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Are You Thinking About Minimum Tillage?

The many sand storms of the previous winter and spring seasons have left many local farmers contemplating the use of "minimum till" on their cotton and peanut crop land. Many Yoakum county producers have recognized the numerous benefits of minimum till. According to Mario Avila, Acting District Conservationist in Yoakum County, annually there are approximately 30,000 crop land acres that are planted using some type of minimum till system.

In the picture here, Don Burgess, District Director with the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District, and Mario Avila examine a crop of wheat which was seeded with an airplane and will be used as part of a minimum till system. The wheat was planted with an airplane to avoid damaging the existing cotton crop, to get ahead of any bad weather, and to get better early growth. Don, who plans to graze the wheat, thinks this may terminate the wheat in the spring.

While there are many reasons for using minimum till, Don sights economics as the major reason he uses minimum till. He pointed out the following major reasons he has chosen to use minimum till. Don stated that he feels that he produces anywhere from 3/4 of a bale or higher per acre due to his minimum till system. "This in itself is incentive enough for me to use minimum till,"

County Court

In the weekly Commissioners Court meeting Monday, October 23, the court considered and acted on the following agenda items; Approved line item transfers from the general fund to various County departments; Approved a petition of Lyntegar Electric Co-Op to lay, construct and maintain an underground electric line across certain County roads; Set holiday dates for 1995 Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day for County employees; Approved creation of an Airport Fund to satisfy requirements of Texas Department of Transportation, Airport Division; Passed a resolution in support of Proposition 5 in the November 7 Constitutional Amendment election, to continue the Texas Veterans Land board program providing low interest rate loans to veterans for home or land purchases

says Don.

Use of minimum till has eliminated sand fighting operations for Don. He adds, "four additional economic savings are realized by eliminating sand fighting." First I realize a savings of time, which converts to money because it frees me up to do other management operations. In addition, there is a reduction in fuel costs due to less trips across the field and less wear and tear on the equipment. No sand fighting also reduces cotton seeding injury which translates to

high yields."

"In addition to the economic benefits already mentioned, I have also experienced greater rainfall utilization and have had exceptional hail protection in the minimum till," added Don. He stated that the hail protection is actually documented by insurance adjustments on his crops in 1992.

For more information on minimum till contact the local office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service by calling 456-3703.



Mario Avila, Don Burgess in minimum tillage cotton field

Sharp Fears Unfair Funding Could Cost Local Taxpayers \$2.2 Million

State Comptroller John Sharp has determined unfair funding formulas pending in the U.S. Congress would cost Yoakum County taxpayers between \$1.9 and \$2.2 Million in federal Medicaid cuts over the next seven years.

"This unacceptable legislation asks Yoakum County taxpayers to subsidize the health care of people in other states", Sharp said. "It would send twice as much money to a senior citizen in New York as a senior in Yoakum County".

"True block grants would help balance the federal budget and give states like Texas more flexibility. But this proposal isn't a block grant. It's a scheme to lock into place unfair funding formulas of the past while giving bureaucrats in Washington as much control as ever over Texas programs".

Sharp released a county-by-county analysis of the different Medicaid funding formulas that have passed committees in the U.S. House and Senate. His analysis shows the House plan would cost Texas \$4.9 billion over the next seven years, and the Senate version would cost Texas \$7.7 billion in the same period.

"These plans offer Texas a choice between a bad plan and an even worse plan", Sharp said. "Both would pass the responsibility and expense for health care down to local communities. Public hospitals and other health care providers would have to raise local taxes to make up the difference, and private hospitals which receive no tax support would have to shift Medicaid patients to public hospitals, adding to the

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Cowboys Collar Anton Bulldogs 29-14

Season Record Now 5 - 1

It was rumored prior to last Friday night's game against Anton, several of the Bulldog team members were vowing revenge for last year's heart stopping, come from behind victory by the Cowboys. To add fuel to fire, Anton's Head Coach Shawn Mason was quoted in the Friday morning edition of the Lubbock AJ expressing the Bulldog's determination to stop the Cowboy's ground game, hoping to make them go to a passing attack.

That's exactly what happened in Anton Friday night; The Cowboys managed 108 rushing yards, far below their season average, but when forced to the air game, racked up 180 yards and two scores in the Cowboy's fifth win of the season and first district victory. That's not exactly how the Anton Coach envisioned the scenario.

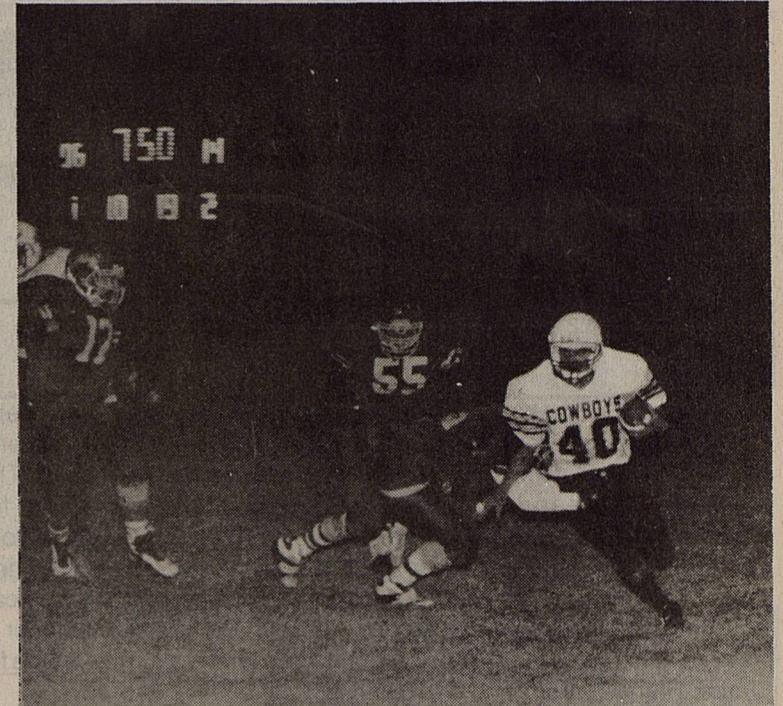
Neither Anton or the Cowboys could move the ball in their first series of downs. A hit by Wayne Willett caused a fumble and stopped Anton's drive on the Cowboy 11, and the next play, Ralph Ramirez hit receiver Joe Luna with probably the best pass of the season, for an 89 yard Touchdown bomb and a 6-0 lead.

The Bulldogs stormed right back, and in five rushing plays crossed the goal to tie the game 6-6 just before the first period ended.

The Cowboy defense came back to life, forcing an attempted Bulldog punt from deep in their own territory, and a fumbled snap recovered by Joe Luna in the end zone gave the Cowboys two more points for an 8-6 game.

Anton free punted to Plains, and on the first play from scrimmage, Ramirez again hit Joe Luna, who with some fancy running raced 50 yards for his second TD and a 14-6 Cowboy lead. Good defensive efforts by Wayne Willett and Chase Clanahan stymied the Bulldogs next effort, but the Cowboys were ineffective in their next possession and had to punt.

A good tackle by Roy Ramirez stopped Jones, the Big Anton running back for no gain, and a bulldog pass was picked off by Joe Luna, seemingly all over the field on both offense and defense. Ramirez hit him again for another eight



Eric Luna Off For Good Gain

yard gain, and then found Marte Pierce open for a 28 yard gain to the 11 yard line, where the Bulldogs stiffened and stopped Plains short of the goal at halftime.

Big tackles by Eric Ramos and Roy Ramirez forced

Anton to punt early in the second half, but the Cowboys could go nowhere.

Neither of the two teams could move the ball, and the final quarter started

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Joe Luna races for one of two TD's

Grand Jury Returns Indictments On Seven

The Yoakum County returned true bills of indictment on the following cases on October 19;

Valentin Lucero Acosta, for possession of marijuana, a 2nd degree felony. Bond set for \$5000. Also, engaging in organized criminal activity, 1st degree felony, bond set for \$15,000.

Monica Minor Guetersloh, theft of more than \$1500 but less than \$20,000, 4th degree felony, bond set for \$2500.

Javier Chavez, failure to appear, 3rd degree felony, bond set for \$3,000.

Vicki Beth Miller, possession of methamphetamine, 4th degree felony, bond set for \$2500.

Jesus David Arenivas, possession of heroin, 4th degree felony, bond \$2500.

Elsa Gonzalez, possession of heroin, 4th degree felony, bond \$2500.

All felony indictment bonds are set by District Judge Kelly Moore. The state was represented by Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark.

Conviction of degrees of felonies carry the following penalties; 1st-Confinement in TDCJ five years to life and optional fine up to \$50,000. 2nd-Confinement in TDCJ two to 20 years and optional fine up to \$10,000. 3rd-Confinement in TDCJ 2 to 10 years, or one year confinement in a community correctional facility up to one year, optional fine to \$10,000. 4th-Confinement in state jail 180 days to two years, mandatory probated, optional fine to \$10,000.

Judge, Commissioners Attend 73rd Annual Conference

County Judge Brewer and Commissioners Avara, Thurston, Barron and McWhirter attended the 73rd annual County Judges and Commissioners Association annual conference in Plano October 10 thru 12. The educational conference and annual association business meeting provides Commissioners and Judges an opportunity to update themselves on matters affecting their counties and local taxpayers.

The members of Commissioners Courts earn continuing education credits for attending educational sessions covering dozens of county governmental subjects. Both Judges and Commissioners are mandated to complete specific numbers of educational

and judicial hours. Some of the courses at the conference included the Review of Major Criminal Justice Legislation, Developing a Healthy County Work force, Work force Council, Fairness in the Judicial System, and Leadership in County Government.

Jim Barron, Precinct 3, was sworn in as the new President of the large Association. Representative Gary Walker, Plains, performed the swearing in ceremony, the second time Barron has been elected President of the Association.

A host of distinguished speakers addressed the officials, who also toured the famed Southfork Ranch and mansion formerly featured on the TV epic "Dallas".

Plains Band Boosters Plan Fund-Raisers

Plains Band Boosters met October 11th in the Heritage Room of the library. Officers present were Dawn Dearing (pres.), Timmie Johnson (vice-pres.), Jerri Lollar (sec./treas.), and Byron Morgan (director). Members present were Alice Robertson, Pam Burgess, Yolanda Gonzales, Daina Flores, Juan Villarreal, Delilah Gonzales, and Margarita Avila.

Balloon releases for District, Area, and State Marching Contests were discussed, along with Clinics, uniforms, relaxation rewards after contest, and fund-raisers for the year.

Some of the objectives for the Band Booster Organization provide meals at clinics, balloon releases at contests, recreation on trips to contests, scholarships and traveling as sponsors. There is no fee to be a Band Booster, just show up at the band hall and the Morgan's will put you to work. Fund-raisers planned for this year are: 1) Band member buttons--if you would like a button/badge of your favorite band member, see an officer or Pam Burgess. Buttons are 1/\$3 or 2/\$5 and payment is due before the picture is taken. (Pictures will be retaken or money refunded if there is a problem.) This is our current fund-raiser. Please contact us as soon as possible.

2) Family portraits for \$5.00 (10 x 13 size with sitting), from

Special Moments Photographers. Coupons will go on sale in November, sold by band members. The students receive incentives for their efforts. You may get your name on the list by contacting booster members. Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 2. Pictures will be returned in time for Christmas.

3) In the spring we will be selling HUMAN-I-TEES t-shirts. These are great-looking environmental issue shirts--100% cotton. (Tigers, eagles, whales, etc.) Watch for them in the spring!

4) Community Calendars--our annual fund-raiser, will also be held in the spring. WE DO HAVE A FEW EXTRAS LEFT FOR THIS YEAR. Contact the Library or band booster officers if you need one (\$4).

Many of you have seen the band booster t-shirt which features the FEAR THIS logo on the front and lists the band members and their program on the back. We plan to order some more soon. If you want one contact a booster officer or the Morgans. This 2nd order is going to be by reservation, so reserve yours now!

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 8, at 5:30 in the library.

Texas Braces for Heavy NAFTA Truck Traffic

"Anybody who regularly travels on I-35, I-10, or U.S. 59 has witnessed a dramatic increase in traffic in the last few years, particularly since the implementation of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). These three highways are the major trade routes through Texas," State Comptroller recently reported.

"This state is racing to meet demands for improved highways and border crossing facilities to accommodate the ballooning volume of truck and rail traffic hauling goods to and from Mexico.

"In the next two years, Texas will spend roughly three-quarters of a billion dollars in state and federal funds to maintain and improve the three main highway corridors. In addition, almost \$80 million dollars in projects to improve access to international bridges are either scheduled or underway," Sharp said.

U.S. trade with Mexico exceeded \$100 billion for the first time ever, averaging almost \$2 billion per week during the first year of NAFTA. More than \$1 billion per week of that trade passed through Texas' five major border crossings: El Paso, Eagle Pass, Laredo, Hidalgo and Brownsville.

In addition to long-haul shipments of goods, Texas' border traffic is boosted by numerous short-haul shipments to and from more than 600 maquiladora industrial plants located along the Texas-Mexico border. These plants receive unfinished products from the U.S., assemble them and ship them back to the U.S.

Trucks carried 90 percent of the value of U.S. exports to Mexico and 83 percent of the value of goods imported from Mexico in

1994. The Texas Department of Public Safety has obtained federal funds to construct seven new truck-weighing stations and to upgrade two existing stations. DPS officials estimate that 15 percent of 10 percent of those trucks have been inspected in the past.

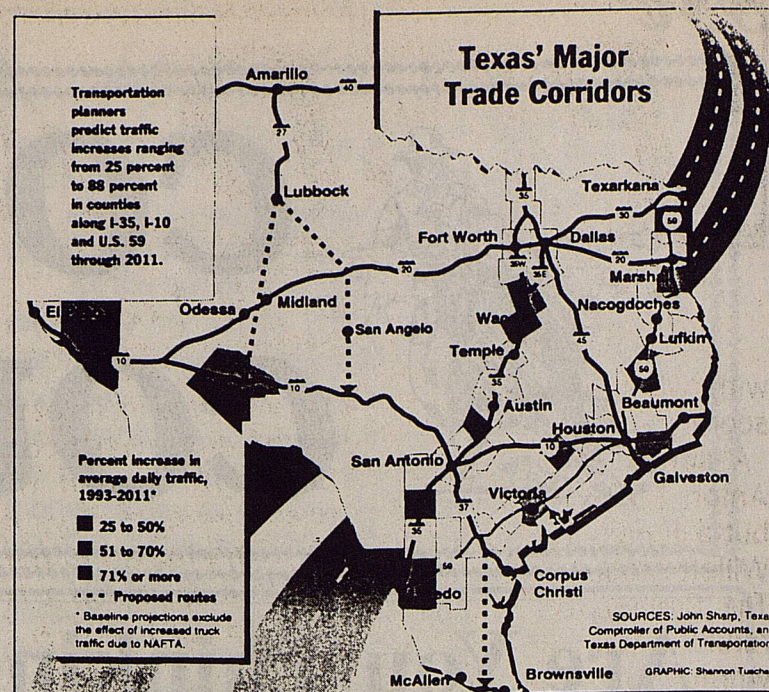
"Several studies have shown that Texas highways cannot withstand the weight of Mexican trucks. The weight limit for trucks on U.S. highways is 80,000 pounds. The Mexican Transport Ministry estimates that overloaded five-axle trucks from Mexico often weigh as much as 108,000 pounds, and six-axle trucks might weigh up to 130,000 pounds.

"This is a critical issue to Texas taxpayers, because one study shows that a truck weighing just 4,000 pounds above the U.S. limit accelerates pavement damage five-fold, meaning a highway designed to last 40 years would have to be replaced in only eight years," Sharp said.

Texas has asked the federal government for help in enforcing U.S. weight requirements on Mexican trucks as NAFTA expands their access to U.S. highways. Currently, Mexican trucks are allowed to travel only along the border. They will be allowed to travel throughout Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California beginning December 18. Mexican trucks will gain access to the entire United States in January 2000.

In the future, technology may help monitor truck weights, as well as improve traffic flow and reduce accidents. In a San Antonio experiment, a computer analyzes data from sensors embedded in the roadway and cameras focused on traffic. The computer alerts emergency workers to problems, and overhead signs provide information to motorists. Similar programs are planned for Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth and El Paso.

Technology may also make it possible to track trucks from their point of origin to their destination via a fiber-optic spine along the highway. Such a system would allow cargoes to be pre-cleared by U.S. Customs, and would allow taxes, tolls and fees to be paid in

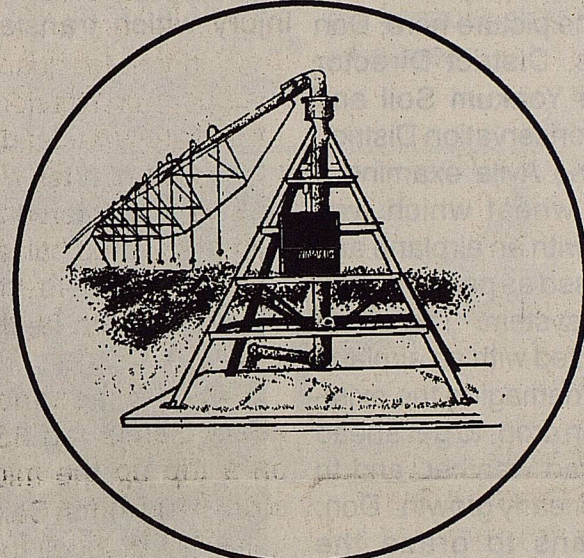


advance. Border delays, inspections and weigh-ins would be reduced to a minimum.

"By all accounts, Texas' border crossings are already operating at capacity, and traffic in Texas' three major corridors is expected to increase by 25-88 percent by 2011. The challenge facing

transportation planners is to determine where scarce resources can be used most effectively, and where to link Texas' infrastructure development to trade flows and emerging trade opportunities," Sharp said.

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JV Downs Sudan 22-14

with with the same 14-6 score.

A series of runs moved Anton to the Cowboy 20, but a fumble recovered by Willett stopped the threat. The Cowboys unfortunately returned the favor and ball when they fumbled, and seven rushes finally crossed the goal line. The 2 point conversion was good for a 14-14 tied score.

Luna returned the Anton kickoff 24 yards, and runs by Roy and Ralph Ramirez and a Ramirez pass to Chris Payne put the Cowboys on Anton's 1 yard line, where Ralph sneaked the ball in for the score, and a pass to Luna converted the two pointer for the 22-14 score.

On the following kickoff, a fumble by Anton gave the Cowboys the ball on the 10, and Eric Ramos dash found pay dirt. The PAT was good, and Plains had the lead 29-14.

In desperation the Bulldogs took to the air, but an interception by Luna again put the Cowboys in control, and they ran out the clock for the final 29-14 score.

The district race finds the Cowboys at home against Whiteface this Friday, winners over O'Donnell 28-2 last week.

The Cowboy Game reports are prepared with the help of Jacob Lester.

The JV Cowboys added a big victory to their season against arch rival Sudan. The game opened with Sudan running 8 plays before being forced to punt. The Cowboys made a first down, but had to kick to the Hornets, who fumbled the punt, recovered by Vincent Delgado.

On third and five, Tanner Blount threw 9 yards to Casey Forbus for a TD, and the Cowboys led 6-0.

Sudan was moving the ball well in their next possession, until Delgado intercepted a Hornet pass. Neither team could do much on offense the remainder of the first half.

Plains received the second half kick off, and with good blocking up front, Adrian Rios and Tanner

7th Wranglers 20, Sudan 0

In the first half, Adam Garcia scored on a Quick-Pitch in the 1st quarter and the 2 point conversion failed. Wranglers were leading 6-0 in the 2nd quarter when Israel Moreno intercepted his 2nd pass of the half and ran 60 yards for the Touchdown. The Wranglers lead at the half 12-0.

In the second half, Adam Garcia ran 35 yards on a trip up the middle to score while Aaron Cain threw to Kelsey Blundell for the 2 point conversion for the final 20-0 score. The Wranglers

moved the ball effectively, and Rios scored from the 14 on a sweep. The 2 point pass from Tanner to Forbus was good, and the score read 14-0.

The Cowboys went on offense again following a bobbled kick recovery by Steven Bunch on the Sudan 43. Tanner hit Forbus again for 23 yards, and Rios followed his blockers in three running plays to score again, then Tanner sneaked across on the PAT to make the score 22-0.

In the 4th period, Sudan put together two drives to get on the score board, and the final score was 22-14.

The game featured good offensive execution and blocking, and a stout defensive effort by the young Cowboys.

played excellent defense throughout the game, and the offensive line did an outstanding job of blocking.

8th Wranglers Beat Anton 34-0

Fermin Luna scored first on a 25 yard Quick-Pitch for the Wranglers. Fermin also ran the extra point into the end zone. David Luna scored next for the wranglers with a 10 yard run up the middle, Fermin then scored the 2 point extra point on a lead up the middle. Fermin then scored on a sweep for a 40 yard run. The extra point try was no good. David

returned a punt for a 45 yard Touchdown. Fermin finished the scoring with a 42 yard sprint draw for a Touchdown.

Outstanding offensive play was the blocking by Alex Tarango, Chris Willis and Jeremy Humphrey. The outstanding defensive players were Alex, Chris, Colt Winn and Josh Bell. It was an excellent team effort and victory.



Tanner Blount Turns The Corner



JV Runner About To Go Down

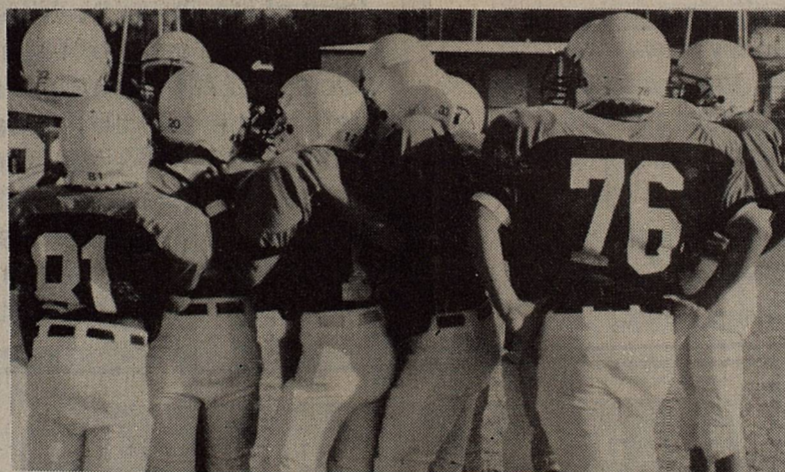


Jr. Hi Cheer Leaders Whoop It Up

7th Grade Volleyball

The Jr. High B team played Brownfield at Brownfield October 16. They were defeated in 2 games 5-15, and 12-15.

The A team played a dual match with Andrews and Brownfield in Andrews. They played a close 3 game match with Andrews 5-15, 15-10, 12-15. They defeated Brownfield in 3 games 15-8, 10-15, 16-14.



7th Graders Huddle Up

THANK YOU !

The Plains Booster Club sincerely appreciates all the help in making the recent Homecoming Bonfire a great success. Special thanks to Dan Wall and Wayne Lee Davis for the trailers, Barry Green and Eddins Walcher for the naphtha, the City of Plains and employees and the Plains Volunteer Firefighters for their assistance.

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challenges they already face".

According to Sharp, Medicaid contributes to the care for 75% of all Texans in nursing homes, and almost a third of total Medicaid spending in the state goes to care for elderly men and women.

"What's going to happen to our parents and grandparents if this legislation is passed?", Sharp asked. "As the number of elderly Texas grows, the money for their care will be sent to other states."

"What's going to happen to the hospitals where more than 45% of Texas babies are born? Our state population is growing at more than twice the national rate, yet Congress wants to cut our federal funds so that a handful of powerful Northeastern and Midwest states can receive more, whether their populations are growing or not".

"It's the same entitlement system Congress claimed it wanted to reform and change to block grants when this began earlier this year", he said. "Now they're on the verge of making a bad system even worse. Bureaucrats will pull the strings and Texas and other high growth rate states will get fewer federal funds".

Sharp said New York and other states with stagnant or declining populations would see their federal match rates increase, while Texas' match rate would remain the same.

"This is particularly outrageous", Sharp said. "New York would be required to spend fewer state dollars to receive what it receives now, already twice as much as Texas receives".

District Court Busy With Revocation Cases

Newly appointed 121st District Judge Kelly Moore's Court was busy October 16 with a number of Revocation of Parole cases heard. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the State.

Rosa Corral, 45, a convicted felon serving a five year probated sentence, pled true to the State's charges of parole violations. It was shown Corral failed to report in person to her Probation Office a total of nine months, and was a total of \$1,460 in arrears in payments of probation fees. Her parole was not revoked, but was extended 18 months, and she was ordered to pay \$100 per month on the delinquent fee balance. She was represented by Attorney Tom Wilkins.

Michael Lee Loggins, 38, previously convicted of DWI and Resisting Arrest in Matagordo County, had his probation revoked for the possession of methamphetamine. The defendant pled True, and was ordered to spend 180 days in the County jail, or until space is available in a Substance Abuse Felony Treatment Facility, there to be confined at least 6 months but no more than one year, or until successful and ordered to resume probation fees and fines at that time. He was also represented by Attorney Wilkins.

Mel Glen Elms, 26, pled True to the charge of violating a previous felony probation by illegally possessing Dihydrocodeine. His proba-

tion was revoked, and he received the same sentence as in the previous case.

Sergio Ceja Hernandez, 21, serving a probated sentence for conviction of illegal possession of marijuana, pled True to charges of violating terms of the original probation. It was shown he had failed to report to his probation office, failed to pay Court costs, failed to make \$48 payments on his original \$5,000 fine, failed to make \$40 Supervision fee payments, and failed to report changes of employment and address. He was ordered to serve 9 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice System (Institutional Division), and placed in Special Alternative Incarceration Program for not less than 75 days or more than 90 days. He was represented by Attorney Warren New.

Armando Duran Ramirez, 23, serving a probated sentence for Forgery, pled True to violating conditions of the probation by theft, no drivers license and fictitious plates, failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to make payments on his original fine, Court costs and restitution and probation fees, and failure to report change of address. He received a four year sentence in the TDCJ Institutional Division, and was ordered to pay a total of \$1,913.25 in restitution to Dale's Grocery, Pay 'N' Save, Mark Barron, Eddins Walcher, Petro Products and Allsup.

WHO TAKES CARE OF YOU?



Linda Freeman
the family. Hospice immediately accepted Billy and my family into their Hospice Family.

My brother, Billy Freeman, was diagnosed with malignant melanoma in 1991. He went through all of the surgery and chemotherapy treatments that were available at the time, but these were only slowing the actual disease process. In 1992, the chemotherapy was only prolonging his pain, and slowly he began to decline physically and mentally. At this point, Billy felt that all of the treatments were too much of a strain on himself and the family, and decided to start helping himself and his family deal with his disease. After consulting with his physician, I called Hospice Services, Inc. looking for help. The Hospice Team responded immediately to the situation and informed me that we would need to have his physician certify that he was terminally ill. Billy was living with our younger sister at the time, and the situation was slowly getting harder on Billy and

There was a tremendous financial burden on the family due to the extensive amount of medications that it took to keep Billy comfortable. Hospice came in and took all of the financial burden away from my family by providing ALL of his medications needed, all medical equipment, and extra supplies including bandages, bluepads, nutritional supplements, etc.

I will never forget the day that Billy emotionally became unable to deal with his disease any longer, and physically was in a steady decline. I had been frantically driving around not knowing what to do when I realized that I needed Hospice at that very moment. I parked in the Hospice parking lot at 9:00 in the evening, (the office was closed) and, like the Lord had whispered in her ear, the Executive Director, Brenda Chambers drove up to the office. She had been driving by when she had seen me parked at the office crying. When she realize how upset I was, she took me inside and started calling supportive staff members to listen to my feelings and help me work through my pain. That evening, the Hospice Staff and I went to Lovington, got Billy, and took him to the hospital for immediate symptom and pain management. The next day, the Hospice Staff helped my family arrange for Billy to be admitted to a nursing home. This greatly relieved my family due to the fact that Billy was weak, could no longer eat, and my family felt that we could no longer manage him at home. We needed someone to look after him closer than we could, and Hospice was right on top of the situation willing to help our family out through this trying time.

Hospice Services, Inc. has done much more than the above mentioned situation. They were more of a lifeline to hold on to when all seemed lost. Seeing all that we were going through, Hospice cared for Billy and my family in a way that words can not describe. I can never repay Hospice for all of the love and kindness that they showed us.

Don't Wait...

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The Plains Booster Club will help sponsor the broadcast of the Plains vs Whiteface football game on Friday, October 27th. You can listen to the Cowboys beat Whiteface on KLVV radio 105.5 FM, Levelland. Both coaches will be interviewed on a pre-game show beginning approx. 7:15 p.m. with kick off at 7:30 p.m.

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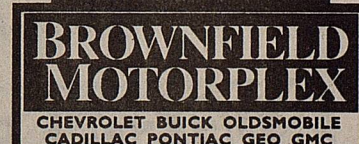
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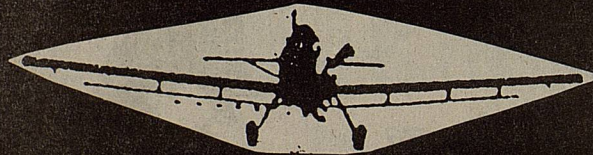
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WTLS also furnishes videos for a period of 60 days, and then the rotation system provides a new collection for another 60 days.

New Cassette Packets Include:

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Free Stop-Smoking Classes To Be Offered

American Cancer Society and University Medical Center will offer Fresh Start, a free stop-smoking program, Nov. 7, 9, 14, and 16.

The classes will be offered at Mae Simmons Community Center, 23rd and Oak, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and at Rogers Community Center, 3200 Amherst, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The classes at Rogers Community Center will be bilingual.

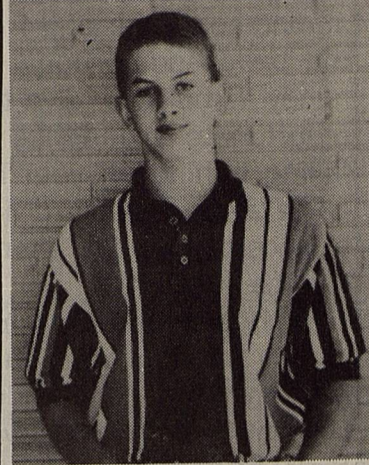
Anyone attending the entire series will receive a gift at the last session, which will take place during American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout.

Fresh Start is an educational program that emphasizes techniques that lessen and, in some cases, altogether prevent withdrawal symptoms.

Reservations can be made by calling American Cancer Society at 792-7126.



Student of the Week



Plains High Student of the Week is Dustin Brunson. Dustin is a freshman and is the son of Mr. & Mrs. David Brunson.

He was nominated by Mrs. O'Quinn. "A person's character is tested and built by obstacles thrown in his path. One of my students had hardly started the school year when a major obstacle came along that prevented this student not only from competing in athletics, but also made written school work a major challenge. What impresses me about this student is that he has yet to make excuses or use this injury as a justification for not completing work. He has had great support and encouragement from his family to continue to do his best. His character has been tested and proven strong through this obstacle. He is a great example of the old saying, "When life gives you lemons---make lemonade." He was a unanimous choice of the faculty for this week's honor."

Cowboy Band Advances

The Plains Cowboy Band competed Tuesday, October 17 at U.I.L. Marching Contest in Lubbock. The band received a division one for the 14th straight year. The band will advance to the area competition which will be held in Lubbock at Jones Stadium this Saturday, October 28. There will be ten Class 1A's competing for the top 2 spots to advance to the State Marching Contest held at The University of Texas in Austin, November 6.

The ten bands are Plains, Sudan, Jayton, Whiteface, Wink, Rankin, Sanderson, Wheeler, Marfa, and Groom. The competition begins at 11:30 a.m. There is a \$2 (adults) and \$1 (students) admission for Saturday's contest.

2nd Annual SWCD Jamboree Planned

The Yoakum County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold their second Conservation Jamboree in both the Plains and Denver City Junior High Schools. The event is scheduled here Wednesday, October 25 at 8:00 a.m. and will last until 10:45.

Junior High students will see exhibits on many conservation features including water resources, recycling and landfills, growing crops such as grapes and peanuts, area wildlife, identifying soil types, and tree planting benefits.

Menu

Oct. 30 - Nov. 4

- Monday**
Breakfast: cereal, toast, grape juice, milk
Lunch: corndog w/mustard, French fries w/catsup, carrot sticks, peaches, milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, toast, apple juice, milk
Lunch: Witches' stew stirred with a stick, bat vitamins, flying ghost spears, broomstick bread, pumpkin patch squares, bubbling brew
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: biscuit w/ sausage & gravy, orange juice, milk
Lunch: All American cheeseburger, chips, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookies, milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast: pancakes w/ syrup, fruit punch, milk
Lunch: taco salad, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomato salad, crackers, pears, milk
- Friday**
Breakfast: cereal, toast, orange/pineapple juice, milk
Lunch: breaded steak fingers w/cream gravy, garden green beans, creamed potatoes, hot rolls, Jello, milk

PISD Bulletin

Oct. 30 - Nov. 4

- Monday:** Volleyball, Brownfield, 7th;8th, A & B, Here, 5 p.m.
- Tuesday:** Volleyball, Brownfield, V, There, 5 p.m. Volleyball, Plainview, 9th; JV, Here, 6 p.m.
- Thursday:** Football, O'Donnell, 7th;8th, Here, 5 p.m.
- Football, O'Donnell, JV, Here, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday:** Football, O'Donnell, V, There, 7:30

Chili Feast

The First United Methodist Church announces its third annual **ELECTION DAY CHILI FEAST**, Tuesday, November 7, 11 AM to 2 PM. Adults \$5, children \$3, includes homemade chili, desert and drink. A craft and bake sale will run from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Go Vote, Then Come Eat With Us!

Thought for the Week

Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God; thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

Psalm 143: 10



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BRIDAL SHOWER ANNOUNCED

A bridal shower honoring Jo Lena Powell, bride elect of Chad Wall, will be held November 4, from 2:00 to 3:30 PM in the home of Ann McGinty.

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From The Hack

Every year when fall rolls around, a strange phenomenon takes place around the fabled table of Wisdom. The sages, seers and philosophers cease talking about football, women, politics and sex, and start planning annual elk and deer hunts to Colorado or some other exotic mecca of big game. The 'planning' actually consists mainly of reminiscing about past hunts, both successful trips and fiascoes.

Contributors to these colorful narratives include the likes of Morris Rushing, Doyle Seaton, Jim Brown, Mike Blount, James Altman, Randy Forbus, Noel Clanahan, et al.

I recently spent a few enlightening minutes at the Table and heard some fascinating tales about past safaris to the north, like; "I started checking over my



gear last night, and I have five 30-06 shells and a full case of Jim Beam. Guess I'm about ready to go". That brought the response, "Hey, man, we're gonna be on that mountain four long days. You got plenty of ammo, but I think you'd better pack a little more hooch".

A contributor nodded solemnly and said, "this year I'm taking two sleeping bags. I almost froze my buns off last year". A buddy replied, "Well, I ain't near as worried about the cold as I am air quality. I'm packing the biggest can of air freshener I can find. Cooped up in that tent after eating Altman's cooking is downright hazardous to your breathing system".

One Nimrod said, "I'm gonna try real hard to shoot some camp meat the

very first day, maybe a doe or young spike". That brought a snort and, "Ha! You been going with us five years running now, and the only thing you ever shot was the guide's pack mule that time!" The first guy said, "Yeah, well, if I get bucked off and kicked in the knee again this year, there's gonna be another !*^#@>+!~#* dead mule, and I don't care what it costs!"

One nameless, rather large hunter with a hip infirmity, declared, "This year I ain't carrying that wooden potty chair I gotta use. I bought me one made of stainless steel. Last year when that flimsy wooden job collapsed with me was down right embarrassing, and pretty messy too!"

Behold, the mighty hunters prepareth to go forward and slaughter fierce creatures in great numbers. There is a good chance they shall return, smelling of strong drink and body odor, the truth not in them. I just hope no one falls off a mountain or gets shot.



Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Proposition 4 on the November 14 ballot is important to homeowners and small business men and women because it restores protections for property owners that were canceled by over-reaching judges recently.

The constitutional amendment--one of 14 on the ballot--could come in handy if you ever have the unfortunate experience of falling behind on your income taxes or want to divide a piece of property after a divorce or death.

These situations are messy enough when they happen without the added burden of having to deal with a silly court dictate.

Without the protections being offered by Proposition 4, you could find yourself in the unusual position of being able to sell a piece of property to anyone, except a close relative!

Forget about the gobbledygook that you will see on the ballot. Proposition 4's prose is written in a legal code that only real estate lawyers could under-

stand-if they were having a good day.

It's what the proposition does that's important.

As the law is now interpreted by the courts, if you get into trouble with the IRS and they file a lien against your home, you do not have the option of borrowing the money to pay off the lien using your home as collateral.

The same is true in the division of property during a divorce. If, for example, one of the former spouses wants to keep their jointly owned home, he or she cannot simply go down to the bank and use that home as collateral to buy out the interests of the other spouse. The law no longer allows that to happen.

The same is true in the division of property after a death. For example, a rancher dies leaving his ranch to his two sons. One son wants to continue ranching, the other wants to simply take his half interest in cash. In the past, the first son could use the ranch as collateral on a loan and buy out his brother's interest.

That is no longer the case. You could have the situation where the ranch could be sold to anyone other than one of the two sons!

Proposition 4 fixes these problems and allows such loans to take place, thereby giving Texans some flexibility when they are confronted by these all too-common situations.

These may seem like small problems-until it happens to you or one of your loved ones. Then it becomes a nightmare.

VOTE FOR PROPOSITION 4. It could save your home from legal quagmire.

Sincerely,

Myrna Boutler

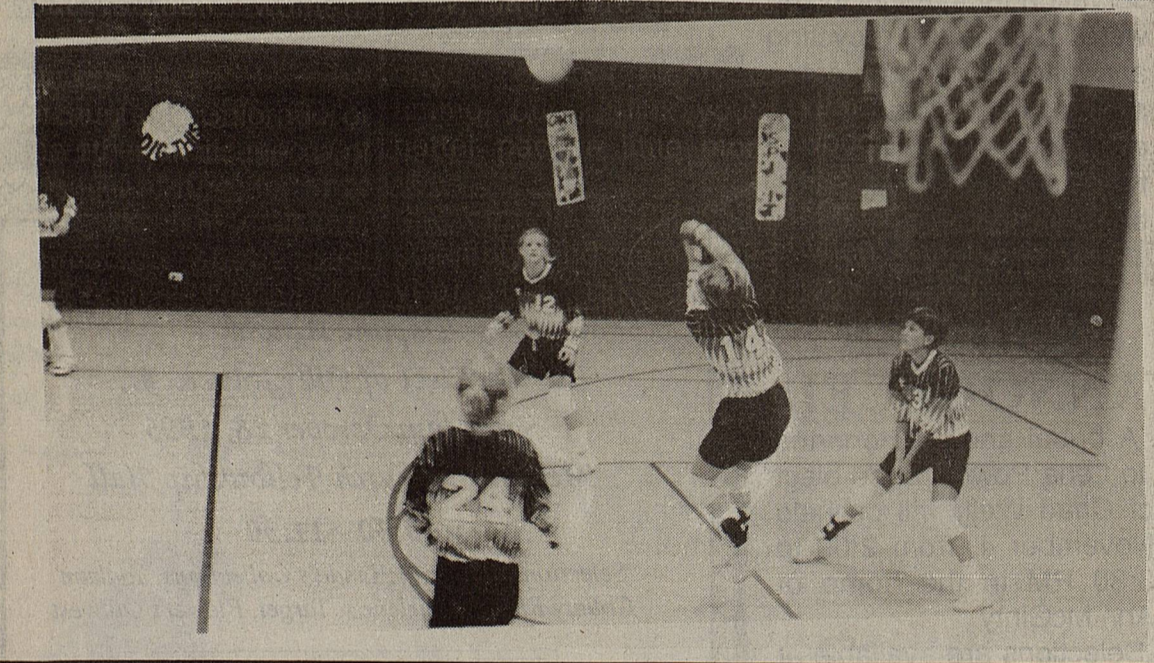
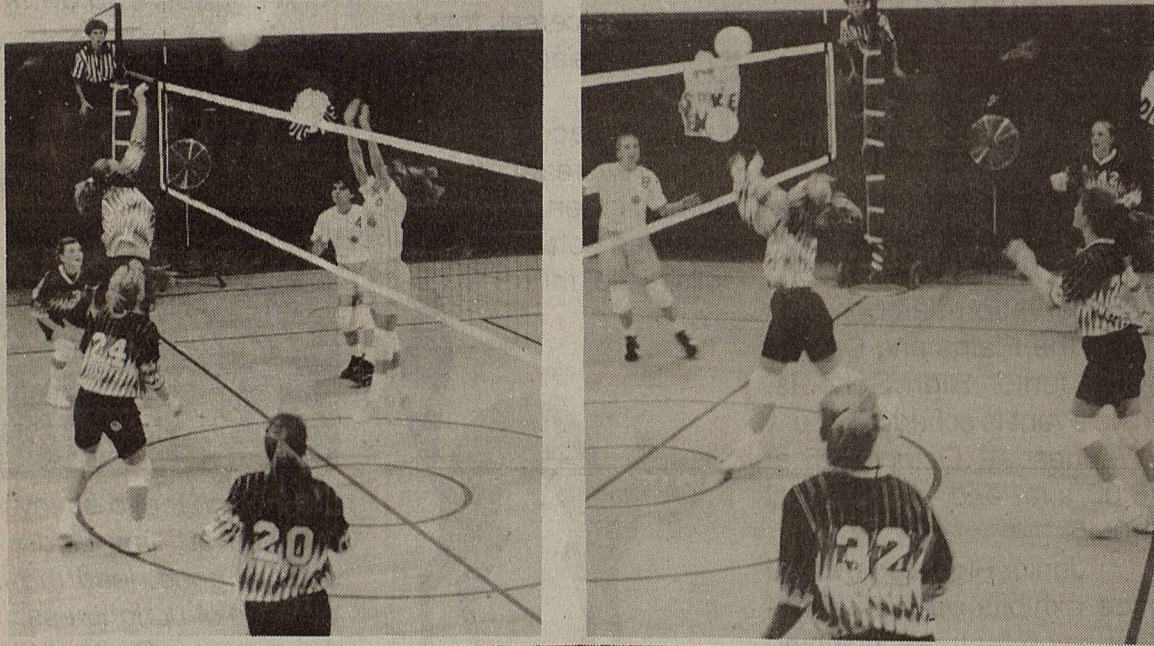
Dear Editor,

John Kitto, manager for Pay 'N' Save grocery, has worked hard to promote community spirit and camaraderie by having "Western days" in July and the Free Car Wash this month. These events have taken planning, work and enthusiasm for Plains and our citizens. I appreciate John's quick smile and cheerful helpfulness. Most of all, I appreciate his believing in Plains and inspiring other merchants to "go the extra mile." Pay 'N' Save is a winner because of John and his employees.

Sincerely,

Linda Powell

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