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THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1991

4-8 Inches Moisture Needed To Plant

around Muleshoe

Doug Barnes and Staci Hodges, from the Lazbuddie High School, have been named District 5-1A All-District Basketball players.

They were both selected to be on the alternate team for the upcoming All-District Basketball game.

All parents of Muleshoe Youth Basketball players are asked to attend a meeting in the community room at Muleshoe State Bank on Saturday, March 23 at 4 p.m., according to Terry Hutto.

Airman Gregory D. Lovett has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

He is the son of Carolyn J. Martin and grandson of Ava L. Woodson, both of Farwell.

The airman is a 1985 graduate of Farwell High School.

Ted Barnhill, president of Muleplex Production Co., Inc. has called a general meeting of the membership for Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m. at First Bank. Those attending are asked to enter through the back (west) door.

At the general meeting, several major items will be addressed, said Barnhill, including motions to amend the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the corporation.

If you cannot attend, and wish to vote by proxy, contact Phil Kent at First Bank, 272-4515.

Parents of junior and senior students will have a meeting on Thursday, March 21, 5:30 p.m. at the Muleshoe State Bank community room concerning the Junior-Senior prom and Project Graduation.

They said it is important that one or both parents attend this meeting.

Federal Farm Bill

Forum Set March 25

Under the 1990 federal farm bill, it's no longer "business as usual" for Texas agricultural producers. Agricultural leaders will examine several provisions of the bill during the annual Texas Agricultural Forum in Lubbock on March 25 and discuss their impact on the state and the nation.

Changes in federal support programs, planting and conservation regulations and farm credit will be examined, along with federal proposals regarding trade with Europe and Mexico, said Dr. Ed Smith. He is an agricultural economist and specialist in marketing and policy with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, College Station.

The forum will be from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Civic Center, 801 Avenue Q. Registration is \$25 and includes lunch.

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry will be the luncheon speaker. He will explain the role of the Texas Department of Agriculture in formulating agricultural policy.

The forum will open with discussion of 1991 farm programs. It will be led by Terry Harman, executive director of the Texas office of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Soil conservation considerations facing producers under the



TROOPER 'BUD' VISITS MULESHOE GIRL SCOUTS--A group of delighted Girl Scouts had the opportunity to visit with Trooper 'Bud' Monday afternoon. He was accompanied by the Girl Scout Hut by local DPS Trooper Lacie Kirk. He presented a program on 'Using Seat Belts' and 'Safety' for the Girl Scouts. The RoboTrooper was purchased at a cost of \$22,000 by a family on the Texas Coast, and presents programs in this area for Scouts, church groups, and others. He is from the Public Information Office at the DPS regional headquarters in Lubbock. (Journal Photo)

Opportunity Plan President Visits Muleshoe Rotary Club

Four of the 139 loans currently on file for the Opportunity Plan, Inc. of Canyon, and one of 36 scholarships are to students from Muleshoe, according to Cathryn Wright, president and executive director of the student loan plan organization.

She explained to the Muleshoe Rotary Club on Tuesday what the Opportunity Plan is and what it serves.

Ms. Wright said the Opportunity Plan was formed in 1954 in Canyon, with \$500. It's immediate goal was to manage loans and scholarship funds for students who had no other access to funds to attend college and obtain degrees.

Since the initial \$500 in the Plan, that fund has grown to \$5 and one half million, said Ms.

Wright.

Then, in the 1960s, the federal government started loan programs for students, taking some of the students who had applied to Opportunity Plan Inc.

But, unlike the federal government, Opportunity Plan is an organization basically to help mid-income students, added Ms. Wright. She said they look at the student and what they are capable of doing, and do not check their family income.

When Opportunity Plan Inc. first started, it was mostly for students at West Texas State University in Canyon. Now, she said, they help students all over, even out of state. "The more we know the student, the more we know what they can do," she commented. "We teach them to do a lot of debt management with their loans. They learn budgeting, and how to seek resources. We visit with the students, and like for their parents to attend the first meetings, especially for freshmen students. We talk with them about their goals and what they plan to do.

"Many don't want to stop as an undergraduate," she added, "they want to attend graduate school.

"We encourage freshmen to do as much on their own as they can. We have found that many

Local Children To Participate In Annual Hunt

Jennyslippers will sponsor the Easter Egg hunt for 1991 on Saturday, March 23, at the New City Park.

The hunt will again be broken up into age groups and the times will be as follows:

- 1-2 year olds (must be walking) 2-2:30 p.m.
- 3-4 year olds, 2:40-3:10 p.m.
- 5-7 year olds, 3:20-3:50 p.m.
- 8-10 year olds (or in 5th grade) 4-4:30 p.m.

The Jennyslipper spokeswoman said, "The merchants of Muleshoe have again this year been super!! There are many toys, prizes, and coupons to be given away. Our thanks to all those merchants and individuals who have made donations.

"We hope Muleshoe children will come out on March 23 - a Saturday - and have lots of fun."

high school graduates these days have problems trying to go on to school."

Ms. Wright told the Rotarians about helping the Muleshoe Jennyslippers for the past few years when the Jennyslippers hold college night in the MHS cafeteria.

She then explained about the "Muleshoe Fund" which is more than \$125,000 donated by various groups from MHS, clubs, individuals and groups who have contributed to the Fund. These funds are given preference to Muleshoe students because the money was raised in Muleshoe. She said that so far, the money has turned over five and one half times since the Opportunity Plan started.

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City Council Approves Bids For Paving, Liner

With Bill McMorries, of McMorries & Associates, Inc., consulting engineers, present to explain the process, two bids were approved Tuesday morning by the Muleshoe City Council.

As approximately 20 percent of city streets in Muleshoe are sealcoated each year, the first bid was for sealcoating of city streets for 1991.

Four bids were opened by Muleshoe Mayor Darrell Turner during the meeting.

After checking the bids, Appian Corporation was awarded the bid at \$55.4 per unit, for a total cost of \$55,400 and 60 days to completion.

Other bids were High Plains Pavers and Ronnie Zahn Paving, each with \$60 unit bids for a total cost of \$60,000 and a bid of \$69 for unit cost and a total of \$69,000 from L. A. Fuller and Sons.

Big D Lining Systems Co. of Midland received approval for their \$17,270 bid to provide and install a plastic pond liner at the city's sewer plant. They said it would take two days to complete the installation of the liner.

Also bidding were Field Lining Services of Phoenix, AZ with a bid of \$20,850 and five days to complete; and Proline, Inc. of Houston, who bid at \$23,917 and three days to

Bailey County producers within the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 will need about four to eight inches of water to bring the five-foot root zone soil profile to field capacity before the start of 1991 spring planting, according to soil moisture survey data released by the Water District and the U. S. Department of Agriculture-Soil Conservation Service (USDA-SCS).

"The annual soil moisture survey results are meant to inform irrigators about general soil moisture availability and deficit conditions across the Water District's 15-county service area," says Wilfred E. 'Willie' Crenwelge, USDA-SCS

Burning Yards Big Problem In Muleshoe

City Council members expressed concern during their meeting on Tuesday morning of the extensive 'burning' of yards inside the city.

Although there is a city ordinance prohibiting such burning, the council said that due to the extremely dry conditions at this time, it is very hazardous to try to burn yards and lawns.

Many people do not realize how fast the dry grass burns, and how fast the winds can change, said the council.

"What some people may not realize," said Mayor Darrell Turner, "is that if a fire gets away from them, they are liable for any and all damage done to other property."

They noted that more people are burning yards every year, and it is becoming a problem.

The city council urged people to stop burning yards, before a big problem is noted with fires that get away from them and burn their neighbors, or their neighborhood.

Soil Scientist. "Using this information, irrigators can estimate the amount of water needed during pre-plant irrigation to bring their soil to field capacity without over-irrigating or under-irrigating."

Soil moisture conditions within the Water District were tested from November 12, 1990, through January 15, 1991 at 249 soil moisture monitoring sites.

Soil moisture readings are taken by lowering a neutron probe into a permanently-installed aluminum access tube at each site. These sites are chosen based upon the soil type, the crop produced, and the saturated thickness of the Ogallala Aquifer, which influences water well yield variations. Each soil moisture monitoring site represents typical field conditions near the location.

Pre-plant soil moisture conditions play an important role in determining crop yields. Historical data indicates that above-average crop yields are produced in the Texas High Plains area when the root zone of the soil is near field capacity at planting. Any precipitation received and/or irrigation applied between now and planting season will improve soil moisture conditions and enhance crop yield prospects.

At the same time, pre-plant moisture conditions within the 15-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 service area range from fair to good, according to data from the annual pre-plant soil moisture survey conducted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture - Soil Conservation Service (USDA-SCS) and the Water District.

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Lazbuddie Youth Place Animals At Lubbock Show

A very proud vo-ag teacher from Lazbuddie, Rick Copp, reported that several Lazbuddie youth participated in the West Texas Barrow Classic at Lubbock Saturday, March 16 -- and everyone who took an animal placed it.

Jay Seaton had a fourth place Hamp; Shena Seaton, second place Hampshire; Justin Puckett, sixth place Berkshire; Jason Thomas, eighth place Chester White and Brice Redwine, sixth place Hampshire.

Also, Dawn Weir, seventh place Spot; Dustin Weir, seventh place Spot; Brett Thomas, seventh place Cross; Casey Bradshaw, seventh place Cross and Kayla Copp, 10th place Cross.

Copp said several youth from the Lazbuddie School start livestock judging, with their first trip to Snyder on Tuesday.





OPPORTUNITY PLAN PRESIDENT AT ROTARY--Tuesday at noon, Bill Liles introduced Cathryn Wright, President and Executive Director of Opportunity Plan Inc. of Canyon. Ms. Wright spoke on advantages of the Opportunity Plan for prospective college students. (Journal Photo)



This week, Agriculture Week, has been proposed as a reminder to city and country dweller alike of agriculture's important contribution to our standard of living in this country. All of us live better, a lot better, because of the productivity of the American farmer, rancher and other agricultural workers in this business. Let's remember how important it is to keep our farms and ranches a bulwark of strength in America's economy!

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OKLAHOMA MOTORCYCLE BUSINESS AT LOCAL RALLY--Mike Robins, Chandler, Okla., was one of the businesses who set up booths at the annual Muleshoe Roadrider Motorcycle Rally in Muleshoe last weekend. He is pictured here with one of his motorcycles he brought to display 'striping' he does to decorate the 'bikes. (Journal Photo)

Common Household Cleaners Causes Injury

An accident with a common household cleanser may call for some not-so-common first aid.

Each year, more than 18,000 eye injuries result from chemical burns. Most of these injuries occur in factories and in home accidents.

Time is the most important element of first aid for chemical burns. When the eye has been splashed with a chemical, quickly rinse the foreign substance with any water-based, non-toxic liquid.

"The eye should be irrigated with two to three gallons of water, which is the best rinsing agent," said Dr. M. Bowes Hamill, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "If you are some distance from water, begin irrigation with cola, milk, tea or any other similar liquid.

SUNBURNS AND SKIN CANCER

"Catching rays" may not be much fun for careless sun worshippers this spring break when they return to school with painful sunburns that can damage their looks and their health.

While spring break revelers are enjoying themselves on the beach, they may experience damage that several years down the road could lead to skin cancer, says Dr. John Wolf, professor of dermatology at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine.

Malignant melanoma, a skin cancer that causes an estimated 8,000 U.S. deaths annually, has been linked to severe sunburn.

A.K. Robinson Services Held Here Wednesday

Funeral services for A.K. "Pete" Robinson, 79, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 20 in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dale Berry, pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Muleshoe Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Robinson died at 12:48 a.m. Monday in the Methodist Hospital at Lubbock.

Born March 15, 1912, in Eldorado, Okla., he had been a resident of Muleshoe since 1926, moving here from Mangum, Okla. He was a painter and a member of the Muleshoe First Baptist Church. He married Hazle Templar Lorange on April 26, 1956, in Muleshoe.

Survivors include his wife, Hazle; a step-son, Charles Lorange of Muleshoe; a daughter, Tobitha Monett of Albuquerque, N.M.; two step-daughters, Juanita Smith of Princeton and Dixie Perkins of Mineola, TX; a sister, Mrs. Wilma Lynch of Pine, Arizona; four grandchildren; and eight step grandchildren.

as long as you irrigate the eye immediately while looking for water."

Pull the lower eyelid down, look up and thoroughly rinse the bottom membrane around the eye. Rinse the front surface of the eye, looking in all directions, and cleanse the entire surface. Pull up the upper eyelid, look down and rinse the membrane above the eye. These steps should be repeated until the chemical has been washed out.

When the eye has been affected by a granular or paste-like chemical such as drain cleaner, wipe under the lids with a cotton-tipped swab during the rinse.

Immediately after rinsing, call an ophthalmologist or go to an emergency room to be examined by a physician.

Bring the chemical container so the physician can check the label for ingredients. If the original container is not available, bring a sample of the chemical.

Chemical burns can cause scarring of the cornea, and, if not rinsed quickly, they can permanently damage the eye. Corneal transplants can save the sight of some accident victims.

Patients in Muleshoe Area Medical Center

MARCH 15-18
FRIDAY

Dorothy Smith, Kayla Newton, Ofelia Saucedo, Rosie Vargas, Adrina Ashford, Harold Burge, Elvira Trevino, Roy Bryant, Natasha Ronek, Bernice Amerson, Ona Coffey, Mary Edmiston, Corrine Ortiz, Lola Crim, Debbie Proudfoot and Virginia Ortiz

SATURDAY

Ofelia Saucedo, Adrienne Ashford, Harold Burge, Elvira Trevino, Roy Bryant, Natasha Ronek, Bernice Amerson, Ona Coffey, Lucila Tafoya, Corrine Ortiz, Lola Crim, Stephen Cole and Virginia Ortiz

SUNDAY

Ofelia Saucedo, Adrienne Ashford, Reba Stroud, Harold Burge, Nancy Garza, Roy Bryant, Natasha Ronek, Hope King, Ona Coffey, Ramiro Estrada, Lucila Tafoya, Lydia Cavazos, Lola Crim, Stephen Cole, Virginia Ortiz, Reba Stroud, Baby Boy Escamilla, Baby Boy Saucedo

MONDAY

Ofelia Saucedo, Adrienne Ashford, Reba Stroud, Harold Burge, Nancy Garza, Roy Bryant, Natasha Ronek, Hope King, Ona Coffey, Ramiro Estrada, Lucila Tafoya, Lydia Cavazos, Lola Crim, Stephen Cole, Virginia Ortiz, Reba Stroud, Baby Boy Escamilla, Baby Boy Saucedo

although severe burns may result in blindness.

All chemicals and cleansers should be stored properly and out of the reach of children to prevent accidental exposure of swallowing.

EASTER EGGS AND SALMONELLA

Easter egg hunts can be ruined by salmonella poisoning if they are undercooked or improperly stored, says a microbiologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Salmonella infection can cause diarrhea, vomiting and stomach pain. It is caused by bacteria that develop in foods, such as hard-boiled eggs, that are undercooked or left too long in a warm environment, says Dr. James R. Davis, an associate professor of pathology at Baylor.

Bernice Amerson Funeral Services Held Monday

Funeral services for Bernice Amerson, 89, were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 18 in the Muleshoe Church of Christ with Bret McCasland, minister, and the Rev. Mike Doyle, pastor of the Spanish Assembly of God Church, officiating.

Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Ms. Amerson died at 4:55 a.m. Sunday in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Born Jan. 27, 1902, in Indian Territory, Okla., Ms. Amerson had been a resident of Muleshoe since 1955, moving here from Berger, TX. She was a beauty operator, and a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ and the Muleshoe Hobby Club.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Orby Jarman and Mrs. Lorene Wilson, both of Muleshoe, and Mrs. Christine Conner of Shamrock.

The family suggests memorials be made to the New Mexico Christian Childrens Home through the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

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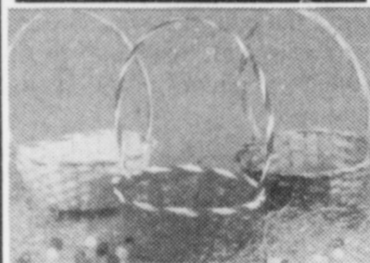
Filled Easter Basket Assortment. Baskets with baseball cards or a 30-min. cartoon video inside. 35

9.99 ea.



Easter Candy, Baskets & Grass. Assorted varieties of Holidays from M&M's/Mars, or vinyl bamboo weaved, oval baskets. 2-oz. bag of green shredded Easter Grass. 90-103

\$2 2 for \$3 2 for \$1



Easter Basket. Round, bamboo-weave basket 100%-vinyl. 8x3x11-in. size for Easter candies. 17

77¢ ea.



Easter Pail. 5-qt. Easter pail, made of durable plastic with assorted Easter designs on white background. 9

87¢ ea.



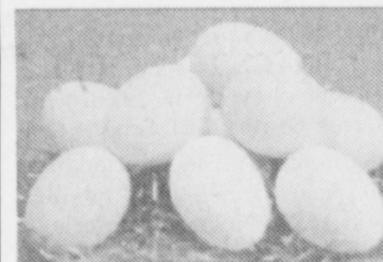
Brach's Jelly Bird Eggs. Assorted jelly bird eggs in 16-oz. bags. A classic favorite of the Easter Bunny's & children of all ages. Pick up Brach's for Easter this year. 33A

97¢ bag



Marshmallow Eggs. Egg crates filled with scrumptious marshmallow eggs! (Styles may vary.) 55

2 for \$1



Easter Eggs. 2½-in. assorted-color egg shapes. Great decorations for the Easter holiday. 5

5 for \$1



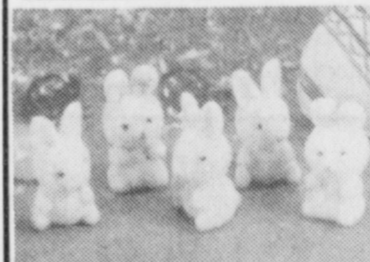
Easter Candy. Easter Nougats, Mints, Candy Corn, Jube-Jel Bunnies or Marshmallow Eggs. 33

89¢ ea.



6-Pack Eggs. Choose Hershey caramel or Reese's peanut butter filled chocolate eggs. This Easter choose delicious chocolate candies from Hershey. 41

1.59 ea.



Fuzzy Bunnies. Little bunny shapes in white, brown, grey or asst. pastel. 1½-in. tall. By Fibre Craft. 1

5 for \$1



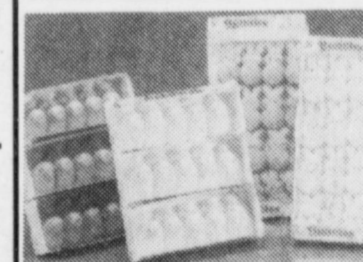
Leaf Candy Cartons. Rain-Blot gum eggs, Robin eggs or malted milk eggs in mini-milk cartons. 30

1.19 ea.



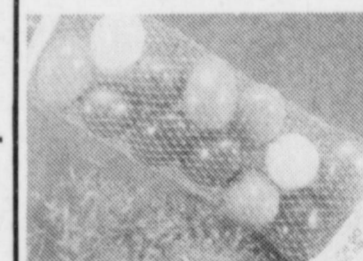
Dudley's Sparkle Eggs. Glittering egg coloring kit. 6-colors, glitter sticks to colors on eggs. 21

2.77 ea.



Rodda Marshmallow Bunnies & Peeps. Assorted flavor & color marshmallow shapes. 39

89¢ ea.



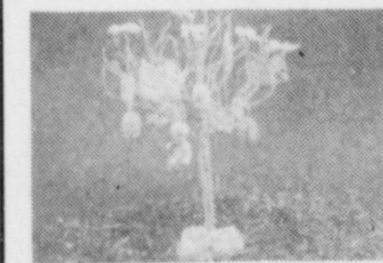
Easter Eggs. 12-large toy eggs in a mesh bag. Great fun for children around Easter-time. 18

88¢ ea.



Easter Tableware. 36-ct luncheon or 40-ct. beverage napkins, 16-ct. 7-in. or 12-ct., 9-in. paper plates or 9-oz. cups. 11

1.27 ea.



Easter Tree. 10-in. tall wire tree with wooden ornaments. This year have a decorated Easter tree. 42

\$9 ea.

Easter Extras

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Jeanne Dale Honored With Baby Shower



JEANNA DALE

The fellowship hall of the New Covenant Church was the scene of a baby shower Sunday, March 17 honoring Jeanne Dale. Diann Evins registered the guests as they called at 2 p.m.

Toni King and Rhonda Lou served punch and cookies.

The serving table was covered with a blue table cloth with a net overlay. The table was accented with a hurricane lamp. The honoree's corsage consisted of baby rattle and socks.

The hostesses gift was a play pen. Hostesses for the occasion included Diann Evins, Kathie Bailard, Barbara Mills, Lynda Low, Zona Gatewood, Toni King and Rhonda Low.

Tops Club

TOPS chapter No. 34 met Thursday, March 14 at 6 p.m. in the Heritage Thrift Shop. Laverne James, leader, called the meeting to order. The TOPS pledge was recited and the fellowship song sung. Mrs. James led the group in a prayer.

Betty Jo Davis called the roll with 22 members responding with the amount they had lost or gained.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected.

Mrs. James appointed the following officers for the coming

year: Joy Harp, reporter; Mary Edmiston, in charge of the scrapbook; cards, Ernestine Steinbock; hospitality hostess, Mollie Davis and Charlotte Campbell; Alma Robertson, song leader; Clea Robertson and Carolyn Stancell, contest chairmen; and Lucille Harp and Zanea Kelley, photographers.

Also program chairmen, Linda White and Polly Otwell; telephone committee, Orvdie Burris, Retha Knowles, Marian Wilson, Alene Bryant and Rose Sain; Weight Recorder, Betty Jo Davis; and assistant Weight Recorder, Evelene Harris.

Best loser for the week was Ernestine Steinbock. Lucille Harp was first runner-up and second runner-up was a tie between Jewel Peeler and Joy Harp.

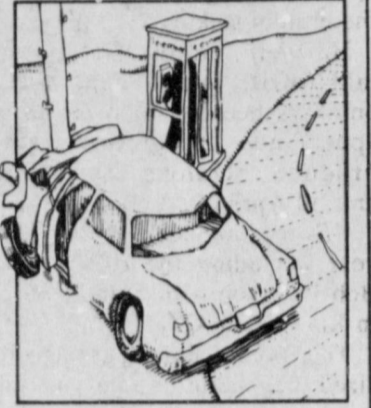
Mrs. James read an informative article about food exchanges to save calories. She also read a chart on how much a person should weigh for their

frame and height.

Mrs. James advised the group that everything was either--Illegal, Immoral or Fattening--if it is Illegal, call a Lawyer; if it is Immoral, call a Minister; and if it is Fattening--Call a TOPS Pal!

The meeting adjourned with the goodnight song.

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A message from this newspaper and the Texas Department of Public Safety

1991 Pioneer Round-Up Scheduled At Plainview

The Plainview Business and Professional Women's Club has announced Saturday, May 18 as the date for the 1991 Pioneer Round-Up. This will be the 63rd year the club has sponsored this annual event, according to Alice Doyle, president of the sponsoring club.

The Pioneer Round-Up was started as a method of honoring pioneers of this area. This continues to be one of the purposes of the event but in addition, it has become an entertainment feature for people of all ages in Plainview, Hale County and surrounding areas.

Ms. Doyle has appointed committees for the Round-Up

and chairman of each committee is as follows: Program, Nancy Fowler; Dance, Helen Burleson; Reception, Doris Henderson; Tickets, Helen Harper; Food/Serving/Door, Mary Gestes; Concessions, Jackie and Georgette Masso; Registration, Sherry Hoover; Parade, Doris Washington; Kountry Kitchen, Pat Ray; Float, Betty Jolley and Celia Drager; Housing, Alice Doyle and Publicity, Jo Ann Clements.

Activities will be held in the Ollie Liner Center on the south edge of Plainview. The reception will be held in the meeting room at the Center which begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

The traditional Pioneer Round-up parade will roll at 2:30 p.m.

The Saturday evening's program will begin at 6:00 p.m. when the chuck wagon supper will be served until 8:00 p.m. in the large assembly room at the Ollie Liner Center with the program to follow.

A square dance will conclude the day's activities.

All local and area people are welcome to the Pioneer Round-up for a day of entertainment and to honor pioneers who came to this country many years ago.

Xi Omicron Xi

Meeting Held

In Gear Home

On February 5th Gayla Gear's home was the setting for the Xi Omicron Xi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi meeting. "The wedding cake, punch and nuts Mrs. Gear served were the perfect compliment to the program on sweethearts and St. Valentine's Day, given by Debbi Hutto" said Nancy Barrier, recording secretary.

Members attending were Susan Wedel, Cindy Barrett, Nancy Barrier, Jacque Boutell, Annette Bonds, Debbie Nickels, Dawn Williams, Debbi Hutto, Mrs. Gear, Ann Mount and Liz Tipps.

The twelfth meeting of the year for the sorority was held on March 5th in the home of Barbara Mutschler.

The membership committee served a meal of baked potato with trimmings, salad and a delectable spice cake to members, Susan Wedel, Cindy Barrett, Nancy Barrier, Annette Bonds, Gayla Gear, Jacque Boutell, Ginger Caldwell, Debbi Hutto, Barbara Mutschler, Debbie Nickels, Ann Mount, Liz Tipps, and a special visitor, Alice Liles. Ms. Liles attended the meeting in order to be the auctioneer for the White Elephant Sale, a yearly fund raiser for Xi Omicron Xi.

Rituals were recited by Ms. Tipps and Ann Mount, making them official members of Beta Sigma Phi.



Chloe Lizabeth Watson

Ed and Kim Watson of Georgetown, TX are the proud parents of a daughter, Chloe Lizabeth, on January 24, at Seton Hospital in Austin.

Chloe weighed six pounds and 14 ounces and was 19 and half inches long. She has one older sister, three-year-old Hanna.

Grandparents are W.T. and Pat Watson of Muleshoe, and George and Carolyn Sides of Dimmitt.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Bagwell of Dimmitt and B.H. Sides of Lubbock.

Journal Files

60 Years Ago

1931

HUNDRED AND EIGHT LICENSE ARE ISSUED BY CLOVIS CLERK

One hundred and eight marriage licenses were issued at Clovis, N.M. during the month of January, according to an announcement made by Geo. H. Barrows, County Clerk.

The number is eight less than the January 1930 number, which was 116. A great majority of those married came from Texas Points.

Examination of records in Bailey County shows there has not been a single marriage license issued in this county since the first of this year.

30 Years Ago

1961

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS ANNUAL GIRL SCOUT AWARD BANQUET

Approximately 500 persons attended the annual Girl Scout Awards Banquet held in the high school auditorium Monday night, March 13. One hundred and sixty-five Brownies and Girl Scouts received pins or awards.

Preceding the award ceremony, a banquet prepared by the mothers, was served in the high school cafeteria for Brownies and Senior Girl Scouts and their families. The intermediate Girl Scouts and their families ate at Marc DeShazo cafeteria.

50 Years Ago

1941

PAY CASH AND SAVE AT AUSTIN FOOD STORE

Coffee 12½ cents pound; 48 pound sack flour \$1.35; No. 2 can green beans 5½ cents; No. 2 can corn 3 for 23 cents; No. 2 can tomatoes 3 for 19 cents; quart salad dressing 19 cents; pinto beans 3½ cents pound; apple butter 15 cents quart; nice heads lettuce 3 for 10 cents; sweet potatoes 10 pounds for 25 cents; spuds 10 pounds 15 cents; rib or brisket roast 12½ cents pound; bacon 15 cents pound; and hamburger meat 13 cents pound.

40 Years Ago

1951

565 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES SOLD

Bill Booth, deputy tax assessor collector, announced Tuesday afternoon that 565 new motor vehicle license plates for 1951 had been sold by that office. Registration is expected to reach approximately 3,700 before the year is over.

Of the licenses sold 361 were for automobiles, 121 commercial vehicles and 83 for farm trucks. Deadline for new licenses to be on vehicles is April 1.

20 Years Ago

1971

CLASSIFIED ADS

25 Pounds Beef: \$18.95 consists of 10 pounds steak, loin or round; 9 pounds hamburger; 3 pounds beef roast; and 3 pounds pork chops.

25 Pounds Pork: \$14.95 Contains 6 pounds pork chops, 3 pounds pork roast; 6 pounds (½ham); 6 pounds sliced bacon and 4 pounds sausage.

40 Years Ago

1981

AREA WIND STORM LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Hurricane force winds wreaked havoc over the area March 17 causing hundred thousands of dollars in damages. Winds were reported in excess of 100 mph in some areas with dust and limiting visibility to a bare minimum.

Despite extra safety measures of anchoring, Muleshoe Flying Service reported two planes and one hangar extensively damaged. A spokesman reported winds clocked in excess of 75 mph.

Farmer's Co-op Elevator at Clay's Corner reported a 80 foot storage tank being blown over into an adjacent tank, as well as the loss of a 1,000,000 pound corn storage tank.

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Texas 1015 Onions Looking Good

By Edith Chenault

The Texas 1015 onion harvest is approaching, and growers say the crop is looking very good.

Harvest begins in about mid-April, with Texas 1015 onions scheduled to make their appearance in grocery store produce sections sometime around April 20.

"Everything looks better this year, including the 1015," said Bob Peterson with Star Produce in Rio Grande City.

The sweet, almost grapefruit-sized vegetable is one of the most popular onions on the market. Developed by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at the cost of \$1 million over 15 years, the onion offers a good flavor without the oniony side-effects. Leonard Pike, a plant breeder at Texas A&M University, found a way to reduce the chemical pyruvate, the source of onion-induced tears, bad breath and indigestion.

"The growth and color of the foliage looks just beautiful," Pike said, after inspecting a portion of the more than 3,000 acres of onions planted this year.

"They're about the prettiest onions I've seen in two or three years down there," he said. "There's no sign of disease, and barring some environmental catastrophe, the quality is going to be just super."

Harvest should begin about mid-April, depending on whether the weather "gets warm and stays warm," he said.

Overall yields could be lower than normal for the acreage planted, Pike said, because some fields are thin in number of plants. Salt problems in the soil plagued onion producers at planting, he said.

The 1015s account for more than 30 percent of the total onion acreage in the state. Last year, their impact on the state's economy was estimated at \$100 million.

An estimated 2,800 acres are planted in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, and 224 acres are planted in the Winter Garden southwest of San Antonio and in the Laredo area, according to figures released by the South Texas Onion Committee, a commodity group.

The plantings are up from 2,490 acres last year, so more sweet onions will be available to consumers this year. This season's acreage is consistent with the 3,100 acres planted in 1988-89 and 3,500 acres in 1987-88.

Fewer acres were planted last season because prices were poor at about \$6 per 50-pound bag in 1989.

"No one made any money that year, and in fact some fields were probably plowed up," Peterson said.

Planted acreage is up this year, he said, primarily because the 1015 brought good prices at \$10 per bag in 1990.

"We didn't get the size but we got a good price," encouraging producers to plant more this season, Peterson said.



VISITING IN MULESHOE--Roy and June Johnson of Levelland were among the visitors last weekend at the annual Muleshoe Roadrider Motorcycle Rally. They said they represent the national TMRA Business office. (Journal Photo)

So Far So Good For Texas Peach Crop

Peach producers here are holding their breaths for what may be a bumper season, provided Mother Nature cooperates.

Dr. John Lipe, Extension Service horticulturist in Fredericksburg, said Hill County peaches have enjoyed an excellent winter thus far, though he was quick to add that March weather may have the final say.

"We've had a winter that's given us adequate chill," said Lipe. "Our bloom situation looks really good right now. I say that because we've had two winters back to back that have given a poor chill resulting in a poor spring bloom."

Lipe explained that peaches, unlike some other crops such as pecans, almost always start out the year with what is essentially a 100 percent crop. They have a full quota of buds that, if all goes well, will develop into juicy ripe fruit later in the summer. Unfortunately, Mother Nature often takes her share off the top through dreaded late freezes and hail, against which the grower is powerless.

Lipe said producers hope for adequate cold weather to toughen the blooms and make them less vulnerable to freeze damage.

"A weak bloom caused by inadequate chilling makes you more vulnerable to a late freeze and crop loss," he said. "We were lucked out last year. Despite our poor winter chill we had plenty of peaches because we essentially had no killing freeze after Feb. 5, which is very unusual."

"Thanks to this good winter, unless we get a serious cold spell, we're in pretty good shape here," Lipe said. The temperature can dip down to 30 degrees or so, he explained, but problems could develop if the thermometer remains for a while in the upper-to-mid 20s.

Texas annually ranks in the lower half of the top 10 peach

producing states in the country. Recent crop production has ranged in value from \$1.8 million in 1987 to \$7.1 million in 1990. The bulk of the crop is produced in the Hill Country and parts of East Texas, where the peach harvest begins in early May and peaks in late June and early July.

Lipe said Texas' newer peach-producing areas also look good. Many orchards have been established in South Texas, particularly in the Lockhart, Yoakum and Seguin areas in recent years.

"In the last two years, a lot of these orchards haven't been able to make a good crop, freeze or no freeze," said Lipe. "The trouble is they used Hill Country peach varieties that were only marginally adapted to that area. Their winter chill has been inadequate to produce a good bloom simply because of back-to-back warm winters. This year looks good for them, though."

"Despite hardships," Lipe said, "the South Texas crop will continue to increase thanks to the recent development of varieties not needing as much cold weather."

"Twenty years ago there were no commercial-quality peach varieties available that were well adapted south of the Texas Hill Country," Lipe said. "Over the past 10 years this has all changed. Now we're seeing selections that can produce clear to the Rio Grande Valley."

Dollars are the main reason for the stepped-up interest. Lipe said peaches are one of the state's leading cash crops. In a good production year, a producer selling direct to the public can often net \$2,000 to \$3,000 dollars per acre.

In Gillespie County, the heart of Texas' production area, peaches go hand in hand with tourism. In that respect it's conservatively a \$5 million a year business, Lipe said.

Unfortunately, some years, thanks to late freezes and hail, the only peaches you can find here are in heavy syrup on the supermarket shelf or poor quality fresh fruit shipped in from out of state," lamented Lipe. "With a little luck this won't be one of those years."

Learning Brain Changes May Provide Freedom From Drugs

Understanding how changes occur in the brain--and learning to control them--may some day provide freedom from drug addiction and mental illness in millions of people throughout the world.

"The amount of suffering endured and the amount of money spent annually on such diseases of the mind as schizophrenia, depression, alcoholism and drug abuse is phenomenal," said Dr. James Patrick, head of the Division of Neuroscience at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Brain researcher Patrick and his colleagues are studying synapses, the spaces where signals are transmitted from one nerve cell to another. Synapses may be the clue to developing drugs to treat mental illness as well as to an improved understanding of drug dependency.

"Synapse may not be a familiar word to most people

but, because Congress has declared this the 'Decade of the Brain,' it is a good time for people to begin to learn more about it," Patrick said.

"Understanding synaptic structure and function is important for understanding how cells send signals to each other," Patrick said.

"It is complex," he said. "There may be 100,000 synapses on a single neuron cell, all of them functioning at different times. And different synapses throughout the brain may use hundreds of different signal-receiving molecules and dozens of different transmitter molecules."

Scientists know that synapses change as they are used.

For example, drugs, whether legal or illegal, can modify the transmission of signals from one cell to another in some part of

the brain. The biochemical effect can be long-term changes resulting in dependency.

"It is clear now that mental illnesses really have a physical, organic basis and that they might occur as a result of some molecular problem in the nervous system," Patrick said.

For example, various mental illnesses could result from the mismanagement of the nerve machinery involved in sending signals from one cell to another."

If scientists can learn how that machinery works normally, Patrick said, perhaps drugs can be developed that will restore proper synaptic function.

"That is the bottom line for neuroscience for the next decade," Patrick said. "The payoff for society could be millions of lives and billions of dollars saved."

AT RISK FOR OSTEOPOROSIS

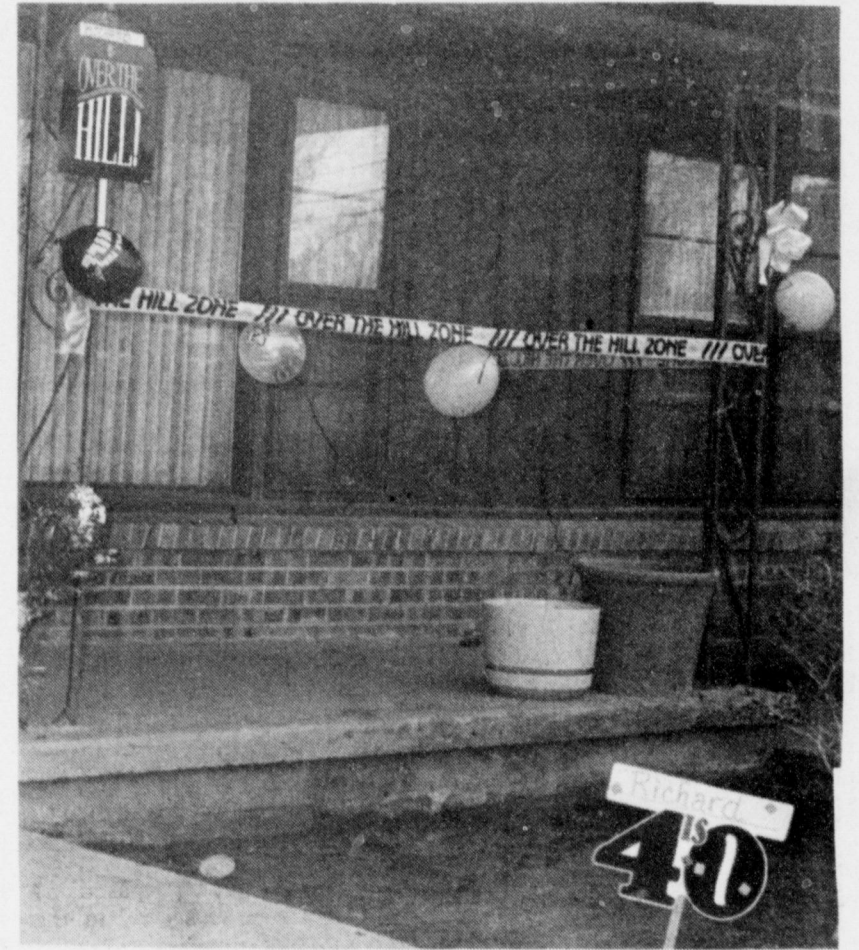
Female athletes and dancers as well as women with eating disorders have something in common: They may be at risk for osteoporosis later in life.

Many of these women are very body conscious and desire to be thin, says Dr. Albert C. Hergenroeder, an assistant professor of pediatrics and chief of adolescent medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Because they may exercise without consuming many calories, they are at high risk for reduced bone density. In the short term, that can cause stress fractures; in the long term, it can put the women at risk for osteoporosis, Hergenroeder said.

No Wonder!

Husband: "Darn! This razor won't cut!"
Wife: "Nonsense, darling! If I could cut carpeting with it this morning you certainly can cut your beard with it now."



GUESS WHO'S FORTY!--Although *The Journal* can't reveal who turned forty Tuesday, we can give you a little hint. He lives at the corner of West Second and Avenue F and is well known in the Methodist Church. (Journal Photo)

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ONE MINUTE SPORTS QUIZ

By Christian Thorlund

1. Where do the Atlanta Braves conduct spring training?
2. Who is Rocco Mediate?
3. Who is Paul Haarhuis?

Answers:

1. West Palm Beach, Fla.
2. Pro golfer who just won the Doral Open.
3. Dutch tennis pro.



MOTORCYCLISTS VISIT MULESHOE SATURDAY--Pictured above are two of the out-of-town motorcyclists who were in Muleshoe last Saturday for the annual Muleshoe Roadriders Motorcycle Rally. Shown from left, Billy 'T-Bone' Johnson and 'Thunder' Schooley. They said they are currently living in Lubbock, but also call El Paso and Denver, Colo. home. (Journal Photo)

Tax Board Reminds Of Rendition

Leon A. Wilhite, executive director of the State Property Tax Board (SPTB), has reminded business owners that they must file property rendition forms with local appraisal district offices by April 1, 1991.

The legal deadline for renditions is actually March 31, which falls on a Sunday this year. As a result, the 1991 deadline has been moved to the first working day after March 31. Property owners may receive a 30-day extension, but must file a written request with the appraisal district by April 1, 1991.

A rendition is a report a property owner files each year, listing taxable property he owns or manages as of January 1.

"The law requires certain property owners to file renditions every year," noted Wilhite.

Anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 must file

a rendition statement with the local appraisal district. "Businesses, for instance, must report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment, and other tangible business property on a rendition. It is to their benefit to do so because chief appraisers use the rendition report to establish the property's fair taxable value," Wilhite explained.

"When business personal property isn't rendered, the chief appraiser is forced to estimate the value," he added.

The chief appraiser may also require other property owners or managers to render property. If so, the chief appraiser will send a notice and the appropriate rendition form.

If a property is appraised by more than one appraisal district, the property owner should file a rendition in each appraisal district office.

Property owners whose homes were damaged last year by a storm, flood, or fire may also file a special type of rendition report with chief appraisers, called a report of decreased value. The deadline for filing this report for 1991 is April 1.

Rendition and report of decreased value forms are available at local appraisal district offices. The law requires that the property owner provide all information requested on the form. Wilhite noted that making false statements on renditions and reports of decreased value is a criminal violation.

Rendition forms and decreased value reports are confidential and not open to public inspection.

Dick Cheney, Secretary of Defense:

"This program (A-12 stealth bomber) cannot be sustained unless I ask Congress for more money to bail the contractors out...that I will not do."

Representative Ties Recession To Government

"Cost and waste from government overregulation are draining money from the family budget and the nation's economy," said U. S. Representative Larry Combest (R-Texas). Combest has responded with his campaign to Fight Against Intrusive Regulations ("FAIR"), to identify excessive and unnecessary federal regulations.

"What the American people need is effective, reasonable regulations that do not smother them in government red tape and bureaucratic paperwork," said Combest.

According to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the Office of Management and Budget, federal regulations drain the economy of \$175 billion annually, or an average of \$1,700 for each taxpayer. "I am concerned that the intent of legislation passed by Congress may not be as clear and as helpful once the regulations from that legislation are written," said Combest. "Just think of what we could do if we had effective regulations that balance benefits with cost."

"In banking, volumes of federal regulations can require small banks to have four or five employees just to handle regulations," said Combest. "New Clean Air regulations require oxygen standards in reformulated gasoline that the experts do not yet know how to make in their refineries. That gasoline will be made for sale in the nation's nine smoggiest cities, but everyone will have to pay for this special gas."

Combest will highlight some of the ridiculous examples of overzealous government regulations in a series of one-minute speeches on the floor of the House of Representatives, on March 19-21. "My approach is straightforward," said Combest. "Once we identify costly regulations that do little good, we can examine whether there is a less intrusive way to accomplish these goals."

Moisture Needed

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"Some areas of the Water District received a couple of inches of precipitation during January and February. As a result, these areas may have more moisture in the top 18 inches of the soil than was indicated when the final soil moisture data was collected in mid-January," added Crenwelge. "This reinforces the need for producers to check their own soil moisture conditions before the start of pre-plant irrigation."

Sandy soils within the Water District service area hold about six inches of available water in the five-foot soil root zone when wet to field capacity. In comparison, clayey soils hold up to 12 inches of water in the soil root zone when wet to field capacity. The total plant available water in the soil root zone profile in the Water District averages about eight inches of water when wet to field capacity.

In the corn producing area of the Water District, the survey indicated that soil moisture averaged about 50 percent of field capacity, or about four inches of available water. In the cotton, grain sorghum and wheat producing areas, the soil contained from two to three inches of available water.

"With the recent precipitation received since mid-January, we have somewhat better soil moisture conditions than we have experienced in any of the past three years. This should help farmers as they prepare their land for planting. Also, based upon National Weather Service statistics for the past 79 years, it is probably that the area will receive additional precipitation prior to the growing season, which would increase the available moisture in the soil," says Crenwelge.

He adds that most of the Water District service area currently has from two to four inches of plant-available water stored in the root zone. This moisture is fairly uniform throughout the soil profile,

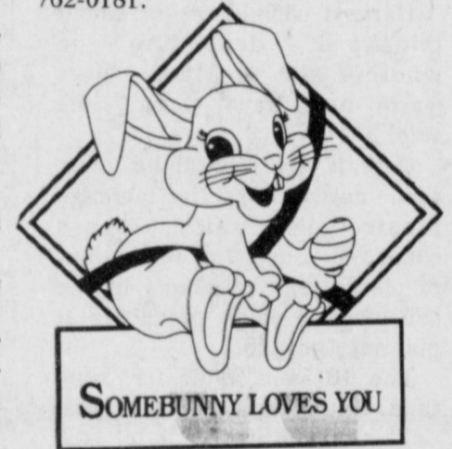
except for the top six inches of soil--the plow layer--which is prone to moisture losses caused by air-drying.

"Producers using conventional tillage practices expose the plow layer to air-drying, and as a result, the soil requires additional moisture to overcome the soil moisture deficit. Farmers who use minimum tillage, or no tillage at all, experience less soil moisture loss from the plow layer than farmers who use traditional tillage methods."

"Since the soil moisture monitoring survey reflects general soil moisture trends within the district," Crenwelge says, "it is very important for producers to remember that soil moisture deficits can vary from field to field."

Producers can check soil moisture conditions by augering several holes in the soil and observing the soil moisture conditions at one-foot intervals. The District's Water Management Note, *Estimating Soil Moisture By Feel And Appearance*, is a good guide to help farmers estimate the percentage of moisture stored in the soil, said Crenwelge. The publication is available free of charge to persons residing within the High Plains Water District service area.

Additional soil moisture information is available from the local USDA-SCS field office or the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405 or call (806) 762-0181.



BUCKLE UP!

Opportunity Plan

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One scholarship fund is the Jack W. Allison Memorial fund, set up to commemorate a MHS graduate who lost his life.

Another scholarship fund was established by Mr. and Mrs. Neal B. Dillman in memory of their daughter, Maribeth, who was a teacher. It is used to fund the college education of young women graduates of MHS who are going into the educational field.

She then called attention to the picture on the front of a brochure she handed out about the Opportunity Plan Inc.

The picture features Annette Crabtree, daughter of Cliff and Jimmie Crabtree of Muleshoe. She said after graduating from MHS, Annette attended WT for one semester, then returned to Muleshoe and worked at K C Muffler Shop for a couple of years, but still wanted to get a degree.

Annette visited with Neal Dillman, who then called Mrs. Wright. After meeting with Mrs. Wright, it was found that Annette would need a job. She was found a job, and a budget was worked out for her. She found a reasonably priced apartment and started back to school.

"We never had a student who

worked as hard as Annette Crabtree," said Mrs. Wright. "Not every student does -- but, she did. She graduated in December, and is now working in a bank in Amarillo. She is now truly self-sufficient, and can depend on herself."

Another success story related by Mrs. Wright was that of Dr. Mark McClanahan. She said he had called Neal Dillman and wanted to go to osteopathic school.

He met with Mrs. Wright who had just established a new fund just for osteopathic students. She said he really wanted to become a doctor, and wanted to return to Muleshoe to practice. He went to school for four years.

"He really stuck in there," said Mrs. Wright. "It's great to know we can help people like that and them come back into their community to work."

In citing figures, Ms. Wright said it costs a lot for a semester at WT, with no car and no frills, it costs about \$6,000 for tuition, fees, food and just a little money to 'goof off.'

"The farther south you go, the more expensive it gets," she said. "You can goof off some, but you can't major in it (goof off) anymore."

She also said Opportunity Plan Inc. maintains a 98 percent repayment on their loan funds. "We're more successful than Uncle Sam is," she commented.

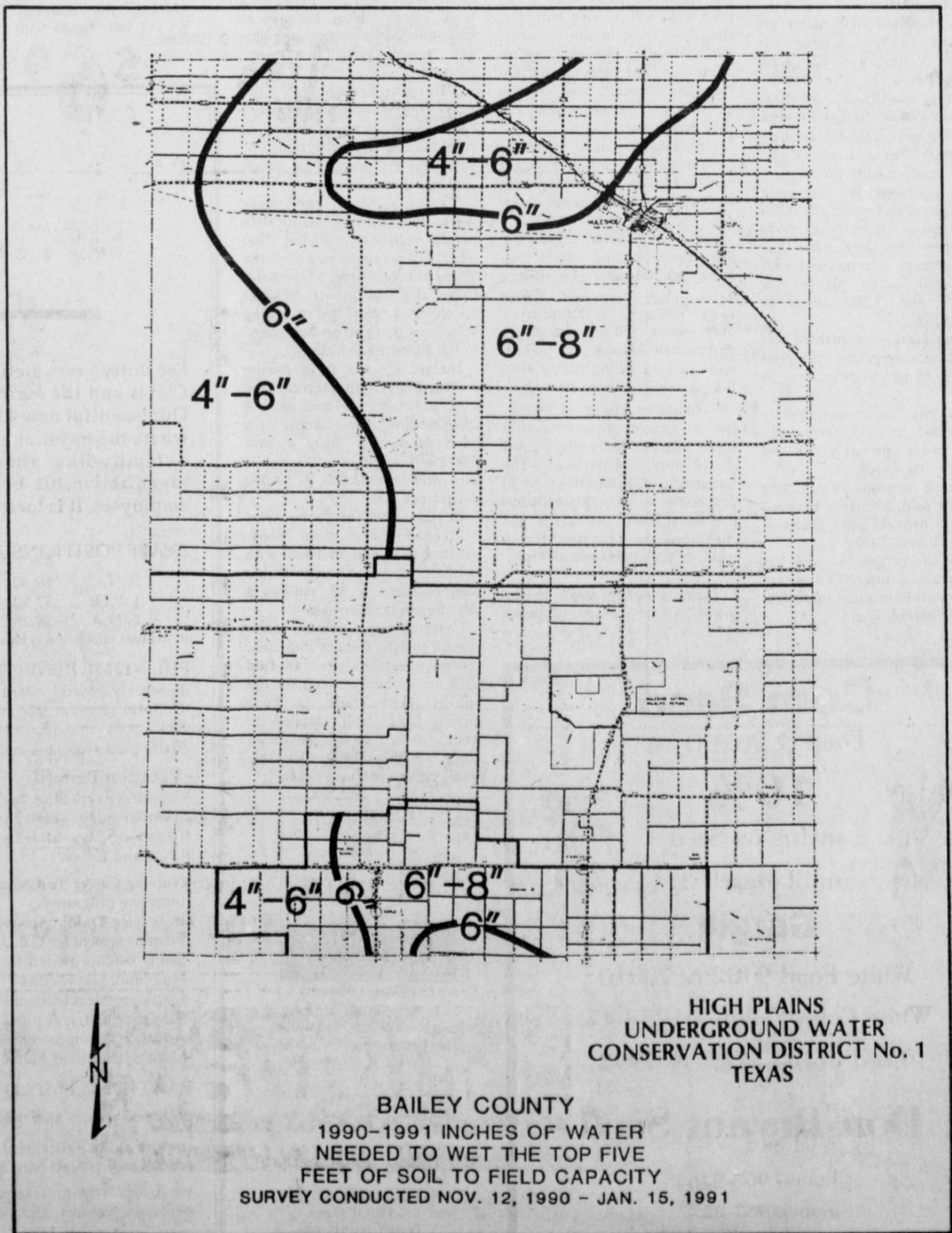
She also talked briefly about Opportunity Plan Inc. not funding proprietary schools, because of schemes and scams involved. They do invest in 'trade' educations at community colleges and places like TSTI, she added.

Ms. Wright concluded by fielding several questions from the audience.

Winner of the Polio Plus drawing was Jim Crawford.

Bill Liles was in charge of the program. The program the next two weeks will be Dave Marr, followed by Mark McClanahan.

Rotary Anns present were Cindy Purdy and Judy Watson. Visiting Rotarian was Walter Hughes of Farwell.



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Bids . . .

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City Manager Dave Marr told the council Almeria is still functioning in terms of trying to get funding.

The new extension will end in mid-May, and will exclude the metal corrals located in one corner of the proposed operation.

In other action, the city discussed the current financial condition of the city, with 42 percent of the current operating year completed. It was noted that the city is financially sound, and in good operating order.

Also coming under considerable discussion were the computers used in city offices, and included maintenance costs, and the cost for both software and hardware.

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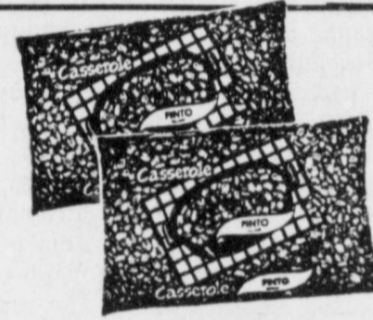


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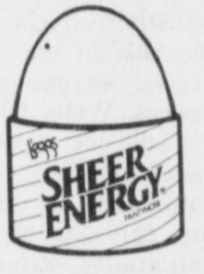


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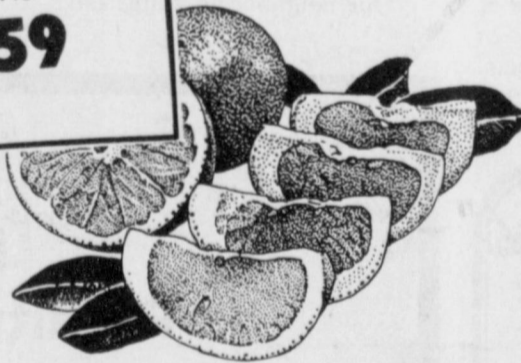
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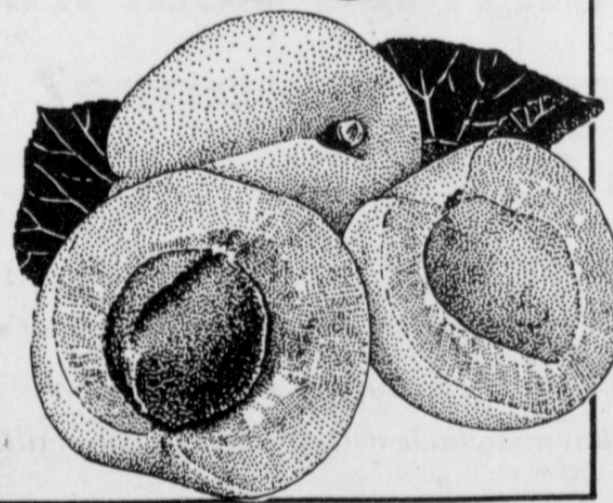
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From The Senate

By: Teel Bivins

My family and my staff have always been a source of personal support, however, over the last 6 months we have all been working to support another of our extended family. Kelly Gilbert, who works in my Austin office, has been without her husband, Shane, since September. Shane is a Medical Technician for the Air Force and has been stationed in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

During Shane's absence, my four-year-old daughter, Katie has really developed a friendship with Kelly. On a recent trip to Austin, Katie used the phone at my desk on the Senate floor to call the office and check on Kelly.

Kelly turned twenty-one on Monday, just days after a cease fire, and was joined by a nation in her wish that Shane and all our troops would be home soon.

On the home front, as most of you are aware by now, the Texas House of Representatives last week rejected a measure which would have put a lottery on the ballot. This has led many in Austin to begin talk of great short-falls in the budget and massive suspension of public services. While I believe the jury is still out on whether we will need increased revenues, I introduced a piece of legislation this week which could potentially raise \$50 million to \$100 million dollars of additional revenue each year without any new taxes.

During the 71st Legislative Session, one of the responsibilities that changed hands was the collection of cigarette taxes. The responsibility has always been vested in the Comptroller's office. However, HB 2619 gave that power to the Treasurer's office. Then-Treasurer Ann Richards immediately saw an opportunity for increased collections with increased enforcement in this area. I spent a great deal of time during the interim getting myself up to speed on this issue. Newly-elected Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchinson has also taken a leadership role regarding this bill. Working together Governor Richard, Treasurer Hutchinson, and Representative James Hury, who is carrying the bill in the House. We have come forward with a piece of legislation which we believe will significantly update the enforcement portion of the cigarette tax code. A code which has not been updated since 1938.

The goal of my legislation is to increase the audit trail and thereby increase the enforcement

ability of the Treasurer's office. Estimates have gone well over \$100 million a year for the amount of state taxes we are losing due to bootlegging of cigarettes from foreign countries and from neighboring states. The most difficult problem with cracking down on these bootlegging operations has been that Treasury officials would have to catch the individuals in the act of selling untaxed cigarettes. As you can imagine, this task is quite difficult and requires incredible man power expense. My bill, SB 689, will increase the audit ability of the Treasurer's office and thereby make it much easier to enforce our existing cigarette tax laws.

Perhaps the most significant thing in SB 689 is that for the first time, the state will issue permits to retail businesses which sell cigarettes. At first, I had great concern formed by many of my friends in the retail business that they supported this permit for two reasons. First, because fewer illegal cigarettes means less unfair competition. Secondly, because of losses they had experienced due to the theft of cigarettes. Currently, it is not unusual to have armed robberies of small convenience stores where cash is left in the cash register but all the cigarettes are stolen. I am told the reason for this, is the lack of auditing of retail businesses, there is no way to track stolen cigarettes. I believe my bill will change this and aid law enforcement in tracking stolen cigarettes to their sources. In big cities illegal cigarettes are one of the most frequently bartered items in drug deals. I am excited to hear this bill will also have a negative effect on the state's drug business.

The bill will also increase the criminal penalties for those people convicted of bootlegging offenses or tax fraud. One part of the bill that I am very excited about is the seizure of cigarettes, vehicles used to transport illegal cigarettes or property used to distribute illegal or untaxed cigarettes. I am a strong believer that the best way to get criminals' attention is through their pocketbooks. This bill goes a long way toward making criminals "pay" for their crimes.

The bill has been referred to the State Affairs Committee, and I plan to request a hearing in it as soon as possible. In a time when Texas is having to pinch every penny, I believe a change which could produce this

kind of increased revenue, is long overdue. I have always tried to be innovative when looking for sources of revenue. While many people have had significant input into this bill, I am extremely excited to be its author. I also plan to continue seeking out these types of revenue-generating methods and work to close all current tax loopholes exploited by criminals before I will go back to the citizens and ask for increased taxes.

From a conservative point of view, the Legislature began with a good start. The passage of Senate Bill 111, which called for an across the board one percent spending cut, combined with mandated performance audits on all of our major State agencies was definitely a step in the right direction. If these audits are conducted as the Legislature intended they should focus the full light of day on "seams of fat" that run through our State agencies. Our

legislative challenge at that point will be to use a scalpel to skillfully remove that fat. After the lean years of the late 80s, the fat that was trimable with a machete has already been cut away.

While the spending side of the budget has received a good deal of attention during the early days of the legislative session, the revenue side has received very little with the exception of the lottery. This is unfortunate as I believe the tax system of this State is in need of major reform.

The reality in Texas today is that we have a taxing system which does not reflect the underlying economy of the State. The cornerstones of our tax system, the sales tax and the franchise tax, are relics of the past.

When the sales tax came into existence in 1954, the Texas economy was composed of 70% production goods and 30% production of services. In 1990, those numbers are practically reversed. Service providers are really driving the economy of Texas today, and yet they pay none of the cost to run the State government.

Slapping a sales tax on services is a simplistic approach which is supported by many and is feasible in some situations. But applying a sales tax to advertising services, for example, can become very complex and, as the State of Florida found, ultimately unworkable. A better approach would be to apply some type of business tax, such as the franchise tax, to all service providers.

Our corporate franchise tax is assessed on the capital of businesses operating in Texas. It is a tax that in recent years has been beleaguered by court

attacks based on the unfairness of its application. These attacks have been so successful that estimated franchise tax revenues for the fiscal year 1991 are approximately \$530 million dollars which is down from a high of \$880 million in 1988.

originally designed to be a tax on the privilege of doing business in the State, the corporate franchise tax has risen to the sole business tax in the State of Texas. It certainly works at cross purposes with one of the major goals of Texas today which is to attract and retain businesses in this State. A tax based solely on capital creates a disproportionately heavy burden on capital intensive industry whether they are making money or not. The very businesses that are the most sought after by those are engaged in economic development activities, are dissuaded from locating in Texas. Two examples are manufacturing facilities, and in our area, agricultural processing facilities.

Another major problem with corporate franchise tax is that the tax is only imposed on one type of business. If you were clever enough to have organized your business as a sole proprietorship, partnership, or limited partnership your business pays "0" dollars into the State Treasury each year. However, if you happen to have organized your business as a corporation in Texas you have the privilege of paying one of the highest franchise tax rates in all of the 50 states, \$5.25 per \$1,000 taxable capital.

These are but two of the major problems that exists in the Texas tax system today. These and many other issues were dealt with thoroughly by the Select Committee on Tax Equity. The Committee report, a very thorough treatise on tax fairness issues in Texas, was submitted to the Legislature in 1989. Unfortunately, the work received very little attention. I believe it is high time to dust off that document and set about creating a tax system for this State that is fair, equitable and reflective of our economy in the 1990s.

State Senator Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) filed legislation which, if passed, would strengthen the enforcement against cigarette tax fraud in the State

of Texas. SB 689 was filed by Bivins. Bivins was later joined at a press conference by Governor Ann Richard, State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchinson and Representative James Hury (D-Galveston), who announced their support for the bill.

"Our neighboring states have

relatively low taxes on cigarettes. This has created an incentive for people to smuggle black market cigarettes into Texas," said Bivins. "As a result of this kind of illegal activity, the State of Texas loses millions of dollars a year in tax revenues. These losses are exacerbated when combined with the loss of retail business created by people going across state lines to buy cigarettes and ending up buying groceries and gasoline too."

Bivins' bill, which will be carried in the House by Hury, reforms the enforcement provisions of the Cigarette Tax Code. Key provisions in the bill include: a more workable audit system for the Treasurer's enforcement staff, increased penalties against violators of the code, and general updates to the code to make the cigarette tax enforcement similar to the enforcement of other laws in the state.

It has been estimated that as much as \$100 million per year is not being collected due to the black market. "It's no secret that the State of Texas is facing real financial hardships. It is important that we collect all the current taxes we possibly can," said the Amarillo lawmaker. The bill also allows for the seizure of cigarettes and other properties used in the transportation and sale of black market cigarettes. The Cigarette Tax Code has not been updated since 1938. Bivins stated that he believes this change is long overdue.

The bill is expected to be referred to a committee early this week. Bivins has said he will request a hearing as soon as possible.

Enochs News

by: Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Sidney Graves of Friendship spent some of the fat stock holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Nova Louise Thomas at Smyer brought Sidney out to Three Way Thursday to visit his friends and they stopped and visited in the home of Dale and Rose Nichols, and stopped at the Senior Citizens of Morton and visited Mrs. Ellen Bayless and Mrs. Elnita Key.

Mrs. Elnita Key and Ellen Bayless ate dinner at the Senior Citizens Thursday in Morton.

Visitors at the Baptist Church Sunday morning were Mrs. Paula Grant and children of Lubbock and Mrs. Deniece Cooper.

Rural Heroism Award Presented Posthumously

A fourth-generation Kimble County rancher lost his life attempting to rescue a ranch hand from a stock pond last November has been named recipient of the 1990 Rural Heroism Award posthumously.

Jane Murr, widow of forty-three-year-old Hardy Murr of Junction received a plaque Monday honoring her late husband for attempting to save the life of Cap Lyn Machen, 23, from a stock pond on a ranch near Carrizo Springs. Machen also died in the attempted rescue.

The presentation was made during the 53rd annual Texas/Southwestern Safety Conference and Exposition held at the Arlington Convention Center.

On Nov. 28, 1990, Murr was in a helicopter during a cattle roundup on the Farias Ranch near Carrizo Springs. Murr saw a calf wandering into a stock pond and noticed a fellow worker, Cap Lyn Machen, riding his horse into the pond in an attempt to rescue the calf.

Sensing the perilous situation, Murr jumped from the helicopter into the pond and began pulling Machen to the surface of the water. The helicopter pilot, Steve Doud, lowered a skid into the water. While holding onto the skid, Murr tried to pull Machen to safety. However, the weight of Machen and Murr's own slippery cold hands proved his own undoing and both men sank back into the frigid waters and drowned.

Murr's widow is the daughter of Maragrite Stevenson and the late Texas Gov. Coke Stevenson. He also left behind two children, Andrew, 13, and Rachel, nine.

Murr was serving on the Kimble County Farm Bureau Board of Directors at the time of his death. Murr was chosen from several entries submitted statewide.

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LUBBOCK, Friday, March 15, 1991

Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG), recently submitted comments pertaining to new regulations from the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) resulting from interpretation of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990. The new regulations are to be applied by ASCS during the 1991-crop year.

The comments were submitted on behalf of producers in the 25 counties represented by PCG. For many of these producers the late release of the new regulations and the numerous unexpected changes that accompanied them threaten to cause problems. Some had already begun their land preparation activities, following the same guidelines that were applicable to the 1990-crop.

The recommendations made by PCG covered a wide range of subjects. Those recommendations are:

1) That the size requirement for acreage in Conservation Reserve (ACR) and/or Conservation Use (CU) for Pay be amended to allow producers to continue to use non-uniform terrace tops and skips as ACR or CU for Pay;

2) That blank rows found in 2-in-1-out cotton be considered eligible for CU for Pay status, at least for the 1991-crop year so that producers who have already prepared land for planting in this manner are not adversely effected;

3) (A) That the Texas High Plains be designated an arid area and therefore exempt from the 50 percent ACR cover requirement,

(B) That the June 1 deadline for having the 50 percent cover planted on ACR be relaxed,

(C) That volunteer wheat be allowed to qualify as an approved cover on ACR and CU for Pay acres.

4) That the proposed regulation making land designated as ACR for five years ineligible for such a designation for another five years not be adopted;

5) That the proposed reduction of the tolerance level for acreage measurements not be implemented;

6) That the Secretary allow the State Committee authority, in areas where practices warrant, to determine that the entire acreage of a field is planted to the crop if the crop is planted in strips of two or more rows and the strips of idle land between them is less than 64 inches in width.

Submission of these recommendations preceded an announcement by the Texas State Committee, which ruled that the entire state will be considered an arid area and therefore not subject to the 50 percent cover requirement on ACR.

In addition to these comments PCG also prepared comments on proposed Payment Limitation Regulations. These regulations if implemented could severely affect some High Plains producers.

PCG made the following recommendations:

1) That the addition of a payment eligible spouse be considered a bonafide and substantive farm operation change in the same manner as provided for other family members;

2) That advance payments be made while State Committee plan considerations are being made;

3) That plans referred to the State Committee be accompanied by a county committee recommendation acquainting the State Committee with detailed plan knowledge and expediting the ultimate determination; and

4) That the State Committee be instructed to apply the initial review requirement only on a farm number basis when the farm involves more than five qualified payment entities.

Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG), announces the guest speakers for their 34th Annual Meeting. They are J. Nicholas Hahn, President of Cotton Incorporated (CI), and Keth Henley, a Director of Cotlook Ltd. and its parent company Liverpool Cotton Services. The PCG Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held on April 11, in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners Annual Convention and Trade Show, in Lubbock.

Hahn, along with his wife Julie and four children, resides in Darien, Connecticut and is President and Chief Executive Officer for Cotton Incorporated. His

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Henley heads the Memphis, Tennessee office of Cotlook Ltd., publisher of the weekly "Cotton Outlook" magazine based in Liverpool, England. Henley has editorial responsibilities for cotton policy, production, consumption and pricing information in the United States, Mexico and Central America.

Report Shows Cancer Lower Here

Panhandle cancer rates, with a few exceptions, are lower than those in the nation, according to a report released by the Texas Department of Health (TDH).

This and other types of cancer information are available in "Cancer Incidence--Texas Panhandle 1976-1985," recently published by the TDH-Cancer Registry Division.

According to the report, Texas Panhandle incidence rates for males and females were lower or comparable to national estimates from the National Cancer Institute's surveillance and epidemiology program.

The age-adjusted incidence rate for total cancers among Texas Panhandle males (352.8 per 100,000) was lower than the National Cancer Institute's estimate for U.S. males (397.2 per 100,000). Females in the region also had a lower total cancer rate--262.7 per 100,000 compared with the U.S. rate of 302.5 per 100,000.

Despite the favorable incidence rates, several types of cancer including malignant melanoma, leukemia and cervical cancer were slightly higher than the national rates.

"The Cancer Registry Division collects, analyzes and interprets cancer incidence data from

Texas hospitals and other sources," said Linda Lloyd, division director. "Accurate and complete registry information is the cornerstone for cancer prevention and early detection programs."

Those interested in obtaining a copy of the new Panhandle cancer survey should contact Michael Skrabanek, the Cancer Registry Division's regional coordinator in Lubbock, at 806-794-0774.

Sudan News

by Ann Gaston

The Sudan Fire Department Emergency Medical Service wishes to report that for the year 1990 the service made 194 Ambulance Runs, 2 to Amherst, 65 to Littlefield, seven to Muleshoe, 23 to Lubbock, 1 to Plainview, plus four runs from hospitals to Sudan and two runs refused. The service had the most runs in the month of December with 13, second was January and September with 12 runs each. The least runs made was in the month of July with only four runs.

The service has made 1049 runs total since the beginning of the service in 1979.

In the year of 1990 the attendant with the most runs was Fire Chief Theron Hill with 50 runs. Second was Fireman Michael Williamson, with 32 runs. The Emergency Medical Service of Sudan wishes to provide the best service possible to the community and the area around Sudan. Please do not hesitate to use the service if you feel you need it.

Report: Peru cholera epidemic spreading in Andes.

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**Texas
Senate Week
In Review**

With the Texas Supreme Court's April 1 deadline approaching, the House-Senate conference committee on Senate Bill 351 is continuing to meet to address the funding problems of the public school finance system. Lieutenant Governor Bullock and House Speaker Lewis each appointed five members to the conference committee to work out the differences in the bill. Both Houses must agree on the final bill.

On Wednesday, March 11, the Senate passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 31, sponsored by Senator Carlos Truan of Corpus Christi, which recommends to the State Highway Department that the nickname "The Lone Star State" be incorporated into the design for Texas automobile license plates. The measure goes to the House for approval.

On Wednesday, March 13, several members of the Senate traveled to Washington, D.C. for three days of work at the

White House and the U. S. Capitol, for the National Conference of State Legislatures Leader to Leader Conference.

Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock is leading the delegation, which plans to meet with U.S. Senator Lloyd Bentsen, members of Texas' Congressional delegation, White House staff, and members of Congressional leadership. Topics of discussion will include economic development, rural health care, and congressional redistricting.

The Senate met at 8 a.m. on Thursday, March 14, for Local and Uncontested Calendar, with the Chair of the Senate Administration Committee, Senator Bill Haley of Center, presiding. Local and Uncontested Calendar is a process where uncontested, noncontroversial bills are read and passed by the Senate after being approved by the Senate Administration Committee. This was Senator Haley's first session to preside over Local and Uncontested Calendar after being newly appointed to the post by Lieutenant Governor Bullock in January.

DEA to consider steroids a controlled substance.

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Small Businesses Push For No Frills Insurance

Calling health insurance price hikes "an epidemic that can be cured only through legislative action," the head of the state's largest small-business advocacy group is urging the Legislature to pass a bill that would allow insurance companies to sell "no-frills" health plans in Texas.

"Massive hikes in health insurance costs have left small firms that now provide coverage wondering how much longer they can continue to offer the benefit," said Robert Howden, director of the 40,000-member Texas chapter of the National Foundation of Independent Business. "More and more employers who had hoped to provide coverage find it priced even further beyond their reach every year," he added.

Speaking in support of HB 532, Howden cited a study by benefit consulting firm A. Foster Higgins & Co., Inc. The national study found indemnity insurance prices rose 25.2 percent in 1990, the second consecutive year in which costs increased by more than 20 percent.

For firms with fewer than 500 workers, indemnity health plans now cost an average of more than \$3,000 per worker, the study revealed.

The Legislature has fueled insurance inflation by mandating that every group policy sold in the state cover more than 20 types of services that "fall outside the scope of basic health care," Howden said. State law mandates that all group plans cover a wide range of services, including chemical dependency treatments, in vitro fertilization and other services offered by 15 different types of health providers.

HB 532, sponsored by Rep. M.A. Taylor (R-Waco), would allow insurers to offer "no frills" health plans, except from the state mandates. Such plans would be available only to businesses with fewer than 50 workers, providing major medical and hospitalization coverage at substantially lower prices.

Rep. Taylor said HB 532 would give small-business owners a chance to stay in the health insurance market. "Currently, they are forced to buy a fully-loaded, luxury sedan or nothing at all. HB 532 would let businesses with only an economy-car budget provide basic coverage to their workers," Taylor said.

NFIB's Howden cited a 1988 study by the Dallas-based National Center for Policy Analysis which estimated some 70,000 Texans (about one-fifth of the state's uninsured population) had been priced out of the health insurance market because of the costs attached to the mandated coverages.

Howden speculated that the number of Texans without insurance had increased significantly over the last five years, as basic health care costs rose swiftly and the Legislature continued to add costly new mandates. "Governmental

mandates have exacerbated the cost problem, and governmental action—specifically, the passage of HB 532—can help alleviate it," Howden said.

Civil Justice Asks Reform Of Legislation

The Texas Civil Justice League called on the Texas Legislature to adopt products liability reform legislation in order to return fairness and predictability to the state's legal system. The legislation was introduced by Senator Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) and Representative Curtis Seidlits (D-Sherman) as Senate Bill 301 and House Bill 5.

"Texas products liability law must be changed. Right now, it is so confusing and so extreme that it actually encourages people to sue—and the economic fallout from this lawsuit explosion affects nearly everyone," said Ralph Wayne, the League's executive president.


During the last legislature, the Texas House overwhelmingly passed a products liability reform bill. Like the measure introduced by Senator Bivins and Representative Seidlits, the legislation attempted to restore a measure of fairness, stability and predictability to the State's products liability laws, while preserving the ability of claimants to seek and obtain appropriate relief. The House Bill was passed out of the Senate Committee on Economic Development by an 8-1 vote, but died as the session ended in the face of a threatened filibuster by supporters of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association.

The Texas Civil Justice League, with more than 2,000 members as a grassroots network of more than 35,000 supporters, is the largest tort reform organization in the nation. Founded in 1986, TCJL is a non-profit association dedicated to restoring fairness, balance, predictability and economy to the state's civil justice system. Members include more than 100 trade, professional and health care associations, 500 municipalities, and numerous counties, school districts, chambers of commerce and law firms. Business members include the Texas Chamber of Commerce and the Business Round Table which represent companies such as Halliburton, Dresser Industries, the Philip Morris Companies, Monsanto, Cooper Industries, Bell Helicopter and other major manufacturers, as well as many small business concerns.

BRIEFS

Bush energy plan stresses production.

STATE CAPITAL



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Capitol halls were buzzing last week with talk of income taxes, including:

- The new state income tax proposed by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, and

- The federal income tax records of top speaker ally state Rep. Hugo Berlanga, who was slapped with a contempt ruling for failing to turn them over to a grand jury probing possible corruption at the Capitol.

Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, took the fifth amendment, refused to turn over income tax records sought by the grand jury, and said he would appeal the contempt ruling.

Berangra, who was speaker pro tem last session and chairs the powerful Calendars Committee now, is not expected to be the last legislator subpoenaed by Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle.

Bad Blood Bill

Other lawmakers admit they expect to be called to testify before

Letter To The Editor

March 15, 1991

Ms. Clea Williams
Editor
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Dear Ms. Williams:

More than 10 years ago, I tried to alert Texans to the fact that our current tax system was falling further and further out of step with the Texas economy, and that the day was coming when we would have to seriously consider a state income tax, despite my personal opposition and the historic opposition of most Texans to income taxes.

That day has now come, thanks to the Supreme Court ruling declaring our public school finance system unconstitutional. I think it is now time to discuss an income tax frankly and without emotion—and I have so stated.

I did not suggest it as simply a means of raising more money to spend. I did it because your local school property taxes are going sky-high, and an income tax is the only way I know of to stop that.

I did it because the alternatives are few and far between, and those few options would certainly include a handsome increase in the sales tax rate and broadening of its coverage to include all services and many hard good items that are now exempt.

Opposition to my suggestion has been predictably partisan, emotional and in most instances without the benefit of facts and details as to what an income tax can do to get Texans significant property tax relief and to chart a stable and constitutionally sound course for the future of our schools.

I would hope that you would read the enclosed materials as you formulate your own thinking on the question. If you see fit, I would be most grateful for your publishing the commentary I have written as I feel it carries a good deal of factual information that would be of help to your readers as they reflect on the issue.

If we can be of any help to you with further information, please don't hesitate to call on me, or if I'm not available, Mr. Rafe Greenlee of our information office at 512/463-0159.

Sincerely,
BOB BULLOCK
Lieutenant Governor

(Editor's Note: See accompanying article in this issue of The Muleshoe Journal.)

the grand jury.

Hoping to pass her bill which would allow lawmakers to bring their lawyers when they testify, state Rep. Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston, drew a standing ovation for her speech vilifying Earle for "sleazy tactics" and labeled him "a disgrace to the legal profession."

The relationship between Earle, who heads the Public Integrity Unit, and House members ranges between bad blood and no love lost.

State Income Tax

With regular business lulled by committee hearings, talk about the new income tax proposal becomes emotional, whether it's a business leader or a political hack struggling for pole position in the 1992 elections.

Although House Ways and Means chairman James Hury, D-Galveston, filed a thinly-disguised income tax bill, many players feel that the issue will not come to a vote until the '93 session.

Texas is one of six states without an income tax, and even anti-tax lawmakers will admit privately that perhaps the time for the inevitable is near.

Make It Palatable

Pro-tax advocates — mainly liberal Democrats — are encouraged that if they find the right way to sugar coat it, the public will accept an income tax.

For it to be palatable, the new tax will have to be very small, and probably be accompanied by reductions in property and sales taxes.

The biggest hurdle for liberals is the widespread public suspicion that the Democratic leadership which grabbed control in '82 has proved to be the biggest spenders in Texas history.

The chief complaint is the prediction that it won't be long before the property and sales taxes are pumped up to the current high levels, coupled with an inflated income tax to boot.

Tax on Services?

Some knowledgeable observers surmise the income tax boost may even be a smoke-screen by the shrewd Bullock to get tax reform this year with an expanded sales tax on business services.

After all, standing next to an income tax, the widened sales tax may look beautiful to some taxpayers.

But the income tax has attracted endorsements from several groups, including the Trial Lawyers Association, the Texas Association of School Boards and Common Cause, which wants the tax aimed at the wealthy.

The Texas Association of Business blasted the proposal as "a blank check for unrestrained government spending."

Gov. Ann Richards balked publicly and said she's waiting for a tax task force to report on its findings.

However, her staunchest allies, including the Trial Lawyers Association, rank high in the pro-tax faction and no one actually believes she would veto it.

Still, to carry the income tax baggage through the '94 election is a load Richards cannot want, and the Texas Republican Party, with President George Bush riding high in popularity, is already showing signs of recovery.

GOP to Fight Income Tax

Texas Republicans last week promised a grass-roots campaign to defeat the state income tax proposal by Bullock.

Fred Meyer, state GOP chairman, and Rep. Tom Craddock, chairman of the House Republican Caucus, passed out buttons declaring "Don't Mess with Taxes." And they said Gov. Richards's campaign promise of a "New Texas" actually meant "New Taxes."

"The Republican Party stands

for the working people of Texas in opposing a state income tax," Meyer said.

Bob Slagle, chairman of the Texas Democratic Party, accused Meyer of "petty partisanship."

Other Highlights

- During a debate on a resolution by Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, to put "The Lone Star State" slogan on license plates, state Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, joked that it should read "The Savings and Lone Star State."

- Gov. Richards has scheduled a special congressional election for May 4 to fill the unexpired term of U.S. Rep. Steve Bartlett, who resigned to run for mayor of Dallas.

- The governor has nominated Cassandra C. Carr, a vice president of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., to the board of the Texas Department of Human Services.

Traffic Deaths Down According To DPS

Traffic deaths in Texas dropped to the lowest level in 14 years in 1990, according to statistics compiled by the Department of Public Safety.

"Not since 1976 have traffic fatalities been this low in Texas," said DPS Director Col. Joe Milner. "Last year, traffic deaths decreased from 3,243. This is a decline of 3.5 percent from 1989. In 1981, by way of comparison, 4,701 persons lost their lives in Texas traffic accidents."

Also, for the first time in Texas history, the traffic death rate dropped to an all-time low of 2 deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled in Texas. That is a 4.8 percent decrease from the 1989 death rate, Milner said.

The 1990 traffic death decrease was the fifth in the last six years, the DPS director said.

"I'd like to challenge all Texans to strive for another decrease this year," Milner said.

As in years past, the leading cause of traffic deaths in Texas was alcohol or other drug-related accidents. During 1990, Milner said, 1,402 persons lost their lives in accidents involving intoxication. That amounts to 43 percent of all fatalities, he said.

"One of the factors in the 1990 decrease in traffic deaths is clearly the motorcycle helmet law," Milner said. "Motorcycle fatalities were down 19 percent, from 243 deaths in 1989 to 197 deaths in 1990. The Texas Transportation Institute observational study estimates that

helmet use has reached 98 percent in Texas."

Another piece of legislation also is continuing to contribute to decreasing traffic deaths, Milner said.

"We believe that two out of three Texas drivers are wearing safety belts," Milner said, "and this is clearly saving lives."

Though traffic deaths were down in Texas, the number of persons injured in 1990 was up by 8 percent, from 243,030 to 262,576.

"We believe this increase is partially attributable to the increase in the number of drivers and the number of miles driven," Milner said. "But this increase in injuries makes us all the more grateful for the drop in traffic deaths, and shows there is no room for complacency in traffic safety."

Pleasing Everybody

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