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**Old Mill Trade Days
this weekend**

There'll be lots of out of town visitors to Post this weekend as the Labor Day holiday includes Old Mill Trade Days Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission on Friday is free. Saturday there will be a fashion show and the popular "Fort Wood Gunfighters" will offer their brand of the old "western shoot-out." The park is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Founder's Day 1996 - Sept. 14

Fashion Show Saturday sets stage for 'Black Tie & Boots' Dance

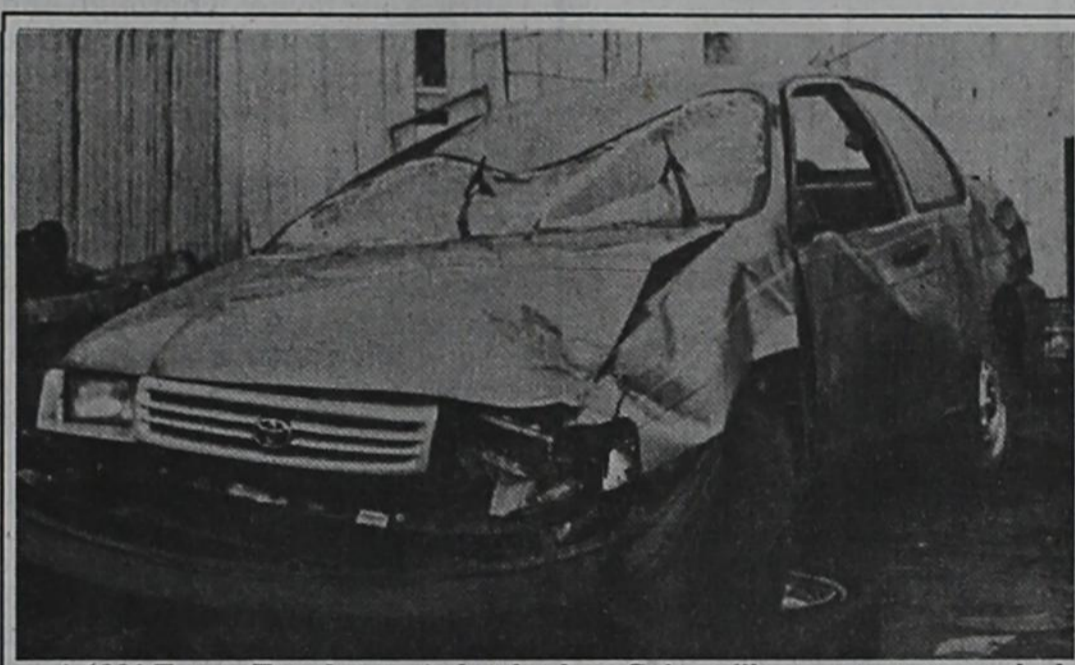
Fashion suggestions for the Founder's Day Black Tie & Boots Dinner & Dance will be the focus of a fashion show to be held Saturday as part of this month's Old Mill Trade Days activities. The show, set for 11 a.m. at the stage area, will feature a variety of women's garments appropriate for this year's Sept. 14 dinner and dance. Lily Dale's and La Posta will be providing the apparel for the show. The fashion show will carry out a dance theme and will feature several local women modeling fashions such as Hairston-Roberson, Alexander Campbell, E. Clare, Frontier Collection, Painted Pony, Red Collection, San Antonio Rose and Clarissa Cassandra. The event is expected to run 20-30 minutes, according to show organizer Tonya Kirkpatrick. Scheduled models for La Posta include D'Linda Chapman, Peggy Lott, Kimbra Kemp, Cammie Payne, Christina Jones, Nikki Pollard and Natalie Pollard. Models representing Lily Dale's will include Lisa Kirkpatrick, Teri Cash, Gena Lott, Haley Mason, Rhonda Kirkpatrick, Lily Hart, Zoe Kirkpatrick, Kellie Macy and Kim Lott. Larry Mills and Tom Baker will escort the models on stage.

The Post Dispatch

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Stolen vehicle wrecked, three injured, held on several charges

By Becky Warren
In what seemed to be the end to a fairly quiet week, the Garza County sheriff's office received a call at 11:12 p.m. Saturday, August 24, about a one-vehicle rollover on South Highway 84. The accident, which was four miles south of Post on US Hwy 84, resulted in injuries to three Dallas area young men. DPS Trooper Kyle Edwards reports that 17 year old Joshua Jenkins of Wylie was driving a 1991 Toyota Tercel northbound when he lost control and veered off the roadway. The driver apparently had leaned over to pick somethin up off the floor, and when the car veered to the left, Jenkins over corrected hitting the guard rail on the right side. Jenkins was wearing a seat belt, while the passengers were unstrapped. Injured in the accident were Jenkins, 19 year old Marcus Rios of North Dallas and a juvenile male, who was ejected from the vehicle through the back window. All three were treated in the field by the Post EMT's and taken to Garza Memorial Hospital. The juvenile, who had been listed as a juvenile runaway, and Rios were treated and released to the sheriff's department. Both were on probation for prior burglaries. Jenkins, who was later transported to UMC in Lubbock for further evaluation and treatment, was transferred back to Post Tuesday by Trooper Edwards to face charges for theft of a motor vehicle. He is currently also on probation for theft and burglary. A felony warrant was issued for all three suspects for theft of the vehicle. According to Edwards the keys to the car were taken out of the house by an acquaintance of one of the suspects. The vehicle belonged to Mandy Keer of Gainesville. The juvenile was transferred last to the Lubbock Juvenile Center to be held for the sheriff's office. He was brought back to Post Monday for a hearing and returned to Lubbock. Edwards stated that the cause of the accident was due to excessive speed. On Sunday, August 25, a 28 year old male was arrested on a warrant to revoke his probation. He is still being held. Also a 24 year old male was arrested for public intoxication and DPS warrants. He was released after posting three surety bonds. The office had responded to 69 calls this past week.



A 1991 Toyota Tercel, reported stolen by a Gainesville woman, was wrecked south of Post last Saturday on US Hwy 84. The driver and three passengers were injured. The suspects are being held on various charges. (Photo by Becky Warren)

Commissioners agree to pay hikes

Garza County commissioners, while hammering out the county's 1996-97 budget Monday, agreed to give raises to all county employees in the new fiscal year. According to the proposed budget, all of the county's elected officials are scheduled to receive a \$3,000 per year salary increase. All other county employees will see a salary hike of \$1,500 per year. The pay hikes will cost the county an additional \$77,662, according to reports. Consideration of the proposed salary increases drew a split vote. Commissioners Royce Josey, John Valdez and Mason McClellan joined Judge Giles W. Dalby in voting in favor of the measure. Precinct 1 Commissioner Lee Norman voted against the proposed pay increase. The county's 1996-97 budget will not be adopted until next month. The new fiscal year will begin Oct. 1. In other business, county officials: * Updated the county's property insurance through the Texas Association of Counties. The court met with TAC representative Cris Faught, who said Garza County's current insurance coverage falls short in providing adequate coverage for county-owned properties and facilities. Under the existing policy, for example, the valuation of the courthouse is listed at just under \$500,000. Faught said that number should be closer to \$1,160,000. The court agreed the valuations were too low across the board and approved the purchase of a new insurance policy through the TAC with increased valuations. Two bids were reviewed, but the TAC's coverage was broader while its premiums were lower. * Opened and approved a pair of bids from Yellowhouse Manufacturing Co. on used motorgraders for Precincts 1 and 2. The bid for the Precinct 1 motorgrader was \$79,500 with trade-in. The bid for Precinct 2 was \$84,500 with trade-in.

Area ranchers, farmers smile with recent rains

Generous rains have fallen across Post and Garza County this month. On Tuesday, for example, Post received a total of two inches of rainfall, according to reports from the sheriff's department. August precipitation records include: August 9 - 1.8 inches August 10 - 0.888 inch August 17 - 0.16 inch August 18 - 0.28 inch August 21 - 0.40 inch August 24 - 1 inch August 26 - 0.12 inch August 27 - 2 inches As of 7 a.m. Wednesday, Post had received a total of 6.648 inches of rainfall during the month of August. That amount almost accounts for half of the rainfall recorded in the city throughout the entire year. In fact, it's actually been a "wet" summer, according to records kept at the sheriff's department. In June and July, Post received a total of 2.35 inches and 1.47 inches of rainfall respectively, compared to lesser totals recorded earlier in the year. In May, the city received 1.3 inches of precipitation, but the January, February and April totals were less than an inch each. There was no rainfall recorded in March. Rains over the past few days boosted the year-to-date total to 13.408, according to sheriff's department reports. The department measures temperatures and rainfall daily and reports to the National Weather Service in Lubbock.

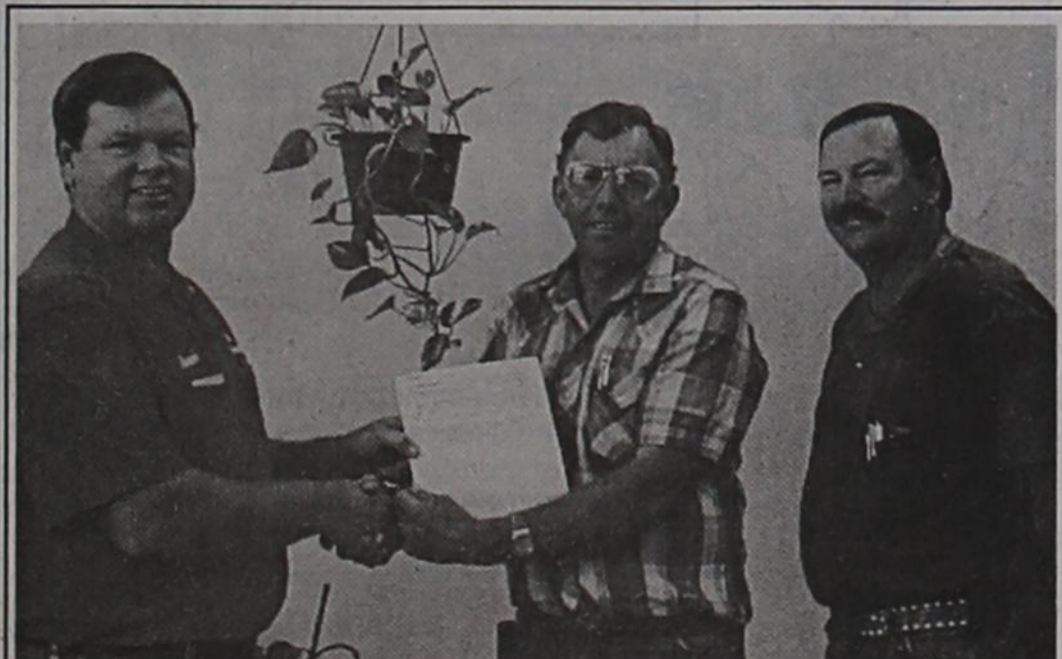


Turtles and frogs are awakening with recent rains. This little turtle was roaming through a back yard off Sunset Dr. earlier this week.

Post ISD trustees consider budget

The Post Independent School District's 1996-97 budget and tax rate were set Tuesday night during a special meeting of the district's board of trustees. The board unanimously approved a \$6,235,308 budget after conducting a public hearing on the spending proposal. No one was on hand to discuss the budget with district officials. The budget's general fund projected expenditures total 89.78 percent of the budget, or \$5,597,976. General fund expenditures include instruction, instructional resource and media, staff development, administration, guidance and counseling, health services, transportation, plant maintenance and operations and other district needs. Other planned expenditures include the Title I Regular Fund, \$216,476; Title I Migrant Fund, \$17,484; food service, \$215,752; summer lunch program, \$9,100; extended year program, \$30,000; and technology, \$148,519. This year's tax rate was set at \$1.41 per \$100 valuation, the same rate as observed in the past two years. Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain lauded trustees for their handling of district monies, noting that despite a decreased tax base and new construction projects, the board has levied only a five-cent tax increase on Post ISD taxpayers in the past four years. "You've done a good job of keeping an eye on the district's funds," Dr. Bain told trustees.

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Sam McFadden and Ricky Ward (right) presents a check on behalf of Conoco to Post Volunteer Fire Department chief Ronnie Metsgar (left) with Conoco's annual donation to the fire department. Also participating in the donation are Conoco employees Bill Shockley and Augie Vasquez. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)

Post Notes

Post PIP Basketball Program

There will be a PIP Parent Meeting Tuesday, September 3rd at 5:30 p.m. at the Post Middle School gym. Anyone interested that is first - sixth grade is encouraged to attend. Registration is \$40 (includes camp, basketball and T-shirt). This is an important meeting but you do not have to register at this time. For more information call Gena Lott at 629-4265.

Race for the Cure September 21

The second annual Race for the Cure is Saturday, September 21 at Texas Tech University. As a special VIP, you can select whether you wish to walk or run, one mile or 5K, to support breast cancer survivors and to help eradicate breast cancer through community awareness, screening education and research.

If you would like a registration form please come by the Post Dispatch to pick one up. Early registration deadline by mail is September 9th.

"Count Down"

Rest your feet, quench your thirst with the old timers on Founder's Day *to be continued next week*

Labor Day closing

The Post Dispatch will be closed Friday after lunch and Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day. Deadline for stories and advertising will be Tuesday, September 3 at 12 noon.

Class of 1966 planning reunion

The Post High School Class of 1966 is planning a 30 year class reunion. Classmates they are unable to locate are Bruce Masters, Ikey Joe Hair, Bill Gage and Linda Woodard. If you know the whereabouts of those listed please contact Delores Redman at 495-2141 or 495-2314.

Season football tickets

Post High School has announced that the season football tickets are now on sale at the school. The tickets are \$15 per seat for the regular season.

Lions Club seeking queen

The Post Lions Club is seeking a Lions Queen for the 1996-97 year. Candidates should submit a one page essay on the subject: 'Why I want to be a Lions Queen'. Deadline for entries is Thursday, September 5, 1996. All high school junior and seniors are eligible.

Class of 1946 planning a reunion

The Class of '46 is planning their 50th year reunion to be held Saturday, September 14, 1996. Visiting and refreshments from 3-5 p.m. in the Garden Room at the Chaparral Restaurant in Post. The banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Chaparral Garden Room. If you have not sent in your money please remit to Billie Windham, Box 728, Post, Texas 79356.

Jamaica

Post Holy Cross Catholic will have its annual Jamaica on September 14, from noon to 4:30 p.m., to coincide with Founder's Day. Join the fun with live music provided by Juan y Los Favoritos and Ollie Abraham Bands. Food and game booths and also a talent show. Call Julie Gonzales at 495-2142 by September 7 to enter the talent show.

Linda Gordon scholarship established

The Linda Gordon Memorial Scholarship has been established at Norwest Bank. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior to help pursue their education.

Last date to register for election

Garza County Tax Collector/Assessor Chita Hataway has said that October 6, 1996 is the last day to register to vote in the November 5th general election. Those registrations that are mailed will be accepted on Monday, October 7th.

FBC School to hold bake sale

The First Baptist Christian School will have its annual Labor Day Bake Sale this Saturday, August 31st, at United Supermarket beginning at 9 a.m. Come by for a great selection of delicious home-baked goodies! Your support will be appreciated.

Garcia leaves for Navy

Priscilla Lupita Garcia of Post, daughter of Darling and Martin Garcia of Post, enlisted in the Navy back in October of 1995 under the Delayed Entry program. She will be reporting to Great Lakes, Illinois on

September 4, 1996 for Basic Training.

Upon completing eight weeks of training, Priscilla will begin schooling at Great Lake for Airman Apprentice for four weeks and Seaman Apprentice for four more weeks.

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Alternative income sources

How many times have you heard the old saying, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks?" This declaration does not always hold true when it comes to individuals with the desire to change certain aspects of their lives. We all seem to fall in a rut every once in a while, and we often feel that there are no alternatives to the life-styles we have chosen.

For those of us that work outside of the home, having the security of a day-to-day job may not always be the blessing we would like it to be. Monotony plays a major role in how well we do our jobs and are satisfied with the work that is produced. At some time in most of our lives, making a career change is most

likely going to occur. We all need to learn how to identify alternative income sources that will allow us to become satisfied with the way in which we choose to live, or at least advance in our present jobs to keep up with what is going on in the world around us.

Job skills are an important aspect of any job. The way one chooses to obtain these skills is almost immaterial to the rest of us. Retraining through company workshops, seminars and skill-strengthening programs might be an alternative. Continuing one's education might also be considered.

Night classes are always offered as well as courses through correspondence at various education entities.

If going back to school does not sound like a possible solution, another alternative income source that is becoming extremely popular, is the home based business. A strong home based business is more than just a great idea. It takes support from family, personal traits, and resources to make the business successful. One should consider the following factors before you decide to start a business: Your business expertise, Your personality, Your home. Thorough and thoughtful planning can ensure that your home based business can be more than just a good idea.

We should always remember to not overlook sources in the community when making career or job moves. Sometimes the best sources for information pertaining to job-hunting can be found where most of us receive our daily information. Always remember to read local literature to get a better picture of what is available in our area.

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Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash, CPA

Job-Hunting Help From Uncle Sam

The expenses you incur looking for a new job -- even if you're not successful -- may be deductible if you meet certain criteria. The key issue: you must seek a job in the same trade or business as you are currently or were most recently working.

The covered expenses can be considerable, including the cost of preparing and sending letters and resumes, fees to employment agencies and consultants, transportation costs to and from interviews, phone calls, professional legal and accounting fees for contract-related advice, even out-of-town travel expenses and 50 percent of related meals and entertaining. It's smart to document expenses fully, including receipts or records of expenses and all correspondence regarding job interviews.

As miscellaneous itemized deductions, job-hunting expenses are subject to a floor of 2 percent of adjusted gross income. (For high-income taxpayers, total itemized deductions are reduced by another 3 percent of AGI in excess of \$117,950).

What's deductible, what isn't? Talk it over with the tax experts at:



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Perry says drought takes toll on Texas cotton

The statewide drought that devastated the Texas winter wheat crop last fall is taking its toll on the state's spring-planted crops. Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry today reported that production of cotton, corn, peanuts and hay are down from last year's crops.

Texas cotton production is estimated at 3.65 million bales, down 18 percent from last year and only the second time since 1990 for the Texas crop to drop below 4 million bales. Although average yield per acre is expected to increase by 55 pounds to 427 pounds an acre, harvested acreage is down from last year.

Texas producers expect to harvest 4.1 million acres, 29 percent below a year ago. "These numbers tell us just how severe this drought has been and the toll it's taken on Texas crops," Perry said. "Right now we're looking at more than 1 million acres of Upland cotton abandoned across the state because of drought-related problems."

Perry said that more than 600,000 acres alone were abandoned on the Southern High Plains, the state's largest cotton-producing area.

The production figures are based on grower surveys conducted by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service around Aug. 1.

Upland cotton production on the Southern High Plains is estimated at 1.95 million bales, down 5 percent from last year. Recent rains across the region have improved the condition of this year's crop.

Texas corn production is estimated at 162 million bushels,

down 25 percent from last year. Lack of timely rains during the growing season has reduced statewide yield which is expected to average 90 bushels per acre, down 24 bushels from last year.

Some corn producers in South Texas were not able to get a uniform stand because of dry planting conditions, and producers had to delay harvest in scattered areas.

Texas sorghum production is expected to increase 36 percent from last year to more than 102.6 million cwt. Although statewide average yield is down from last year, harvested acreage increased 63 percent to 3.9 million acres.

Because of good grain prices, Texas producers planted 4.4 million acres of sorghum, compared with 2.7 million acres in 1995. Producers also replanted some abandoned cotton acreage to sorghum.

Dry weather has cut production of the Texas hay crop. Total production for all hays is estimated at about 6.9 million tons, down 15 percent from last year and the smallest hay crop since 1988.

"Many of our livestock producers will be going into the fall and winter months with low hay supplies, so I'm reminding producers to contact the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay Hotline to get a list of suppliers who have hay for sale," Perry said.

The telephone number for the department's Hay Hotline is 1-800-687-7564.

Texas peanut production is estimated at 522.5 million pounds, 3 percent below last year's crop. Statewide average yield is down 100 pounds from 1995.

West Texans plan opening of common law court following training Saturday in Lubbock

Certification of Texas' District 5 Common Law Court of is expected to be complete Saturday following a day of training at the Godbold Cultural Center on 19th Street near University Avenue. The training session begins at 9:30 a.m. Citizens will learn about the history of common law and its critical place in the checks and balances against government tyranny.

All Texas citizens are invited to attend, either for educational purposes, or to participate in the establishment of the common law court. The training session will break for lunch and continue in the afternoon until approximately 4 p.m. An election for district judge and clerk is scheduled to take place following the training session.

Chief District Judge Timothy Perkins will conduct the training, assisted by former clerk Jay Enloe. Perkins serves the District 21 Common Law Court in Dallas, currently the only court certified by the Republic of Texas Provisional Government.

"Our common law courts," Perkins stated, "are the foundation of our republic, just as the common law courts were so prevalent in America until the 1870s.

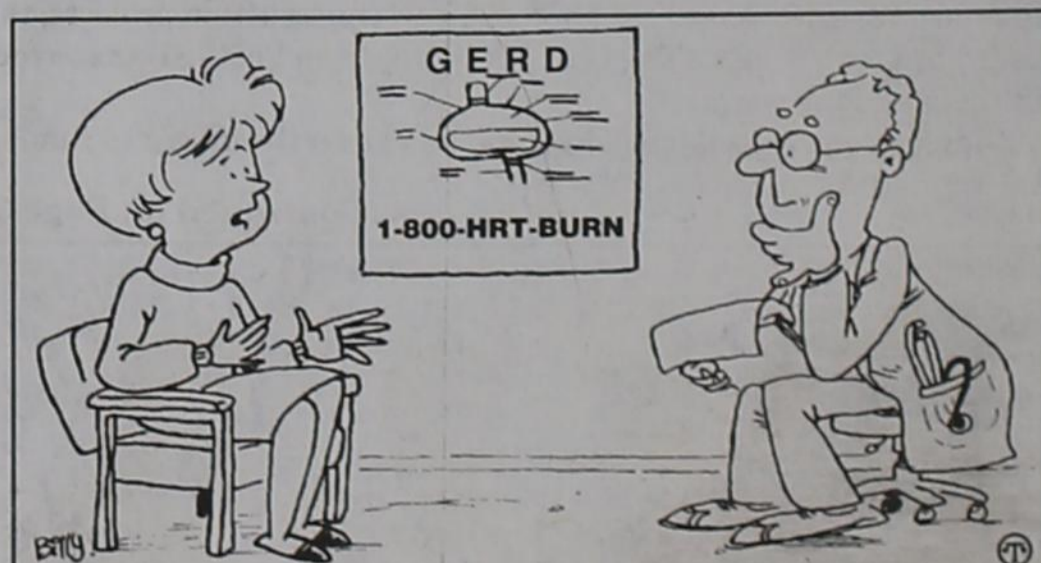
Our purpose is to teach Texans how to properly conduct common law court in their quest to exercise their constitutional rights, guaranteed by the Texas constitution."

There is no charge for attending the training session, which is open to anyone interested in learning about common law court. "It is our hope that citizens in District 5 will be able to offer this vital venue for justice in the near future," Perkins continued. The court will serve citizens from a large area of West Texas.

"Since the de facto state of Texas, through its attorney general, has announced that there is no recognized common law in the state," Perkins added, "we feel that Texans will want to take advantage of their right by using the only judicial system which puts all the power and decision making in the hands of the people."

The Republic of Texas Magazine, published by Charles W. Duncan and Wesley W. Burnett of Post, is sponsoring in part the training session. Donations to offset costs will be accepted. For more information call (806) 495-4164.

Health Hints From The American College Of Gastroenterology



(NAPS)—Is it just a little heartburn or something more serious? If your heartburn flares up two or more times a week or if you still have symptoms on your over-the-counter or prescription medicine, it may be a more serious physical condition known as GERD, or gastroesophageal reflux disease. To know for sure, see your doctor or gastroenterologist.

For more information and a list of gastrointestinal specialists in your state call toll-free

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Tower Theater hosts variety show Saturday

Saturday's variety show at the Tower Theater features a lively production by Rusty Hudelson, with music from the 50s, 70s and country and western.

Special guest for the show will be Tommy Horton. Tickets are available at the door or may be reserved by calling 495-3461.

Future Tower Theater productions include Music of the 60s October 5 and Traditional Country on November 2.

Food Briefs

'Going for the gold' includes good nutrition

The games may have ended, but future Olympic athletes should make sure that good nutrition is part of their routine.

"If young athletes neglect their diets, their performance and, ultimately, their health may be affected," said Dr. Marta Fiorotto, a researcher at the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center and an assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Fiorotto said swimmers, cyclists and runners need additional carbohydrates and all young athletes, especially females, need to get enough iron and calcium. She recommends:

Energy-boosting snacks like low-fat granola, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches or dried fruits.

Carbohydrate-rich foods include breads, potatoes, pastas and rice.

Iron-rich foods such as lean red meat, legumes and whole grain and fortified cereals.

Pacify pint-size passengers with healthy snacks

Taking the family on a road trip? Don't forget nutritious snacks for your pint-sized passengers.

Nutritionists at the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of

Medicine recommend bite-sized snacks like fresh fruit, dry cereal and carrot sticks. String cheese, crackers, graham crackers, oatmeal cookies and low-salt pretzels are also healthy choices.

Parents also should ice down plenty of single-serving cartons of fruit juice, a quart of milk and a bottle of water.

Generation of eating habits could be 'relatively unhealthy'

Aunt Emma may have eaten bacon and eggs and lived to be 100. But, don't think that gives you license to eat high-fat foods.

Cholesterol "act" differently in different people, according to Dr. Antonio M. Gotto Jr., chairman of medicine and scientific director of The DeBakey Heart Center at Baylor and The Methodist Hospital. The key is keeping your cholesterol levels in check from the beginning by adapting good health habits. He offers these tips:

If you are overweight, lose weight by following a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet and exercise program.

Look at food labels and check the amount of saturated fat, total fat, cholesterol and total calories per serving.

Get your cholesterol checked every five years. If you have a family history of high cholesterol, diabetes or high blood pressure, get it checked more often.

according to reports.

* Amended the 1995-96 budget.

* Changed the date of the board's next meeting to Sept. 17 beginning at 7 p.m.

* Agreed to conduct a board training workshop following the Sept. 17 meeting.

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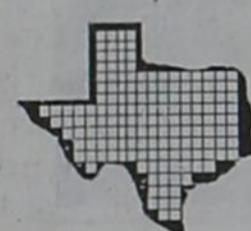
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In other business, trustees:

* Heard reports on the middle school and high school building projects. The middle school science lab is "99 percent complete" while the new high school facility is said to be within three weeks of completion,

Except for the Sun, the nearest star to earth is Proxima Centauri, discovered in 1915, which is 4.225 light years or 25 trillion miles away.

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The following are some of the reasons why we feel the current program should be recalled:

1. The possibility of a large debt for this zone similar to the debts in other zones.
2. The possibility of damage to the beneficial insect populations.
3. The possibility of having the program rules changed at any time, as has already been done in some cases.
4. The current program has been ruled unconstitutional by a district court judge and several other law suits have been filed in other zones.
5. The current program has been recalled in the Rio Grande Valley and recall efforts are underway in other zones.
6. Thousands have already signed a petition but we would welcome your help and support.

If you would like more information please call or write us.

Sincerely,
Tommy Applewhite, President
High Plains Weevil Recall Org.
P.O. Box 530
Hale Center, TX 79041-0530
(806) 879-4479 or (806) 839-2948

Petition under Sec. 74.112(f) Tx. Ag. Code
The undersigned hereby call for a referendum on the proposition of discontinuing the program in the High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.
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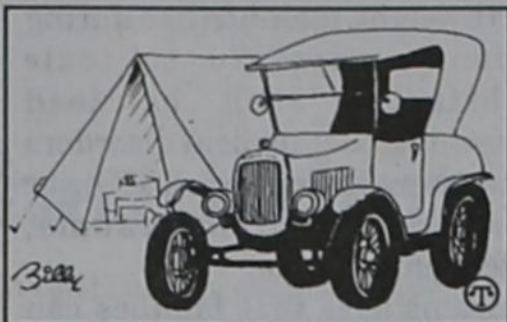
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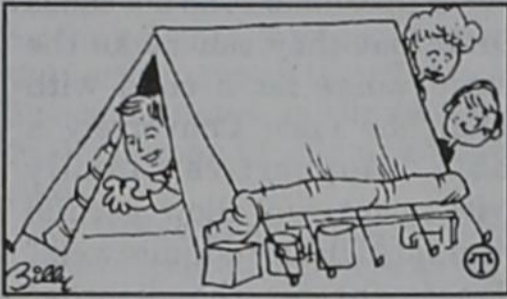
(NAPS)—How much do you really know about camping? To find out your "camping I.Q." take this trivia quiz. You may be surprised at what you learn!



1. An early nickname for auto-campers—campers who traveled by car—was (a) road warriors (b) tin can tourists (c) car campers (d) tent travelers.



2. When this U.S. president went autocamping, it seemed that "everyone was doing it." (a) Teddy Roosevelt (b) Warren Harding (c) Herbert Hoover (d) Woodrow Wilson.



3. According to the *New York Times*, this many people camped in 1922 (a) five million (b) seven million (c) ten million (d) 15 million.



4. The first KOA Kampground opened in Billings, Montana in: (a) 1962 (b) 1965 (c) 1968 (d) 1970.

Answers

1. (b) An early nickname for auto campers was "tin can tourists". 2. (b) In 1921, an illustrious autocamping group that included Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone was joined for an outing by President Warren G. Harding. 3. (d) According to *The New York Times*, there were 15 million campers in 1922, most of whom slept on cots, in tents or in "newfangled houses on wheels." Today, there are roughly 64 million camping enthusiasts who regularly escape to the great outdoors to camp in tents, RVs or cabins. 4. (a) The first KOA Kampground opened in Billings, Montana in 1962 as a "travelers' oasis" for people traveling to and from the Seattle World's Fair. To plan your next trip to the great outdoors, pick up a free copy of the KOA Directory, Road Atlas and Camping Guide at any KOA Kampground, or send \$3 to: KOA Directory, Dept. NS, P.O. Box 30558, Billings, MT 59114-0558.

The "fashion center" of west Texas reopens

Lane-Felker, "the fashion center of west Texas," will reopen at 9 a.m., Saturday, August 31, under the new ownership of Ronald and Joyce Howard with the assistance of their daughter, Linda Stavely.

Opening day will feature a trunk show, with a UMI representative presenting their entire fall collection of dresses.

Door prizes will be given away on opening day as well as throughout the month of September. Customers will be able to register for the door prizes each time they visit Lane-Felker, with no purchase necessary and they do not need to be present to win.

The door prizes includes: Berek sweaters; Pendleton coordinates; Debra deRoo sports coordinates and scarves; Double D Ranch fashions; Hairston Roberson fashions; Aromatic bath and body toiletries; Bushwacker sportswear; fashions by Lilli Ann; Sterling silver jewelry - sterling earrings and neck pieces; and many more.

The new owners will continue the proud tradition of providing fine ladies clothing, with alterations available and a complete bridal department. Lane-Felker customers will find the same lines of fashions as they have in the past, along with several new lines of wearing apparel including southwestern designs.

The store will also offer several new gift lines. Aromatic bath and body toiletries and a complete line of Merle Norman cosmetics.

Former owners, Frances Lane and Mattie Muriel English will be at the store on opening day to greet old friends and customers and to assist in the transition.

Former sales people, along with some new personnel, will continue the dedication of honesty, fairness and personal attention to Lane-Felker customers.

Old and new customers are invited to drop by on opening day to meet the new owners. Refreshments will be served all day.

Between 1960 and 1980, the average male became almost an inch taller and almost four pounds heavier.

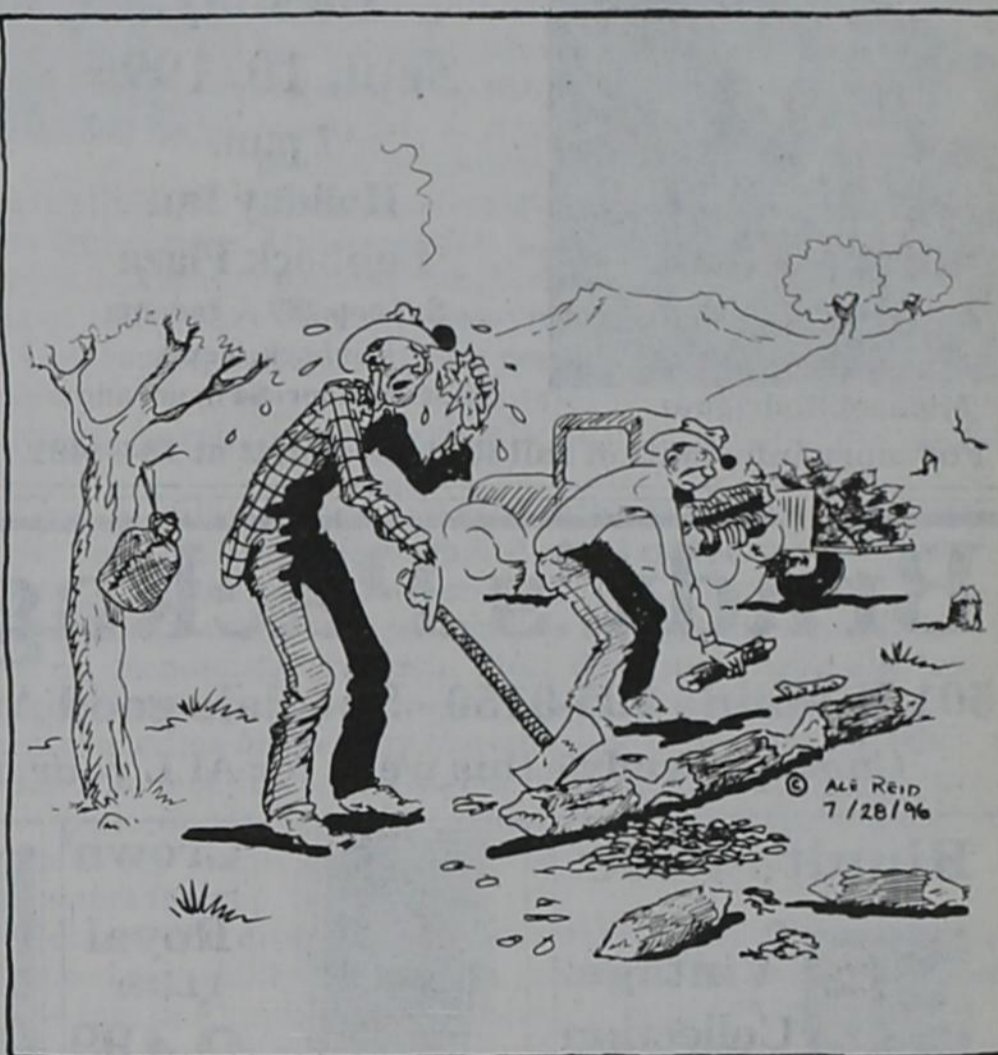
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Garza County Commissioners Court is proposing increases in the salaries for elected officials for the 1997 budget. The salary increases proposed are:

	Current	Proposed
County Attorney	\$19725.42	\$22725.42
County Judge	19875.58	22875.58
County Clerk	20231.10	23231.10
Justice/Peace #1	17087.88	20087.88
Justice/Peace #2	17087.88	20087.88
County Sheriff	24576.62	27576.62
County Treasurer	20231.09	23231.09
County Tax A/C	20522.63	23522.63
Commissioner Pct #1	16094.35	19094.35
Commissioner Pct #2	16094.35	19094.35
Commissioner Pct #3	16094.35	19094.35
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By Ace Reid



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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The City of Post will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1995 by 7.3756 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

Tuesday, September 3, City of Post
The public hearing will be held on 1996, at 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Building

FOR the proposal: Archie Gill, Juanita Pantoja, Marion Cruse, Bill Poole

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Andy Stelzer

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the .39115 tax rate that the unit published on August 15, 1996. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$ 25,000.	\$ 25,000.
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Average taxable value	\$ 25,000.	\$ 25,000.
Tax rate	.42 /\$100	.42 /\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would Decrease by \$ -0- or -0- percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would Increase by \$ -0- per \$100 of taxable value or -0- percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

News from Baylor College of Medicine

Girls are less likely to be identified as having attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) than boys, according to a child psychiatry expert.

"That's because girls tend to demonstrate more of the inattention symptoms and are less noticeable than boys who are more prone to be hyperactive," said Dr. Matthew Brams.

Children with ADHD fall into three categories: those with attention deficit disorder only, those who are mostly hyperactive, or a combination of both. Attention deficit disorder (ADD) and hyperactivity were once categorized as separate disorders but now are included under ADHD.

"Ages 6 to 9 are the peak years for diagnosis," said Brams, an assistant professor of psychiatry at Baylor. "It's three times more prevalent in boys, which is another reason teachers and parents may be more tuned to the symptoms in boys."

Brams says that children who display attention deficit symptoms fail to follow instruction closely in class, do not listen well, often lose things, make mistakes in school work and during play, are easily distracted, and are often forgetful.

Children with hyperactivity or combination symptoms tend to fidget, talk excessively, interrupt and have difficulty playing quietly. Symptoms for ADHD are usually observed both at home and in school before a diagnosis is made.

ADHD runs in families, although no single genetic defect

has been identified. Other possible causes of the disorder could include prenatal health complications such as Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, low birthweight, malnutrition during infancy, exposure to toxic substances such as lead poisoning, metabolism disorders like phenylketonuria (PKU), or brain injury from trauma, infection or tumor.

Brams says that families can impact the effects of ADHD, either positively or negatively.

"Events like child abuse, neglect, dysfunctional family settings and mismatched parent-child temperaments do not cause ADHD, but they can make the picture worse for a child with ADHD," he said. "Conversely, a stable, supportive family environment can allow a child with mild ADHD to do quite well."

Treatment for the disorder includes therapeutic drugs such as ritalin and dexedrine and behavior therapy.

"Children who are thought to have ADHD should receive a physical exam, possibly an EEG, lab studies, psychological testing and a psychoeducational evaluation," said Brams. "Treatment can make life and school more successful for children with this disorder."

Leslie Acker announces write-in candidacy for County Attorney

Leslie C. Acker, appointed Garza County Attorney, announces his Write-In Candidacy for election to the office of Garza County Attorney in the November general election. His declaration of Write-In Candidacy was filed with Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby who certified on August 20th that Leslie C. Acker is an eligible candidate for such office.

This means that his name will appear on a list of Write-In Candidates to be posted in each polling place for the general election.

Mr. Acker, a 1962 graduate of Post High School and a 1970 graduate of the University of

Texas Law School, moved to Post in November, 1995 and was appointed Garza County Attorney upon the resignation of Preston Poole in January. He and his wife, Jan, moved from Midland, Tx where he had practiced law for 25 years, including serving as Midland County Attorney from 1975 to 1980.

"I would have preferred to have filed for the election through the Democratic Party, but because I had not established my residence in Garza County for the required six months as of the January filing deadline, my only choice was to seek election as a write-in," Acker stated.

Senator Haywood endorses McLaughlin for state rep

State Senator Tom Haywood, (R-Wichita Falls) has announced his endorsement of Scott McLaughlin, GOP candidate for State Representative, District 70.

"Scott and I embrace the same conservative values that are shared by the vast majority of the citizens in House District 70. I realize Scott faces an uphill battle in his campaign, but it is no more a battle than I faced when first elected in 1994. While the democrat party wants to portray every position the Republicans take an extremist, I would reply that if being opposed to a state income tax, if working for lawsuit reform, if pushing for more local control in our schools, and if fighting to eliminate the tremendous waste in government spending is extremist, then that is what they can call me. I know Scott will join me in these battles and I think the citizens of House District 70 would be well served to have him as their State Representative," Haywood said.

Senate District 30, which Haywood represents and House District 70 have 7 counties in common - Fisher, Jones, Kent,

King, Knox, Scurry, and Stonewall.

McLaughlin, a businessman from Big Spring, who has made fiscal responsibility the focus of his campaign, welcomed Senator Haywood's endorsement. "The taxpayers of Texas deserve an accounting of every dollar spent by state government. Simply because tax revenues increase does not mean that our government should spend every available dollar. I'm proud to have the support of Senator Haywood and look forward to the opportunity of working with him to represent House District 70," McLaughlin said.

Haywood and McLaughlin spent the day traveling the district including attending the Stamford Rotary Club and ending the day in Snyder where Haywood was attending a reception.

McLaughlin faces David Counts, the democrat incumbent, in the November general election.

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The Southland I.S.D. conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by 5.8208 percent on Thursday, August 29, 1996, 7:00 p.m.

The Southland I.S.D. Board of Trustees is scheduled to vote on the tax rate at a public meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 3, 1996, at 8:00 p.m. at Southland I.S.D. Administration Building.

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Opinions

What's so great about democracy?

Reprinted from "Freedom Daily" (July 1996), *The Future of Freedom Foundation*, 11350 Random Hills Road, Suite 800, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030.

by Sheldon Richman

In this election season, it might be good to ask, What's so great about democracy? There is almost a religious fervor in some people when they talk about the democratic process. I don't get it.

I do see an advantage in voting—over violence—in the selection of officeholders. When succession is determined violently, innocent people get caught in the crossfire. But the democratic selection of office holders avoids the real question: What will be the jurisdiction of those of officeholders? The fewer the matters left to government, the better. In other words, who rules is less important than what the rules are.

Under democracy, issues are decided by vote totals. How someone conducts his life can be substantially determined by how other people vote. Taxes can be imposed and raised by vote. Decisions about your children's education can be made by vote. Rules governing how you may use your land can be made by vote. Much of your life can be affected by how your neighbors vote.

Those who vote in the minority are stuck with what those in the majority choose. In other words, democracy is that system of political governance in which the ayes have it and the nays get it.

Making a Big Fuss Over Differences

Some people make a big fuss over the difference between a democracy and a republic. "This is a republic, not a democracy," the old constitutionalists use to say. In the first system, the people vote on every thing directly. In the second, the people vote for representatives who decide specific matters on behalf of the people. There are certainly important differences between a republic and a democracy. But they are not the most important issues. More important is how broad or narrow is the range of things subject to vote by anyone. Broad is bad; narrow is better.

Why would we want to leave important matters to a vote? We don't vote on what jobs each of us will seek, or which breakfast cereals will be produced, or what kind of automobiles we'll have. (I don't believe the marketplace is analogous to the voting booth; majorities in the market do not dictate to minorities. Niche markets prove that point.) Isn't it far better to let people choose for themselves?

The devotion to democracy is most clear in the matter of education. Lots of people like the fact that they vote for school boards and that schools are in the democratic arena. I like to ask them why they don't then support democratic rule for religion. Why not vote on which places of worship we'll all go to, or whether we'll go at all? Wouldn't it be wonderful if the community spoke with one voice in that important matter? If the democratic process is good enough for education, it's surely good enough for religion, which is closely related, after all.

Why Not Apply Democracy to Religion?

Strangely, no one wants to apply democracy to religion. I don't know why. Democratic religion has all the merits of democratic education. If the First Amendment is in the way, we can repeal it. But there's no support for the reform.

Maybe people intuitively grasp what would happen if we moved religion from the private sector to the democratic arena. A lot would be riding on the votes. We'd all feel threatened: if our preference lost, our consciences would be violated. No one likes that, so people would be prepared to argue vigorously for their positions at public meetings. They would look at their opponents as enemies plotting to force them to accept beliefs against their will. Their opponents would see them the same way. Mistrust and rancor would grow. Social relations would be characterized by increasing animosity. In the name of community solidarity, we would produce destructive fragmentation. Not the fragmentation of people peacefully attending their own places of worship (or none at all), but rather, the violent fragmentation of mutual distrust and conflict of interest.

If you transfer that description to public education, you will find it

a faithful representation of reality. School board meetings are often rancorous because parents fear that something they abhor will be forced on them and their children. The issues relate to values in general, sex and health education, multi-culturalism, instructional methods (phonics versus whole language), and more. The merits of any particular position in those disputes is not the point. What matters is the parents feel threatened with loss of control over their children's education. The professional educators also feel threatened by the parents, who seem intent on interfering with the experts in the performance of their duties. Everyone feels threatens. As Thomas Szasz has noted, in the animal kingdom the rule is eat or be eaten. In the human kingdom, it's define or be defined. Neither is a pretty sight.

We've Been Sold A False Notion About Our Choices

One reason people feel so strongly about democracy is that they have been sold the false notion that the only alternative is dictatorship. The choice, they have been led to believe, is between majority rule and rule by a powerful individual or group. Somehow, self-rule is never considered. The original American system largely embodied self-rule. Throughout the 19th century you could pretty much live your life without encountering a government official. Sure, people voted for officeholders, but those officials didn't do much. Even so, they were generally distrusted by Americans. Politicians were always the butt of ridicule in this country, even when their power and influence were small. If that were not so, Mark Twain, Will Rogers, and H. L. Mencken would not have been so popular.

Nothing Is Perfect: Slavery Good Example

The situation was not a perfect libertarian paradise. Slavery was the most egregious contradiction because it struck at the heart of the philosophy of self-ownership and self rule. There were many small contradictions, as well. In his book *The Governmental Habit*, the late Jonathan Hughes argued that America always had activist government, especially at the local level. He certainly documented his thesis thoroughly. In the end, though, the issue is one of scale. The state was just not that big a factor in the lives of the American people before the Civil War. Lots of rules may have been on the books. The real question is, Did they affect everyday life? Not too much.

During and after the Civil War, the pace of rule-making accelerated considerably. The Lincoln administration and the Republican Congress used the war to put through an activist national program that still plagues us in various ways today. We got the first income tax, conscription, higher tariffs, suppression of civil liberties, and loss of habeas corpus. That program was put through by the people's representatives. War was indeed the health of the state. Life in the United States after the Civil War was far different from life before. One indication is that "United States" used to be a plural term ("these United States"). It became singular. The fine syndicated columnist Joseph Sobran thinks the more appropriate term is "the United State."

What Democracy Really Means?

Where do we go from here? It would be useful if advocates of freedom remind people of what democracy really means. If the discussion comes up, ask how they would like democratic religion, democratic hobby selection, democratic doctor selection, democratic restaurant selection, and on and on. That should sour them on the wonders of democracy.

If they reply that democracy is the American way, tell them that self-rule is the real American way. Self-rule and democracy are incompatible. Either you will make decisions for yourself or you will wait to see what the majority thinks you should do. Either you own your own life or everyone owns a fraction of everyone else, giving each person a claim to the resources of every other person. If that sounds horrendous, that's the logic of democracy.

Mr. Richman is vice president of policy affairs at *The Future of Freedom Foundation* and the author of *Separating School & State: How to Liberate America's Families*, published by *The Future of Freedom Foundation*.

We have a chance to reclaim our liberty and freedom...

by Wesley W. Burnett

This Saturday, we West Texans will begin the process locally toward reclaiming our liberty and freedom by the establishment of our own common law court, where citizens will be provided real justice, the same kind of justice that our ancestors enjoyed prior to the war for southern independence (a term I recently learned from "The South Was Right").

A training session will be held at the Godbold Cultural Center, beginning at 9:30 a.m., and concluding at approximately 4 p.m., where Texans will learn how to conduct common law court, and take responsibility for justice in their community. Although there is widespread ignorance about how common law works, and there is much misunderstanding about its place in our judicial system, citizens will find the common sense of common law to be "just what the doctor" ordered.

Anyone who has ever been inside a courtroom in Texas will appreciate the atmosphere of a common law court... where citizens are in charge, and there is order without the trappings of the "king's court" (you'll not find any judge sitting up high with a black

robe). Citizens are responsible for justice, real justice.

It is true, an active common law court is a threat to the established state and federal court systems... primarily because common law, which is a right guaranteed by the U.S. and Texas constitutions, puts the power of justice into the hands of citizens.

Rules are simple, yet clear and unequivocal. First, the plaintiff must submit a written charge against the accused... and there must be an injured person, that is, an individual's constitutional rights must have been violated. That means, simply, that either a person's property has been damaged, or a person has been damaged. Without that, there is no case.

The 12 person jury is selected at random from those citizens who volunteer to serve. The plaintiff presents the charges, the jury asks questions, the accused offers evidence for the defense, jury members ask questions, then the jury deliberates and announces the verdict, and the penalty.

Organizers for the common law training session are inviting all Texas citizens to attend... and especially state and county judicial and law officers. It will be an enlightening experience.

Black Confederate soliders...

by Walter E. Williams

Most historical accounts portray Southern blacks as anxiously awaiting President Abraham Lincoln's "liberty-dispensing troops" marching South in the war between the states. But there's more to the story; let's look at it.

Black Confederate military units, both as freemen and slaves, fought federal troops. Louisiana free blacks gave their reason for fighting in a letter written to New Orleans' Daily Delta: "(T)he free colored population love their home, their property, their own slaves ... and recognize no other country than Louisiana, and are ready to shed their blood for her defense. They have no sympathy for Abolitionism; no love for the North, but they have plenty for Louisiana. They will fight for her in 1861 as they fought in 1814-15." As to bravery, one black scolded the commanding general of the state militia, saying, "Pardon me, general, but the only cowardly blood we have got in our veins is the white blood."

Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest had slaves and freemen serving in units under his command. After the war, Forrest said of the black men who served under him, "(T)hese boys stayed with me ... and better Confederates did not live." Articles in "Black Southerners in Gray," edited by Richard Rollins, gives numerous accounts of blacks serving as fighting men or servants in every battle from Gettysburg to Vicksburg.

Professor Ed Smith, director of American Studies at American University, says Stonewall Jackson had 3,000 fully equipped black troops scattered throughout his corps at Antietam — the war's bloodiest battle. Smith calculates that between 60,000 and 93,000 blacks served the Confederacy in some capacity. They fought for the same reason they fought in previous wars and wars afterward: "to position themselves. They had to prove they were patriots in the hope the future would be better ... they hoped to be rewarded."



Many knew Lincoln had little love for enslaved blacks and didn't wage war against the South for their benefit. Lincoln made that plain, saying, "I will say, then, that I am not, nor have ever been in favor of bringing about in any way the social and political equality of the white and black races ... (I am) in favor of having the superior position assigned to the white race." The very words of his 1863 Emancipation Proclamation revealed his deceit and cunning; it freed those slaves held "within any State or designated part of a State the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States." It didn't apply to slaves in West Virginia and areas and states not in Rebellion. Like Gen. Ulysses Grant's slaves, they had to wait for the 13th Amendment. Grant explained why he didn't free his slaves earlier, saying, "Good help is so hard to come by these days."

Lincoln waged war to "preserve the union." The 1783 peace agreement with England (Treaty of Paris) left 13 sovereign nations. They came together in 1787, as principals, to create a federal government, as their agent, giving it specific delegated authority — specified in our Constitution. Principals always retain the right to fire their agent. The South acted on that right when it seceded. Its firing on Fort Sumter, federal property, gave Lincoln the pretext needed for the war.

The war between the states, through force of arms, settled the question of secession, enabling the federal government to run roughshod over states rights specified by the Constitution's 10th Amendment.

Sons of Confederate Veterans is a group dedicated to giving a truer account of the war between the states. I'd like to see it erect a statue of one of the thousands of black Confederate soldiers on Richmond, Va.'s Monument Avenue.

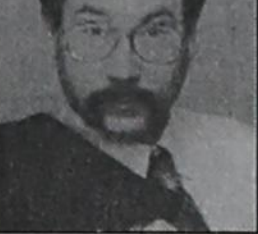
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The Big Lie

Vin Supryniewicz

If the failed and unconstitutional "War on Drugs" really needed another nail in its coffin, the 60-page report "Illicit Drugs and Crime," by Bruce L. Benson and David W. Rasmussen, professors of Economics at Florida State University, should do the job.



After studying crime rates in Florida, which poured vast resources into a beefed-up drug war in the years 1984-89, and in Kansas, which did not, Benson and Rasmussen conclude in their report, released Aug. 16 by the Independent Institute: "In hindsight, it appears that Kansas's relatively modest involvement in the nationwide drug war during the 1984-89 period has resulted in its citizens being relatively safe from crime. This assertion will come as a surprise to many people, but reality mandates that when scarce resources are used to do one thing, they cannot be used to do something else. ...

One consequence of shifting resources to the drug war is that "violent and property criminals are not caught until they have committed a relatively large number of crimes, if they are caught at all."

Then, as jails and prisons clog up with non-violent drug offenders, those violent felons "can be forced out of prison relatively early, ... freeing them to commit new crimes"

The "drugs cause crimes" analysis fails utterly, according to the Florida economists' research. Most drug users who also commit crimes against person or property reported in interviews that they turned to crime before they started using drugs, not the other way around. In fact, it was the higher disposable income and unsavory new connections produced by a life of crime that made it possible for them to buy drugs. "Crime leads to drug use, not vice versa," the professors found.

Because the diversion of resources into the drug war led to a "reduced probability of arrest" for robbery or burglary, "the property crime rate in Florida rose 16.3 percent" from 1983 to 1989.

Violent crime also increased markedly, as dealers displaced from neighborhoods where they had long been content "invaded the turf of established dealers, and residents of previously untapped markets fell prey to violent criminals. Since 1989, Florida has reduced its drug enforcement efforts, and its property crime rate has fallen."

The drug war has even uglier unintended consequences. "Drug entrepreneurs" who run into trouble at the border develop domestic sources of production. "It is now estimated that marijuana is the largest cash crop in California," the professors report.

When the government started looking for domestic marijuana via aerial infrared reconnaissance, California growers moved indoors, switching to "more potent strains" which can produce a \$75 million profit out of a \$1 million investment in a single year.

And when interdiction started to have some success in California, some growing shifted to the mountains of Kentucky, "involving people whose cultural roots included moon-shining and a history of violence, making the trade rougher than it had been before."

Of course, because marijuana is bulky and easy to detect, customers are urged to try "harder" drugs like crack cocaine and heroin, which represent higher profit per volume. And to reduce their chances of dealing directly with police informants, dealers "lengthen drug distribution chains and use younger drug pushers and runners," who are known to be dealt with far more leniently by the courts.

Well, the politicians did promise us new "youth opportunities." Tobacco addicts who favor the drug war often argue that "their" habit doesn't produce the physical changes and withdrawal cravings of "bad" drugs.

In fact, marijuana and the hallucinogens are not addictive at all, in any medical sense. And if tobacco smokers think their drug of choice can't create any of the startling physical side effects of heroin addiction, they need only try one simple experiment: Quit.

If tobacco is outlawed - as Hillary Clinton obviously plans - how long will it be before we have "Shag houses" in our inner-city neighborhoods, before smugglers tired of being undone by tobacco-sniffing dogs come up with a purified white buffered nicotine, suitable for snorting or injection?

The pathologies of the drug culture are caused not by drugs, but by drug prohibition.

"Illicit Drugs and Crime" only bears out what anyone with open eyes should already know - with the War on Drugs, we've allowed Big Brother to tear up our Constitution and use it for toilet paper. In return, they promised that our streets and our children would be safe. They lied.

"Illicit Drugs and Crime" is available for \$7.95 from the Independent Institute, in Oakland, Calif. Contact Carl Close, the Institute's public affairs director, at 510-632-1366, or via e-mail at independ@dnai.com.

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Why doesn't state offer common law?

by Wes Burnett

I just discovered last week why the State of Texas does not offer common law, even though it is required by the U.S. Constitution. In 1876, when the current state constitution was written, there was no provision for common law, unlike the constitutions of 1836 and 1845. The reason is clearly connected to the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which was forced on Texans, literally at the point of a bayonet, by the U.S. military, which ruled Texas from 1865 to 1876 through the so-called "Reconstruction Acts."

In these congressional dictatorial legislative acts, the people of Texas are labeled as the enemy, and Texas has been treated as a conquered nation ever since.

Our ancestors, at least those who lived in Texas following the war for southern independence, were given a choice... approve the 13th Amendment and the Yankee-written constitution, or continue under military rule. So, they chose the lesser of evils, at gunpoint, and lost their ability to seek redress of grievance through common law.

It's time we reclaimed our rights.

Wisdom

"It is proper to take alarm at the first experiment upon our liberties. We hold this prudent jealousy to be the first duty of citizens and one of the noblest characteristics of the late Revolution. The freemen of America did not wait till usurped power had strengthened itself by exercise and entangled the question in precedents. They saw all the consequences in the principle, and they avoided the consequences by denying the principle. We revere this lesson too much ... to forget it."

James Madison

Sports

Gorman praises Antelopes following Tahoka scrimmage

The Post Antelopes executed well in their scrimmage against the Tahoka Bulldogs last Thursday, according to coach Richard Gorman. The offense ran 55 plays, racked up 411 yards and had only two "busted" assignments while the defense turned in a balanced performance.

Josh Grisham, who played tailback, quarterback and receiver, "caught the ball, ran the ball and passed the ball real well," the coach said. Another standout was Orlando Castillo. The entire offensive line blocked well.

The aggressive play of Daniel Powers and Sam Zubia at linebacker and Israel Perez at defensive end led the way for a swarming Antelope defense that answered some questions about how physical the defense could play, Gorman said.

Overall, the offense was more physical than the defense, according to the head coach, but Coach Rito Hernandez has done a good job with his defensive players and is known for teaching his players how to get to the ball. "When you have that many people getting to the ball, you don't have to be as physical," Gorman said.

"The team still has a long way to go but they had a good scrimmage," he said.

Shallowater will host the Antelopes in their next scrimmage Friday beginning at 7 p.m. According to Gorman, his team is gearing up for Floydada, the first game of the season, and typically the second scrimmage of the year is not as strong a performance as the first.

Bell paces J.V. in Tahoka scrimmage

The junior varsity Antelopes turned in an "acceptable" first scrimmage in their home field match up last week against Tahoka, according to their coach, Fred Postel. The 'Lopes scored on a single long run by Charlie Bell. "If Charlie gets a crease, he's gone," Postel said. Emelio Moreno, Clay Ashley, Matt Cooper and Chad McDougal also turned in strong performances. Their blocking led to Bell's score.

On offense, the team made some mistakes, the coach said. "But at this point in the season, that's normal."

The offensive team is comprised primarily of sophomores learning a new system.

The coach also expressed satisfaction in the showing made by his defense. "Defense has an advantage early in the season," Postel said. "All they have to do is react, find the ball and make the tackle. There are no schemes involved."

The coach singled out defensive players Isaac Perez and Josh Loper for a pat on the back. "They did a real good job," he said.

Tomorrow, the junior varsity will travel to Shallowater where it will face "a real test," said Postel. Shallowater's numbers are down this year - 15 freshmen and 17 junior varsity players - from previous years but "the two teams should be on equal footing number-wise. It ought to be a real test to see where Post stands."

The team will need to be prepared to defend against the pass this week, a threat Tahoka did not pose, and the offense will need to execute better, the coach said.

The freshman scrimmage will begin at 5 p.m., followed by the junior varsity scrimmage at 6 p.m.

Antelope Booster Club announces new cap sale

by Pixie Grisham

The Post Antelope Booster Club is off to a strong start with several projects going.

Sales of individual 8 X 10 color pictures have begun. These will be sold to businesses throughout town to be hung up in store windows during football season. This is a great way to show off our varsity players all over town.

Caps for the 1996 season have been ordered and should be in by the first home game, which is September 6th. The Antelopes will host the Floydada Whirlwinds, with kick-off being at 7:30 p.m.

There are a few Antelope flags left. These can be bought with or without the poles. Our goal is to have all businesses on Main

Street and Highway 84 flying their flags on Thursdays and Fridays during football season, and also through basketball season later in the year.

This is a great way the town can show their support for our athletes, and has impressed many who are just driving through town.

Weekly Booster Club meetings will begin Monday, September 9, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library.

Membership for the Booster Club is \$10 a year per person. A membership card is given when dues are paid which entitles the member to a free program at home games if you show your membership card.

The main idea of the Booster Club is to help promote spirit and show support and encouragement for our athletes. Along with sponsoring various "spirit surges," booster club members share in a few perks, as in the free programs. During basketball season, there will again be doorprize drawings for Booster Club members only.

There are still a few Antelope seat cushions left. They are \$10 each and besides being very comfortable in the stands, the also work great for boating and camping.

Come out and support those 'lopes Friday, September 6th, and let's "boost" off a great 1996 season!

Youth football league holds meeting today

An organizational meeting for the new youth Post Flag Football Association (PFFA) will be conducted Thursday, Aug. 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 202 W. 10th.

The organization's initial slate of officers and board members will be elected at the meeting. Anyone interested in serving as a board member, coach, official or sponsor is invited to attend.

The PFFA will be open to boys and girls in grades 1-6. Teams will be mixed and all participants

will play at least half of each weekly game. If enough youths sign up for the league, teams representing grades 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6 will be formed.

Hour-long games will be held Saturday afternoons Sept. 14 through Oct. 26, the day of the PFFA championship games. Practices will be held twice weekly beginning the first week of September. Once game play is started, practices will be limited to once a week.

The purpose of the PFFA is to encourage physical fitness and good sportsmanship skills while providing local youths with organized activities during the fall, according to league organizers.

Registration will be held Saturday, Aug. 31, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at United Supermarket. Cost will be \$15 per child, which will cover the cost of the uniform T-shirt while helping to pay officials and league organization expenses. Parents must show, at the time of registration, evidence of some form of an accident insurance policy covering each participating child. Teams will be drafted immediately following the close of registration beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Nazarene church.

For more information on the PFFA, contact Jason Lohse at 495-2122, Adam Fox at 495-3440, or Max Lewis at 495-3887 after 6 p.m.

Moisturization Where It Counts

(NAPS)—Does your skin beg for moisturizer during the harsh and dry winter months?



Many people who find themselves using moisturizer in the winter don't realize they are applying it to the top, dead layer of skin, so it is not reaching the layer of skin that needs it most.

However, the introduction of shower gels and their washing implements may have made this dilemma a thing of the past.

"Most shower gels moisturize the skin while you bathe, and their washing tools, like the puff, gently exfoliate the skin," says Paul Sharko, technology manager for Lever Brothers Company, maker of Dove® Moisturizing Body Wash and Lever 2000® Body Wash.

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Letters to the Editor

To The Citizens of Post...

I have been listening to the people of Post talk for over a month now. It amazes me how many dissatisfied people there are in Post. Everyone says what a great place this is to live and raise their children, but nobody ever really gets to the nitty-gritty of what is troubling them. Until — the dreaded shooting happened. Nobody really wants to admit that Post can ever be like Lubbock or Dallas. Folks, face it — it can, and it is becoming like these cities. It is up to us to make our streets safe for our children.

Some people do not want more rules and regulations. I am sorry, but there does have to be rules and regulations. If there were not, then we would live in a world full of chaos. There has to be speed limits to control our high powered vehicles or eventually there would be no one left to drive them. There has to be laws to curtail criminal activity or the criminals would be running rampant, and again there would be no one here to enjoy our world. Also, I am afraid there has to be a curfew to get those children who choose to run wild, off the streets at night.

The complaints I have heard in the last month range from "Our newspaper is not reporting the facts" — to — "The Editor is only giving us a one sided newspaper (his opinion only)" — to — "The police are not patrolling the streets well enough at night and then not answering a lot of the people's calls." Now mind you, I said, I have been listening to the people of Post — this is what I have been hearing you say. If you feel this way then please stand along side us and help us to make our town what we want it to be. It is our town. We do not have to put up with being unhappy where we live. It starts, not with words, but with actions!!!!

The curfew is not a means of punishment for the good kids. The good kids' parents are going to make sure they are in at an appropriate time anyway. Do you really want these children roaming the streets of Post at all hours of the night, destroying our property (we paid for) and then are continually having to repair or replace. Not to mention, they are looking into your windows at night. Yes that is what was told to me by someone who's job has them out driving the streets from 2:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. They said when the head lights of their cars turns corners children run from houses where they have been looking into windows. They are not only older teens but younger children too.

I wonder — how many times these children have looked into my windows? — What about your windows? I am not saying these children are all bad kids, I know that it is easy for good kids to get caught up in some bad acts. The curfew will give these children less time to fall into the hands of evil. This is what I want for my children. What about your children or your grandchildren?

I just have one question to ask anyone who does not feel we need a curfew. — What if it had been your house that had the drive by shooting? It is not you who has to look at the bullet holes in your house and walls on a daily basis. Being constantly reminded that if not for God's protection on us, someone could have been badly hurt or killed. Like I told someone the other day, it was our house today, it may be your house tomorrow. Let us put a stop to all this unnecessary running around these children are doing. Give them back their childhood before we have to try some innocent child as an adult and ruin their lives forever for a crime they did not mean to commit.

Do not be afraid of what others may say, or write or thing. What really matters is what you think yourself. Do not be afraid of stepping on the toes of some of the influential people of Post. They just may agree with you, and if they do not, then that is what makes the world go around.

Now I have poured my heart out to you. I would like to hear what some of you have to say. Go on, Get to writing!

Thanks for listening!
Denece Bilbo

Editor's Note: Let's start at the top... who are these dissatisfied people and what are they dissatisfied about? I affirm my observation about living in Post... it is a great place to live and work, and I have a fairly good perspective on that, having lived in 15 or more cities during my life. Now, if what's troubling unhappy people here is the "dreaded shooting," what exactly about that shooting is troubling them? From the reports that we have been able to collect, it appears to be an isolated case of at least two young adults (who are from Post, by the way, not from Lubbock as has been rumored) out looking for someone to harass, and they chose the Bilbo house, for what reasons no one will say for sure.

Now, the issue is that these young men should pay a heavy price for their dangerous act.

Obviously, Post is not going to be like Lubbock or Dallas... the sheer lack of population dictates that.

I strongly agree that "it is up to us to make our streets safe for our children." And the way to do that is not through a curfew, but through parental supervision. It starts at home.

I am one of those people who does not want more rules and regulations. My objection is simple... rules and regulations do not prevent bad behaviors, they only restrict individual freedom and liberty for all people, including those who are not a threat. In the meantime, those for whom the rules and regulations are written merrily go about their business, completely ignoring the rules and regulations that affect the rest of us. Further, rules and regulations merely put up the facade of protection, giving people a false sense of security... thinking that because "it's a law," that everyone will abide by it. Sure, and tomorrow I'm going to inherit a million dollars from a rich old unknown uncle. An example of rules and regulations is stop signs at intersections... most people observe them... but there is no guarantee that everyone will... so, careful folks ease out into the intersection, especially at Broadway and Main, because we know that a lot of vehicles cruise through the intersection without even taking notice of the red light. So much for rules and regulations.

How about this rule... actually it's a city ordinance... that no bicycles or other wheeled vehicles be allowed on sidewalks... been downtown lately? Young people cruise the sidewalks on a regular basis without any notion of abiding by that ordinance. Sometimes I point out to those young people that they might run into one of us slower adults... but that hasn't really made much difference. So much for rules.

The absence of rules and regulations will not result in a world of chaos... it will result, with proper enforcement of our one supreme law, in adequate consequences for actions which injure another person or their property. The problem we face today is that our judicial system does not make the consequences of harmful behavior match the seriousness of the offense. So, what do criminals learn from their violent acts? They learn that there is always another chance. The issue is not rules and regulations, we have so many of those right now that no one person can count them all, let alone know what they say. We need enforcement of the real law, and that means those who violate the rights of others must pay a price that will discourage future acts... and that will be the deterrent for others contemplating similar acts.

I would like to know which of our children are running wild. I have been out late at night the past few weeks, just sort of roaming the streets myself, and I find the streets after 11 p.m. to be mighty quiet. Perhaps I am missing something here. Maybe someone with a video camera can capture some of these wild children running loose on the streets.

Now, as the charge that "the editor is only giving us a one-sided newspaper (his opinion only)..." those who make this claim are unfamiliar with our philosophy: The Post Dispatch belongs to all the people... we are only stewards during our time. We may not agree with your opinion, but we will publish it and we will respect your right to say what you believe. Opposing viewpoints are

encouraged and we have never refused a letter simply because it differed with our opinion. That is an unfair and untrue charge.

The claim that the "police" (sheriff's department) are not patrolling is also untrue. The average response time to calls is a matter of minutes. If there is a gripe about enforcing the law here, it must be that many times enforcement is over-zealous... and I have pointed out to the sheriff my concern that individual citizen rights must be protected... surely we don't want innocent evening walks to turn into arrests.

A curfew is not a punishment... it is a violation of basic individual right, a right to travel, to live, to move, to associate. Enforcing such a curfew, simply based on a person's age, is also a direct slap at our constitution and the rights it is supposed to guarantee. Whether "good" or "bad" kids are involved, unless they have violated another person's rights... they are innocent in the eyes of the law.

There is no guarantee of security in this life... no matter how much effort is put into securing your property... even if you post a 24 hour guard, you can never guarantee total security. And forcing a group of citizens to be put under virtual house arrest just because of their age is not going to change this basic fundamental fact of life. Remember, 95 percent or more of all crimes (that is, violent and destructive acts against another or another's property) is committed by people 18 years or older.

As to the drive-by shooting and perhaps it might be my house next... I remind you that the young men who did this act are too old to be affected by the curfew... so, what does this have to do with a curfew? Is it merely a method by which public fear may be aroused so that a curfew would be acceptable? Is this shooting incident the propaganda tool to take away the rights of our citizens? If the purpose of the curfew is to stop violent behaviors, then it is obvious that we must insist on a curfew for people over the age of 18... for they are the ones most likely to commit a violent act.

Let us give serious thought to ole Ben Franklin's comment about security (paraphrasing): those who would give up their liberty for the sake of security, deserve neither liberty nor security.

Our plea is for a return to real justice, which can be found only in the establishment of our common law system, which is the best regulator of criminal behaviors.

Resigns from position at Post Health Care...

A position with another firm that is more suitable to my needs and those of my family has come to my attention. I have decided to accept this opportunity and hereby intend to resign my position effective September 30, 1996.

My experience with the Methodist system and Garza Memorial Hospital has been very rewarding, and I am very happy with the reception I had in this very gracious community.

In closing, let me again thank you for the opportunity to work with you all, and to wish you the very best future.

Sincerely,
Shen S. Chen, M.D.

Warm spot in our hearts for Post...

This letter was forwarded to The Post Dispatch:
Dear Sheriff Ratke:

I am seeking your assistance in forwarding this letter to the editor of your local newspaper, with the thought that your citizens should be made aware of the wonderful contribution one of your employees and one of your citizens is making to the reputation of the city of Post and Garza County.

Traveling south of town on June 28, 1996, about 4:30 p.m. we encountered car trouble and were stranded about 10 miles from town with prospects of finding most places of business closed for the upcoming weekend. My cellular phone call to 911 was answered promptly and courteously by a lady at your switchboard. She was extremely helpful and friendly and was good enough to arrange for a tow truck. She assured me that we would be treated fairly by anyone she would send. Unfortunately, I did not get her name to thank her later.

A tow truck arrived promptly, along with a mechanic in charge I came to know only as "Sonny." I believe he was the owner of the business. He not only discovered my problem but explained how I could keep the van running by myself until I could get a permanent repair later on Monday further along our way. He and his assistant spent about 20 minutes helping me, not counting their travel time. Yet, when I asked what I owed, Sonny refused to accept any payment indicating that he just didn't want to charge when he hadn't actually done anything. You can imagine my amazement running into a man of his character and generosity on the road so many miles from home.

I hope this letter will be published as a Letter to the Editor or elsewhere in your local newspaper and that people will come to appreciate the wonderful ambassador they have in Sonny. I'm sure a man of his character and disposition will be known to most everyone in town and that he will be recognized by his nickname Sonny. What a warm spot in our heart we will hold for your community, thanks to Sonny and your employee on the switchboard. Their old fashioned warmth and hospitality is rare these days, and ought to be recognized.

Sincerely yours,
Jack & Phyllis Greenfield

Opposes curfew...

Recently there has been quite a bit of talk about a curfew in Post. I for one strongly oppose the implementation of such a law that would take away the rights of our youth. Remember, just because someone is under 18 does not mean that the United States Constitution does not apply to them. On the contrary, all men have certain unalienable rights — life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness...

In response to Mr Bilbo's letter, which appeared in last week's Post Dispatch, in favor of the curfew, I would like to argue the following points:

#2 - In this point Mr Bilbo says "I want all of you people who did not attend this meeting to know..." Everyone who was at the meeting was in total agreement with the curfew..." I would like to know what was accomplished at this meeting and if there was no one present to argue for the behalf of our youth. How exactly was this meeting conducted? Without presentations from both sides how is it possible to make any decision?



Yogurt makes a great portable lunch. If you don't have access to a refrigerator, try freezing the carton overnight; it will thaw in time for lunch.

#3 - In this point Mr Bilbo goes on to say that he is not scared of the youth. He says that he is afraid of what might happen to the youth if they are not stopped immediately. Mr Bilbo neglects to say what the youth are doing wrong. This point also comes across to me as blame to all youth. I hardly see where the actions of some small percent of the youth should be blamed on all of the youth. Don't misunderstand me, in reference to the "Drive By" I strongly believe that the perpetrators should be punished to fit the crime.

#4 - Throughout the course of this curfew debate I have heard references to the curfew law that Lubbock imposes. Just because Lubbock and other towns so blatantly violate the rights of their youth does not mean that Post has to follow suit in the wrongful punishment of our young adults.

#5 - This point states the myth about young adults coming in from Lubbock to escape the curfew. Mr Bilbo says that "a teacher told my wife the other day she overheard a group of Post youth talking..." This definitely sounds like another batch of good old Post gossip to me. In last weeks paper, the editor plainly pointed out that we have seen absolutely none of this activity to date.

#7 - In this point Mr Bilbo says that the good children would not be "locked up" anymore than they currently are because of curfews set by parents. In some cases this may be true, but not in all cases. Currently there are many young adults that stay out past the proposed curfew times, and we have yet to see most of these people in trouble.

#8 - In this point Mr Bilbo says something that is very disturbing to me. "Not all youth are bad but have the ability to be bad." What exactly does this statement mean? Does it mean that youth don't have the ability to be good?

Possibly he means that people over the age of 18 don't have the ability to be bad. If this is the case, then I choose to repeat what the editor said in his article last week, "95 percent of crimes are perpetrated by people 18 years and older."

I would like to call all people age 17 and under to action. Don't stand by and watch the officials of this county take away your rights! Stand up for yourselves. You have every right to... after all, you have the same rights as people 18 and older.

Sincerely,
Jeff Redman

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Garza Healthtalk

by Debbie Jenkins, CRTT,
EMT-P

With the beginning of each new school year comes many safety warnings for motorists around the school grounds. "Watch for children crossing the street, drive carefully, take care of our little ones" sound very familiar to many of us. I agree with all these statements, however, since all accidents are not caused by careless driving, it becomes necessary to educate our children about safety.

Children should always wear a seat belt when riding in a vehicle. There should not be more passengers than safety belts.

Children should be taught to cross the street only at a crosswalk, preferably with a crossing guard. They should not be allowed to walk behind parked vehicles, small children often cannot be seen in safety mirrors. If your child has a large project or a heavy book load, take time to help them to the classroom or insist that they make an extra trip. Many times children drop something and cannot be seen when bending down to pick it up.

Children should be taught never to accept rides or leave the school building with someone that they do not know.

Bike safety is very important. Children should be made aware of traffic laws before being allowed to ride their bikes to school. Protective pads and helmets

should be worn to protect against injury. Many serious head injuries

could have been avoided if helmets were used properly. Bikers should always wear a helmet, watch-look-listen for cars, ride with the traffic when riding on the streets, walk-don't ride-across busy intersections and don't wear head phones when riding. The Garza County Sheriff's Department jointly sponsors a bicycle safety course each spring. The children are taught about road rules, 911, helmets, etc. Helmets can now be purchased at a special pricing rate through the sheriff's office. Anyone interested in the helmets or the course can contact the sheriff's office or J.W. Jolly at 495-3595 for more information.

Trauma kills 11,000 Texans each year and injures another 70,000. Most of those injuries were preventable by following safety rules. Children are taught safety in the classroom and should be encouraged to continue to observe safety measures at all times. Parents should set good examples and follow the same rules that we expect our children to obey.

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Obituaries

Bernice Simpson

Services for Bernice Simpson, formerly of Post, were held July 25, 1996, at North Funeral Chapel on Buffalo Gap Road in Abilene, Texas. Officiating were two of her grandsons, Roger McCown of Austin and Ron McClung of New Mexico.

Mrs Simpson died July 23, 1996 at her home in Abilene. She was 102 years old. She was a resident of Post from 1973 until 1982. She was born on September 18, 1893 in Cass County to John and Henrietta McLeod. She moved with her husband, Cyruss Simpson to the Hawley area in 1919. He preceded her in death in 1968. Except for the period of time in Post, she has mostly lived in the Abilene area until her death.

She is survived by three sons: Wally Simpson of Austin, Bobby Simpson of Haskell and Welton Simpson of Mountain View, Ark.; eight daughters: Chloe Foust and Judy Sneed of Amarillo, Jessie Reynolds and Billie McCown of Austin, Bonnie Nall of Argyle, Margaret McClung of Abilene, Violet Young of Kingswood and Emilie Wyatt of Bryan. Surviving her also are 34 grandchildren, 75 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Grandsons Chris Wyatt of College Station, Randell Wyatt of Farmers Branch, Barry Wyatt of Cypress, Gene Young of Lake Jackson, Gerry Simpson and Bobby Simpson of Houston, and Larry Sneed of Amarillo served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of the Big County, 3113 Odham Lane, Abilene, Texas 79602.

Nora Owen Park

Nora Owen Park, of Hutto, formerly of Aransas Pass, died Monday, August 19, 1996. She was 81.

Mrs Park was born in Llano, Texas on August 8, 1915 to Victor H. and Bertie (Graham) Owen. She spent most of her life in Aransas Pass and owned and operated NoJo's (Convenience Store) for many years. She was a past president of the V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary.

She is survived by her son-in-law, Billy Joe Gibson of Hutto; sister, Helen Nelson of Nordheim; brothers, Donald Owen of Livingston, Carl Owen of Houston; and George Owen of Phoenix, Arizona. She is also survived by granddaughter, Candy Powerll and her husband, Terry, and granddaughter-in-law, Miki Gibson; five great-grandchildren, Annette Gibson, Kevin Powell, Brett Powell, Shannon Gibson, and Courtney Powell, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mrs Park was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Joe A. Park; her daughter, Maxine Baylis Gibson; her sister, Edna Buford; her brother, Gary Owen and grandson, Kelly Joe Gibson.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, August 21, 1996 at Cook-Walden/Capital Parks Cemetery with Pastor Jim Rigby officiating. Burial was under the direction of Cook-Walden Chapel of the Hill Funeral Home.

Honorary pallbearers were Billy Jo Gibson, Terry Lee Powell, Kevin Lee Powell, Brett Michael Powell, Donald Owen and Ed Nelson.

For those desiring, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

E.J. McDougal

Funeral services for E.J. McDougal, 67, of Comanche, were held Saturday, August 24, 1996 at 2 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Comanche with Brothers Sheryl Taylor, Sam Randolph and Sid Carney, officiating.

Burial was in the Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Comanche under the direction of Hall & Sons Funeral Home.

McDougal died Thursday, August 22, 1996 at his home after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 30, 1929, in McCamey, Texas and was the son of Ernest and Jewel Dempsey McDougal. His family moved to Comanche when he was a young boy and he has resided here since that time. He married Morene Scott on February 1, 1953 in Comanche. He was a farmer/rancher and a partner with his family in the McDougal Livestock Auction from 1947 until July 1996 when he was no longer able to work due to his illness. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Comanche and a U.S. Army veteran serving from December 6, 1950 to December 6, 1952. He was preceded in death by a son, Alan Scott McDougal in 1961.

He is survived by his wife, Morene of Comanche; a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Karleen McDougal of Post; a daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and Dan Holland of Comanche; four grandchildren, Becky McDougal of Lubbock, Chad McDougal of Post and Justin and Jeremy Holland of Comanche; two brothers, Lonnie and Donnie McDougal of Comanche and a number of other family members.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Comanche.

Albert Daniel Odom

Graveside services for Albert Daniel Odom, 72, of Shallowater, were held Tuesday, August 27, 1996 at 5 p.m. in the Terrace Cemetery with Max Chaffin of Hobbs officiating. He was assisted by Bobby Dean of Post.

Burial was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Odom died Sunday, August 25, 1996 at his home.

He was born July 4, 1924 in Post and was the son of Lyda Odom and Agnes Payne. He had served in the U.S. Navy for two years. He had also worked in the Postex Mills as an overseer. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother. Survivors include three sons, Danny Odom of Gymon, Oklahoma, Dennis Odom of Post and Darrell Odom of Shallowater; one daughter, Delores Martinez of Denison; four sisters, Juanita Dean and Joy Holly of Post, Wanda Holbert of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Jo Ann Tanner of Dallas; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



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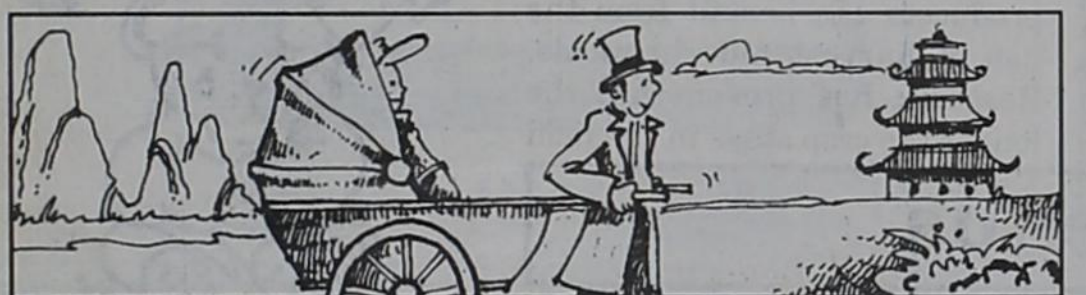
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