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DISTRICT COURT ACTION REVEALS NEW DWI PROVISIONS

Two cases were heard in 121st Judicial District Court June 19. Judge Ray Anderson presided, and Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state.

In case #11702, Jimmy Don Gunter, 54 represented by Attorney Tom Wilkins, pled guilty to the offense of Hindering a Secured Creditor. He was assigned a one year jail term, probated two years, was fined \$500, and ordered to pay a total restitution of \$3141.26, attorney fees of \$250, payable in monthly installments of \$170. He will also pay court costs of \$165, and community supervision fees of \$40 per month.

Case number #1695 found Henry Lee Bailey, 47, Terry County, Charged with subsequent DWI and represented by attorney Gerald Anderson, pled guilty. Because of prior DWI convictions, Bailey's charge constituted a 2nd degree felony. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, suspended; He must serve at least 6 months, or no more than one year in a Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF).

His driver's license will be suspended 180 days, and

serve 180 days in the Terry County jail, or until space is available in a SAFPF. he cannot drive a motor vehicle for five years. He was also fined \$1500, must pay \$249.50 court costs, and a probation fee of \$40 per month, all payments deferred until released from SAFPF. An unusual additional judgment provision featured Bailey's forfeiture of his 1987 Nissan Pickup.

Criminal District Attorney Clark said, "To my knowledge, this is the first time this little known feature of the law allowing forfeiture of a motor vehicle belonging to a DWI felon has been enforced".

Clark explained the forfeiture is allowed if the defendant in a DWI case has been convicted three or more times, or has been guilty of criminally negligent homicide. The vehicle shall be sold in the county where the arrest occurred, and after satisfying any lien holder or secured party, the balance of the sale will be deposited in the county treasury.

The Criminal District

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PIVOT SYSTEM ANALYSIS IS OFFERED TO AREA PRODUCERS

Field technicians with the Texas Water Development Board have been in Plains since last Monday morning evaluating center pivot irrigation systems for sprinkler head pattern efficiency. They are offering their services at the request of the Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District. There is no charge for the evaluation.

The past several dry crop production years have shown the importance of properly calibrated sprinkler systems when water is the main production limiting factor, and an inefficient delivery system can be very costly in crop yields.

The technicians place gathering cups at 30 foot intervals along the center

pivot system. The system then "walks" across the line of cups, collecting the irrigation water. The water is then measured, and the results are logged in a computer data base. After computer analyzing, the results are furnished to the producer, and he can make any needed changes in the sprinkler system for more efficiency.

This is the sixth consecutive year Sandy Land has made this free service available to producers. The crew of technicians will be on hand Wednesday and Thursday, and possibly a portion of Friday morning. For more information, contact the Sandy Land office, 456-2155.

KEN McADAMS MEETS SEN. DOMENICI IN WASHINGTON



New Mexico Senator Pete Domenici recently met Ken McAdams, who was in Washington as a delegate with the New Mexico Electric Cooperatives Youth Tour. Ken, who represented Lea County Electric Co-Op, was selected to tour the nation's capitol on the basis of his essay on "Where Our Energy Sources Will Come From in the Years to Come."

Ken, a recent graduate of Plains High School and class Salutatorian, is the son of Evertt and Estelle McAdams, both teachers at PHS.

FOOD STAMPS TO END AUGUST 1

AUSTIN: "Food stamps will go out of business in Plains on August 1," State Comptroller John Sharp announced today. "Yoakum county is included in the largest expansion of the Lone Star card in Texas, and with this roll-out, the Texas attack on bureaucratic bloat and welfare fraud moves into high gear."

"In just four weeks, food stamps will virtually disappear from another 90 Texas counties, in the San Antonio, El Paso, Lubbock, Amarillo, Victoria and Beaumont-Port Arthur, areas, along with portions of East Texas," Sharp said. "And retailers who prepare early

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THREAT OF LIVESTOCK VIRUS CONTINUES

Vesicular Stomatitis Task force investigations are now concentrated in Valencia County around the communities of Bosque Farms, Belen and Los Lunas.

The task force has a total of 59 investigations ongoing--19 of these investigations are located in Valencia County. Investigations also continue in Dona Ana, Bernalillo, Santa Fe and Catron counties. Individual properties under disease investigation and also some properties contiguous to those under investigation are under State order to not move animals from the premises until laboratory tests are completed. No reportable disease other than vesicular stomatitis has been identified in livestock.

"The current focus of our investigations is in Rio Grande River Valley south of Albuquerque," said Dr. Phil LaRussa, director of field operations for the task force.

"We're advising livestock and horse owners to keep their animals close to home and to implement insect control programs on their properties in vicinities where we are conducting investigations."

Vesicular stomatitis is a viral disease that can affect horses, cattle, sheep and swine. In affected livestock, the incubation period ranges from two to eight days. The

first signs are slobbering and loss of appetite. Then, blister like lesions form in the mouth and on the dental pad, tongue, lips, nostrils, hooves and teats. These blisters swell and break, leaving raw tissue so painful that infected animals generally refuse to eat or drink and show signs of lameness. The course of the disease lasts about two weeks, and healthy animals generally recover.

To report livestock that may have vesicular stomatitis or to obtain more information, contact the New Mexico Livestock Disease Taskforce in Las Cruces at (505) 647-1615.

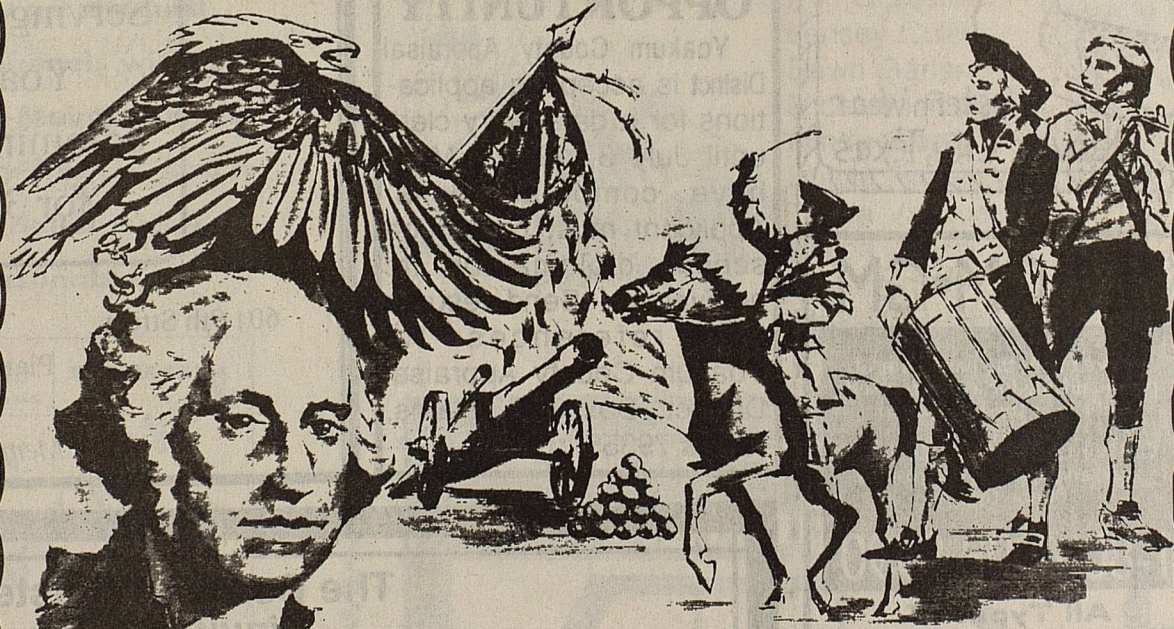
Tadd Knight, Yoakum County Extension Agent-Agriculture, urges all livestock ranchers to watch carefully for any of the symptoms of the virus in their animals. Knight said, "With the large numbers of livestock which routinely cross our border, both into and out of New Mexico, we should be especially alert to this health threat." He added he is in the process of personally contacting local livestock producers of the problem.

The current rodeo, racing and fair season, with many livestock moving back and forth across the state line, calls for special awareness of the virus.

COUNTY COURT ACTION

In Yoakum County Court Friday, June 23, case 7584, Miguel Moreno Barrientes, 29, charged with DWI and a blood alcohol concentration of .103, pled guilty to the charge. He was sentenced to a 12 month probated jail term, must spend 72 consecutive hours in jail, was fined \$500, and must pay \$235 court costs. Judge Dallas Brewer presided, and Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the State.

In case #1725, Ernest George Strickland, 18, charged with deadly conduct, pled guilty and was sentenced to 3 years in the TDCJ, with placement in the Special Alternative Incarceration Program (Boot Camp) for no less than 75 days, nor more than 90 days. He is to pay a \$2,500 fine and \$169.50 Court Costs. He admitted being the shooter in an April drive by shooting at a Denver City residence.



SO PROUDLY WE HAIL!

Let us renew our dedication to this great country on this Independence Day. Let's salute our flag proudly: it is symbolic of our precious heritage of freedom and democracy, hard fought for over two centuries! Vibrant as ever are the ideals we hold dear as a nation: concern for our fellow man, honest enterprise, mutual respect for all, and Liberty, Justice and the Pursuit of Happiness!

Happy Birthday America!

INDEPENDENCE DAY

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Attorney added, "We want the public to be aware of this provision of the law. We want to send a strong message to those people who continue to drink and drive. This provision gives the law bigger teeth in trying repeat offenders." He said the SAFFP sentence is in a true lockup type facility, not in a halfway type environment. In some cases, a repeat DWI conviction in the SAFFP program can result in more actual time being spent behind bars than a normal jail sentence.

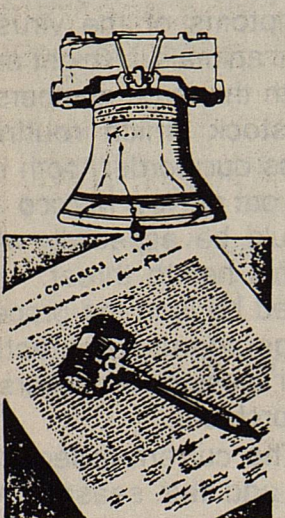
Clark also outlined provisions in the Administrative License Revocation (ALR) process which became law January 1 of this year.

If an arresting officer has reason to believe a driver is impaired, he administers a field sobriety test. If the driver performs poorly, he would be arrested for DWI and taken to jail. He would then be asked to take a chemical test to measure his blood alcohol concentration (BAC test). If he refuses, or fails the test, he would be advised of the license suspension, but the license would not be seized. The offender can request a hearing, conducted by a State Office of Administrative Hearing Judge. The Judge must determine if DPS has adequate proof of probable cause for arrest, if the test was offered to the driver, and if the BAC test indicated operation of a vehicle with a BAC test of 0.10 or higher (less content for commercial vehicle operators). For failing the test, the Judge can order a 60 day license revocation for first time offenders, 120 days if previously suspended or refusing the test, 180 days if previously suspended for DWI or involuntary manslaughter.

For refusing the BAC test, the license could be suspended for 90 days for first offenders, 180 days if previously suspended for failing or refusing the test, or one year for previous suspensions or involuntary manslaughter convictions.

Clark said, "ALR is a civil remedy separate from criminal proceedings. The suspension provisions are in addition to criminal charges the offender may face. The thrust of this is, we are very serious about reducing the number of DWI cases in our courts, by cracking down harder on the guilty, especially repeat offenders."

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ASANA OK'D FOR MILO, TESTIMONY OFFERED BEFORE CONGRESS

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), acting on a request by the Texas Grain Sorghum Association, has issued a crisis exemption for use of Asana XL to control midge problems in Texas grain sorghum.

The product, a synthetic pyrethroid, is not labeled for sorghum use but is an economical treatment for the midge.

Restrictions apply as to dates when the product may be used, and vary from region to region. Producers wanting to use Asana should contact their county extension agent, or TDA office for information.

Bill Kubecka, farmer from Palacios and Vice President, Legislation, National Grain Sorghum Producers, testified before House and Senate Ag sub-committees in Washington recently. His proposal for the 1995 Farm Bill included setting the Sorghum program on par with corn, and also for 100% planting flexibility. "Our proposal does not dictate policy," he said. "It offers producers the best option available for their operations while saving the government money, and maintaining farm income. The program is a win-win situation for taxpayers, consumers, exporters, commodity processors and farmers alike"

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should be ready to accept the card without a hitch."

The Lone Star card is the cornerstone of Sharp's wide-ranging welfare reform plan, which was approved by the Texas Legislature and recently signed into law by Governor George W. Bush. The card was first proposed in 1991 by Sharp, who created a task force to oversee its development.

The August 1 implementation will affect 300,000 families and 4,000 retail grocery locations in 90 counties.

"This security card will hold accountable both the bureaucrats and the people who depend on temporary public assistance," Sharp said. "It will save tax dollars, reduce fraud and boost grocery sales."

"That's why I urge all retailers that accept food stamps who haven't yet signed up for the Lone Star card to do so immediately so they don't lose business or leave their customers hanging."

Sharp said that retailers who accept the Lone Star card reported an immediate increase in food sales after the program was first implemented in February in the Houston area.

"Between February and March, food sales rose by \$4.5 million, because benefits can be spent on food and food alone, not on crack cocaine or other illegal activities in the food stamp black market," Sharp said.

"Since June 1, when the program expanded through the Dallas-Fort Worth

GENERAL REVENUE SPENDING BY STATE GOVERNMENT

	1994-95	1995-96	% Change
EDUCATION	\$24,454.5	\$26,621.8	8.9%
PUBLIC SAFETY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE	\$4,283.7	\$5,578.1	30.2
HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES	\$9,374.9	\$10,381.6	10.7%
ALL GR-RELATED SPENDING	\$ 40,023.2	\$44,086.1	10.2%

This graphic shows only the general revenue spending contained in the two year \$79.9 billion total appropriations bill.

Metroplex and along the Gulf Coast, the Lone Star card has been working so smoothly that retailers have rung up food stamps sales totaling nearly \$65 million," Sharp said.

"But these benefits will by-pass retailers who don't soon take steps to accept the card," Sharp said. "Because of the vast geographical logistics of this expansion -- which included the San Antonio, El Paso, Golden triangle and Panhandle regions -- it's critical that retailers make arrangements now to install the necessary equipment."

Slightly more than 50 percent of the 4,000 retailers in this 90 county area have already signed agreements to provide food stamps and Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) payments with the Lone Star card.

"We need the remainder of the retailers in these areas to contact Transactive Corporation, the Austin-based operator of the Lone Star card and make arrangements to come on-line by August 1. They can contact the company toll-free at 1-800-418-8000," Sharp said.

IT RAINED! IT ACTUALLY RAINED!

The faces of area agriculture producers are not quite so long and drawn these days, following several days of much needed rains.

It's difficult to tabulate the amount of rain received across the county. Depending on the area, reports indicate anywhere from 2.5 to 6 inches of rain have fallen since the series of showers started last week.

Many producers will plant milo on acreage previously seeded to dry land cotton which was destroyed by abnormally long periods of high winds. A number of other producers spurred by the prediction of record high prices for the 1995 cotton crop, are replanting cotton. All of them admit the last week of June planting is chancy.

Weather conditions during the growing season will have to be near perfect

between now and harvest time to make a decent cotton crop. Most producers now replanting feel a quarter bale of dry land cotton, at predicted high prices, will result in more cash return than a normal crop of dry land milo.

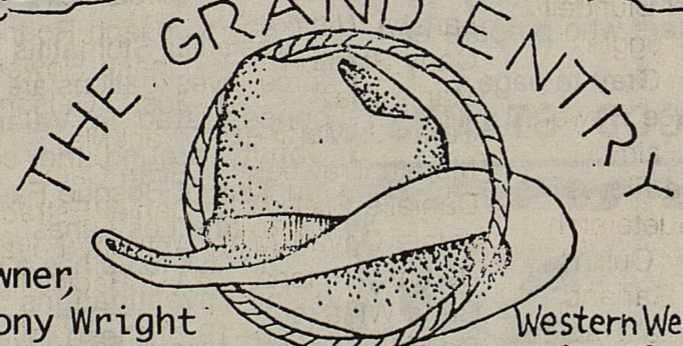
Time will tell. We hope both the milo and cotton crop fares well the remainder of the season.

SPEED RECORD BETWEEN DALLAS-FT. WORTH

Fort Worth: A party of sportsmen driving a large \$2,600 machine of the "Red Devil" class yesterday set a new speed record over the dirt road between Fort Worth and Dallas. The trip of about thirty-five miles took only one hour and thirty-five minutes. This record compares favorably with that made by a racing car at the State fair in Dallas two years ago. The racer covered a distance of three miles in seven minutes and twenty seconds.

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Friday, June 30, 1995
2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL RESULTS

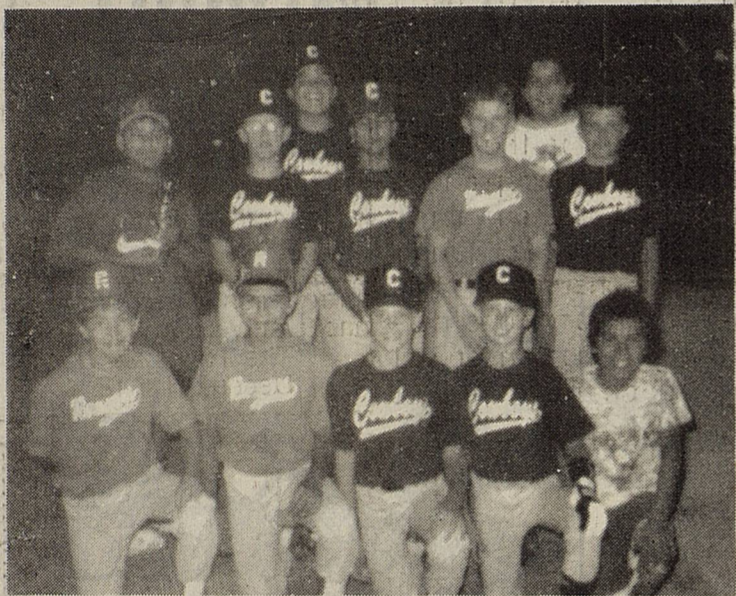
June 8th: Minors - West Texas Gas White Sox defeated Plains State Bank Sharks 10-1.
 Major League - Staline Insurance Cowboys defeated the Pay N Save Yankees 18-3. Adam Garcia hit a home run for the Cowboys.
 June 9 Minor league - Sharks were defeated by the Texas Equipment Braves 8-5, and White Sox beat the Anderson Grain Marlins 19-4.
 June 10 Minor league - Marlins defeated the Braves 13-4.
 Majors - Cowboys defeated Farm Bureau Rangers 16-13.
 June 12 Minor league - White Sox whipped the Braves 21-5.
 Major league - Cowboys defeated the Yankees 22-2. Gerry Rivas hit a home run for the Yankees.
 June 13 Minor league - Sharks down the Marlins 16-12.
 Majors - Rangers defeated the Yankees 9-4.
 June 15 Minors - The Braves defeated the Marlins 22-21.
 Majors - The Cowboys beat the Rangers 21-5, to finish the Major league season undefeated. The Yankees and Rangers split the season 3-3.
 June 16 Minor league - The White Sox downed the Marlins 20-12. The Sharks defeated the Braves 21-7.

Following the final game June 15, Little League President Brad Palmer acknowledged all the individuals and local business firms who contributed time, effort and funds for another successful Little League season. Among those cited were Alan Bell, Jack Andis, Guy Williams, Macky McWhirter, Byron Morgan and the PHS trumpeters, Freddie Ramos, Peggy Squyres, Ron Craft, and all of the volunteers working the concession stand and on the playing field. Local firms helping this year included Staline Insurance, Farm Bureau Insurance, Pay N Save, Anderson Grain, Texas Equipment, West Texas Gas, Plains State Bank, New-Tex Gin, Yoakum County Co-Op Gin, Sellers Ag Supply, and the Texas Highway Department.

Twelve-year old players finishing their Little League careers included Luis Hernandez, Joseph Rodriguez, Tanner Hamm, Sterling Deaton, Kelsey Blundell, Greg Gonzales, Tyrel Tyson, Gerry Rivas, Brett Squyres, Jason Garcia, Eric Montez, Adam Garcia, Aaron Cain, Luis Escobar, Chris Gschiedle, Sergio Sandoval, Marcos Hernandez, Eddy Gallegos, Casey Mayes, Chris Estrada, and Skyleer Johnson.

★ ★ ★ 1995 L. L. ALL-STARS ★ ★ ★

The twelve players who will represent Plains in the District 2 tournament in Lubbock are front row L-R: Kelsey Blundell, Joseph Rodriguez, Tanner Hamm, Sterling Deaton, David Longoria, standing; Gerry Rivas, Jared Bell, Sergio Sandoval, Adam Garcia, Brett Squyres, Eddy Gallegos, Aaron Cain. Coaches will be Charles Cain and Richard Garcia Jr., who coached the undefeated Cowboys this season. The tournament will begin July 3rd in Lubbock.



COUNTY 4-H'er EARNS SCHOLARSHIP

Julie Hancock received one of fifty \$10,000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships. The announcement of scholarship recipients was made at Texas 4-H Roundup held on the Texas A&M University campus, according to Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent.

Julie is a recent graduate of Denver City High School. She is the daughter of Joni Hancock of Denver City and Don Hancock of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Julie is a six year member of the Denver City 4-H Club and is presently serving as the club president. She also is the District 4-H Council 2nd Vice-President.

Other 4-H honors won by Julie include: Outstanding Junior 4-H'er, "I Dare You" Award, Gold Star Award, State winning illustrated talks in 1992 and 1994, Texas 4-H Congress in 1994, the 1994 State winning record book, in Conservation of Natural Resources and a trip to National 4-H Congress held in Orlando, Florida.

She has been an active high school student in Denver City as a National Honor Society member, has served as secretary and ENERGY Committee Chairman of the Student Council, Rotary Club Student of the Month, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Homecoming Princess, and Friendliest Girl. She also is active in the Denver City Church of Christ.

Julie plans to attend West Texas A&M University in Canyon this fall to major in Wildlife Management/Forestry.



BASKETBALL CAMP BIG SUCCESS SIXTH YEAR

The sixth annual Plains Basketball camp ended very successfully Friday, June 23. Some 74 young aspiring basketball stars from the PISD attended the week long event, limited to students who had not experienced High School basketball. 44 girls completed the training camp, along with 30 boys.

The youngsters received

instructions from Head Basketball Coaches Steve Osborn and Jack Baucom, who were Assisted by coaches Lance Bingham, Edwin Brink, Cheryl Horne, and Michael Davis.

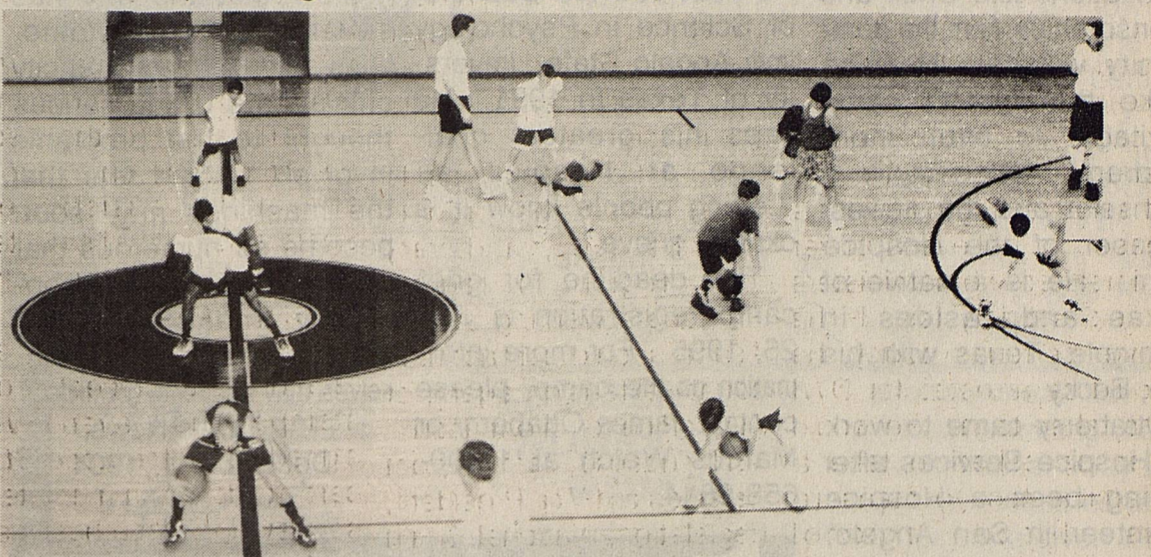
The entire coaching staff had words of praise for the young netters, appreciating their hard work, attitude and enthusiasm for the week of hard work.

The youngsters concentrated mainly on game fundamentals, ball handling, dribbling, passing, shooting, and proper defensive skills.

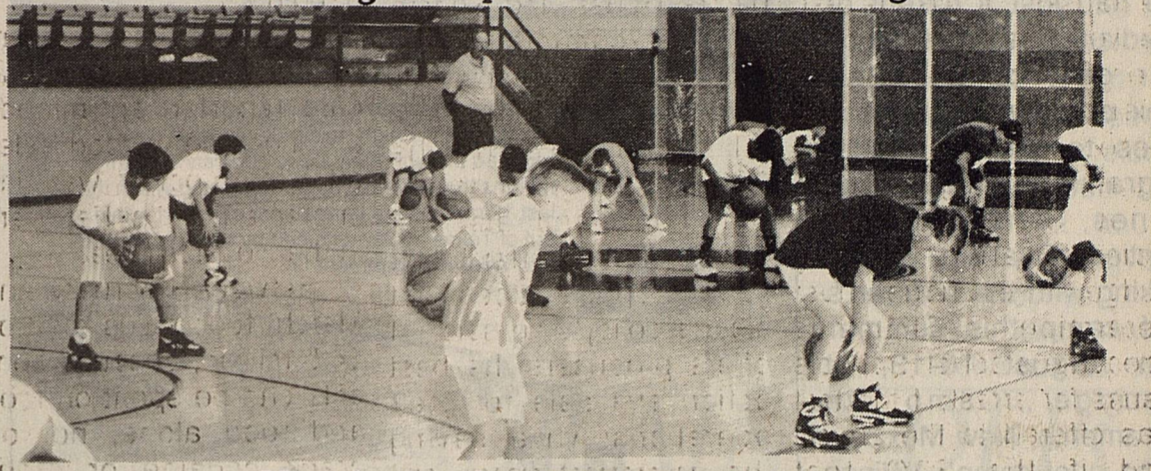
The coaching staff gave awards to individuals in their many various skills.

If you have a youngster eligible to attend this excellent learning experience next year, mark it on your calendar NOW.

(Editors Note: We apologize for the lack of pictures of the girls practicing. We were unable to attend the PM sessions)



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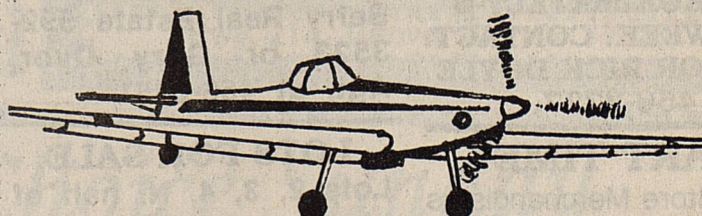
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SHELL SUPPORTS HOSPICE GRIEF CAMP

June 20, 1995 -- Rich Hansen, Manager of Public Affairs for Shell's Houston operations along with Charlie Mann from Hobbs operation presented Hospice Services, Inc. with a \$1,000.00 donation. The donation will be used to help defray the cost of the Third Annual Hospice Grief Camp for children.

James Ottaberry, who accepted the donation, believes, "Donations from foundations like Shell and sponsorships from the community will help Hospice make this years' camp available to even more children." Ottaberry is a counselor and the newest member of the Hospice team. He is a native of Texas and resides in Seminole, Texas with his wife, Becky.

Ottaberry came to work for Hospice Services after having been a Hospice volunteer in San Angelo, Texas. He helped children who had lost a parent or guardian to work through their grief during a six week program. Ottaberry hopes to start a similar program here for Lea, Gaines, and Yoakum counties. Ottaberry will be working with the children's grief camp this summer from August 10-13, at Skyridge Camp in Sacramento, New Mexico.

The grief camp, "Wings of Love-Just for Me," accepts children 9-18 years of age who are dealing with grief and loss issues. Younger children may be accepted depend-

ing on the circumstances. The camp will hold workshops on grief, coping skills, death and dying, and other losses such as divorce, desertion and life changes. However, it is not an all work camp and no play. Crafts and games are integrated into the curriculum to provide stress and anger management skills.

Ottaberry has been counseling for three years. He received his Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Angelo State University of Texas in 1991. He sees his greatest challenge at Hospice as "Letting people know it is okay to grieve."

The deadline for grief camp registration is July 26, 1995. For more information on the camp, please contact James Ottaberry or Marcus Welch at 1-800-658-6844.

HOUSTON DRIVER FINED

Houston: One of the events of the year 1903 in Houston was the first arrest of a Houstonian for speeding in an automobile. The gentleman was fined \$10 and costs for endangering the lives and limbs of his neighbors by exceeding the speed limit of six miles per hour.

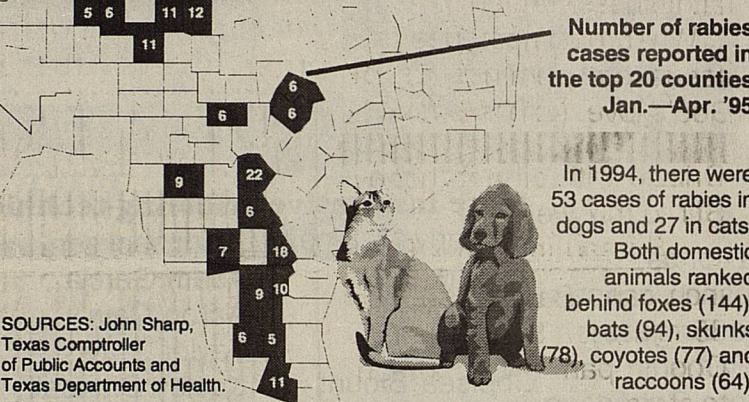
Now that the city has several dozen automobiles, civic leaders and city officials are giving serious thought to the problems involved. Some fear that the machines may soon become so numerous that pedestrians will be constantly endangered and that the automobiles themselves may frequently collide.

The Texas News, December 1, 1904

Keeping an eye on Texas

Emergency rabies quarantine

Since January, Texas has been under an emergency rabies quarantine because of the high incidence of rabies cases—329 reported through April. Dogs and cats over three months that have not been vaccinated within the last 12 months are barred from transport within or out of Texas by law enforced by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.



THIS IS NOSTALGIA TIME

JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT, AND BECAUSE THE 'OLD SETTLERS REUNION' & RODEO IS APPROACHING, WE THOUGHT WE WOULD REPRODUCE THIS PAGE OF THE 1954 "COWBOY HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL". IT MIGHT BRING BACK MEMORIES, AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO INVITE YOUR PAST BUDDIES AND KIN TO JOIN YOU FOR THE BIG EVENT.

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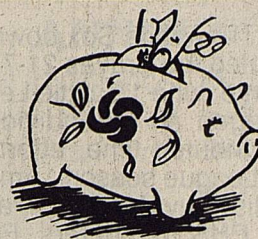


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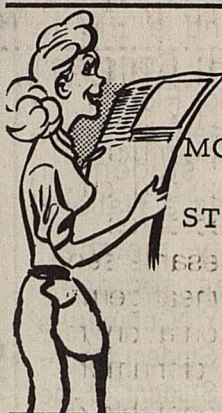
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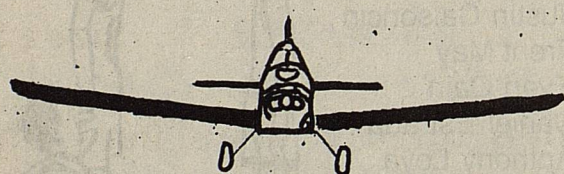


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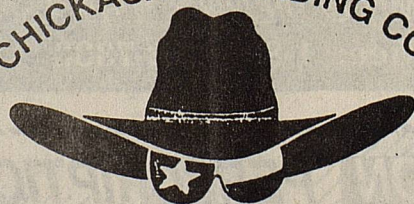


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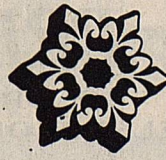


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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT



We were furnished the incorrect picture of the future newlyweds, Kristy D'Ann Shulenberg, and Garrick Nathaniel Engle, which was featured in last week's edition. As a courtesy to the couple, we are printing the correct photo. The couple will be wed August 11, in the First United Methodist Church, Denver City.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR JOAN CHANDLER

The Yoakum County FCE and 4-H Clubs invite everyone to attend a farewell party for Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent, FCS, on June 29 between the hours of 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM in the Plains Club Room. Chandler's last day in office will be June 30. She and her husband will relocate in Littlefield, where she will assume her present duties as Extension Agent for Lamb County.



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GRANDSON OF LOCALS EARNS SCHOLARSHIP

Jason Sloan Tingle, a recent graduate of Miles High School, received a \$1,000 scholarship through the News Election Service, and the State Association of County and District Clerks Association. The award was announced at the June 22 conference of Clerks in Brownsville.

Jason is the son of Eddie and Pam Tingle of Miles. His grandparents are Mae and Jim Barnett and Sperm Tingle, all of Plains.

Jason was his senior class Valedictorian, with a grade point average of



103.6. He plans to attend Angelo State University this fall, and after three years, enter a school of dentistry to become an orthodontist.



From Cowboy Country Kitchen

GRANOLA

- 4 c. quick oats
 - 12 oz. peanuts
 - 1 (8 oz) pkg. cut-up pitted dates
 - 1/4 c. sesame seed
 - 1/4 c. wheat germ
 - 1/4 c. nonfat dry milk
 - 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
 - 1/4 c. vegetable oil
 - 1/4 c. honey
- In large container, mix well first 7 ingredients.

Thought for the Week

Prayer: Lord, help me to rely on you in all that I do. Guide me down life's road and keep your hands of love on my shoulders. Thank you for your faithfulness. Amen.

When our memories fail, Jesus still reminds us of God's love. (Loriann E. Woods)

Drizzle with oil and honey. Stir to mix well. Spread into 13 x 9 x 2 inch pan. Bake at 300° for 35 minutes. Stir frequently. Cool in pan. Wrap airtight to store.

THANK YOU!

A sincere 'Thank You' to each and everyone who helped us thru our time of grief and loss. Your prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers and food were greatly appreciated. Our special thanks to both Brother Reynolds and McCoy, and the entire Brownfield Church of Christ, for your kindness and many considerations.

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WEDDING SHOWER ANNOUNCED

Niki McGinty and fiance Joe Raff will be honored with a wedding shower on July 9, 1995, from 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Miss McGinty's selected colors are wine, burgundy, navy, all with ivory accent. Gift selections are available for the couple at the Renaissance Flower and Gift in Plains, the Plains Depot, Bayer Lumber in Plains, Dillard's Dept. Store in Lubbock and J.C. Penny's in Lubbock. The celebration will be held in the home of Mary Jo St. Romain, 806 First St., Plains, Texas

LEGISLATURE ADDRESSES WOMEN

Austin: In a last-minute rush which, according to Governor O.B. Colquitt, saved the session, the legislature has passed a number of bills, many of them of a progressive nature. The legislature was particularly friendly to women. Included among the important acts of the session were the married women's property act, the wife abandonment act, and a measure limiting the hours that a woman may work in certain industries in a given day or a given week.

One of the most important acts of the session is that known as the employer's liability act or the workmen's compensation act. Labor also looks with favor upon the act making eight hours the standard working day for state employees.

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FROM THE HACK



I've been reading lots of publicity blurbs in the *Lovington Leader* lately about the upcoming "World's Greatest Lizard Race" to be held in that city the fourth of July. I don't know who thought this up, or what the winner's prize is, but I think it's a great idea. So great, I plan to enter it.

You will recall reading about the 'Horny Toad' (that's 'horned frog' to you faint of heart) which frequents our backyard. I managed to capture the little fellow recently, built him a nicely furnished cage, and have started him on a rigorous training program, getting him in shape for the big lizard race across the border.

Choosing a name for my entry was difficult. I considered 'Amorous Amos', 'Casanova Clyde', 'Randy Andy', 'Hot Hand Hank', 'Panting Paul', and one or two others the race officials refused to allow, and finally chose 'Lusty Luke'. The bride made him a little bridle and reins of thread, and he's looking more like a scaly miniature quarter horse daily.

Owning and training a racing lizard is expensive. I am feeding him a high protein diet of flies imported from Spain, and ground raw oysters, for obvious reasons. To get him to speed down the practice race track, I bought a race starters pistol, and stand at the finish line. When I fire the gun, I flip open an issue of 'The Discovery Channel' magazine featuring a voluptuous female horny toad(or toadess) so Luke can see the photo.

He actually makes the dust fly as he charges down the track, eyes glazed, panting and puffing not from the run, slightly slobbering at the mouth, to

Had my first opportunity to play golf on the Gaines County course since it became an 18 holer, and it is a really nice layout. Too bad I can't say the same about my playing partners. One was a son in law, who is now prohibited from uttering words about any type of pig farming by his banker. The other is a guy from Denver City who admits he is getting filthy rich writing 'CAT' insurance for local farmers.

They blamed their extremely poor play on my presence. The insurance King, Jim Brown, said "playing with you is like playing with an albatross tied to your neck".

I did hear an interesting tale from the two connivers; Seems Brown and a couple of other Denver City golfers went to Gaines County not too long ago, and somehow got paired up with a threesome from Seminole. A friendly wager ensued, and things were OK until a really hard tough par 3 loomed.

One of the Seminole players duffed a tee shot, but on his 2nd shot, miraculously got his ball in the hole for a birdie.

One of the D.C. group, a rather large girthed individual affectionately known as 'Ton of Fun' by

the locals, infuriated by the miraculous shot, got in the wrong cart somehow, drove off with the Seminole lucky, and started fuming; "I don't have any #1**^*.*#* clue how that lucky #@!^*+*>* made that shot!!

Needless to say, the Gaines County golfer exited the cart, not willing to protest the issue since 'Ton of Fun' weighs about what a young horse does.

The O.J. Simpson soap opera continues - on, on, and on.

He tries the infamous glove on, and supposedly they're 2 sizes too small. He probably said, "If the shoe fits, brother, I might wear it, if it's a Gucci label. If this glove don't fit, I ain't gonna, even if it's a Calvin Klein!"

Here's a few thoughts which could apply to the 'Table Of Wisdom' bunch; "It's better to keep your mouth shut and appear stupid than to open it and remove all doubt." - Mark Twain.

"The idea is to die young as late as possible". - Ash Montague

"I always advise people never to give advice". - P.G. Wodehouse.

"Age is a question of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it don't matter". - Satchel Paige.

"Falling in love with one's self is the first secret of happiness. If you're not a good mixer, you can always fall back on your own company". - Bob Morley

JULY 4th MARKS MORE THAN JUST INDEPENDENCE DAY

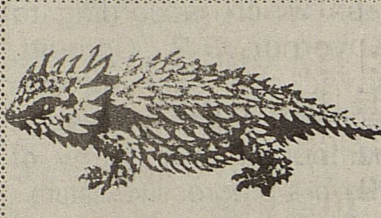
The 4th of July commemorates date of the Nation's independence from England. It also marks other important dates in our history. The date was disastrous for the south in the Civil War. On July 4, 1863, Vicksburg finally fell to Union forces, securing the Mississippi River for the North. That same day, Rebel General Robert Lee began his retreat from the fateful battle of Vicksburg. During the previous three days fighting, over 43,000 Union and Confederates fell wounded, dead, or were missing. In November of that year, President Lincoln, following a number of other speakers, commemorated a new national cemetery of Gettysburg. His brief remarks have become part of our revered heritage.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate

a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate-we can not consecrate-we can not hallow-this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us--that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion-that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain-that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom-and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.



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