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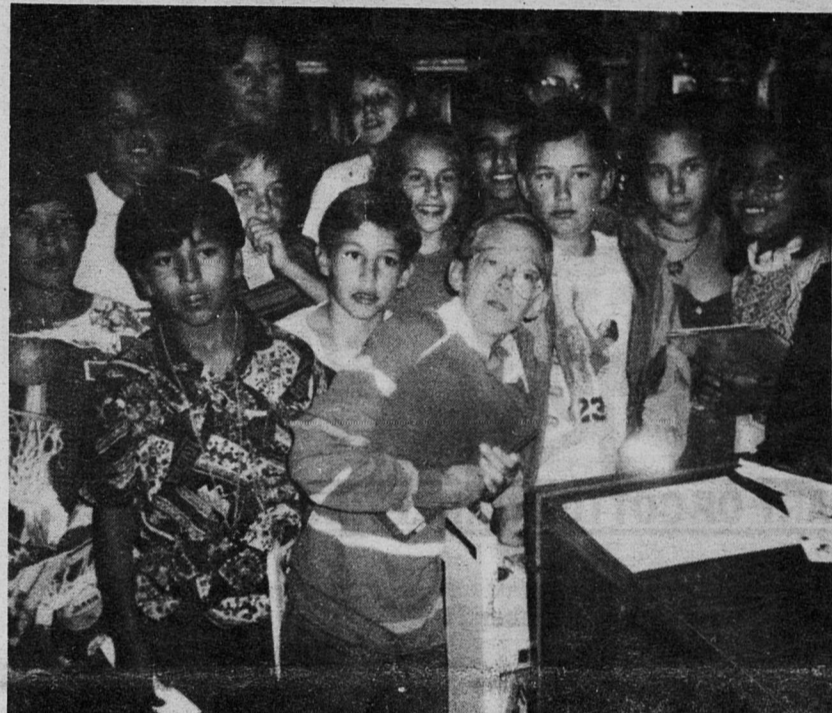
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LIBRARY VISITORS FROM PLAINS MIDDLE SCHOOL

United Methodist Church slates bazaar

The United Methodist Church of Plains invites the public to attend their bazaar on Election Day, Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. in the Church Fellowship.

Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. which includes chili, crackers, cobbler, coffee and tea. Cost is \$4.

There will also be homemade crafts, baked goods, canned goods and various items for sale.

The word is "When you come into town to vote, please join us for lunch!"

School board questioned concerning couple's resignation

About 300 residents turned out Wednesday evening, Oct. 20, gathering in the Community Center, after learning of the resignations of Plains High School principal J.B. Wilson and his wife, Dianne, fourth grade teacher at Plains Elementary. Earlier that day, about 150 students walked out of school in protest.

A second community meeting previously scheduled was cancelled.

Resignations of the Wilsons were accepted by the school board at their regular meeting Oct. 18 and they agreed to pay the couple \$50,000 in addition to their regular pay until their

contracts expire in May and June.

According to an account published in Friday's Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Superintendent Pete Simmons referred inquiries concerning the school board action to an attorney.

School board president Jerry Parish attended the Wednesday evening meeting. His statement, printed in the Avalanche-Journal, was "We hired the superintendent as a chief executive officer. There was some insubordination, he felt, in the ranks of the school and he asked for their resignations. I'm not at liberty to go into more reasons than that.

City of Plains to participate in nationwide campaign

The City Council for the City of Plains has announced their intentions to support and participate in a nationwide campaign to break Washington's habit of making local governments pay the cost of expensive and intrusive federal programs, commonly referred to as "unfunded mandates".

Wednesday, Oct. 27 will be observed as "National Unfunded Mandates Day" in cities, counties, towns and villages across the United States through a coordinated joint effort organized by the National League of Cities (NLC), state municipal leagues including the Texas Municipal League, and several other public interest groups representing local governments.

The term "unfunded federal mandate" describes actions taken in Washington that impose, but do not pay for, a costly program or requirement that local governments are directed to carry out.

For cities and towns, unfunded federal mandates have become an increasingly difficult and intrusive problem. Along with the growing financial burden of their costs, they also have the effect of distorting local priorities by diverting resources that might have been assigned to other community needs.

"We want to make it clear that we usually have no quarrel with the intentions of laws enacted by Congress - such as assuring a healthful environment and enabling people with disabilities to participate fully in our society," said Mayor T.J. Miller. "What concerns us is that the costs and tasks of these good intentions are all too often left for us to pay for and carry out. Adding to our frustration is the fact that these programs, enacted by distant lawmakers in Washington, can lay claim to our local tax funds ahead of the needs and priorities of the people who elected us to address those needs."

Some mandates, especially in the environmental area, constitute an enormous burden by themselves. Many others may seem modest by themselves, but taken together, their total costs, along with time-consuming regulations and paperwork, are choking the limited resources of local governments.

Because of these unfunded mandates, the City of Plains is currently in the process of enlarging its wastewater treatment facility at a cost of approximately \$325,000. The city was fortunate enough to receive a grant of \$250,000 for this project, however, the remaining \$75,000 must be paid by the local taxpayer. Copper and lead monitoring of the water distribution system, well contamination vulnerability surveys, and garbage disposal requirements are other examples of unfunded mandates whose costs must be borne by the local taxpayer.

The events in October will mark the official beginning of an ongoing campaign by the National League of Cities and other groups to build a grassroots awareness and understanding of the ways that unfunded mandates encroach on local decision making and local revenue systems.

"We believe that the elected leaders and professional administrators of our cities and towns can play an essential role in helping local citizens and taxpayers learn first-hand about the ways that unfunded mandates can affect their community," said Donald J. Borut, NLC executive director. "That first-hand perspective is what will explain this difficult issue best."

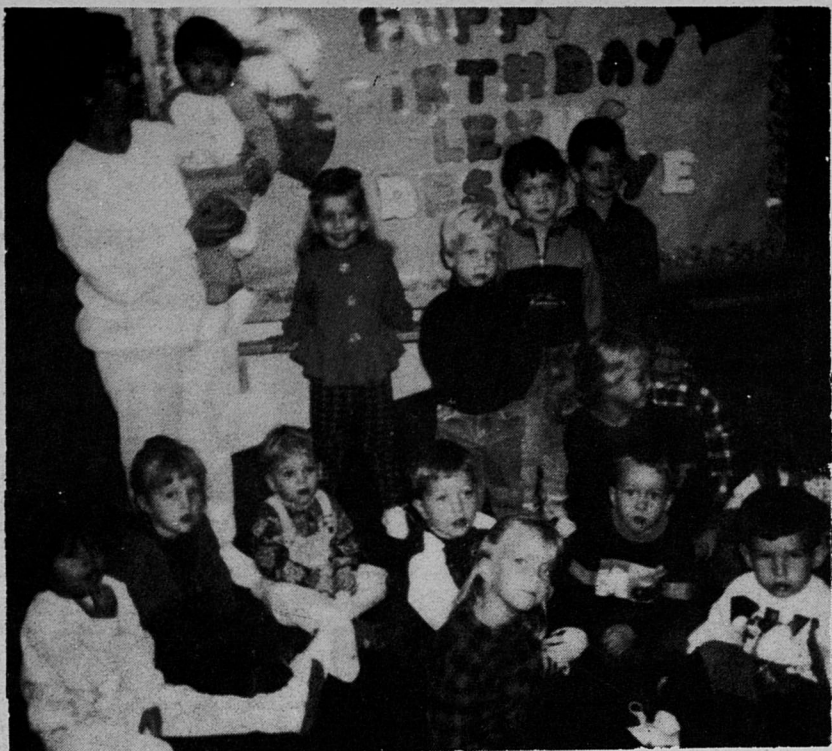
In addition to increasing public awareness of unfunded mandates, the events in October also will serve as a catalyst to initiate actions in Congress to reimburse local governments for federal mandates, or to provide relief from their excessive burden.

"Washington must begin to tackle its budget problems, just as our community and other cities have been doing for years," said Mayor Miller. "This is no time for Washington to think it should solve its problems by passing their costs on to us."

Work on current and pending legislation already is underway, and the organizations representing local governments also are involved in seeking institutional reforms to the federal regulatory process. Those initiatives would provide local governments a stronger voice in the development of rules, procedures and compliance deadlines drawn up by federal agencies.

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday Oct. 31

Time changes at 2 a.m. Saturday night



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Lexus Reyes Jimenez, who celebrated her first birthday with Filmtime youngsters Wednesday.

Filmtime

Filmtime youngsters Wednesday were entertained by the films, "Waffles" and "Chips Ahoy". Story of the day was "I Knew an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly". Youngsters joined in singing "Leaves are Falling Down", "ABCs", "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe" and "I'm a Little Teapot". They also sang the birthday song to one-year-old Lexus Reyes Jimenez.

Others attending were Alfredo Martinez, Lindsay and Cody Welborn, Callie Howell, Ryan Crump, Britnie Duran, Lauren Hise, Amber Friesen, Chris Loya, Jacob Brink, Nicole Culwell, Scott and Christopher Addison, Stephanie Addison, Holden and Hunter Welch, Colby Wilmeth, Lauren Davis and Cody Mayes.

Pointers For Parents

Facts About Flu

(NAPS)—As cold weather brings young children indoors their exposure to the flu virus is increased. One of the most dangerous aspects of flu for children is diarrhea that often accompanies high fever and body aches.

In young children the frequent watery stools of diarrhea can cause the loss of body fluids and electrolytes such as sodium, potassium and chloride, leading to dehydration.

Not all clear liquids are adequate to manage electrolyte losses in children. Juices, broths, soft drinks, sports beverages and teas can contain either too much or too little of certain electrolytes.

Many parents find it a good idea to keep their pantry stocked with a pediatrician-recommended product such as Pedialyte® Oral Electrolyte Maintenance Solution. Made by Ross Products Division of Abbott Laboratories, Pedialyte now comes in a new Bubble Gum flavor. The unflavored and fruit flavors are still available.

If diarrhea or any other childhood health problem persists or worsens at any time, see your doctor.

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TELCOT[®] Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For The Week Ending October 21

The cotton futures market this week momentarily tried to turn its attention to China and away from technical influences which took prices to new lows at the beginning of the five-day trading period. Meanwhile, sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on the TELCOT electronic marketing system remained fairly steady.

In a news release from Reuter's News Service on Oct. 21, a Chinese State Statistical Bureau spokesman predicted a 10 percent reduction in the Chinese cotton crop. At face value, the report sounded slightly bullish. But, the bears were on the verge of cheering when a detailed examination of the report showed the spokesman was pegging Chinese production at 19.1 million bales; an increase of 1.6 million bales from USDA's Oct. 12 Chinese estimate of 17.5 million.

While the report from China turned many heads, market reaction was minimal as most industry members remained somewhat skeptical pending additional information. In the days following, market players continued to question the report; and, on Oct. 20, Hong Kong traders told Knight-Ridder Financial News (KRF) the current Chinese cotton harvest is likely to be near USDA's forecast of 17.5 million bales. The traders whole-heartedly discounted the reliability of the earlier Chinese report, and many U.S. analysts agreed, adding that the Chinese figure of 19.1 million bales was an old one and not indicative of current crop conditions there.

On a related note, USDA Secretary Mike Espy in a telephone interview from China on Oct. 20, announced China might consider importing U.S. cotton to fill a

shortfall created by lower production there this year. Espy, who was in China meeting with officials to discuss sales of U.S. agricultural commodities, said China had "expressed an interest" in buying U.S. cotton, adding that, "They might be looking at additional imports, in particular from the U.S." He provided no details regarding how much U.S. cotton China might buy or when purchases could take place. Last year, China bought a minimal amount of cotton from the U.S. and none so far this year.

As is often the case with Chinese cotton reports, the futures market quickly shook off any effects and traded in a rather sideways range the rest of the week. Even widespread rains across much of the U.S. Cotton Belt did little to awaken a sleepy market.

In Texas, rains which averaged just over an inch in virtually all cotton growing areas delayed the state's harvest which had been running ahead of schedule. A government report early in the week said gathering of the state's cotton crop was 43 percent complete, compared with 27 percent last year and the 25 percent average. Experts reported around 40 percent of cotton on the Southern High Plains had been stripped, and harvest was 20 percent complete on fields in the Northern portion of the High Plains. Meanwhile, open bolls were noted on 85 percent of the Texas crop, ahead of 57 percent last year and the five-year average of 68 percent.

The quality of the West Texas/Oklahoma crop harvested thus far is much higher than average, with typical color grades of 11 and 21, average micronaire at

4.1, and barkiness on only 20 percent. These factors are resulting in demand for West Texas longer staple cotton to replace supplies from the Delta due to a yield and quality shortfall there.

These yield and quality problems in the Delta as well as a mostly sold-out South Texas crop continue to add to traditional demand for West Texas and Oklahoma cotton on the TELCOT electronic marketing system. Sales on TELCOT for the five-day trading period totaled 32,949 bales. The figure is up slightly from the previous week, and day-to-day figures reflect continued steady demand. Gross premiums over the adjusted world price (AWP) received on TELCOT averaged 919 points, down from the previous week.

High qualities from West Texas also are predicted to be favorably looked upon by Latin American export customers, but likely will not encourage sales to Far Eastern markets that traditionally depend on lower-quality, discount cotton. However, heavy rains in Texas throughout the week were expected to have a slight effect on color grades, possibly providing some lower-quality cotton from the area.

On Thursday, Oct. 21, USDA said export sales of U.S. cotton for 1993-94 decreased a net 3,000 bales in the week ended Oct. 4. Sales to featured buyers Japan, Colombia, Algeria and Brazil were more than offset by cancellations totaling 60,800 bales to unknown destinations.

The AWP through the week ending Oct. 28 is 40.88 cents per pound, down from the previous week and resulting in a producer option payment (POP) of 1,147 points.



MRS. BUTCH GAYLE

Kitchen Korner

Upcoming holidays promise lots of pleasure for Bobbie (Mrs. Clarence Ray "Butch") Gayle. She and Butch love decorating their home for the holidays and find much satisfaction in the happiness those decorations give to others in the community.

Bobbie and Butch grew up on Yoakum County farms. After graduation from Plains High School, they were married and began farming on their own, west of Plains. They are parents of a son, Chris, who is a senior at Texas Tech University, and a daughter, Jodi, PHS junior.

A member of First United Methodist Church, Bobbie sings in the choir. She enjoys homemaking and likes to spend leisure hours reading. She enjoys walking, fishing, skiing and playing golf.

Bobbie shares some of her favorite recipes with Kitchen Korner Klippers.

PUMPKIN CAKE

2 c flour
2 c sugar
4 eggs
1 1/2 c Wesson oil
1 t salt
2 t soda
2 t cinnamon
1 1/2 c pumpkin

Mix and pour into greased Bundt pan. Bake at 325 degrees for an hour and thirty minutes.

ICING

1 lb box powdered sugar
1 stk butter
1 large cream cheese
1 t vanilla
pecans (optional)

Mix and pour over cooled cake.

HUSH PUPPIES

1/2 c flour
2 t baking powder
1 T sugar
1/2 t salt
1 1/2 c cornmeal

1 sm onion, chopped
several jalapeno peppers, chopped
1 egg
3/4 c milk

Sift together dry ingredients. Add onion and peppers, then eggs and milk. Stir lightly. Drop by teaspoons-full in deep hot fat preheated to 360 degrees. Drain on paper towels.

MARTIAN BURGERS

Add to your hamburger: canned whole green chilies, halved and a crisp corn tortilla.

BEEF CHALUPAS

(serves 12)
1 lb Velveeta cheese
1 (10 oz) can Ro-tel
1 1/2 lb ground beef
1 med. onion, finely chopped
3 tomatoes, peeled and chopped
2 T vegetable oil
2 T vinegar
dash of garlic powder
1 sm head of lettuce (shredded)
1 (5 oz) pack of tostada shells
1 (10 oz) can bean dip, warmed

Melt cheese. Stir in Ro-tel. Let cool. Combine oil, vinegar and garlic powder. Mix well. Combine lettuce, two chopped tomatoes, add oil and vinegar dressing and toss. Set aside. Bake tostadas at 375 degrees for 5 to 7 minutes. Spread with bean dip, then cheese mixture and meat sauce. Top with lettuce mixture.

Shower to fete Janie Crawford

Janie Crawford will be complimented with a lullaby shower Sunday, Nov. 7 in the home of Carolyn Culwell, 1002 First Street. Calling hours are from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Gift selections may be found at KidSpace in Lubbock, Nelson's Pharmacy in Brownfield and Jerri's Boutique.

Defensive Driving Course to be held Saturday, Oct. 30

A Defensive Driving Course will be taught Saturday, Oct. 30 in the Yoakum County Library in Plains. The class, Neely's Defensive Driving, is an extension of Texas Safety Association and will begin at 8 a.m.

The National Safety Council course is designed to improve skills, especially in emergency situations and includes lectures, displays and films.

Students who successfully complete the course will be eligible for approved judicial waivers for traffic violations and insurance discounts.

Pre-registration is necessary. A minimum of five students is required for the class to be held. For more information, call Cindy Davis, 456-7494 after 5 p.m. or Barbara Neely, 1-800-408-5346 TEA# 05340499.



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Board accepts two resignations

School board members met in regular session Oct. 18 with all members present.

The policy manual was updated and "Suitable Provisions" litigation was discussed. No action was taken on that. Approval was given on the 1993-94 textbook committee.

Stanley Ashburn moved, Roger Bennett seconded a motion to accept the resignations of high school principal J.B. Wilson and his wife, Dianne, elementary teacher.

Administrative reports were given by Charley Chambless, Arlon Alexander and Superintendent Pete Simmons. Routine bills were approved for payment.

School Events

SECOND SIX WEEKS ENDS

- TUESDAY - Volleyball - open.
- THURSDAY - Football - O'Donnell - 7th/8th - there - 5 p.m.; Football - O'Donnell - JV - there - 7:30 p.m.
- FRIDAY - Fourth Grade Program - "Forever Free" (anti-drug - Auditorium - 9 a.m.; District football game - O'Donnell - V - here - 7:30 p.m.
- SATURDAY - Cross Country - Regional - Lubbock - Mae Simmons Park; Volleyball - Bi-District

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Plains Independent School District Home of the Cowboys & Cowgirls

Plains Cowboys whip up the Bulldogs 34-13

The Cowboys opened their defense of the district crown with a bang Friday, Oct. 15. Anton, last year's district runners-up, came to Plains hoping to stake their claim to a district title. Our Cowboys spoiled that plan with a 34-13 defeat of the Bulldogs.

Shannon Ward demonstrated to



What's for lunch?

BREAKFAST

- MONDAY - Cinnamon toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.
- TUESDAY - Cinnamon rolls, toast, apple juice and milk.
- WEDNESDAY - Scrambled eggs, toast, orange juice and milk.
- THURSDAY - Pancakes w/syrup, fruit punch and milk.
- FRIDAY - Toast, cold cereal, orange/pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

- MONDAY - Barbecue on bun, French fries w/catsup, combination salad, banana pudding and milk.
- TUESDAY - Burritos w/taco sauce, Spanish rice, tossed salad, mixed fruit, crackers, coconut cookies and milk.
- WEDNESDAY - Hamburger, lettuce, pickles, onions, Chee-tos, Jell-O and milk.
- THURSDAY - Lasagna, corn, tossed salad, pineapple slices, hot rolls and milk.
- FRIDAY - Beef nuggets w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, hot rolls and milk.

the crowd the outstanding game he would have the moment he first touched the ball on the opening kickoff. He returned it 87 yards for a touchdown. Victor Bernal's extra point kick was good.

Anton was forced to punt on their first possession and the Cowboys took control of the ball on their own 29 yard line. David Bitolas had several good carries, Ward caught a pass for eight yards and Scotty Rains made three yards. On what looked to be a pass play, Bernal found a hole in the defense and ran eight yards for the score himself. The kick was good. With 5:35 left in the first quarter, Plains was ahead 14-0.

Midway through the second quarter, the Cowboys started a drive at their own 30 yard line. Ward grabbed a pass for six yards, then he thrilled the hometown folks on the next play with a 64 yard pass for the Cowboys third TD. The extra point kick went wide to the left. The first half ended with Plains 20, Anton 0.

Anton received the opening kick of the third quarter. They moved down field on several good runs by James Stewart. Anton's advance was brought to a halt on an interception by Ward at the Cowboy 11 yard line. However, the Bulldogs recovered a Cowboy fumble two plays later at the Plains 13 yard line. The Plains defense held and Anton lined up for what appeared to be a field goal attempt on fourth down.

Caught off guard, the Cowboys allowed Anton to score on a fake field goal. Their extra point try was good.

On the following kickoff, one too many Cowboys were believed to be on the field and Anton kicked again from the Cowboy 45. Plains began their drive from their own 19. Bernal threw a pass to Brad McMinn, who tossed the ball to Ward as he ran by. Ward completed the 81 yard play for the touchdown. Bernal's kick was good. Three minutes, 29 seconds were left of the third quarter, with the score Plains 27, Anton 7.

The Bulldogs mounted a drive that moved them to the Cowboy 20. Plains' defense stopped their progress there and the ball went over to the Cowboys. As with Anton's earlier score, a Cowboy miscue (this time a pass interception) gave the Bulldogs back the ball. The Cowboys held until the fourth down, then allowed a pass to find its mark in the end zone. The Bulldogs went for the two point conversion which failed.

Ward returned the ball on the kickoff to the Cowboy 45 yard line. Rains carried for 10 yards and a first down. Ward got 16 yards and Rains another six yards. Ace Williams ran in the final TD of the game. Bernal's kick was good.

Plains had moved to the Anton five yard line when time ran out in the fourth quarter. The score remained in Plains' favor, 34-13.

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Little Hallie Randall honored with lullaby shower Saturday

Little Miss Hallie Randall, infant daughter of Raecene and Steve Randall, was feted with a lullaby shower Saturday morning in Heritage Room of Yoakum County Library.

Special guests were the infant's mother and grandmothers, Sue Randall and Olivia Robertson.

Garlands of pastel silk flowers and a family photograph adorned the party

table. Refreshments of cookies, nuts and punch were served.

Assisting with hostess duties were Peggy Welch, Pat Bowlin, Kim Cass, Dolores Davis, Jo Ann Barron, Janelle Brantley, Shirley Barnes, Adell McElroy, Latrell McDonnell, Billie Howell, Sharon Willis, Lois Miller, Thelma Cheatham, Willie Mae Engle, Jimmie Blount and Debbie Smith.



SHOWER HONORS INFANT AND MOTHER - left to right, paternal grandmother Sue Randall, mother Raecene Robertson Randall, holding Hallie; and maternal grandmother, Olivia Robertson.



VOLLEYBALL

VARSITY

The Cowgirls, now 15-14, defeated Lovington in out-of-town competition last Saturday. They ended up in a lengthy match, playing a full five games in a three out of five New Mexico format. Rhonda Cowart notched 16 service points in the 15-12, 15-6, 10-15, 5-15, 15-8 match. Valerie Blair and Shandy Willett combined for 24 points.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Amanda Koncaba and Bridget Bernal recorded 11 and nine service points respectively in the JV's out-of-town match with Lovington last Saturday. The Cowgirls won the first game 16-14, but Lovington came back with a 20-18 triumph in the second. Lovington took the third game 15-10 for the win.

8TH GRADE

The 8th Grade B Team hosted the Andrews A Team, Monday, Oct. 18. Andrews claimed the 15-9, 15-8 decision. Monica Lazos notched three service points. Neomi Stewart added two and Laura Flores, one.

The 8th Grade A Team suffered a 15-9, 15-8 defeat by Brownfield A. Sandi Warren led all servers with five points. Dolly Gonzales and Kassie Lowe, each added one; Shawna Box and Wendy Beckham, three each; and Cecilia Moreno, four.

7TH GRADE

The Seventh Grade A Team improved their record with a 15-11, 15-4 homecourt win over Brownfield A, Monday, Oct. 18. Jolyne Burgess served nine points. Natasha Guerra contributed seven; Cassie Dearing and Kayla Redman, five each; Marcey House and Tandi Jones, two each.

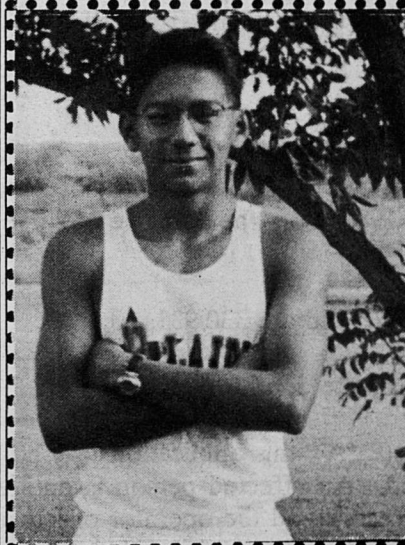
Andrews A notched a 15-9, 15-4 victory over the Seventh Grade B Team. Wrangler scoring included Corina Villarreal, five; Renee Garcia, four; Stephanie Vasquez, two; and Krystal Sellers and Jennifer Lollar, one each.

Great minds have purposes; little minds have wishes. Little minds are subdued by misfortunes; great minds rise above them. ~ Washington Irving



Seattle, Washington was first called by its settlers "New York-Alki," the last being an Indian word meaning *Bye and Bye* and now the state motto.

Introducing the 1993 Cowboys & Cowgirls



JOE VALDEZ a PHS junior is the seventeen-year-old son of Mack and Dolores Reeder. He likes to run cross country, eat pizza and any type of pasta. He enjoys studying mathematics courses and he hopes to someday become an architect. He likes to listen to country and pop-rock music.



DUSTY BECKHAM a seventeen year-old junior at PHS is the daughter of Keith and Jennifer Beckham. She plays volleyball and tennis and her favorite food is pizza. Her goal in life is to become a successful lawyer.



KIRK PARRISH, a fifteen year-old sophomore is the son of Jan and Jerry Parrish. He plays football, basketball, cross country, track and golf. He likes country and rock music, eating steak and geometry. His future goal is to attend Texas A&M University.



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Tasteful Tips For A Terrific Table

(NAPS)—When the holidays arrive, entertaining takes on a special flair. No longer are simple candlesticks enough to bejewel your table. Your goal now is to make your table, and the food you present on it, as festive as the holiday season itself.

Fresh grapes from California can help you reach that goal. A simple cluster of fresh grapes makes an instant and tasteful garnish for almost any dish. The same cluster laid artfully at the bottom of your tried and true candlesticks with a bit of ribbon, or draped dramatically with others of its kind over the edge of a silver bowl makes a smashing centerpiece. Another stunning idea is easily created by a mixture of things you already have on hand, plus items easily (and inexpensively) purchased at your local grocery and craft stores. Try wrapping or painting a sturdy box and arranging it with a grapevine wreath, several boughs of cedar, a ribbon tied in a bow and several clusters of naturally decorative grapes.

Or, try the caterer's decorating trick for the season: create Frosty Holiday Grapes. It takes just a few minutes to dip small clusters of fresh grapes into a mixture of sugar and gelatin and in no time you have both a garnish and a light dessert.

Fresh grapes are a natural for many home-crafted holiday decorations. The reason is twofold: Not only are clusters of fresh grapes decorative in and of themselves, but most of the California grape varieties are



FROSTY HOLIDAY GRAPES

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 10 small California grape clusters
- Water

Combine sugar and gelatin; mix well. Dip grape clusters in water; shake off excess water. Sprinkle sugar mixture through a sieve over wet grapes. Place on waxed paper about 45 minutes or until completely dry. Makes 10 edible garnishes.

Weed—a plant whose virtues have not yet been discovered.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

available during the holidays—from Thanksgiving all the way through the New Year. Whether you coat them with sugar for a plate decoration, or place them in their natural state in a centerpiece, the elegance is there, courtesy of Mother Nature.



JIM STORY celebrated his 82nd birthday, Monday, Oct. 18. Friends gave him a party with cake and balloons at the local Dairy Queen.

Happy Halloween!!



Watch for children

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DISTRICT 8A

DATE OF ISSUANCE: September 21, 1993

RULE 37 CASE NO. 0203255

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Whiting Petroleum Corporation, 1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2301, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells requirement to

drill, Well No. 18X, Sable San Andres Unit Lease, 2080 Acres, Section 306, Block D, John H. Gibson Survey, A-1310, Sable (San Andres) Field, Yoakum County, being 6.5 miles in a northwest direction from Plains, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows:

4916' from the south line and 1988' from the east line of lease.
504' from the north line and 1988' from the east line of survey.

Field Rules for the Sable (San Andres) field are 330/933, 40 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 5300 feet.

Pursuant to the terms of Rule 37(h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Douglas Sprague, Petroleum Engineer, at (303) 837-1661. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

RULE 37 CASE NO. 0203255

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 2, 1993. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT WILL BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

Hunters should take precaution, Lyme disease cases are increasing

With the number of cases of Lyme disease increasing every year, hunters should take extra precautions to avoid ticks when heading to the woods this fall.

"Lyme disease cases have doubled over the last year in Texas, which is a pity since it is a preventable disease," said Garland McIlveen, an entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

A total of 113 cases were reported in the state last year, up from 57 cases in 1991.

Lyme disease, once thought to be a problem only in the northeastern United States, has been increasing in numbers every year. Some studies have indicated that there may be other vectors, such as fleas, involved in transmission of the disease, but these studies are not conclusive.

Peak exposure occurs during the summer, when more people are outdoors, and in the fall, when hunters make their fall forays.

To avoid being bitten, hunters should wear protective clothing - a hat, tucked-in shirt with snug collar and cuffs, long pants tucked into socks, and good shoes. The use of tick repellents containing DEET applied to the skin and Permanone sprayed on outer clothing, also is useful.

Hunting or field dogs are more likely to get Lyme Disease than their owners. Therefore, dogs should be protected by spraying their hair coat with Perma-Kill, a product containing permethrin similar to Permanone, McIlveen said.

Upon each return to their home or cabin, hunters should check their clothing, body and hunting dogs for ticks and remove them promptly. Remove ticks by using tweezers or small forceps only.

"Grasp the tick as close as possible to its mouth, or the part that's sticking into the skin. Pull the tick out in a smooth, steady upward motion," he added.

After the tick is removed, the bite should be treated with rubbing alcohol or other antiseptics.

"Although a tick bite should cause concern, one should not be overly alarmed since only a few ticks, primarily the black-legged or deer tick and lone star tick, are known to transmit Lyme Disease," McIlveen said.

Further, only a small fraction of people ever come in contact with the deer tick, and those bitten by the lone star tick have less than a one percent chance of contracting Lyme Disease.

He noted that the sooner the tick is removed from the body, preferably within 24 hours of attachment, the less likely it will be able to transmit the disease.

The tick bite should be watched for three days to several weeks. The rash may not be in the same location as the bite, he said.

Since only about 60 percent of the people will experience a rash, its absence does not rule out Lyme Disease.

If flu-like symptoms such as fever, chill, headache, stiff neck, backache and profound fatigue occur, call your doctor immediately.

Disease symptoms generally occur in three stages. In the first stage, symptoms include lesions on the skin and joint pains. Flu-like symptoms of fever, nausea, headaches and aching muscles also may occur.

The second stage may include neurological symptoms such as meningitis and muscular pain.

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During the third stage, which may occur within several months to several years, chronic skin and central nervous system disorders occur. Extreme arthritic inflammation may be present in knees and elbows.

Symptoms in stages one and two will respond to antibiotics, but once the disease progresses to stage three, it may not be treatable, he said.

McIlveen said he gets questions each year about whether the disease can be transmitted to humans through dressing deer.

"All of the scientific literature I have seen indicates that you cannot get

the disease through contact with deer blood. Nor is it possible to catch Lyme Disease through contact with another person," he said.

An Extension publication, Preventing Lyme Disease (B-1660), is available at County Extension Offices.

Chamber to meet Tuesday, Nov. 2

The Plains Chamber of Commerce will convene for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 7 a.m. in Johnnie's Restaurant.

All those interested are invited to attend.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8A

DATE OF ISSUANCE: September 21, 1993

RULE 37 CASE NO. 0203256

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Whiting Petroleum Corporation, 1700 Broadway, Suite 2300, Denver, Colorado 80290-2301, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells requirement to

drill, Well No. 13X, Sable San Andres Unit Lease, 2080 Acres, Section 279, Block D, John H. Gibson Survey, A-176, Sable (San Andres) Field, Yoakum County, being 6.5 miles in a northwest direction from Plains, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows:

4025' from the north line and 2316' from the east line of lease.
1255' from the south line and 2316' from the east line of survey.

Field Rules for the Sable (San Andres) field are 330/933, 40 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 5300 feet.

Pursuant to the terms of Rule 37(h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Douglas Sprague, Petroleum Engineer, at (303) 837-1661. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

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IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN BY NOVEMBER 2, 1993. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT WILL BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

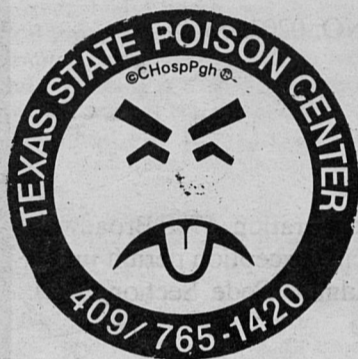
Fine Arts Club hears musical program

Plains Fine Arts Club members were treated to a taped presentation of the musical, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat". Frankie Walker shared the information from her opportunity to see the presentation in San Francisco.

Fund raising via the sale of baked potatoes at the basketball games was discussed. Proceeds will go towards the music scholarships the club presents annually.

Also attending were Sue Banfield, Christy Brink, Beth Ann Cain, Carolyn Culwell, Dolores Davis, Sandra Ellison, Judy Fitzgerald, Paula McMinn, Lois Miller, Linda Simmons and guests, Tana Mayes, Shirley Bunch and Yvette Ramos.

Next meeting of the club will be Nov. 4.



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