UNDERWAY

The Plains High School One Act Play is in preparation for U.I.L. competition. The play selected for this year is "All The Way Home" by Tad Mosel. Joyce Pierce, director of the play, has chosen a drama based on the Pulitzer Prize Novel "A Death in the Family" by James Agee. The story depicts the lives of two families from Knoxville, Tenn., in May of 1915. "I hope the community will enjoy our play this year and we anticipate seeing everyone at the Dinner Theater in March."

This years cast and crew consists of Spencer Deaton, Chase Clanahan, Jennifer Earnest, Kirk Parrish, Kassie Lowe, Brad McMinn, Lindsey Six, Conchetta San Fillippo, Kylie Bearden, Stacey Jones, Heather McDonnel, Johnnie Don Davis, Ken McAdams, Ralph Rameriz, Ladd Winn, Marte Pierce, Wendy Beckham and Brad Seaton.

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The credit brought nearly \$1.6 billion into the Texas economy last year. That's more than twice as much money into the pockets of hard-working Texans as the lottery brought into the coffers of the state's General Revenue Fund.

The Earned Income Tax Credit is one of the best kept secrets of the federal tax code. Created in 1975 as a tax break for low- or moderate-income families, it puts cash directly into their pockets through a simple federal income tax refund based on annual earned income and family size requirements. Even families who don't owe a penny of federal taxes on their income are eligible.

Here's how it works. A family with one child living at home with them during at least six months of 1994 and an annual family income of less than \$23,755 may be entitled to a refund of up to \$2,528. Families living at home for at least six months and an annual family income of less than \$25,296 may qualify for a refund of up to \$2,528. Working Texans who earn-

ed less than \$9,000 and had no children living at home may be in line for a refund of more than \$300, as well.

There's another important requirement. Families must file an income tax return, even if they owe no federal income tax, by filling out tax for 1040 or 1040A and then attaching a Schedule EIC form to it. The IRS will compute the credit, and families can visit their local Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) office for free help.

Families even have a choice of how to claim the credit. They can claim their refund all at once on their tax returns or they can take up to 60 percent of their credits in installments throughout 1995. All they have to do is ask their boss for an IRS form W-5, known as the Earned Income Credit Advance Payment certificate, and they will receive a portion of the basic credit in each regular paycheck through the year.

It's like getting a well-deserved pay raise.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

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Greg Black and Yolanda Garcia

EXERCISE TO LOSE WEIGHT

Everyone wants to lose weight, and everyone thinks that exercise is a quick, though not easy, way to do it.

Actually exercise is a relatively slow, but very important, way to lose weight. There are 3500 calories in each pound of fat, and this is more than enough to run a marathon. If you run five miles a day every day of the week, you would burn up only one pound of excess fat each week.

The weight loss is even less on the scale because the training will increase the muscle mass slightly. This is good, of course, but the number on the scale is what a person looks at.

Exercise is very important though, and it helps in many ways. It helps decrease your appetite. Your

eating habits usually improve right along with increased fitness. This may be most beneficial effect because a person tends to cut out snacks that would otherwise be eaten. An ounce of potato chips is the equivalent of running almost two miles or biking over five miles.

Exercise also promotes healthier life styles. A person may take the stairs rather than the elevator, or walk or bike to the post office rather than take the car. Over time, these small improvements in a person's physical activity and snacking habits can make a big difference in a person's weight and health.

Losing weight and staying at an ideal weight is a lifelong battle for most people. Life style changes are the most effective way to control weight, and regular exercise is the foundation for many of the necessary changes in one's life style.

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SURPRISE BABY SHOWER AT FINE ARTS MEETING

Plains Fine Arts Club met on Thursday, February 2, 1995, in the home of Sue Banfield, with Yvette Ramos as co-hostess. After a delicious meal with Valentine decorations, Christy Brink, President, called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved after roll call. There were 19 members present: Mmes. Sue Banfield, Karen Baucom, Christy Brink, Beth Cain, Melba Crutcher, Carolyn Culwell, Dolores Davis, Sandra Ellison, Donna Friesen, Debra Hise, Cyndy Koncaba, Tana May, Paula McMinn, Lois Miller, Martha Palmer, Yvette Ramos, Linda Simmons, Allene Carnohan, and Mary D. Forbus. The guests were Autumn Friesen and Sharon Willis.

The Nomination Committee submitted the following ladies to serve as officers the 1995-97 club year: President - Judy Fitzgerald, Vice-President - Debra Hise, Secretary - Sandra

Ellison, Treasurer - Paula McMinn, Parliamentarian - Donna Friesen, Choir Director - Sandra Ellison, and Pianist - Melba Crutcher.

A tentative date of April 9 was set for the annual Sacred Music Program.

Lois Miller received the hostess gift, then a surprise baby shower for Autumn Friesen was given. The child received a really neat pile of gifts, and slept thru the entire event!

PISD SCHEDULE

Feb. 8-14

WEDNESDAY:

Quiz Bowl Class Preliminaries - 10 AM
THURSDAY

Early Dismissal

FRIDAY -- NO SCHOOL

Basketball - Sterling City -

JV:V Girls & Boys - At

Odessa College - 4 PM

Yoakum County Stock

Show

SATURDAY:

Math/Science Contest -

Monterey

Yoakum County Stock

Show Buyers Lunch -

Cafeteria

Yoakum County Stock

Show Continues

MENU

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: french toast sticks

w/syrup, toast, orange

juice, milk

Lunch: charbroiled burgers,

sliced tomatoes, lettuce

leaf, pickles, onion rings,

BIRTHDAY BOY OF CRAWFORDS

Quade Crawford, son of Danny and Janie Crawford, formerly of Plains, celebrated his first birthday December 30 at Mr. Gattis in Brownfield. He enjoyed cards, gifts, balloons and many good wishes from 27 guests. Friends and family from Brownfield, Levelland, Hobbs, Pearsall and Plains dined on pizza, spaghetti and birthday cake, featuring "Barney".

Quade resides in Harlingen where his father is Sergeant Investigator, Motor Vehicle Theft Service of the Department of Public Safety.



mixed fruit, chocolate chip

cookies, milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast: pancakes with

syrup, fruit punch, milk

Lunch: frito pie, mashed

potatoes, lettuce wedge,

crackers, peaches, milk

FRIDAY ---- NO SCHOOL

MONDAY

Breakfast: cereal, c. toast,

grape juice, milk

Lunch: sloppy Joe on bun,

french fries with catsup,

pears, milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast: c. rolls, toast,

apple juice, milk

Lunch: Mr. Rib w/ barbecue

sauce, corn, carrot, &

celery sticks, hot rolls,

Valentine cake, milk

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4 eggs

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1 Cup blackberry wine (do not use blackberry flavored wine; must be real blackberry wine)

Blend well and pour into well-greased and floured Bunt pan. Bake at 350 for 50 to 60 minutes.

GLAZE:

1/2 cup blackberry wine

1 cup powdered sugar

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FROM THE HACK



If you read last Friday's article in the Lubbock A-J about THE FANTASY MAN OF NASHVILLE, you can imagine what a stir it caused around the Table of Wisdom. One normally conservative philosopher admitted he had spent several hundred bucks calling Nashville, trying to get the phone numbers of those gullible gals, especially the one who fell for Fantasy Man's scam two times a week for two months.

Another voiced his opinion of the matter, "Man, he had to be a talker. I sure never had that type of luck when I was calling girls!"

If you didn't read the story, we can't get any further into it, 'cause my bride is looking over my shoulder as I type.

A little more somber note; Washington D.C. Mayor Bradley has been crowding the tube screens lately, moaning pitifully he has just discovered the nation's Capitol city is suddenly \$722 million in the red in its budget, and simply cannot pay its debts. He is thumping the Senate and House halls, pleading for big bucks to save his quagmire of a city.

Remember now, this is the guy that just a very brief spell back was caught red handed, sentenced, then early released by the Feds on a narcotics use charge, in the company of a lady of very questionable repute, then, unbelievably, re-elected Mayor of that crime ridden city.

Remember now, Bradley had served as Mayor of Washington for a considerable period of time before his bust and jail time. He must have studied the financial conditions of his city even before he ran

for election, and once in the Mayor's chair, surely he was privy to the plight of the city finances.

Now, just after changing from prison stripes to fashionable blue pin stripe suits, he is tearfully pleading to the Congress to get his fair City out of its huge crisis.

I witnessed one news release in which several of the Congressional folks charitably suggested the State of Maryland just absorb the District of Columbia, and assume control of its future.

Understandably, the Maryland folks said, "No way, brother.. you got in it, you get out".

I have no idea what will happen to the Capitol City, or the District of Columbia, one of the most financially desolate, crime ridden cities in the Union.

I have an idea what should happen to Mayor Bradley, unprintable, of course, but I really have no clue what to do about all those mindless souls who voted the guy back into office after his miserable first performance.

Is there a Latin phrase translating, "Hey, brothers, you got me in here, now help me get them guys on Capitol Hill to jack us up one more time"? I will bet Bradley knows it.

The Bride's sister called the other day. This is the one in the deep pineys of East Texas who feeds herself and her grumpy old tight fisted husband millet for breakfast to ease their irregularity.

Asked if they had been to the gambling casinos in Shreveport, she admitted she had, but probably wouldn't be going back. Seems some poor guy won about 20 grand in one of the three casinos there, left, and three guys followed him to his car, and shot him graveyard dead.

Think I'll confine my gaming trips to Vegas. There you just have to worry about some L.A. gang bursting in and robbing the joint.

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TELCOT (C.) REPORT

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For The Week Ending February 2

Higher prices for upland cotton, up 14 cents per pound from a year ago, means increased income for producers and savings for the taxpayer, according to Grant Buntrock, acting executive vice president of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation.

"Strong world-wide cotton demand, combined with poor crops in competing foreign countries, have caused upland cotton prices to rise in a relatively short period of time," Buntrock said. "This results in increased profits for producers that will translate into less cost for taxpayers in deficiency payments."

This week, USDA released the final farm prices for the 1994-95 upland cotton crop. The resulting average price received was 68.28 cents per pound. If this average is subtracted from the target price of 72.90, an estimated final deficiency payment of 4.62 cents remains. A year ago, USDA estimated the final deficiency payment at 12.90 cents per pound and advanced 50 percent of it, equaling 6.45 cents per pound. Because producers were advanced more than the resulting final deficiency payment, they now owe USDA 1.83 cents per pound.

However, USDA announced, last week, a projected deficiency payment rate of 3.7 cents per pound for the 1995-96 upland cotton crop. If producers are allowed to take their 50 percent advance, the resulting payment will be 1.85 cents per pound, thus offsetting the shortfall for 1994.

Meanwhile, the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) raised its projection for 1995-96 U.S. cotton production by 1.2 million bales to 20.7 million and raised exports 400,000 bales to 9.2 million. ICAC lowered world production to 85.1 million bales and lowered world consumption to 86.9 million, both down 300,000 bales.

The largest adjustment in the ICAC supply and distribution report was in Pa-

kistan where the crop was lowered by a half million bales to 5.7 million. China was the other feature as its exports were lowered by 200,000 bales to 500,000, although the USDA estimate is 550,000 bales. ICAC doubled China's imports by 1.4 million bales to 2.8 million, however, USDA pegs Chinese imports at 1.85 million.

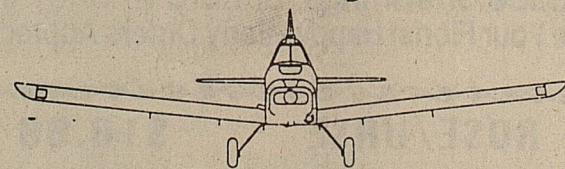
Trade sanctions against China would have very little effect on the U.S. economy, making it more likely that the U.S. will follow up on its threat to impose tariffs, analysts said. According to one market watcher, if sanctions are announced, it will take about a month before they are actually imposed which could allow additional bargaining time. However, traders seem nervous over the lack of a settlement, not knowing how the sanctions might affect the cotton industry.

Adding to the jitters is the fact that the threat of a trade war follows Cotton Outlook's confirmation of an earlier report that the central government of China will subsidize the importation of 2.3 million bales this season.

On the home front, spot market sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT for the five trading days ending February 2 totaled 8,334 bales, up from the previous week's total of 5,907. Average daily prices received by producers selling on the electronic marketing system ranged from 79.37 to 82.22 cents per pound. USDA announced export sales of 1994-95 U.S. cotton increased a net 89,300 bales in the week ended January 26, down from the previous week's figure of 153,400 bales. Featured buyers were China, Hong Kong and Indonesia.

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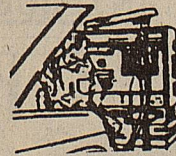
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Luann Byrum	Hobbs	Rd str	305	104.00
Ralph Chavez	El Paso	9 Hol str	858	51.85
Jimmy Cooper	Monument	47 Mxd str	545	83.00
Jimmy Cooper	Monument	41 Mxd str	633	75.90
Robert P. Cross	Alpine	Blk by	740	70.00
Diamond P Ranch	Hobbs	2 CharX str	362	100.00
Becky Jo Doom	Jal	3 Rd str	565	78.00
Billy Porter	Artesia	3 Blk str	401	96.00
Charlie Ellis	Plains	4 Rd str	447	88.50
John Gilmore	Salt Flat	Blk str	400	88.50
Hack Graham	McDonald	2 Xbred b	592	73.00
Ricky Kennedy	Tatum	Blk str	695	74.10
J C Kirkpatrick	Lovington	2 Blk str	502	80.25
Walter Lawrence	Hobbs	3 ExotX str	433	95.00
Lawrence Morgan	Carlsbad	Rd mf str	315	105.00
Hobbs Norris	Hobbs	Blk mf str	380	100.00
J B Runyan Inc	Hope	3 Mxd str	431	88.00
Double T Cattle Co	Cloudcroft	5 Mxd str	406	98.50
Taylor & Heidel Inc	Lovington	Blk wf str	550	85.00
Williams & Sons	Majamar	5 Mxd str	395	93.00
J H Williams	Salt Flat	7 Mxd str	658	75.50
Alvin Breckon	Tatum	3 CharX hfr	543	73.00
E P Caudill, Inc	Lovington	Rd wf hfr	740	70.00
Dirwiddie Cattle Co	Jal	5 Mxd hfr	432	75.50
Don Gilmore	Salt Flat	Blk hfr	330	79.00
Wayne Henson	Eunice	2 Rd hfr	545	73.75
Mary Ann Jenkins	Elida	7 Char hfr	457	76.00
Pedro Onsurez	Loving	6 Mxd hfr	453	75.00
Merlin Sooter	Seminole	5 Blk hfr	487	76.00
Tracy Travis	Big Lake	2 Rd hfr	447	74.50
Williams & Sons	Majamar	2 Mxd hfr	345	82.00
Dan Berry	Eunice	Blk mf pr	pair	630.00
T & J Cattle Co	Lubbock	Rd c	head	585.00
R & M Cattle Co	Lubbock	2 Rd c	head	600.00
C & K Cattle Co	Dexter	Rd mf pr	pair	610.00
Mary Lou Sherrin	Plains	Blk c	head	635.00
Double T Trans	Peyote	Rd wf c	head	530.00
WCC	Midland	Rd c	head	570.00
Robert White	Lovingtyon	9 Blk wf hfr	head	585.00
Alexander Bros Dairy	McDonald	Hol c	1255	44.50
Beestra Family Dairy	Hobbs	Hol c	1315	45.50
Boyd Bros Dairy	Lovington	Hol c	1605	42.00
Gary Burlsmith	Tatum	Wht c	1250	42.80
Marcy Byrum	Plains	Brang c	1110	46.90
Dale & Clay Cattle Co	Brownfield	BrinX c	925	43.80
Diamond & 1/2	Lovington	CharX c	880	46.00
Eidson Ranch	Lovington	Wht c	1255	46.90
Faria Dairy	Lovington	Hol c	1705	43.00
High Lonesome Dairy	Hobbs	Hol c	1215	44.85
Carl Lane Johnson	Tatum	Xbred c	1280	43.50
Lane's Dairy	El Paso	Hol c	1550	44.50
Ruch Dairy	Hobbs	Hol c	1360	43.40
Frank Shaw	Seminole	Hol c	935	43.50
Mary Lou Sherrin	Plains	Brang c	895	44.00
Creighton Weisler	Lovington	Brang c	800	41.60
Jimmy Wheeler	Lovington	Blk c	1260	47.25
Dan Berry	Eunice	Brang b	2045	60.00
Eidson Ranch	Lovington	Wht b	1545	56.10
Sabastian Faria	Lovington	Hol b	1740	53.00
Jimmy Wheeler	Lovington	Blk b	1955	53.00
Garland Wiggins	Lovington	Blk mf b	1415	60.00

SHEEP & GOATS:

Bearden Dairy	Brownfield	Grayk	head	37.00
Betty Brandon	Lamesa	Brn n	head	50.00
B & B Livestock	Welch	Mf s	head	50.00
Randy Bush	Lovington	Brn n	head	57.50
Mario DeLeon	Seminole	2 Mxd n	head	57.50
Joe Elliott	Slaton	Sheep	head	40.00
Elizabeth Howard	Hobbs	Sheep	head	87.50
Chesnea King	Seminole	Sheep	120	70.00
Ken Lefavers	Hobbs	Sheep	145	90.00
Harvey Morris	Clovis	Spt n	head	65.00
Bill Prather	Roswell	Pnt b	head	67.50

PIGS:

Blaze Bingham	Seminole	Wht h	240	37.00
Stan Hughs	Seminole	Wht h	245	34.50
Chesnea King	Seminole	Wht h	230	32.00
Double L Livestock	Lovington	2 Wht h	195	35.00
Moncenat Munoz	El Paso	Spt h	235	34.00

HORSES:

Kenny Kirkpatrick	Lovington	Sorr h	1045	860.00
Randy Melton	Carlsbad	Bay h	1050	640.00
Rusty Payton	Hobbs	Sorr h	1275	800.00

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6:10am	KPOS-107.3 FM	Post, Tx.
6:15am	KLEA-101.7 FM	Lovington
6:05am	W105-105.1 FM	Majamar
6:20am	KPER-95.7 FM	Hobbs
6:35am	KSEL-95.3 FM	Portales
6:45am	KCCC-930 AM	Carlsbad
7:00am (Tx)	KIUN1400 AM	Pecos
6:55am	KTZA-92.9 FM	Artesia

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