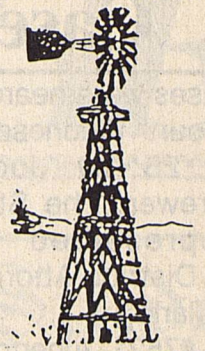




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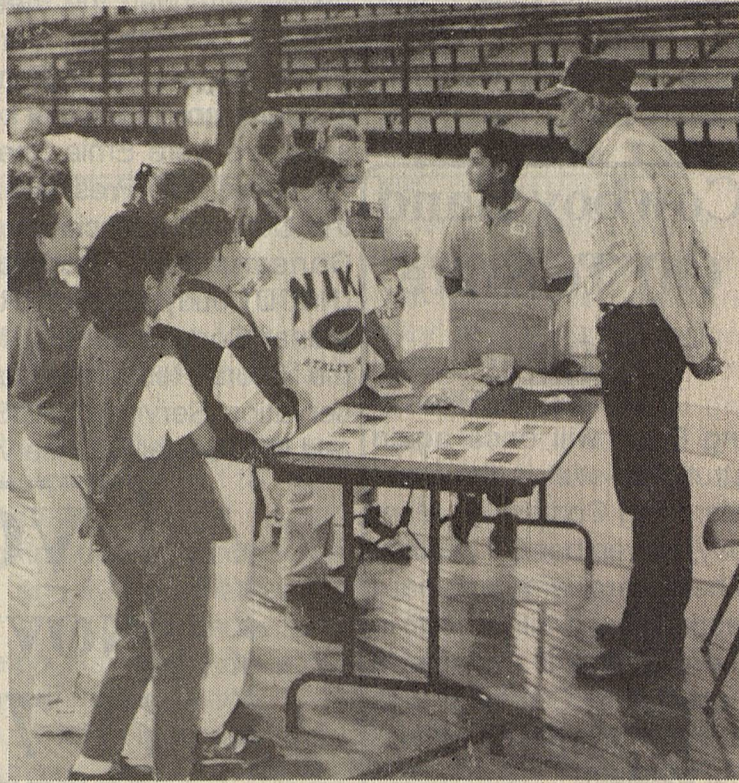
## Conservation Jamboree Draws Interest Of 5th Graders

Plains Middle School fifth grade students made an enthusiastic and excited audience at the second Annual Conservation Jamboree last Wednesday morning.

The assembly type meeting was coordinated by the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Yoakum County Soil & Water Conservation District, with help from Sandy Land Underground Water District and several local producers.

Linda Powell, YCSWCD, welcomed the youngsters with her hand puppet 'Sammy Soil Saver', and introduced County Judge Dallas Brewer, who explained the agenda featuring nine different displays of various methods and types of conservation.

The students rotated in groups from station to station and heard explanations of the exhibits. David Turnbough and Gary Walker, Sandy Land,



Larry Morrow Talks Peanuts to 5th Graders

explained aspects of water conservation. Joni Hancock, County Extension Service, showed a video and displays of recycling and landfills. Producer Larry Morrow displayed locally

grown peanuts and their many uses. Olivia Robertson, TCSWCD office, explained a display of wildlife common to

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## Cowboys Burn Antelopes Extend Season Record To 6 - 1

After a rather sluggish first quarter start, the Cowboys fired up both on offense and defense, and downed district foe Whiteface 33-0. Three district games remain on the schedule, against O'Donnell, Smyer and Sudan.

The Cowboys took the opening kickoff, and methodically moved the ball with good runs from Roy Ramirez and Josh Traweek, and a 12 yard toss from Ralph Ramirez to Joe Luna. The Antelope stiffened on the 5, and an attempted Cowboy field goal failed.

The Antelopes couldn't move the ball in their possession, and were forced to punt, but a Cowboy fumble handed it back to Whiteface.

A combined sack by Kirk Parrish, Chase Clanahan and Eric Ramos forced another punt, and the Cowboy offense ignited. Ramirez hit Joe Luna for



Lee David Hernandez & Major Howard Demolish Whiteface Runner

another 40 yard reception, and the offensive line opened holes for good runs from Eric Luna and Josh Traweek, who made the last 6 yards into the end zone for a 6-0 lead.

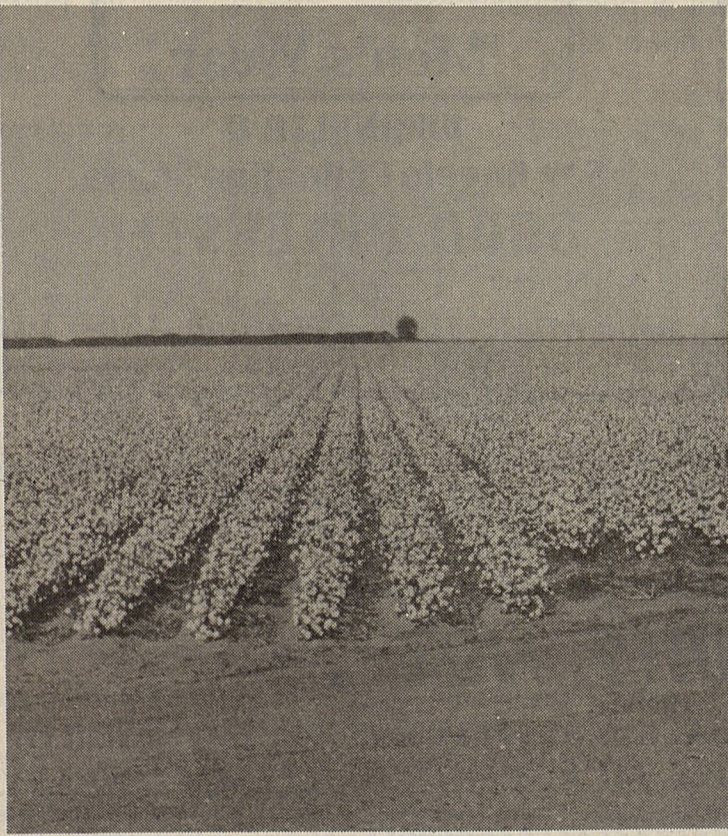
Early in the second period, the Cowboy 'D' stymied the

Antelopes with good plays from Clanahan and Roy Ramirez. Joe Luna returned the forced punt 35 yards and Ralph Ramirez passes to Luna and Chris Payne

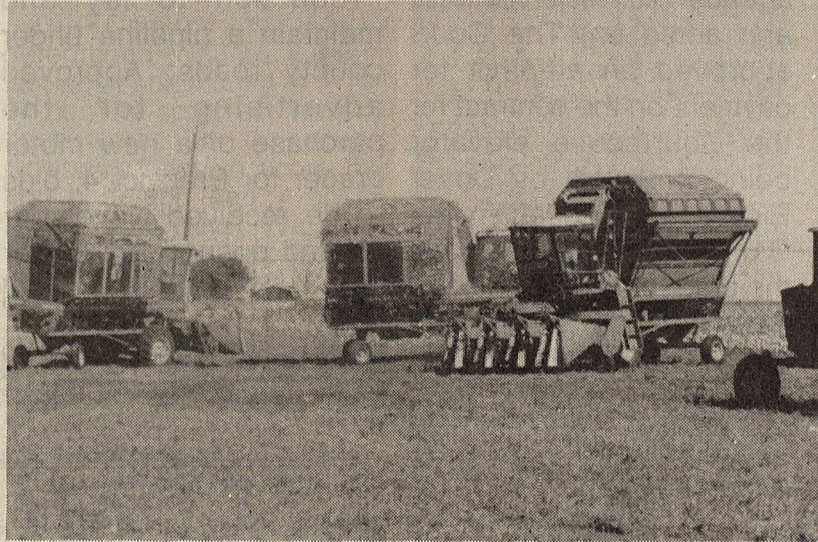
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# 1995 Cotton Harvest Underway

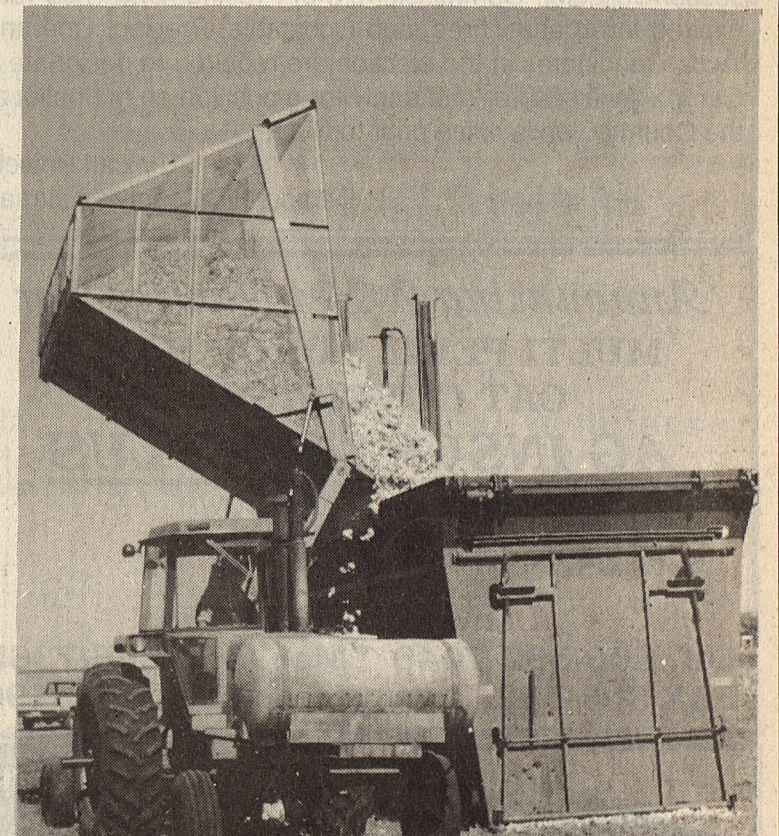
Not At Full Speed Yet Because Of Weather, Greenness of Plants



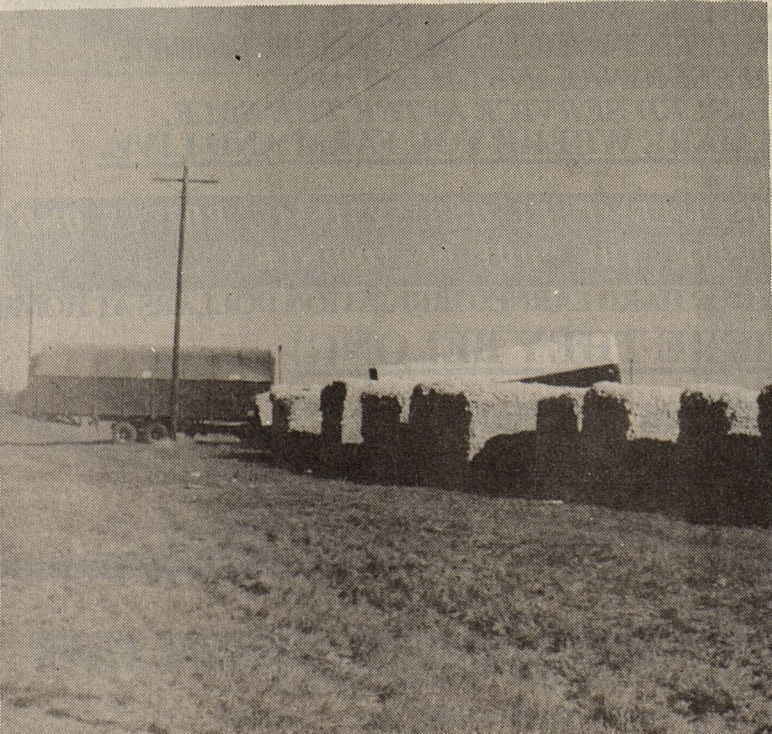
Good Field Of Cotton Near Stateline




Swarming Strippers on Rushing Farm



Cotton Transporters Keep Strippers Running



Module Trucks Unloading At New Tex




A drive around the County this weekend found most of the area gins running, but a number of cotton strippers were sitting idle, with producers waiting for weather or sprayed chemicals to halt the growth process and dry the plants out.

Most of the irrigated cotton crop has already been sprayed with defoliant, but the unseasonably warm fall is not allowing the chemicals to work as effectively as it should.

Most producers agree a heavy frost, even a freeze, would greatly help in gathering the better than expected crop. The dryland producers whose crops survived the dry growing period don't want to spend additional money on chemicals to kill their cotton, most of them realizing their yields will be down from previous years because of the drought.

As of Tuesday morning, the four area gins reported the following number of ginned bales; Circle 12, 422, Tokio Co-Op, 3600, Yoakum County Co-Op, 5493, and New Tex, 5476.

If the projected freeze occurs late this week, the stripping process should be 'Full Speed Ahead' a few days later.





Loading Bales at Yoakum County Co-Op

## County Criminal Court Cases Heard

Three cases were heard in County Court Wednesday, October 25 by Judge Dallas Brewer. The State was represented by Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark.

In cause #7521, Alberto S. Guerra, 35, pled guilty to assault causing bodily injury. He was assessed an 18 month probated jail sentence, and fined \$600. He must also successfully complete the Batterer's Prevention Program, and pay Court costs of \$165 by December 1, 1995.

In cause #7554, Lisa Gaye Kitto dismissed a prior appeal to the charge of an illegal left turn, and Special Judge Paula Lanehart remanded her case to Justice of Peace Court

Number 2. She entered a plea of no contest, and paid a fine of \$75 and \$33 in Court costs. She was represented by Attorney Charles S. Snuggs.

In cause # 7147, Jose Alejandro Loya, 40, charged with violating terms of a prior probation for DWI charges, pled true to the charge. His probation was amended, and he must spend ten days in the County jail prior to entering the Court Residential Treatment Center (CRTC) in Brownfield for at least one month but not more than 6 months. Prior fines, restitution, attorney fees and probation fees totaling \$411.25 must be paid before the probation period ends.

## Constitutional Amendment Pros And Cons

This is a continuation of a series of articles reviewing some of the 14 Constitutional Amendments on the ballot of the forthcoming election on November 7; Amendment # 9;

An amendment allowing investment of money from the Texas growth fund in a business without the Business's disclosure of its investments in or with South Africa or Namibia.

Arguments For: The proposal would repeal previous legislation preventing investments of Texas

Growth funds in either of the two countries because of their past use of Apartheid in their governments. Since the Apartheid system no longer exists in either nation, there is no need for the previous legislation, and it should be repealed.

Arguments Against: There appear to be no valid arguments against passage of this amendment. Vote FOR.

## J P Court Action

The following is a summary of cases heard in County Justice of Peace Court, Precinct One, with Judge Melba Crutcher presiding:

46 traffic cases filed  
11 minor in possession of alcoholic beverage cases filed

1 public intoxication case filed  
3 issuance of bad check cases filed

24 civil suits filed  
1 small claim suit filed  
Bonds set:

3 cases of Assault causes bodily injury (M-A) \$2500 bond each

5 cases of Failure to appear (Moore County) \$1000 bond each

4 cases of Theft >\$20<\$500 (Moore County) \$500 bond each

Motion to revoke probation (Moore County) \$1000 bond

Motion to revoke probation-Burglary of a building - hold for hearing

Theft >\$1500<\$20,000, \$2500 bond

Attempted capital murder of police officer, \$75,000 bond

Burglary of habitation (F-1), \$2500 bond

Violation of protective order (M-A) \$5000 bond

2 cases of Public intoxication \$230 fine each

Driving while intoxicated, 1st offense, \$1000 bond

Theft >\$20<\$500 (Randall County), \$1000 bond

Violate promise to appear, \$185 fine

Speeding, \$115 fine  
Theft (M-B) (Parker County) \$500 bond  
Issuance of bad check (Lubbock County) \$300 bond  
Motion to revoke probation held until hearing  
Capias pro fine, \$96.17 fine, \$200 bond  
Issuance of bad check \$133.56 fine, \$270 bond  
Issuance of bad check \$162.02 fine, \$325 bond  
Capias pro fine \$159.65 fine, \$320 bond  
Issuance of bad check \$121.65 fine, \$250 bond  
Capias pro fine \$382.67 fine, \$775 bond  
Capias pro fine, 246.82 fine, \$500 bond  
Capias pro fine \$248.22 fine, \$500 bond  
Assault - family violence, \$3000 bond

## Cowboy Band Off To State Again

The Plains 1995 Marching Band will once again strut their stuff in the State Marching Contest on Monday, November 6 in Austin. The award winning, hard working band will perform in the preliminaries against a host of other Class A groups at 9:12 AM in the UT Memorial Stadium.

At 11:30 AM, five finalist winners will be announced. We strongly predict the 'Pride of the South Plains' Cowboy Band will not only be one of the five finalists, they will WIN the competition scheduled for 6 PM.

## County Court Meets

Yoakum County Commissioners Court met Monday, October 30. The following agenda items were discussed and acted on; The Court approved an affidavit for payment on the contract for the Courthouse elevator being constructed by Dover Elevators; Included in the Commissioner Court minutes the order of Kelly G. Moore, District Judge, setting salaries of the County Auditor,

Auditor Assistants, and Court Reporter; Approved the petition of Amoco Production to lay and maintain a pipeline under county roads; Approved advertising for the purchase of a new motor grader for Precinct 4, bids to be received November 17 and opened November 20.

## Soil And Water Conservation District Meet In Galveston

Linda Powell, director for the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District was in Galveston, Texas October 16-18 to attend the Fifty-fifth Annual State Meeting of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Directors. The meeting was held in the Galvez Hotel and Moody Civic Center.

Also attending was Mario Avila of the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Approximately 1,000 people attended the meeting. State Senator Jerry Patterson gave the welcome Tuesday morning. Other key speakers were Ernie Shea, Executive Vice President of the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD), Judy Johnson, Regional Conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and NRCS State Conserva-

tion, Wes Oneth of Temple. Issues of concern to water quality on the federal level was discussed at a workshop Tuesday afternoon. Other topics were the restructuring of the NRCS, the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and Wetlands under the 1995 Farm Bill. The Endangered species Act, as well as other provisions of the Agricultural Resources Conservation Act of 1995 were addressed.

On the state level, another workshop featured a session on Senate Bill 503, the Clean Water Act nonpoint source program, and the Texas Coastal Zone Management Program.

Regular elections for Directors of Areas I, III, and V of the Texas Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (ATSWCD) were held on Tuesday afternoon.

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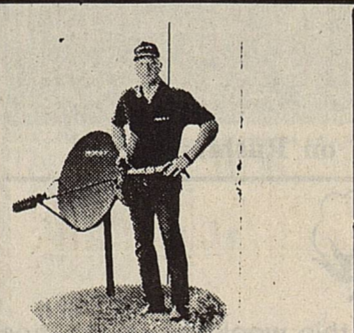
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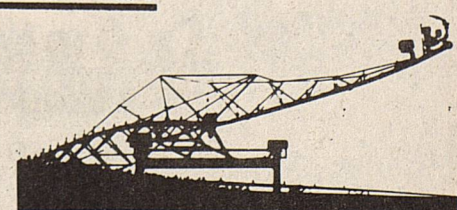
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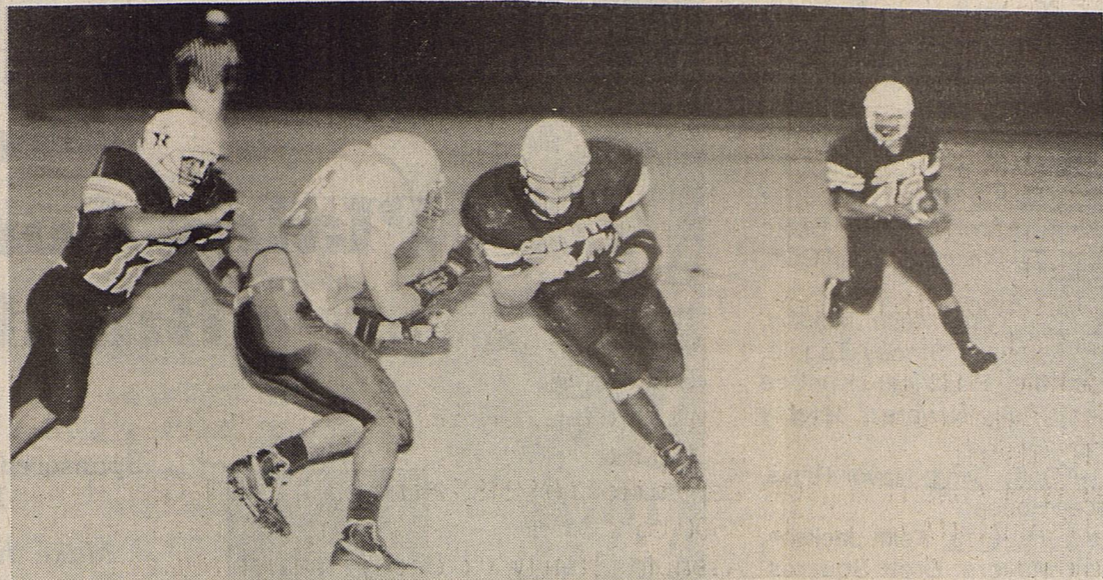
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placed the ball on the 5 yard line, where Traweek crashed across the goal. The two point conversion was good for a 14-0 Cowboy lead.

The 'Lopes handed the ball back to the Cowboys when Eric Ramos recovered a fumble. A bit of razzle-dazzle featuring a Ramirez to Joe Luna pass and a flick lateral to Eric Luna covered 33 quick yards for a TD, and the half ended with the Cowboys up 20-0.

The Cowboy defenders came out growling the second half, shutting Whiteface down in their first two possessions. With the ball again, and with excellent blocking up front, Ramos and Traweek made big runs, and Ralph again hit Joe Luna for a ten yard toss. Traweek covered the last 8 yards for the score and a 26-0 lead.

The Cowboy defense stayed tough, and the 'Lopes were again forced to punt late in the 4th



**Joe Luna, Chase Clanahan about to destroy defender for runner Eric Luna**

period. From the 34, Ralph Ramirez found Chris Payne open for a spectacular 66 yard passing touchdown. The extra point kick was good for the final 33-0 victory.

The Cowboys allowed the Antelopes only 118 total offensive yards, while racking up 240 yards in the air and 224 on the ground for a well balanced attack.

Ralph Ramirez had a big night throwing, hitting 12 of 20, while Traweek, Roy Ramirez, and Eric Ramos

ate up yardage on the ground. Perhaps the most impressive aspect of the game, however, was the play of the hard blocking offensive line, and the stubborn defensive line and line backers, who never let Whiteface get rolling. An excellent team effort on both sides of the scrimmage line.

The Cowboys travel to O'Donnell Friday for their next district contest. With help from Jacob Lester.

## 8th Wranglers Downed By Whiteface 44-6

The 8th graders season record fell to 3-2 Thursday when they lost to visiting Whiteface. The only bright spot in the contest came when Paul Lopez scooped up a fumble and raced 45 yards for their only score.

## JV Cowboys Tie Whiteface

The Cowboy JV met a determined Whiteface team last week and managed a 14-14 tie. The score could have been worse, for the young Cowboys failed to score the first half, and had 7 costly fumbles. Coach Baucom reported the bright spot of the contest was the first play of the 2nd half, when Chris Willett went 65 yards to the one, where Will St Romain took it in. Both teams would manage only one more score in the deadlocked contest.

## 7th Wranglers Bomb Cubs 50-0

The 7th graders season record improved to 4-1 last week with a huge win over the Brownfield Cubs. The young Wranglers displayed a potent offense and stubborn defense in the shutout.

At the end of the first half, Plains led the Cubs 36-0, thanks to hard running by Adam Garcia behind good blocking for four scores. Kelsey Blundell added another on a pass from

Aaron Cain. In the second half, Garcia took the opening kickoff 70 yards for a TD, and scored his sixth on a screen pass from Israel Moreno for the final 50-0 score.

In the game, Moreno made his 3rd interception of the year, and in the final few minutes, Dustin Six ended a Cub drive with another interception in the good team effort and win.



**Kelsay Blundell about to make block and spring Joel Gallegos for big gain**

## "All-Star" Cheerleader

Autumn Deaton, 8th grade cheerleader of Plains Jr. High, was chosen as an "All Star" at Cheerleading Camp this summer. Autumn attended Cheerleader Camp under the direction of The Universal Cheerleaders Association. She will be attending the UCA Cheerleader Tour in Houston, TX over the Thanksgiving Holidays, and will be marching in the 46th Annual Bank United Thanksgiving Day Parade which will be televised on NBC.

Autumn is the daughter of Joe and Judy Deaton of Plains. She is currently selling candy and Christmas items to raise funds for the trip.



## District Cross Country Results

**Cowboy Varsity:** The Cowboys dominated the District Cross Country meet last weekend, and won the event the ninth consecutive year, an amazing record. Every Cowboy runner finished in the top 20 positions. Finishes were:

- 2nd Jeremy Dearing 16:02
- 3rd Jason Robertson 16:41
- 5th Joe Luna 16:49
- 7th Will St. Romain 17:00
- 8th Jamie Caballero 17:19
- 9th Ralph Ramirez 17:29
- 12th Hector Gallegos 18:25

**Cowgirl Varsity:** Tanya Hernandez finished a very respectable 23rd with a time of 14:25

**Jr. High Boys:** The Jr. High Wrangler runners came close to winning their division, finishing a strong second with 31 points. Finishers included:

- 1st Fermin Luna 12:31
- 2nd Felipe Reyna 12:34
- 8th Chris Estrada 13:21
- 9th Kelsey Blundell 13:36
- 11th Sterling Deaton 13:43
- 13th Matt Willis 13:57
- 20th Stanley Caballero 15:26
- 21st Kyle Sisson 15:46
- 23rd Dustin Six 16:00
- 24th Eddy Gallegos 16:46

**Jr. High Girls:** The girls team captured 7th place in the meet with 185 points. Runners results included:

- 3rd Krystle Blundell 13:50
- 27th Linsey Cullins 15:45
- 50th Kelli Osborn 17:02
- 51st Kari Guetersloh 17:03
- 56th Anne Palmer 17:17

## Student of the Week



Plains High School Student of the Week is Valerie Blair. She is a senior and is the daughter of Royce and Cynthia Blair.

Valerie was nominated by Brad Friesen. "Once in a while, teachers come across a rare student who helps bring joy back into teaching. Valerie Blair is such a student. She walks into class and immediately brightens everyone up. She has the ability to exhibit high morals without appearing hypocritical. She works extra hard on homework and always does a little more than what is asked of her. She helps others in class when they don't understand. She can even help or correct a teacher without being disrespectful. A delightful person whom I feel privilege to know."



## Bi-District Volleyball

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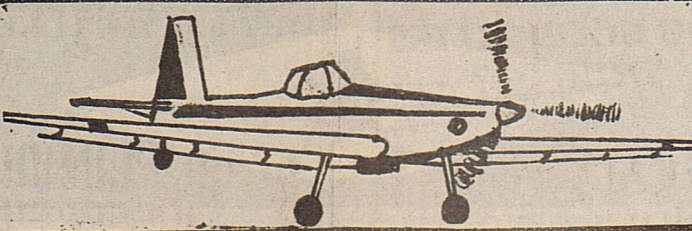
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the area, and how conservation plays an important role in preserving the creatures. Willie Crenwelge, NRCS soil scientist from Lubbock, exhibited and explained the makeup of County soil types. Quenna Terry, NRCS, Lubbock, showed types of trees common to the South Plains and how they play a role in conservation of our natural resources. Don Burgess, Producer and Board Member of YCSWCD, displayed cotton types and explained its production and role in the local economy. Mario Avila, NRCS, Plains and Tahoka, demonstrated methods used in controlling soil erosion, and L.J. Sanders, former Chairman of the YCSWCD Board, showed how different types of grasses common to the area are identified.

The students seemed to be impressed by the exhibits and discussions. The group presented the same Jamboree in Denver City for their fifth grade students.



Linda Powell & 'Sammy Soil Saver'

**4-H Horse Program Awards**

The Yoakum County 4-H Horse Program members held their Year End Awards Banquet Saturday, October 7th, at the Denver City Mustang Cafeteria. Each member who sold 20 or more raffle tickets received a monogrammed shirt and was eligible for year end awards. Award winners in annual events included;

**Western Horsemanship 8 & Under:** Kimberly Jackson, Blake Parrish, Aaron Moyers, Evan Cain, T.J. Kitchens Skye Sellers  
**Western Horsemanship 9-13:** Stacey Tuggle, Stephanie Hamrick, Kimbee Jones, Keith Jackson, Rickey Navarez, Justin Navarez  
**Western Horsemanship 14-19:** Marcy House, Navor Rivas  
**Barrel Racing 8 & Under:** Aaron Moyers, Blake Parrish, Evan Cain, Trey Walker, Kimberly Jackson, T.J. Kitchens  
**9-14 Barrels:** Stephanie Hamrick, Keith Jackson, Taylor Gray, Kimberlee Jones, Justin Navarez, Stacey Tuggle, Chance Kitchens  
**14-19 Barrels:** Marcey House, Navor Rivas  
**Pole Bending 8 & Under:** Aaron Moyers, Evan Cain, Blake Parrish, Trey Walker, Kimberly Jackson, T.J. Kitchens  
**9-13 Poles:** Stephanie Hamrick, Keith Jackson, Kimbee Jones, Taylor Gray, Rickey Navarez, Justin Navarez  
**14-19 Poles:** Marcey House, Navor Rivas  
**Flag Race 8 & Under:** Blake Parrish, Aaron Moyers, Evan Cain, Trey Walker, T.J. Kitchens, Leo Sellers  
**9-13 Flags:** Stephanie Hamrick,

Keith Jackson, Kimbee Jones, Taylor Gray, Stacey Tuggle, Brett Squyres  
**14-19 Flags:** Navor Rivas, Marcey House  
**Goat Tying 8 & Under:** Kimberlee Jackson, Aaron Moyers, Blake Parrish, T.J. Kitchens, Evan Cain, Leo Sellers  
**9-13 Goat Tying:** Keith Jackson, Brett Squyres, Stacey Tuggle, Stephanie Hamrick, Kimbee Jones, Rickey Navarez, Jeremy Humphrey  
**14-19 Goat Tying:** Navor Rivas, Marcey House  
**Breakaway 9-13:** Keith Jackson, Aaron Moyers, Brett Squyres, Justin Navarez  
**14-19 Breakaway:** Navor Rivas, Robin Squyres  
**Calf Touching 9-13:** Keith Jackson, Brett Squyres, Aaron Moyers, Justin Navarez  
**Calf Touching 14-19:** Navor Rivas, Marcey House (tied)  
**Gold & Silver Trophy Buckets** were awarded as follows:  
**1995 - All Around**  
8 & Under - Aaron Moyers  
9-13 - Stephanie Hamrick  
14-19 - Marcey House  
**1995 - Reserve - All Around**  
8 & Under - Blake Parrish  
9-13 - Keith Jackson  
14-19 - Navor Rivas

**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.

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**Criminal District Court Cases**

The following cases were heard in 121st Judicial Court October 30 with Judge Kelly G. Moore presiding. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state.

Vicki Beth Miller, 32, charged with possession of methamphetamine (speed) and marijuana, violating terms of a prior probation, pled true to the motion to revoke probation. She was sentenced to ten years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ). She was credited with 143 days already spent in jail in the

cause. She was represented by Attorney Warren New.

Gracie Lazos, 38, on probation for a prior conviction of theft over \$750, had her probation modified for failure to report to the Probation Department a total of 9 months as ordered, and was a total of \$3,768.89 in arrears for the original restitution amount of \$18,878.39, supposed to have been paid in \$165 monthly installments. She pled true to the charge, and was ordered to pay \$297.49 per month for 60 months, the first payment due November 7. She was represented by Warren New.

Shannon Teel, 31, on probation for prior conviction of injury/indecency with a child, pled true to violating terms of his probation by being in arrears on probation fees, and had failed to appear for many group therapy in the Sex Offender Counseling Program. He was placed on Electronic Monitoring and Intensive Supervision for one year, and to resume the Sex Offender Counseling Program.

John Wesley Martinez, 21, pled true to the first degree felony charge of engaging in organized criminal activity, reduced to conspiracy to deliver 5 to 50 pounds of marijuana. The defendant was sentenced to 4 years in TDCJ, probated, and 1 year in the Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility.

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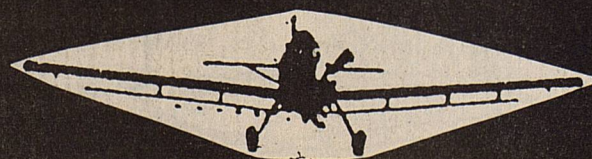


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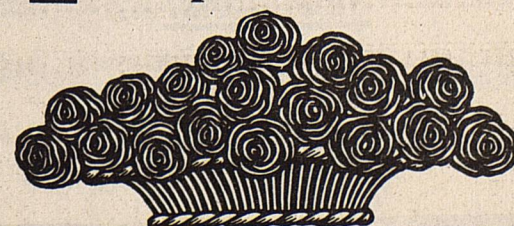
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# Femme Friends Page

## Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra Program opens 95-96 Season

The Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra Program opens the 1995-96 concert season on Sunday, November 12, with a performance by the Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra (LYSO) and the Lubbock Youth Symphony Apprentice Program (LYSAP) Orchestra at 3:00 p.m. in Hemmle Recital Hall on the Texas Tech campus. Required minimum donations of \$4 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens will be taken at the door.

The LYSO, directed by Dr. Eric Fried, presently includes 94 student musicians ranging in age from 12 to 18. Membership in the orchestra is by audition only. Students in the LYSO represent the immediate Lubbock area, as well as Levelland, Plains, Plainview, Post, Slaton, Lamesa, Amarillo and Midland. The LYSAP, a string training program for students aged 9 to 15, is directed by Ann Stutes and Sharon Herschberger.

Local PHS Band students Jason Robertson and Matt Morgan will perform in the prestigious Orchestra. Jason plays the bass trombone, and Matt plays the trumpet.

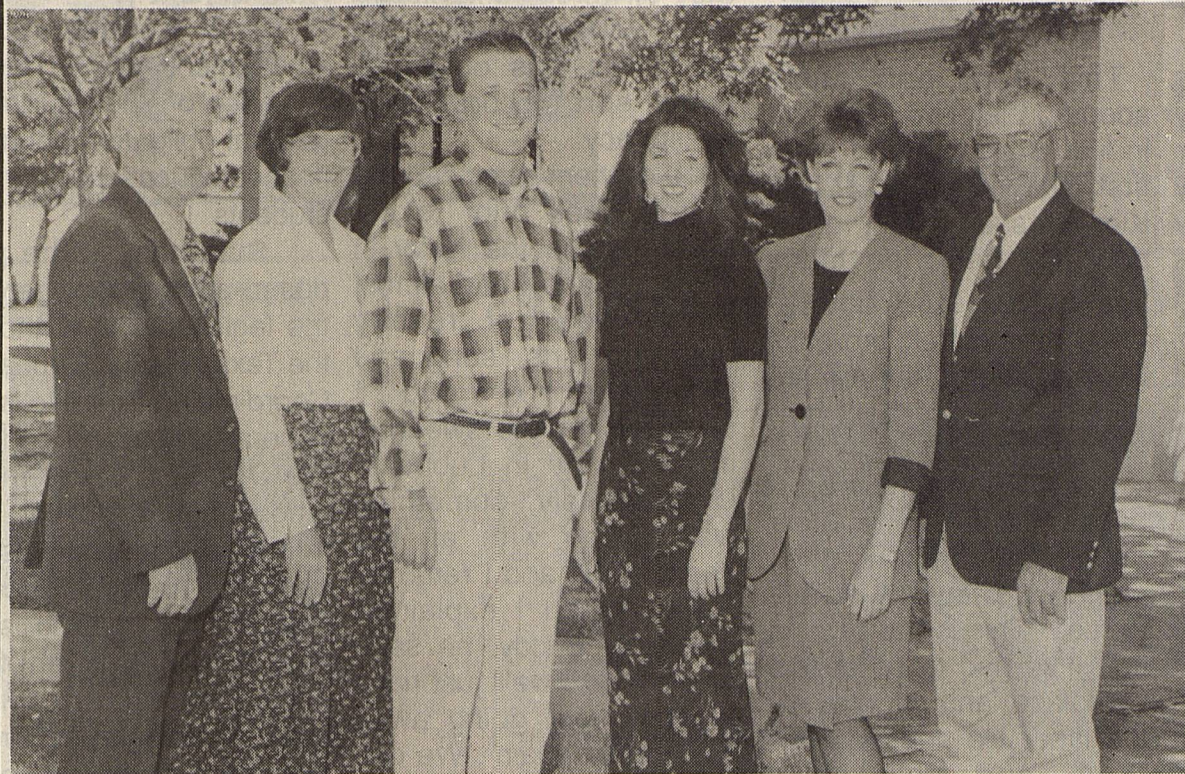
## Family And Community Education Week Tea



The State Line and Turner Family & Community Education clubs held a tea for the community on October 9, 1995 at the Old Courthouse Clubroom. Approximately twenty attended.

Members from both clubs served cookies and punch. Pictured left to right: Dorothy Jones, Velma Dearing, Lecie Peppin, Sidney Murphy, Maurine Smith, Bitsy Martin.

## Plains Students Feted At SPC



L to R, Evertt McAdams, Estelle McAdams, Kenn Mc Adams, Heather Mc Donnell, Gale and Jackie McDonnell.

Ken McAdams and Heather McDonnell were among 66 students recognized at a recent annual South Plains Scholars Recognition Luncheon. They are recipients of the John L. and Vergie Bell Smallwood Scholarship, and were recognized for

their scholarship, academic achievement and leadership. "The luncheon is a great opportunity to recognize students who have done well in high school and continue to do well at South Plains College", said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC President. "It's an

opportunity to recognize the people who provide scholarship funds helping students to attend college. We have many donors, and we are very appreciative of them". Ken and Heather are 1995 graduates of PHS.

## 4-H Club Meetings

The first meeting of the Plains 4-H Club was held Sept. 10, presided by President Josh Traweek. Twenty-six members answered the roll call.

Tadd Knight, County Extension Agent, and Club Manager Dottie Mayes reviewed plans for the coming year and assisted in enrollment. Refreshments were provided by the Kenneth McGinty and John Mayes families.

The October meeting had 19 club members present and 6 adult leaders.

Old business included announcements of the participants and winners in the South Plains Fair. A reminder that 4-H participants come under the no-pass/no play rule, and were encouraged to keep up their grades.

Members were invited to join the Food and Nutrition project group beginning soon. The County Food show will be Nov. 5 at the clubroom at 2:30. The annual cheese sale fund raiser will be beginning soon.

Gold Star Banquet will be held in Lubbock, Nov. 20 for county winners and families; A Horse Reining Clinic will be in Abilene Dec. 15 and 16; The Excell Trip for state record book winners will be Nov. 24 - 28 to Washington, DC with 4 winners from District I & II. Our club contributed \$50 to expenses for the trip.

Members saw three brief video segments entitled, "More Than You Ever Imagined." The first segment showed the establishment of a 4-H Club on the Couthatta Indian Reservation helped raise self esteem of the young people and how they used 4-H to learn about and continue traditions of the tribe.

The second segment featured the story of how 4-H participation in 4-H changed a young man from a rebellious, failing student, to a successful, aspiring student.

The final segment showed several outstanding Texans, including Rick Perry, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture who credited 4-H for helping them form values, develop responsibility and establish moral values, building a foundation for their present positions.

Door prizes were awarded and refreshments provided by the 4-H Club.

The next meeting will be Nov. 14 at the clubroom.

Ragan McGinty,  
4-H Club Reporter

## Library News

New Books:  
Where Does a Mother Go To Resign, by Barbara Johnson  
Windmills, Drouths, and Cottonseed Cake by J. Haley  
The Jesus I Never Knew, Yancey  
The Dance of Anger, Lerner, M.D.  
Canada's Spectacular National Parks, National Geographic  
Aim High, Dave Johnson  
Gideon's Torch, Charles Colson  
The Legend of Storey County by B. Thoene  
A Place Called Freedom, K. Follett  
Kevin John Gass, Troy Parrish, Kelsey Curry, Jasmine whitzel, Chris & Stephanie Addison, Haley Welch, Dakota Earnest, Katelynn Young, Brandon Craft.

## Library Film Time

Twenty-two youngsters attended Film Time October 25. They enjoyed singing three songs, playing games, saw two movies and heard a book read. Those attending included; Brett Hawthorne, Rhaela & Rhaemi Stall, Taylor Banfield, Lydia Whitzel, Morgan Willis, Holden & Hunter Welch, Landon Earnest, Jacob Brink, Isaac Doyle, Kimber Williams Kevin John Gass, Troy Parrish, Kelsey Curry, Jasmine whitzel, Chris & Stephanie Addison, Haley Welch, Dakota Earnest, Katelynn Young, Brandon Craft.

## 4-H Families Enjoy Evening

Thirty-eight 4-H'ers and family members recently spent an evening in Lamesa. Everyone enjoyed food, fellowship and entertainment in an atmosphere of the 50's era. The Sky-View Drive-In Theatre has a snack bar and lots of memorabilia of yesteryear. The movie "BABE" was a real treat and some even braved the chill to enjoy the playground.



## Tsa Mo Ga Presents Leadership Thru Volunteers Program

The Tsa Mo Ga Study Club met October 23. Serena Elmore, Director, Yoakum County Community Supervision and Correction Department, spoke to the members about an action plan to prevent illegal substance abuse in the community. She suggested the plan should include participation from parents, the school, law enforcement agencies and health personnel.

A skit entitled "Rocking Chair" was presented by Connie McWhirter, Bobbie Gayle, Mary Wilmeth and Debbie Rushing, and presented views on family economics, health issues, substance abuse prevention and other community activities.

Program Coordinator for the meeting was Mary Jo St.Romain, and Helen Hunter was hostess for the evening.



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## Thought for the Week

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;  
Romans 3:23

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## New Arrival

Steve and Raecene Randall of Denver City are the proud parents of a big boy. He was born Oct. 18, 1995 at 4:19 p.m. in the Medical Arts Hospital, Lamesa. His weight was 8 lbs. 4 oz and he was 20-1/2 inches long.

The new addition to the family has a sister, Hallie. His grandparents are Royce and Sue Randall of Plains, TX, Olivia Robertson of Denver City, TX, and Charlie Robertson of Lubbock, TX.

## Attend The Church Of Your Choice Sunday

Assembly of God Church

Church of Christ  
Ray Young

First Baptist Church  
Pastor Bill Wright

First United Methodist Church  
Pastor Rick Doyle

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
Fr. Glen Rosendale

Templo Bautista Nueva Vision  
Pastor Jose Rodriguez

# From The Hack



Funerals are a fact of life, never pleasant, always necessary, generally very sad for everyone concerned. Not so this past Monday morning. I helped bury my very last living aunt, always my favorite. I attended the final services for a lady who played a major part in my life, one Winifred Anderson, Pecos, Texas. She was well ready to meet her maker.

She was laid to rest beside her beloved husband, my God-Father type Uncle, Andy, who preceded her in death some 39 years. There were exactly five members of her immediate family at the services - her son Greg and his wife Janice, another son, Kim, and Holly and I. Not much remaining of a once fairly large clan.

This good lady once played with me as a child, saw me thru grade school, junior high, and in my high school years, let me share her bed and board with Andy. Their generosity and love helped me return to college after my service in the Korean affair. They played a very major role in my early life, a role very few aunts and uncles are willing to assume.

This aunt and uncle adopted their two sons late in life. Greg came to them first, now turned 44, and Kim blessed them next, now 42. Being so many years older than either, I have always felt more an uncle to them than a mere cousin, and I suspect they feel the same.

At the gravesite, I happened to be by Greg, and told him as they prepared to lay his mother to rest, "This is the second time I've had to be at this sad place, and I'm glad it's the last". He nodded, said "Yes, and now she's beside our daddy again". How fitting. And how proud she was of her two sons whom she had been forced to play both mother and father roles to. Greg, the oldest, a U.S. Attorney in San Antonio, and Kim, an Eighth Grade teacher in the Pecos School System.

'Greater Love Hath No Woman Than She Who Devotes Her Life And Love To Those She Holds Dearest'.

There are, fortunately, usually some lighter moments at funerals, and such was the case at Pecos Monday

after the formal services.

Three of my good old buddies served as pallbearers, and when the grave side crowd thinned out, I approached them, intending to bad mouth them a bit about their age. Instead, almost in a chorus, they all three remarked, "Man, you're sure getting old"! This was obviously some sort of organized conspiracy.

One of them reminded me of the week prior to my enlistment in the Navy in 1950. He and I had almost a full week of revelry featuring girls, song and strong drink, and I departed for the swearing in ceremony in Lubbock. Unfortunately, something was wrong with all the paper work, and I returned home. When I explained this to my Buddy, he said "Well, guess we'll just have to start your going away celebration again". We did, and it almost killed us both.

I also learned some things are the same wherever you go. Before we had to leave, the talk turned to golf. I heard exactly the same type nonsense and non truth there in Pecos as I do at the local course. And I bet I could lose just as much money there as here.

The following items are reprinted from "The Book Of Lists, 90's Edition". It's in the Library if you're doubtful.

### Great Idea;

"Gay Balfour, a Colorado inventor, started a successful business vacuuming up prairie dogs from their burrows. The idea for 'Dog-Gone' came to him in a dream; "I saw a large yellow vehicle and there were green hoses running from it. I was putting the hoses in the ground, sucking out prairie dogs".

The vacuum system doesn't hurt the animals, and deposits them alive, "if somewhat confused", in a large storage tank in his truck. He is trying to develop a market in Japan for his sucked up prairie dogs, selling them as family pets".

Dadgum, someone beat me to a golden idea again! If this develops as a supply side market, I know where the supply is!

### There really is a;

- Boring, Md.
- Ding Dong, Tx.
- Dismal, Tn.
- EEK, Alk.
- Hell, Mi.
- Lollipop, Tx.
- Muck City, Ala.
- Odd, WVA.

## November 7 Election Amendments To Consider

### Amendment 1

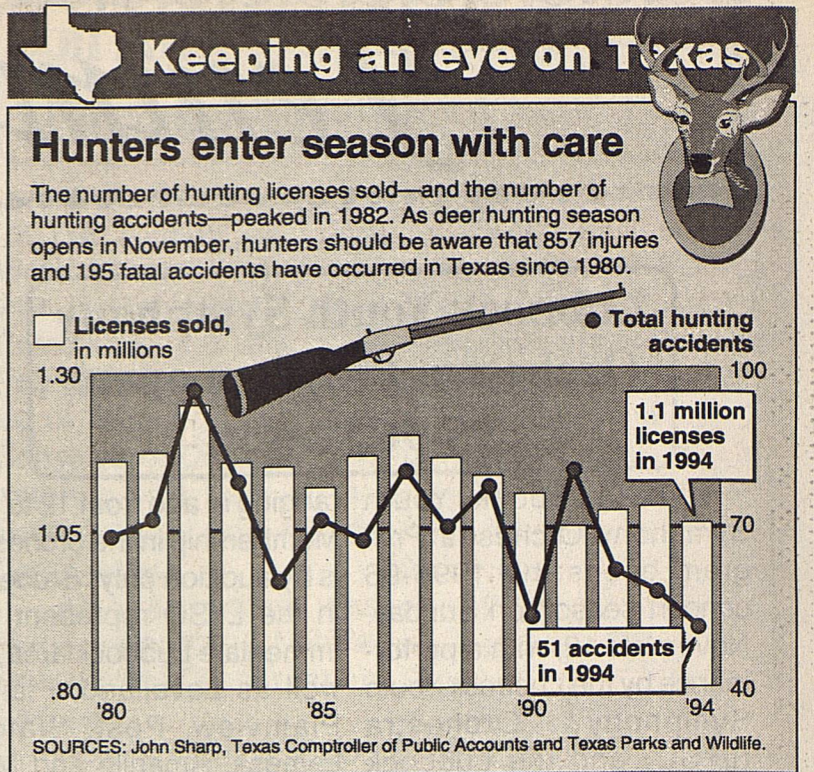
The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$300 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students.

**Summary:** The proposed amendment permits the legislature to authorize the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue general obligation bonds of the State of Texas in an amount not to exceed \$300 million. Under a related statutory provision, the coordinating board may not issue more than \$100 million of the authorized \$300 million of bonds in a single fiscal year. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to provide educational loans to students.

**Arguments For:** College attendance, producing a well-educated, productive workforce, contributes to the growth of the state's economy. The state thus has a direct interest in promoting college attendance by ensuring that adequate student loans are available at the favorable interest rates accessible to the state. The need for student loans is increasing because of tuition and fee increases designed to require a student to bear a greater percentage of the actual cost of a higher education. Authorizing additional bonds for student loans is a reasonable method of moderating the effect of these tuition and fee increases so that higher education remains accessible to all Texans.

**Arguments Against:** Providing student loans is properly a function of the private financial sector. For the state to provide public loans in competition with the private sector at favorable interest rates available only to the state is inappropriate in the absence of a clear indication that the private sector is unable to meet loan demand. Although the student loan program has historically been self-supporting, there is no guarantee that it will remain so.....

- Porkey, Pa.
- Roachtown, Il.
- Toad Suck, Ak.
- Zap, ND.



## Conservation District Offers Windbreak Trees

The Yoakum Soil & Water Conservation District is again selling windbreak trees.

Those interested may contact Olivia Robertson at the Natural Resource Conservation Service Office in plains at 456-3703, for further details.

Windbreaks, if properly designed and maintained, can help protect life and property for many years to come. Windbreaks help decrease heating costs in the winter and cooling costs in the summer for homes and buildings. Trees planted in windbreaks also help to reduce soil erosion and damage to crops, provide shelter for livestock, and supply food and improve habitat for wildlife. In addition, windbreaks significantly increase the monetary value of a home site and the aesthetic quality of rural life.

The hardwood species that are available include Bur Oak, Catalpa, Desert Willow, Flameleaf Sumac, Honeylocust, Mulberry, Naking Cherry, Native Plum, Osage Orange, Pecan, Russian Olive, Sandcherry, Shumard Oak, and Skunkbush Sumac. These

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The following conifers are also available. Afghanistan Pines, Arizona Cypress, Austrian Pine, Ponderosa Pine, Rocky Mt. Juniper, Red Cedar and Southwestern White Pine. These sell in bundles of 20 trees. Also there are a few varieties of hardwoods and conifers that are being sold individually.

Wildlife packets of trees for quail and pheasant, deer, turkey, or squirrel are also available. These packets have 25 trees of four different varieties that wildlife prefer. Each wildlife packet contains 100 trees. The Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District encourages planting wildlife packets to promote wildlife habitat development in the county.

The last day to order is February 15, 1996 and delivery will take place at the Natural Resource Conservation Service office in plains around the first of March.

The district also has available, 1 gallon and 5 gallon trees and shrubs, that you may order on into May or as long as the supply last.

## Veterans Christmas Gifts

The AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY and TSA MOGA CLUB are asking the Community to bring Christmas Gifts for the Big Spring Veterans Hospital. Suitable gifts for the family and friends will be selected by the Veterans. Also paper back and hard back books are needed in their Library. Gifts and Books to be brought to the Plains Library before Nov. 11, 1995.

## 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.

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