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"MA" THOMPSON RETIRES -- This week marks the second week of retirement, after 24 years of checking groceries for area townspeople. The community will honor Mrs. Thompson with a reception Friday, Jan. 16, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Heritage Room of Plains Library.

Chamber Directors Elect Jim Warren, President

Plans for the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet were discussed Tuesday morning in a board of directors meeting in Johnnie's Restaurant. The second annual event will be held in the latter part of March or early April.

Elected to serve as Chamber President for 1987 was Jim Warren. Others attending were David Bunch, Dolores Davis, Carolyn Culwell, Paul Cobb, Dick McGinty and Dean Andrews.

The Chamber meets at 7 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Dues are \$5 per month for businesses; \$1 per month for individuals and may be paid yearly, bi-yearly or monthly. Interested persons are invited to attend the Feb. 3 meeting in Johnnie's Restaurant.

Services Held Recently For Leonard E. Lemley

Services were conducted recently in First Baptist Church for Leonard E. Lemley, 77, longtime resident of Plains.

Officiating were the Rev. Calvin Beach of Dallas and the Rev. Jim Moseley. Interment was in Plains Cemetery under direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Dutch Lemley of Plains; two daughters, Faye Adams of Granbury and Juanez Beach of Dallas; nine grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren and a sister, Viola Pugh of New Hope, Ala.

Reception Will Honor 'Ma' Thompson's Retirement

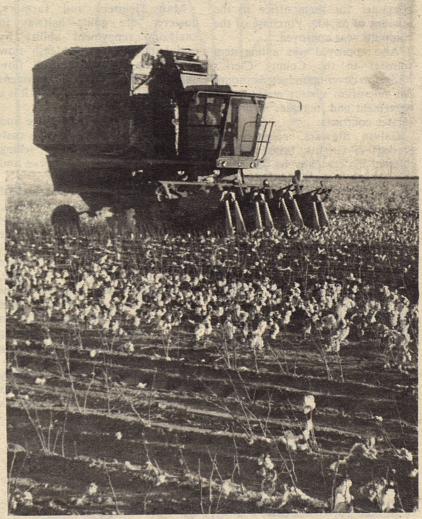
Mrs. Cecil "Ma" Thompson has retired as cashier at Pay-N-Save Grocery after serving in that position the past 12 years. Prior to that, she worked nine years at Pic-N-Pay and three years in Tokio at Anderson Grocery.

"It has been a pleasure serving the people of Plains over the years. I have become very fond of the customers and especially love the children. I miss you all and will never forget how special you've made the past 24 years of my life," says Mrs. Thompson. "My future plans are to have time available for my children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren."

A resident of Plains 21 years, 1987 will bring about her 76th birthday. She and her husband, the late Dillard "Pa" Thompson were parents of four children - Velva Mae Arnold of Tulia, Patsy Ellen Leonard of Lubbock, Gloria Ann Cooper of Booneville, Ark. and Kenneth Dale Thompson of Brownfield. She is the grandmother of 12, great-grandmother of nine and honorary "Ma" to hundreds.

In honor of her retirement there will be a reception held Friday, Jan. 16 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Heritage Room of Plains Library.

Hostesses in charge of the event are Linda Carey and Latrell McDonnell. Those wishing to be included as hostesses may contact these ladies. Everyone is invited.



Mr. Lemley died as a patient in Hook General Hospital in Granbury following a lengthy illness. He was born in Huntsville, Ala. and moved to Seminole in 1945. He moved to Plains in 1947.

He married Ellie Olean Byrd Feb. 28, 1927 in Huntsville, Ala. He was a farmer and was employed by Yoakum County Cemetery Association, retiring in 1983. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Plains.

Dry Weather Helps Farmers

Area farmers have just about finished harvesting cotton during the "holiday break" of dry and pretty weather. Normally harvest is completed before Christmas for farmers in the Plains area and other areas of the South Plains. A wet autumn placed further burdens upon plagued farmers.

"THEY'RE ALL IN NOW" -- Rex Swann put finishing efforts into his 1986 crops Tuesday, thanks to a welcome return of dry weather. Swann, who farms 1,000 acres of cotton eight miles south of Plains, and others who were busy in fields this week, usually has the final harvesting completed before Christmas, but faced an extended season this year due to a wet fall.

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Commissioners' Court

Yoakum County Commissioners Court convened in special session Monday. All members were present to open bids for a rubber-tired roller for precincts one and two. Bids from Bee Equipment Sales, Inc. for \$46,000 with trade-in and West Texas Equipment Company for \$48,397 with trade-in were opened. The low bid by Bee Equipment was accepted.

An appointment by County Clerk Ruby Bruton of Julia Lemley, Rhuey Edwards, Sherry DeFries, Serena Elmore and Bonnie Earnest as deputies was approved.

The court approved a recommendation by Denver City Civic and Youth Center Board hiring Rafi Akbarali as center director at a salary of \$19,000 per year effective Jan. 1.

County Agent David Kight met with the Court to request that the County Agents be allowed to use \$520 each from budgeted purchase of equipment funds and to accept a grant of \$2,360 for the purchase of a computer for their office in the amount of \$3,400. Purchase of the computer was approved.

Also approved was a line item transfer in the County Clerk's budget to cover unbudgeted amount for microfilm system maintenance agreement and increases in present service contracts.

Calvin Stewart, representing Stewart & Griffith Insurance, requested his company be named as the County's agent of record to handle Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance. The matter was postponed for additional study.

Bills and extra hire were read and approved for payment.



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Greater Loan Losses Cause Lending Policy Change

Changes in agricultural lending policies and practices have resulted from greater loan losses during the past few years.

"The most dramatic change has been the increased emphasis on repayment ability," says David Kight with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Until recently, most agricultural lenders based loan decisions primarily on knowledge of the borrower, the borrower's past repayment record and adequacy of collateral margins.

"While these are still necessary and important considerations, they are not sufficient. Collateral-based lending has two major weaknesses -it considers only lender protection and does not address whether the loan will benefit the borrower, and such lending is procyclical," Kight says.

Since collateral is relied upon for repayment only in the event of default, the important consideration is its expected value at the note's due date or the next scheduled payment date. Therefore, there is tendency for lenders to be more liberal and for borrowers to borrow excessively when asset values are appreciating, and to be very conservative when asset values are declining, he explains.

Large numbers of borrower failures and loan losses for lenders have resulted where asset values have declined sharply. Thus, more lending is being based on repayment ability, with collateral providing insurance and control rather than justification for borrowing or lending, Kight says.

Many lenders and farmers, however, are going halfway in analyzing repayment ability by evaluating only annual cash flow projections, he adds. Cash flow analysis is important for repayment ability, but on an annual basis it is a short-run concept.

A firm can be going broke and still be generating a positive cash flow by reamortizing debts, selling off assets including inventories and not replacing capital assets.

The frequently neglected half of repayment analysis is profitability, he explains. Without sufficient inheritances, non-farm income and/or asset appreciation to offset losses, in the long-run, a business has to make a profit to survive. While occasional or periodic losses may be tolerated, income trends need to be a major consideration in any sound borrowing or lending program intended to be an ongoing relationship, he notes.

"Profitability is evaluated usually on the borrower's cash-basis tax returns, which is time for tax

management purposes, but it can misrepresent business performance significantly. True profitability has to be analyzed on an accrual basis, but this doesn't mean farmers need to maintain two sets of records or switch from cash-basis tax reporting," Kight says.

Accrual income can be estimated fairly accurately by adjustments to the cash-basis data to account for changes in inventories, accounts payable and accrued expenses. These adjustments are simple but critical because cash-basis accounting can hide developing profitability problems for as much as two years, and that can be critical to both the borrower and the lender.

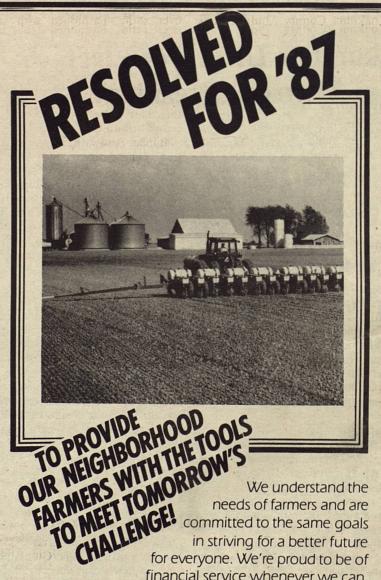
"The change to repayment-based lending is ideal whose time has come. But it shouldn't be done halfway. It is not borrowing money that causes trouble, it is borrowing for things that won't pay for themselves," Kight cautions.



FUTURE ENERGY SOURCES

The future for alternate energy sources looks promising. The search goes on for ways to develop energy sources that are clean. renewable, inexpensive and dependable. In the meantime, we'll continue to explore likely sites for new supplies of petroleum and natural gas.

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Miss Garcia, Mr. Bearden Exchange Vows Recently

Miss Alice Garcia and Neal Wayne Bearden recited double ring wedding vows Dec. 27 in First Baptist Church.

Yoakum County Judge Paul Cobb officiated the exchange of vows before a 15-branch candelabrum adorned with greenery, yellow flowers and royal blue satin bows flanked by spiral candelabras and the unity candelabra.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Trinidad Garcia and Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Bearden.

Karen Cobb, cousin of the groom, sang "Love in Any Language" and "Praise the Lord". She was accompanied by Jan Horn, organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal length gown of white satin fashioned with fitted bodice of Chantilly lace embellished with Venise lace appliques and simulated pearls. Appliques of Venise lace also adorned the full skirt which extended to a chapel length train. A floral wreath of pearl enhanced flowers held her chapel length veil. She carried a cascade of white silk roses accented with pearls, baby's breath and greenery.

Keeping traditions, she carried in her shoes, six-pences coined in the year of her own and the bridegroom's birth. They were placed there by her father. For "something old", she wore a gold wedding band belonging to the groom's grandmother. Her gown was "new" and she "borrowed" pearls from the mother of the groom. She also wore the traditional blue garter.

sister of the groom. Amber Bryan, niece of the groom, was flower girl. Feminine attendants wore tea

length dresses of lustrous rashel lace over satin. Fashioned with satin trim at the neckline and lace sleeves, the dresses featured dropped waist lines accented with satin cummerbunds and bows of royal blue and yellow. They wore floral sprays in their hair and carried long stemmed yellow silk roses.

Bubba Bryan, brother-in-law of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Greg Black of Evanston, Wy. and Joe Humphrey, cousin of the groom. Guests were seated by Johnny Curtis and Richard Garcia, cousin of the bride. Cleve and Shain Bearden, sons of the groom, were ring bearers and lighted candles. They wore blue jackets, white pants and carried heart-shaped white satin pillows.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Garcia wore a tea length dress of pink with silver accessories and corsage of pink silk roses. The groom's mother wore a tea length dress of navy blue organza accented with velvet trim and navy accessories. She wore a white orchid corsage.

A reception was held in the church hall of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Laid with a white lace cloth, the bride's table was highlighted by the three-tiered wed-

AIDS Program Presented To Plains Lions Club

Plains Lions Club met Thursday noon, resuming regular schedules after a holiday interruption and delay.

Pierre StRomain presented a video tape program on AIDS.

Guests attending were Alfred and Sonya Loya, Joe StRomain and Clay Johnson. Members present were Charles Oswalt, Johnnie Fitzgerald, Paul Cobb, T.J. Miller, C.M. Thompson, Dale Boulter, Edwin Livengood, Larry Mason, Sherm Tingle, Frank Spencer and Pierre StRomain.

ABWA Meeting To Be Jan. 19

American Business Women's Association will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19 in the Heritage Room of Yoakum County Library in Plains.

All members and interested business women are invited.

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Yolanda Garcia of Evanston, Wy. was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Rosalie Garcia, sister of the bride, and Lola Bryan, ding cake made by the groom's sister. Yellow punch, mints and nuts were served by Melissa Garcia, Clara Garza and Silvia Garza, cousins of the bride. Guests were presented royal blue rice bags by Dusty Bryan and Kemi Cobb. A complete Spanish meal was served to all guests.

The couple is at home in Anchorage, Ak. where the groom is an electrician.

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Plains Independent School District



The Texas Education Agency has just released information concerning the 1,063 school districts and 3,127,182 students in Texas, that I find most interesting. The following are some of the facts contained in the report.

The Agency has divided school districts into sixteen groups based on size and district wealth. Our district is in a group identified as having enrollment under 1,000, wealth above average, and low income percent 40 percent and above. There are 164 school districts with 54,201 students in this group. The average size school in our group has an average of 330 students.

Our student attendance percentage was 96.3, the group 94.7, and the state 93.4. Our teacher per pupil ration is 11.5 students per teacher, the group is 11.3 to 1, and the state 17.5 to 1.

Our teaching staff of forty-four teachers has a combined total of 488 years of experience or 11.1 years per teacher.

We have \$7,020.00 revenue per student and a wealth value of \$2,017,452.00 per student. Eighty-nine percent of our district wealth is oil and gas.

I hope you find this information of interest and that I have not given you more statistics about our school than you wanted to know.



BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon roll, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, scrambled eggs, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Waffles, syrup, butter, tomato juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Fruit Loops, pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Taco w/taco sauce, baked beans, lettuce, tomato, sopapillas, cinnamon spread and milk.

TUESDAY - Super dogs w/mustard, French fries w/catsup, combination salad, gingerbread, butter and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onion rings, corn chips, fruit, rolled oat cake and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef and vegetable stew, pinto beans, garden salad, cornbread, cherry cobbler and milk. FRIDAY - Salisbury steak w/gravy, spinach, lettuce wedge, hot rolls,

SCHOOL EVENTS

MONDAY - Basketball, Seagraves, 7,8,9 Girls here, Boys there at 5 p.m.

TUESDAY - Basketball, Loop, GB, here at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY - Semester Exams, periods 1-3-5-7

FRIDAY - Semester Exams, periods 2-4-6; Basketball, Dawson, GB, there at 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY - TEACHER WORK DAY; Basketball, Sundown Tournament for 7th-8th Boys and Girls

Livengood Named On Honor List

Bobby Livengood, freshman chemistry major at Texas Tech University, has been named to the President's Honor List for the fall semester. To be eligible for the honor, a student must earn a 4.0 grade point ratio from a possible 4.0.

Son of Edwin and Pat Livengood, he received a certificate acknowledging his outstanding scholastic achievement signed by President Lauro Cavazos.

A 1986 graduate of Plains High School, Livengood is a finalist in an essay contest sponsored by the English Department at Tech. His essay, entitled "Christian Music vs Secular Rock", will be entered in the finals in the department as soon as the spring semester begins.

Livengood credits Plains High School and teachers for challenging him to make the good beginning at Tech.

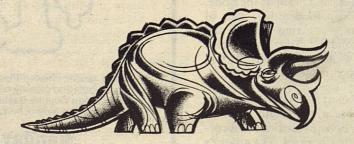
Petroleum Classes Offered At SPC

A wide variety of course in petroleum technology will be offered during the spring semester, according to Kim Williamson, an instructor in the two-year associate degree program.

SPC's spring registration will be Jan. 12-13, 1987, in the Student Center.

Evening registration will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Jan. 12, followed by regular registration from 9 a.m.-noon and 1:30-4 p.m. Jan. 13.

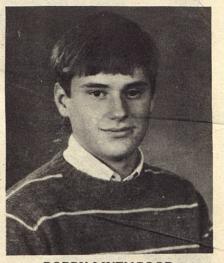
Late registration at SPC will continue through Jan. 22. A \$10 late registration will be charged.



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VARSITY

Plains Varsity Cowgirls won second in a pre-Christmas tournament at Union.

Brownfield JV's handed the Cowgirls a 67-37 loss in the opening game. Lynda Jimenez led the scoring with 10. Other scoring was by Juhree Stowe, 8; Eve Flores, 7 and Karen Cobb, 5.

Plains took a 52-44 win in the second game. Leading the scoring against New Home were Lydia Jimenez, 11; Karen and Juhree, 10 each; Bertha Gonzales, 8 and Vonda Fitzgerald, 7.

Against Union, the Cowgirls won 43-36. Scoring were Lydia, 18; Lynda, 7 and Juhree, 6.

In action Dec. 30, Plains Varisty girls lost to Whitharral, 27-54. Top scorers were Lydia, 8 and Lynda, 6.

Hosting their own tournament New Year's, the Cowgirls won a thrilling 42-41 bout with Petersburg. High scorers were Bertha and Lydia, 9 each; Vonda, 8 and Lynda, 6.

Eunice, N.M. handed the Cowgirls a 33-63 defeat. Leading scorers for PHS were Lydia, 12 and Vonda, 5.

Playing for consolation, the Cowgirls went down in defeat against Loop, 44-57. Top scorers were Lydia, 19; Karen, 7 and Vonda, 6.

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Playing in Friona Jan. 6, the varsity girls were defeated 14-59. Vonda scored 5 with Karen and Juhree adding 4 each.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Friona's JV girls took a 56-12 win over Plains Junior Varsity Monday in Friona.

JUNIOR HIGH

Denver City's Eighth Grade girls stopped Plains Eighth Grade 28-15 Monday. Melissa Green scored 6; Leslie Patton, 4 and Michelle Lowe,

Plains Seventh Grade tromped Denver City 36-6 Monday. Daphne Lowe led the scoring with 10. Rena McElroy had 8; Ashlee Winn and Leticia Vasquez, 4 each.



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Resident's Brother Buried In Lamesa

Services for Guy Randall Hughes, 62, of Welch were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2 in North 14th Street Church of Christ. Officiating were Calith Brown, pastor and Truman Hayes, elder. Mr. Hughes was the brother of Margaret Box.

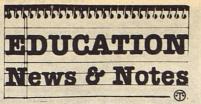
Burial was in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home of Lamesa.

Hughes died at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30 in Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital in San Antonio after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Harmon County, Okla. He married Pauline Cathey on Sept. 1, 1946, in Welch. He was a farmer and rancher and a 20 year resident of Welch. He was on the board of directors of the Dawson County Appraisal District. A member of the Church of Christ, Hughes was also a member of the VFW Post in Brownfield.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Lanny Randall of Lamesa; two daughters, Cathey Lynn David of Archer City and Linda Gayle Drennan of Lubbock; two sisters, Margaret Box of Plains and Carol Beth Box of Lovington, N.M.; two brothers, Louis of Orlando, Fla., and Glenn of Seminole; and six grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Sam Adams, Keith Hayes, Doyle Coor, Danny Gray, Wayne Coates and Bob Kimble.



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The scholarship competition is endorsed by the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA). The top 16 winners, their parents and science teachers get an expensepaid trip to Washington, D.C. to attend an NSTA awards banquet in March. Ask your science teacher for more information and an entry form or write: Duracell Scholarship Competition, National Science Teacher Association, 1742 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20009



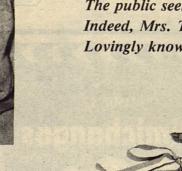
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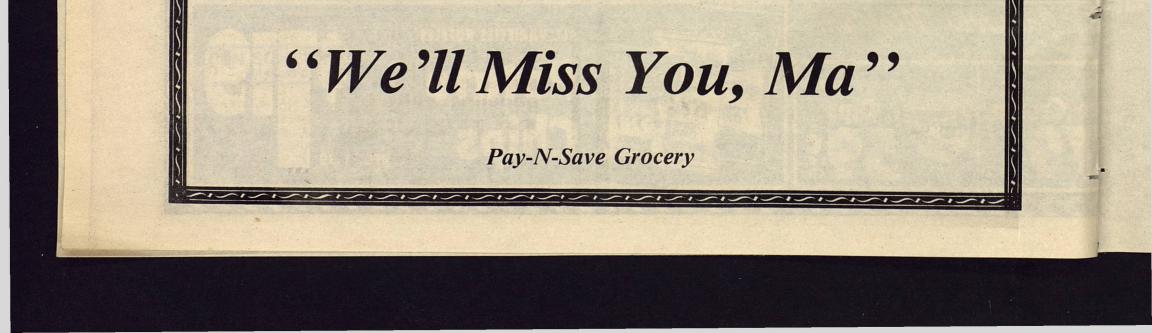
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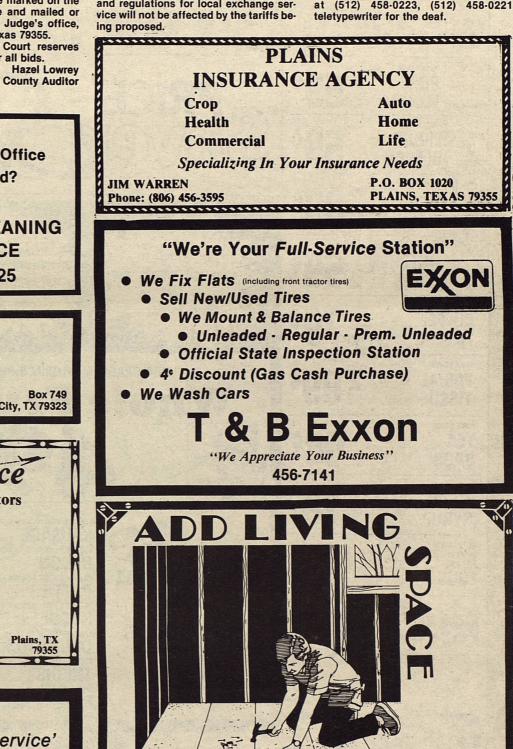
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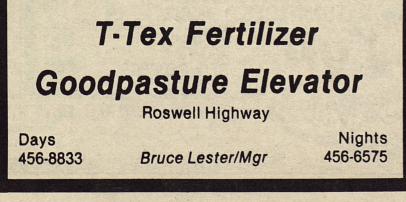
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