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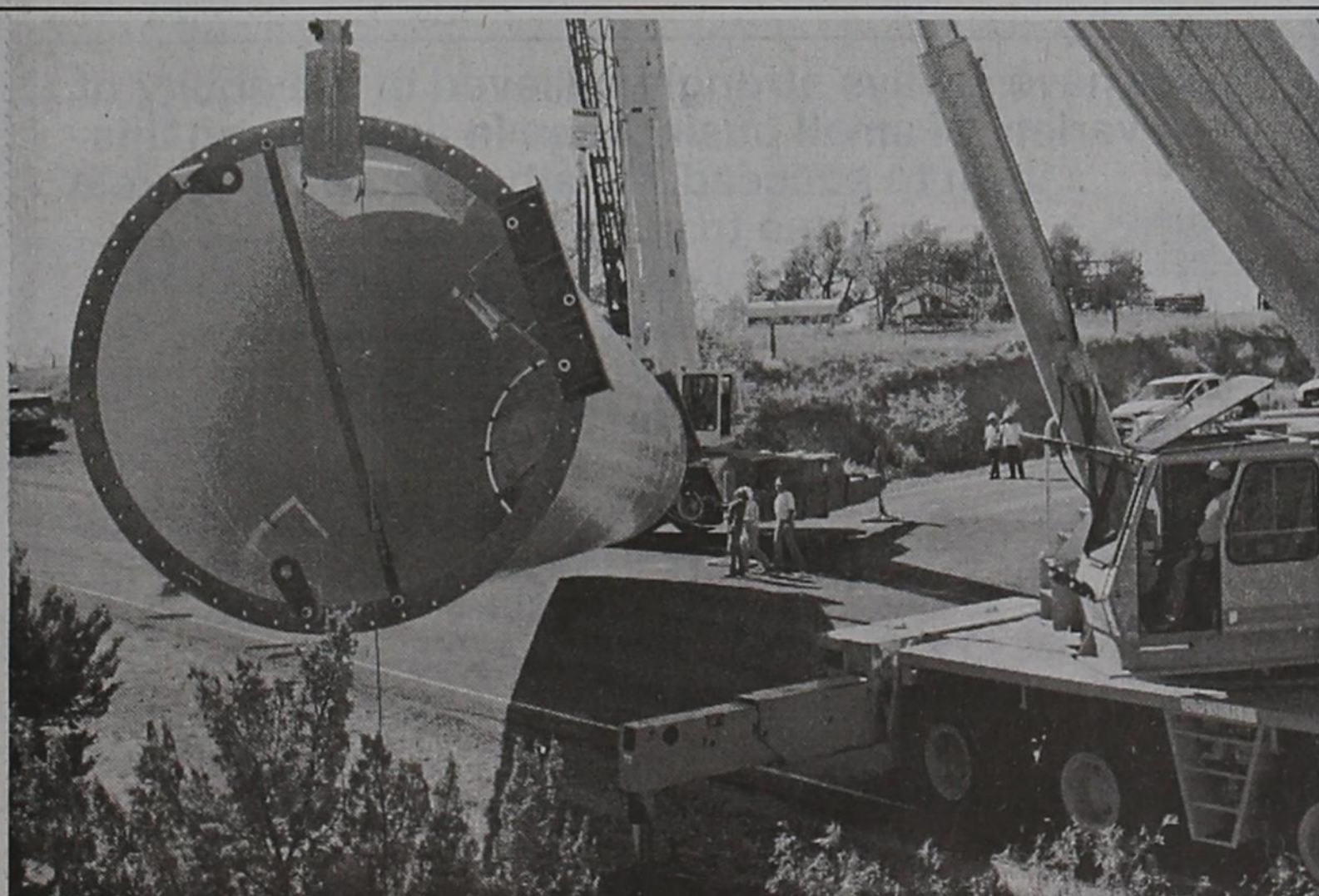


"Dracula" at the Garza Theatre

Garza Theatre's "Dracula" opens Friday, featuring cast members (back row, left to right) Bill Woodard, Jay Young, Mark Martin, Mitchell Britton, Stan Tucker, (front) Emily Hataway, Christina Zellmer, Jessica Culwell and Laura Bryan.



Heirs of the Post-Montgomery Estate visting Post last week at the Garza County Historical Museum are (front row left to right) Peter Heydon (Michigan), Bryant Garth (California), Harle Montgomery (California), and Janice Stone (Levelland). Also joining the tour were (back row) Donald Handelman (New York) and Dan Hook (Levelland); (middle row left to right), Carria Jones (Levelland), Rick Handelman (New York), Lawrence Montgomery (Atlanta) and Franklin White (New York). (Photo by Tim Burnett)



There were no injuries in an accident last Thursday (10/16) morning on the Gail Hwy. According to DPS Trooper Phil Mathews, driver Ray Barr was transporting a wind turbine base to Fluvanna. The rig was operated by Brother's Equipment Express of San Antonio, Texas. As Barr approached the intersection at 1330 and Hwy 669, the chains broke and the wind turbine rolled off the trailer. Apparently the roll-off occurred as Barr attempted to negotiate a turn from 1330 to North Hwy 669. Post Volunteer Fire Department and Sheriff's Department assisted at the scene. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Post ISD trustees consider options on Justiceburg property

Post Independent School District trustees continue to sort out their options regarding the disposition of the old Justiceburg school site and approximately 226 acres of property.

At their Oct. 14 session, trustees agreed to postpone a decision on the matter until a legal interpretation can be obtained.

According to Supt. Marlin Marcum, the school district can legally choose to deed the old school site to the Justiceburg Community Center; however, the lawful options for the disposition of the 226.4 acres of property are not as clear-cut.

To accomplish legal disposition, the Post ISD may be required by the state to sell the property through sealed bids or at public auction.

Although trustees are still waiting for a legal opinion on the matter, Marcum said the sale of the property is the avenue the school board will "likely pursue."

Although the president of the Justiceburg Community Center has expressed interest in retaining the property as part of the center's holdings, several Justiceburg-area residents have expressed interest in the purchase of the land.

Several individuals interested in the school district's decision were on hand at last week's meeting.

The land in question became Post ISD property in the mid-1970s as a result of a public vote that consolidated the Justiceburg and Post schools. At that time, a "gentleman's agreement" stood, assuring that the property would be returned to the Justiceburg Community Center; however, state legislation prohibited such a move.

Since that time, legislation has passed to enable the turnover of the old school site to the community center, but it remains unclear whether the 226 acres of land outside the Justiceburg township can be legally relinquished under the same legislative act.

The old Justiceburg school building, which has long been abandoned, was the site of a fire in recent months. Authorities working the case said arson was suspected.

In other business, Post ISD trustees:

- Reviewed student transfers in the current school year. Forty-six students have transferred out of the district, Marcum said, and although that number may seem high, it is fairly standard for the Post ISD and is generally offset by the number of students who transfer into the district. A re-

view of transfers indicates there is "no real problem" and that most students transferred to accommodate parental work needs or for other personal reasons.

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Post Notes

Idalou offers pre-game supper

Post Antelope fans traveling to Friday's football game at Idalou are invited to a pre-game enchilada dinner of enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, dessert and tea at the Idalou Club House, 7th and Walnut. Plates are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Southland ISD Fall Festival

The Southland ISD Fall Festival will be held Saturday, October 25 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The BBQ dinner is \$5 per plate, \$3.50 for children and the event includes several activities.

90th birthday celebration Saturday

Friends and relatives are invited to a 90th birthday celebration Saturday, October 25 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for Velma Long Brown from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The event is hosted by her children and grandchildren. She came to Garza County in 1943 with her husband J.W. (Bill) Long and their children Don Long and Ruth Ann (Long) Young. Bill and Velma farmed and ranched in Barnum Springs Community.

United Way Autumn Jubilee

A Garza County United Way Autumn Jubilee dance will be held Saturday, October 25 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Post Community Center. There will be door prizes every hour starting at 9 p.m., you must be present to win. The jubilee is a family event with \$10 a person admission, \$15 per couple or \$20 per family. All proceeds benefit and assist member organizations of the local United Way.

Lord's Acre celebration appreciation

The First United Methodist Church and Family Harvest Church offers thanks to everyone who helped make this year's Lord's Acre such a success. The following organizations received \$450: Mad Dads, Victims Assistance, Toys for Tots, Meals on Wheels, House of Faith Back Yard Ministries and Family Assistance.

Public library extends hours

The Post Public Library has extended its hours to 8 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

United Way raffle tickets for rifle

Raffle tickets are now on sale at \$1 each to win a Ruger Model 77R Mark II rifle from Mason Farm & Ranch Supply. The rifle includes American walnut stock, hand checked three position safety, fixed ejector, receiver with integral dovetail bases and Ruger rings. Winner picks the caliber. The drawing will be held at the United Way chili cook-off at 7 p.m., November 8 at the Algerita Park. Participants need not be present to win. To buy a raffle ticket, call Jeff McAuley at 495-0733 or Mo Herridge at 806-756-4487.

United Way Baby Contest

The Garza County United Way Baby Contest is now underway. Mail photos to P.O. Box 425, Post, Texas 79356. Ages birth to 23 months are eligible. Send a self addressed stamped envelope for returning the photo. Deadline is November 1, with voting to be held at United Supermarket from November 3 through November 14. Corwin of the winners will be held at the Little Mr and Mrs Garza County Pageant on November 15. Call 495-0733 for more information.

Veterans Appreciation Day

U.S. Postal Service staff at the local Post Office will host a special Veterans Appreciation, Monday, November 10 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Home for the Holidays

Garza County Home for the Holidays is set for November 10 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Post. The program is limited to the first 70 participants, call to reserve space before November 3. Registration is \$8. Call 495-4400 to sign up or come by the Extension Office. It is preferred, but not required to pay in advance. Additional cookbooks can be purchased for \$5 per book.

Antelope Booster Club stadium blankets

The Post Antelope Booster Club is selling new stadium blankets for \$25 each. A sample will be displayed at the Tahoka football game October 31. Place your order for a great Christmas gift.

United Way Little Mr & Miss Garza County

The Garza County United Way Little Mr and Miss Garza County Pageant will be held November 15. Age divisions are two to four years and five to eight years old. One boy and one girl from each age group will be crowned as Little Mr & Miss Garza County. Entry forms may be obtained at United Supermarket and Post City Water Department. Entry fee is \$20 per child. Call 495-0733 for more information.

Benefit for Jerry Riedel Nov. 14-15

A benefit to assist Jerry Riedel with medical expenses will be held November 14 and 15. Friday, November 14 events will be at the Post Community Center, featuring BBQ plates at 5 p.m., auction and cakewalk at 7 p.m. and a dance with music by Tommy Reed and Texas Mesquite from 9 p.m. to midnight. A Savage 243 rifle and case will be raffled at 9 p.m. Saturday's event is at the Holy Cross Catholic Church Parish Hall with Mexican plates and carne quesada at 11 a.m. A special fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank. Auction items may be dropped off at Radio Shack no later than November 10. For more information call (806) 294-5311.

A brighter Christmas for Main Street

The Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau is encouraging Main Street property owners and merchants to assist with the new Christmas lighting plans. The plan calls for using clear light bulbs for decorating buildings. Local outlets have clear light bulbs in stock and Mad Dads Inc. will offer its services for hanging the lights on buildings. Call Rodney Tidwell at 495-1244 or 620-0960. The Post Lighted Christmas Parade is set for Saturday, December 6. To enter a float, call the PCTB office at 495-3461. Cash prizes will be awarded to the best floats.

"Dracula" at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre's production of "Dracula" opens October 24 and continues October 25, 31, November 1, 7, 8 and 9. The play is directed by Christy Morris and features Jeff Conner, Jessica Cullwell, Jay Young, Christina Zellmer, Stan Tucker, Bill Woodard, Laura Bryan, Emily Hataway and Mitchell Britton. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.

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Post Antelopes @ Idalou Wildcats - LIVE Play-by-Play Action 7:15 p.m. Friday
on KPOS Radio - Cebridge Channel 12

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush



Hey everyone, Well, it just looks like we are never going to have "fall" weather!! Sunday we had to adjust the thermostat, just too hot in the house. Looks like it is going to be that way for most of the week. Don't know how many of the farmers have defoliated, but they sure may be waiting awhile on a freeze.

THE STAPLER

(from Barbara Gossett)
The new teacher was feeling terrible on the first day of school. He had hurt his back and had a full upper body cast under his shirt. To make matters worse, he had been assigned to the most unruly students in the school. He opened a window, sat down at his desk and began to write. The class got more and more impatient as they waited and he had to tell them to quite down several times. The breeze from the window kept blowing his necktie up into his face. Finally he grabbed his stapler and with a furious look on his

face, stapled his tie to his chest in several places. Discipline was never a problem after that.

NEW LIGHTS

Guess all the business "folks" are getting ready to make the switch to clear lights downtown. It certainly is going to brighten up the buildings and clear lights look so much prettier than red lights with half of the paint missing!!!!

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

It is my pleasure to include this next birthday. Velma Long Brown will celebrate her 90th birthday this Saturday. There will be a party in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, Saturday afternoon, 4:00 pm-5:30 pm, and the family would love for all of Velma's friends to drop by to see her. Velma is such a special lady and I want to wish her the best birthday ever.

COOK OFF WINNERS

Barbara Vandervelde called in to let me know that she, Fred and Freddy had entered the chuck wagon cook off held in Sweetwater on October 10 & 11. For the noon meal they had to prepare Chicken fried

steak, potatoes, beans, bread and cobbler. For the evening meal the prepared stew. All of the ingredients were furnished by the Sweetwater JC's.

They won first place for the chicken fry and Barbara's yeast rolls. Freddy won third place for the stew. Overall they won third place. Congrats to you all.

AGING

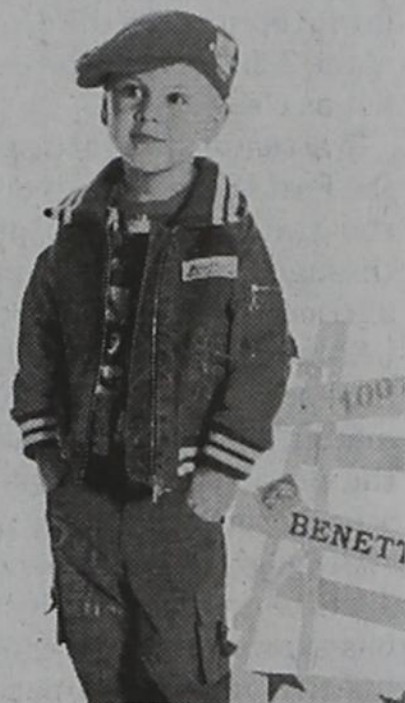
(from Jerry Taylor)
I was thinking about old age and decided that it is when you still have something on the ball but you are just too tired to bounce it. I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older then it dawned on me: they were cramming for their finals.

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be notified in case of emergency. I think you should write—A good doctor—or 911.

You know when people see a cat's litter box, they always say, "Oh have you got a cat"? Just once I wanted to say, "Nope. It's for company. Help yourself. Make yourself comfy. Take your time."

TILL NEXT WEEK

Hope you all have a great week end. May God bless each of you and I'll see you next week.



Hunter Graves has become a professional model since moving to Seoul, South Korea. He has been featured in the United Colors of Benetton Fall, Winter and ski lines and has been contacted by Osorori of Japan for a photo shoot. Hunter is the three year old son of Russel and Lonna Graves and the grandson of Ronnie and Diane Graves.

Girl Scouts seek troop leaders

The Girl Scouts of the Caprock Council are looking for new troop leaders for age groups serving kindergarten through grade 12.

Troop leaders will lead meetings and take Girl Scouts to scouting events.

Many girls in the Caprock area are eager to join Girl Scouts but are ineligible because there is a shortage of troop leaders to lead the new troops; therefore, the Girl Scouts of the Caprock Council are urging community members to become troop leaders.

Anyone interested in learning more about the opportunity of being a Girl Scout troop leader should contact the council office at 745-2855.

Haven Howard, Joshua Grisham exchange wedding vows October 18

Haven Leigh Howard of Amarillo and Joshua Lynn Grisham of Post were married Saturday, Oct. 18, in a candlelight ceremony in the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Jeff Conway officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Leslie Howard and Tom Simms of Amarillo and granddaughter of Sue Satterfield of Fritch and Ben M. Simms of Amarillo.

Parents of the groom are Pixie and Allen Grisham of Post. Grandparents are William (Bill) and Mary Jo Weige of Littlefield. Great-grandmother is Cecil Hollinsworth, also of Littlefield.

Matron of honor was Sawyer Clark of Amarillo, sister of the bride. Bridal attendants were Becca Peters, Randi Sue Qualls, Jacy Châfin and Amanda Shelton, all of Amarillo, Beth Ricci of San Antonio and Amber Morris of Canyon.

Best men were Jerrad Grisham of Post and Christopher Grisham of Slaton, the groom's brothers. Attendants were Ryan Kelton of Austin, cousin of the groom, Wes Weatherly of Canyon, Isaac Miramontes of Big Spring, Brye Carter of London, England, and Phillip Shelton of Amarillo.

Flower girl was Gracy Green of Bastrop. Ring bearer was Jason Miramontes of Big Spring. Ushers were Jarrod Clark of Amarillo, brother-in-law of the bride, and Jamie Hernandez of Lubbock.

As family members were seated, Amber Morris sang "This Day" and was accompanied by Resa Stone. Pixie Grisham was escorted to her seat by the groom. Prelude music "Fluff" was provided by guitarists Eric Denton and Jerry Thompson. Kelly Forehand sang "If You Could See" for the lighting of the unity candle.

The wedding reception, which included a catered buffet and dance, took place in the Grand Plaza Ballroom of the Amarillo Civic Center. Reception attendants were Kacy Baker of Tulsa, Okla., Laura Wolf of Mill Valley, Calif., and Mandy Rollison of Amarillo.

The bride, an Amarillo High School graduate, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from West Texas A&M University in Canyon, where she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. She is employed at Northwest Texas Healthcare System.

The groom was an honor graduate of Post High School. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in marketing from West Texas A&M, where he was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He is employed in management training with Cintas.

A rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents, was held Friday, Oct. 17, in the party room of Hoffbrau's Steak House in Amarillo. On Saturday, Oct. 18, the groom, his attendants and the fathers of the bride and groom observed an 8:30 a.m. tee time at the Comanche Creek Golf Course in Amarillo. After the golf game, the group went to Logan's Roadhouse for lunch.

The bride, her attendants, mothers of the bride and groom, the groom's grandmother and aunts of the couple were treated to a bridal luncheon at

The Back Porch Restaurant and Bakery in Amarillo.

Following the reception, the newlyweds stayed at the Adaberry Inn in Amarillo. On Sunday, Oct. 19, the couple and their families had a din-

ner in a private room at Zoo-Kini's restaurant in Amarillo. The couple then prepared for their honeymoon in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico.

The couple will reside in Amarillo.



Mrs. Joshua Grisham

Births

Meagan Nicole Blair

Brooke Blair is proud to announce the birth of her sister, Meagan Nicole Blair, on Sept. 30, 2003.

The infant weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches in length.

Parents are Robby Blair and Amanda Hair. Grandparents are Donnie and Carolyn Hair and Cheryl Blair and the late Roger Blair. Great-grandparents are Jim and Bessie Strawn and Dale Hair.



Meagan Nicole Blair

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Mustangs outscore 'Lopes 63-45

by Wes Burnett

The Shallowater Mustangs lived up to their high-flying reputation Friday night in Post by a 63-45 win over the Post Antelopes. At halftime, the Mustangs held a commanding 49-15 lead.

The 'Lopes turned the ball over four times during the first half, with each of those turnovers resulting in Shallowater scores.

The Mustangs got on the board early with a four play blitz, sealed by quarterback Eric Morris cutting around defenders from the Post 46 to the end zone. The point after kick set the score at 7-0 with 10:41 left in the first quarter.

Three plays later, the first fumble bug hit the 'Lopes, setting up the Mustangs at the Post 33 yard line. It took eight plays with Morris connecting Chris Key in the end zone for the seven yard touchdown pass. Randon Blacklock blocked the extra point attempt, giving Post fans a chance to celebrate.

The 'Lopes opened up a sustained touchdown drive with 6:26 left in the first quarter, featuring Sterling Smith's pass to Kyle Gunn for a first down and later a pass to Jonathan McGregor to the 49 yard line. Smith shared running chores with Mitchell Mills, who got excellent blocking from the offensive line. Mills took the ball into the end zone on second down at the 16. Jett Lott's extra point gave the 'Lopes a fighting chance with the score at 13-7 and 1:41 left in the first quarter.

A squib kick set the Mustangs up at their own 44. Four plays later the visitors added another touchdown, coming on first down from the Post 37 when Morris completed a pass to Matt Hennig across the middle. He ran into the end zone untouched and the Mustangs increased the lead to 21-7 after the two point conversion pass.

More Antelope Troubles

After the ensuing kickoff, another fumble gave the ball to the Mustangs, this time at the Post six yard line. One play later Taylor Stoker took the ball into the end zone, and the visitors increased the lead to 28-7 following the extra point.

The 'Lope offense was set back to the five yard line in the next series, running out of downs and setting up the Mustangs for a four play touchdown drive. After the extra point, Post trailed 35-7 with 8:38 left in the second quarter.

Seven plays later, the 'Lope offense was forced to punt from their own 34. Eric Vonberg caught the ball at the Mustang 30, then lateraled the ball to Morris, who scampered down his right sideline, dodging would-be

tacklers to the end zone for another Shallowater touchdown. With the extra point kick, the Mustangs took an almost insurmountable lead of 42-7 with 5:26 left in the first half.

The next 'Lope offensive series came to a screeching halt when Smith's pass from the Post 41 yard line was intercepted by the Mustangs at the Shallowater 35. Another quick Mustang touchdown was set up by a brilliantly executed screen pass to Dakota Smith on third down from the Shallowater 47 yard line. The pass play gave the Mustangs a first down at the Post 27. Morris pulled a quarterback draw up the middle to the end zone, putting the visitors ahead 49-7 after the extra point.

With 57 seconds left in the first half, the 'Lope offense came alive with a three play touchdown drive of their own. David Lee Rivera set the drive up with a kickoff return to the 46. Lott took the ball to the Shallowater 49 and on third down with time running out, Mills broke over left guard, dodged and squirmed away from defenders and raced the distance to the goal line.

Smith executed an option play around his right end to the end zone, cutting the Mustang lead to 49-15 as the bands took the field.

Second Half Action

If there were hopes for a come-back in the third quarter, the 'Lope faithful were bitterly disappointed. After five plays, the offense was forced to punt from the Post 37 yard line. The ball went out of bounds at the Shallowater 33.

Morris completed a pass to Kendall Thomas to the Post 45, then found Key across the middle and into the end zone. With 8:21 left in the third quarter, the Mustangs led 56-15.

Third 'Lope touchdown

The 'Lopes mounted an eight play scoring drive, featuring Lott, Mills and Smith running the ball and a pass completion to McGregor. On second down from the Mustang nine, Mills rammed over right tackle, breaking away from defenders into the end zone. The two point conversion failed, putting the 'Lopes at 56-21.

The defense held the Mustangs on the next series, with time running out in the third quarter. Lott caught the punt at the 10 yard line, referees called a face mask penalty on the Mustangs to the 25 yard line.

Fourth 'Lope touchdown

The scoring drive took five plays. Smith took a hard hit on second down from the Shallowater 47, and Wilson Cash came in as quarterback. Mills took a handoff to the 40, then after a holding penalty, Cash faked the handoff to Mills, kept the ball and

scrambled past defenders around his right end to the endzone. A pitchout to Mills gave the 'Lopes another two points, setting up a 56-29 score.

The 'Lope crowd came alive on the ensuing kickoff as Lott's intended squib kick bounced high in the air and Mark Norman came down with the ball amidst a crowd of Shallowater players. The 'Lope offense came onto the field with a first down at the Mustang 47 yard line with 10:06 left in the game.

Four plays later, the drive was snuffed out when the ball once again popped to the ground and Shallowater covered it at the Post 49.

It took only three plays for the Mustangs to cap their scoring for the evening. A pass to Michael Rosales set up the touchdown at the 20, then Hennig got the ball twice, scoring from the 14. The extra point put the Mustangs out front 63-29.

Fifth 'Lope Touchdown

The kickoff was fielded by McGregor at the 25, then was tackled at the Post 34. Cash surprised the Mustangs with another fake handoff to Mills, and a dash around his right end to the end zone. Mills got the two point conversion behind Lott's block, narrowing the Mustang lead to 63-37

with 6:23 left in the game.

Another try for onside kick failed, but then on first down Rivera recovered a fumble for the 'Lopes at the Shallowater 47. Two plays later the handoff between Cash and Mills went awry, leaving the ball on the ground for the Mustangs at the Shallowater 47.

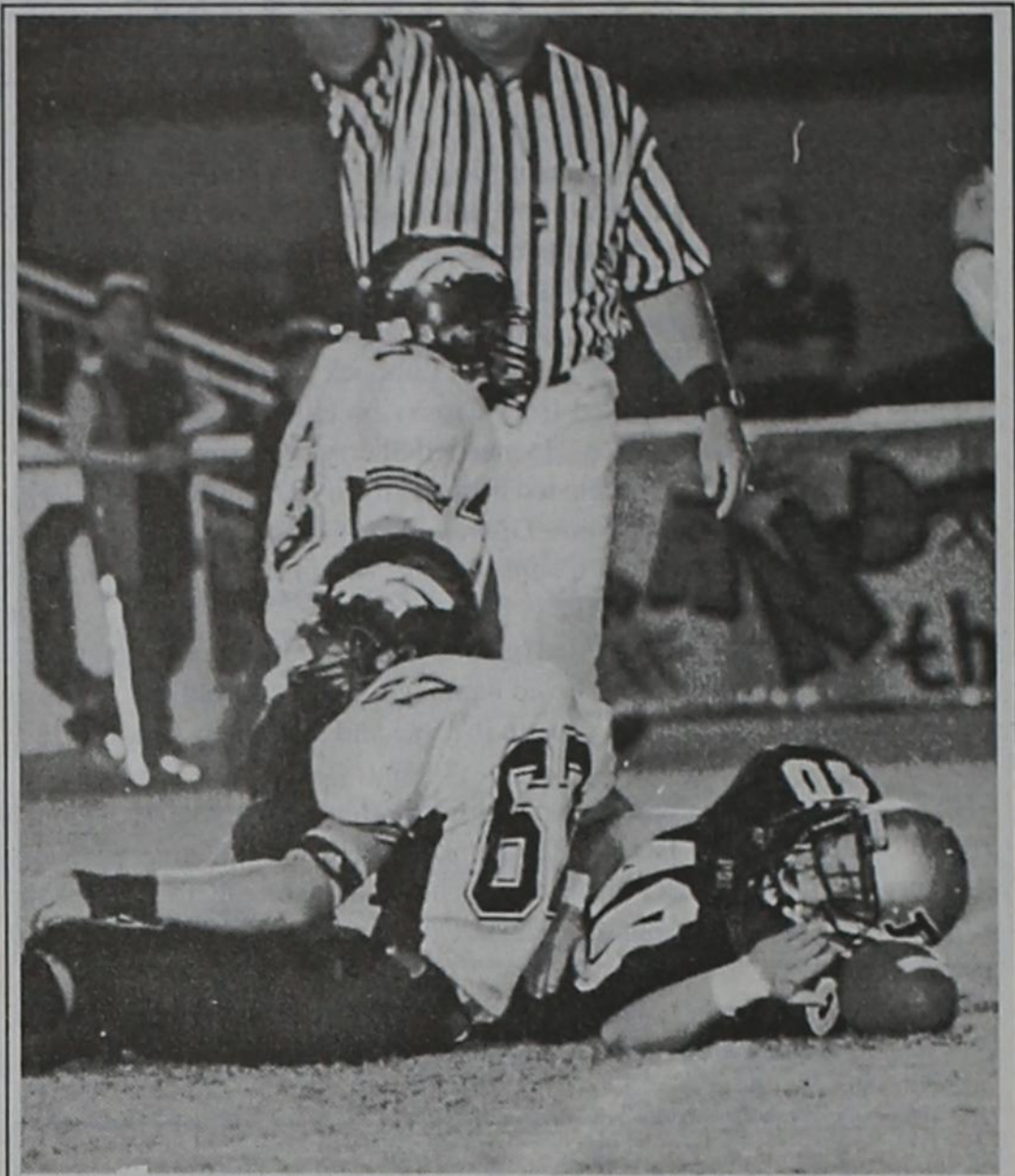
The 'Lope defense stood its ground ... forcing a punt on fourth down from the Mustang 46. Lott took the ball at the 18, returning it to the 23.

Sixth 'Lope touchdown

With 3:04 on the play clock, the 'Lopes opened up a six play touchdown drive. Mills, Cash and Lott took turns running the ball, with the final 22 yards coming from Cash's run around left end behind great blocking. Lott got the two point conversion with 42 seconds in the game, leaving the 'Lopes on the short end of a 63-45 score.

The Mustangs got the onside kickoff attempt and ran out the clock.

The 'Lopes travel to Idalou Friday for another tough district ball game. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m. Those who are unable to attend the game may follow all the LIVE play-by-play action on KPOS Radio, Cebridge Media Channel 12 and 97.7 FM in Post.



Mitchell Mills (40) rushed for 237 yards on 28 carries for the Post Antelopes in the 63-45 loss here to Shallowater last Friday. (Photo by Gena Lott)



Antelope head coach Tim James (center) gives the team a pep talk during a time out here last Friday. The Antelopes were down 49-15 at halftime, but came out in the second half, scoring 30 points. (Photo by Gena Lott)

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'Lopes look for win at Idalou

by Wes Burnett

"We're really proud of our kids for responding to such adversity and never giving up," Post Antelope coach Tim James said about last Friday's 63-45 loss to Shallowater.

"They could have just given up, but they came out in the second half and played hard and gave it all they had," the coach added.

Getting ready for this Friday's district clash at Idalou, coach James said that Sterling Smith and Ryan Babb may not be able to play following injuries. Smith went out in the fourth quarter with a wrist injury and Babb is still recovering from a knee injury in practice several weeks ago.

Jett Lott, who suffered a fractured bone in his left hand during the New Deal game, is expected to play Friday.

The Antelopes posted 473 yards rushing and 51 yards passing in the loss to Shallowater for a total of 524

yards total offense. Mitchell Mills led the rushing with 237 yards on 38 carries, three touchdowns and two, two-point conversions. Wilson Cash was credited with 138 yards on six carries and three touchdowns.

Lott was credited with 64 yards on 10 carries, one extra point and three two-point conversions. Sterling Smith got 34 yards on six carries. Smith also completed four of eight passes for 57 yards and had one pass intercepted.

Jonathan McGregor caught two passes for 14 yards, Mark Norman caught one pass for 28 yards and Kyle Gunn caught a pass for 15 yards.

The Antelopes recorded 15 first downs.

The defense gave up a total of 374 yards to the Mustangs.

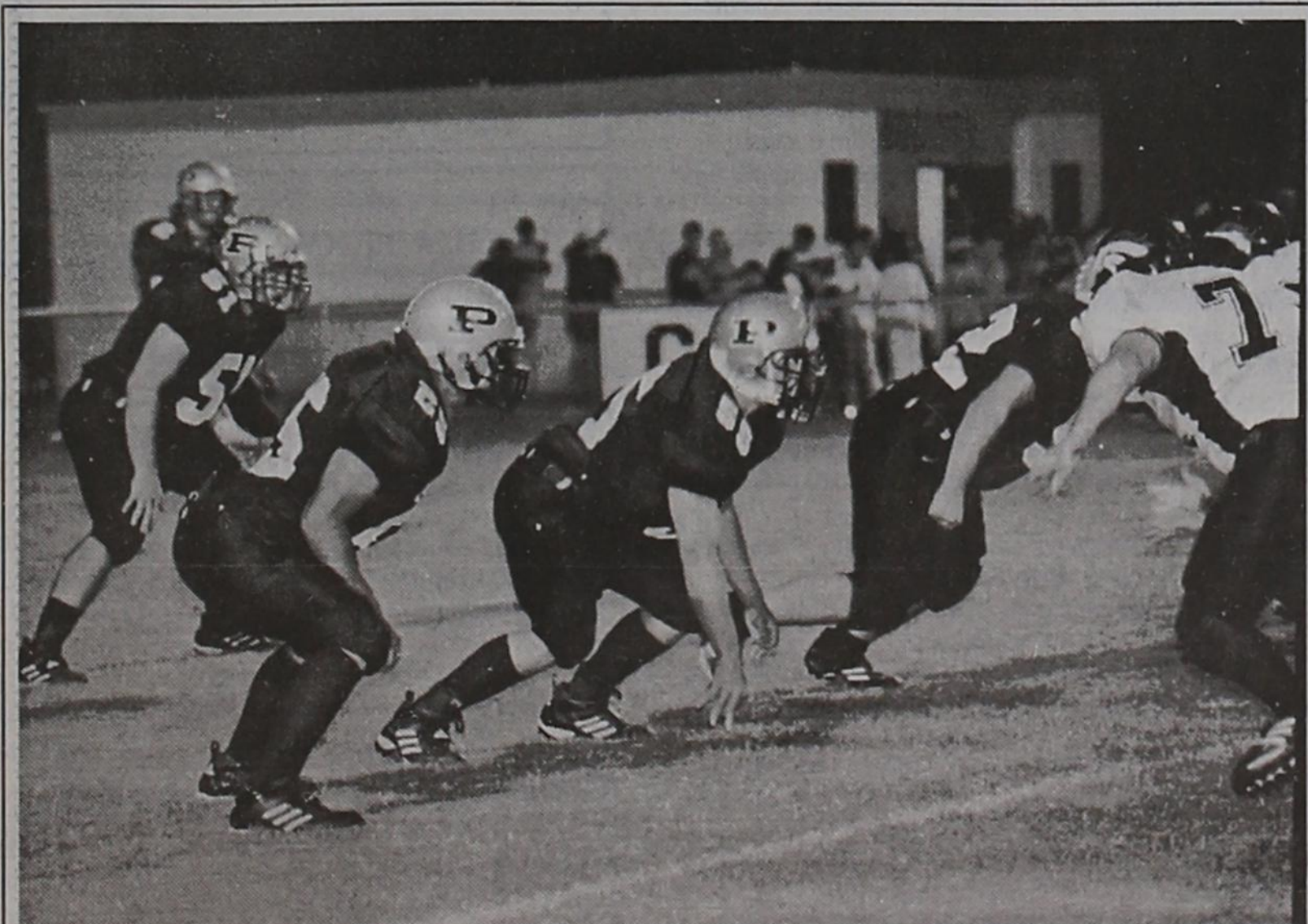
"We can't look back, we've just got to cut down our mistakes and play

our very best. I'm convinced that this team is ready," James emphasized.

Coach James reported that the Idalou Wildcats have a very strong defense. The defensive linemen, linebackers and ends are disciplined and aggressive. "Their tailback is a very good runner," James added, "he's a threat every time he gets the football."

Idalou is playing without its star quarterback, who was injured two weeks ago and underwent knee surgery. He will be out for the season. "Opponents who let down their guard will discover that their backup quarterback is also a good athlete and runs the team efficiently," James observed.

The Wildcats suffered their first loss of the year last week at the hands of the Roosevelt Eagles in a defense led, low scoring game.



Post Antelope defenders (left to right) Russell Merritt (2), Mark McCallister (51), Theo Paiz (25), Blake Nichols (55) and Jace Pollard (52) line up against the Shallowater Mustangs during action here last Friday. (Photo by Gena Lott)

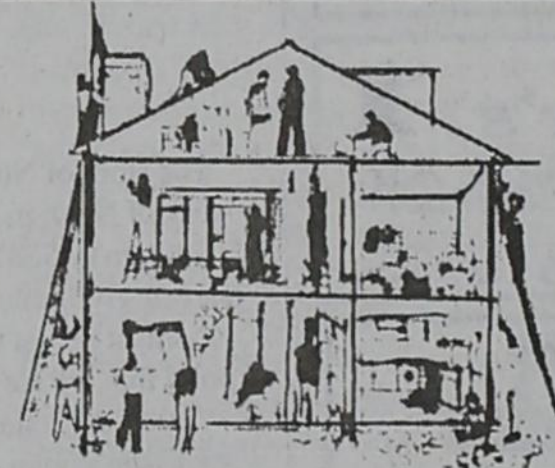
Benefit for Jerry Riedel November 14 & 15

- Friday, Nov. 14 - Post Community Center
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 - Auction & Cakewalk - 7 p.m.
 - Dance - 9 p.m. to Midnight
- Tommy Reed & Texas Mesquite
- Raffle - Savage 243 & Case - 9 p.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 15 - Holy Cross Catholic Church Parish Hall- 11 a.m.

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Obituaries

H. Wright Hinson

Services for Howell Wright Hinson, 56, of Crosbyton, were held Saturday, October 18, 2003 at Spur Exhibition Building in Swenson Park, with Rev. Rory Mosley officiating. Interment was in Spur Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Campbell Funeral Home of Spur.

He died Monday, October 13, 2003 in Crosbyton. Mr. Hinson was born March 7, 1947 in Lubbock to Jack Doyle and Lona Thelma Hinson. He graduated from Crosbyton High School in 1965. He served 4 years in the Air Force. He married Sherry Weygant December 20, 1969, in Newburgh, NY. He enlisted in the Army in 1976 and retired in 1992.

He served 3 tours in Viet Nam, Operation Just Cause in Panama, and 9 years in the South American Counter Drug Mission. He was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #6012 in San Antonio.

Wright's passions in life included fishing, target shooting and the outdoors. He loved to be horseback and loved dancing to the twin fiddles. He was preceded in death by one son, Justin in 1993 and his father, Jack Doyle in 1979.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry of Crosbyton; one daughter, Rhonda Fox of St. John, Virgin Islands; 2 sons, David Hinson of Keller and Cory Hinson of Canon City, CO; his mother, Thelma Hinson of Crosbyton; One brother, Don Hinson of Spur; one sister, Doylene Winkler of Calgary and 7 grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Lupus Foundation of America. Designated for research, 3730 Kirby Dr., Ste. 720 Houston, TX 77098.

Mary Ambry Schwartz

Graveside services for Mary Ambry Schwartz, 87, of Lubbock were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, 2003, in the Englewood Cemetery with the Rev. Cleve Kirby officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died Oct. 15 in the Lubbock Hospitality House. Born in Alabama Jan. 5, 1916, she married Albert Louis Schwartz in 1936 in Sagerton. A member of the Home Demonstration Club of Rule, she was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Janice Smith of Slaton and Judy Dooley of Dallas; one brother, Jesse Woodard of Lake Jackson; one sister, Bobbie Jean Brophy of Kerrville; and four grandchildren.

Letters to the Editor

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Letter to the No-Progress Coalition:

I'm sure the taxpayers appreciate your watchdogging. How about taking on the state of Texas where they are really wasting tax monies? Not sure what you guys are smoking, but you seem to live on another planet. Truth is, operations in all agencies has been cut to the bone already, folks working in any of these agencies are now doing

the work of about three to four people. What planet did you come from to think that services wouldn't be cut?

Improvements have to be made, vehicles wear out, capable people have to be hired to make anything go and grow. Post and Garza County are getting a real bargain for their money with a virtual army of people that contribute time, effort and work to make this county work. By the way, where are YOU in that army? Most people want a quality of life and it's a slap in the face that no one appreciates the extra work done by the paid employees and the army of volunteers that's necessary to run agencies. Agencies that provide Post and Garza County things that attract new people, tourists, citizens' protection, medical and quality of life.

Thanks to the visions of officials and the hard working people of Garza County, we haven't dried up and blown away as predicted. Instead of a population decline, it is on the increase and destined for more growth, unless, of course, we are unable to provide services needed. But, no growth is what you really want.

It might open your eyes to visit the museums, go to a play, eat at the Trailblazers. Need the ambulance or medical services? It's here. Meals can be delivered to shut-ins, the kids have help and guidance to grow up and the law is on the job for your protection. Your tax recall would eliminate or drastically cut many of these things, erase the progress made and discourage any future progress.

Don't know where the fellow came up with the figures he printed last week, but it wasn't from West Texas counties. Anyone with property outside of Garza County can tell you that this county has one of the lowest taxes in West Texas and that's a fact! Wanta see mine? Question: Are you paying the expensive election that you are proposing? Course you won't, you'll expect the taxpayers to pay for it. Let us know if and when you're coming back down to earth.

JoAnn Mock



The Pride of Post Marching Band competed at the Regional U.I.L. marching contest last Saturday at Plainview, earning an "Excellent" rating. The band performed its routine last Friday night at Antelope Stadium during halftime. "Our band played

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Believing...Hebrews 11:7

The story of Noah has brought out many nicely illustrated children's books. Comedian Bill Cosby popularized the story of Noah in a most humorous way.

Let's go to God's rightly divided word and see what God wants us to learn from this fantastic record. Hebrews chapter eleven gives many exemplary accounts of people believing God unto getting powerful results. In studying these records it is best to go into the Old Testament accounts. Read it over and over again. Let it soak into our hearts to the point that we are built up with confidence and trust in God.

"By faith [believing] Noah, being warned of God of things not seen yet, moved with fear [reverence], prepared an ark to the saving of his house, by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is of faith [believing]." Hebrews 11:7.

God warned Noah of the flood which was to come. Noah believed by preparing an ark. His good example of believing God openly revealed and made evident the wickedness of the rest of the world. As a result, he and his family were saved. Go to the scripture.

The first record of Noah is found in Genesis 5:29. He was the son of Lamech. He was prophetically named because he was going to be a comfort for God's people.

Noah is next mentioned in Genesis 6:8, "But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord." The context is understood according to verses 1-7. Ungodly generations of people began to multiply on the earth. There was only one man who was favorable in God's eyes. If there was any other person who loved God at all, you can bet your bottom-dollar God would have included them in the ark.

On a side note, this was another spiritual attempt by Satan to destroy the seed of the woman prophesied of in Genesis 3:15. If he could have destroyed Noah and his family, that would have been the end of God's plan for redemption. But God knew better.

Genesis 6:13 "And God said unto Noah, 'The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth.'" God knew a great destruction was coming, and he warned the only person on the earth who would believe Him. In verses 14-16 God gave Noah instructions concerning what to do and how to do it. He then establishes His promise with Noah that he and his family would be saved as long as they believed Him. Verses 19-21 has God explaining what was to be included in the ark.

Then we come to the most wonderful part of the whole story, "Thus did Noah, according to all that God commanded, so did he."

He believed God by moving on His word with reverence. Yet we have God's word in Hebrews 11:39-40, "And these all, having obtained a good report through faith [believing], received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect."

In this Age of Grace, we have God's precious promise of the righteousness that is in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We can be filled with holy spirit by simply believing with the heart that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead.

On God's Word is designed to teach the rightly divided word of God as it interprets itself. Tim Burnett invites you to visit his personal website at <http://www.geocities.com/christinyou7/love.html>.

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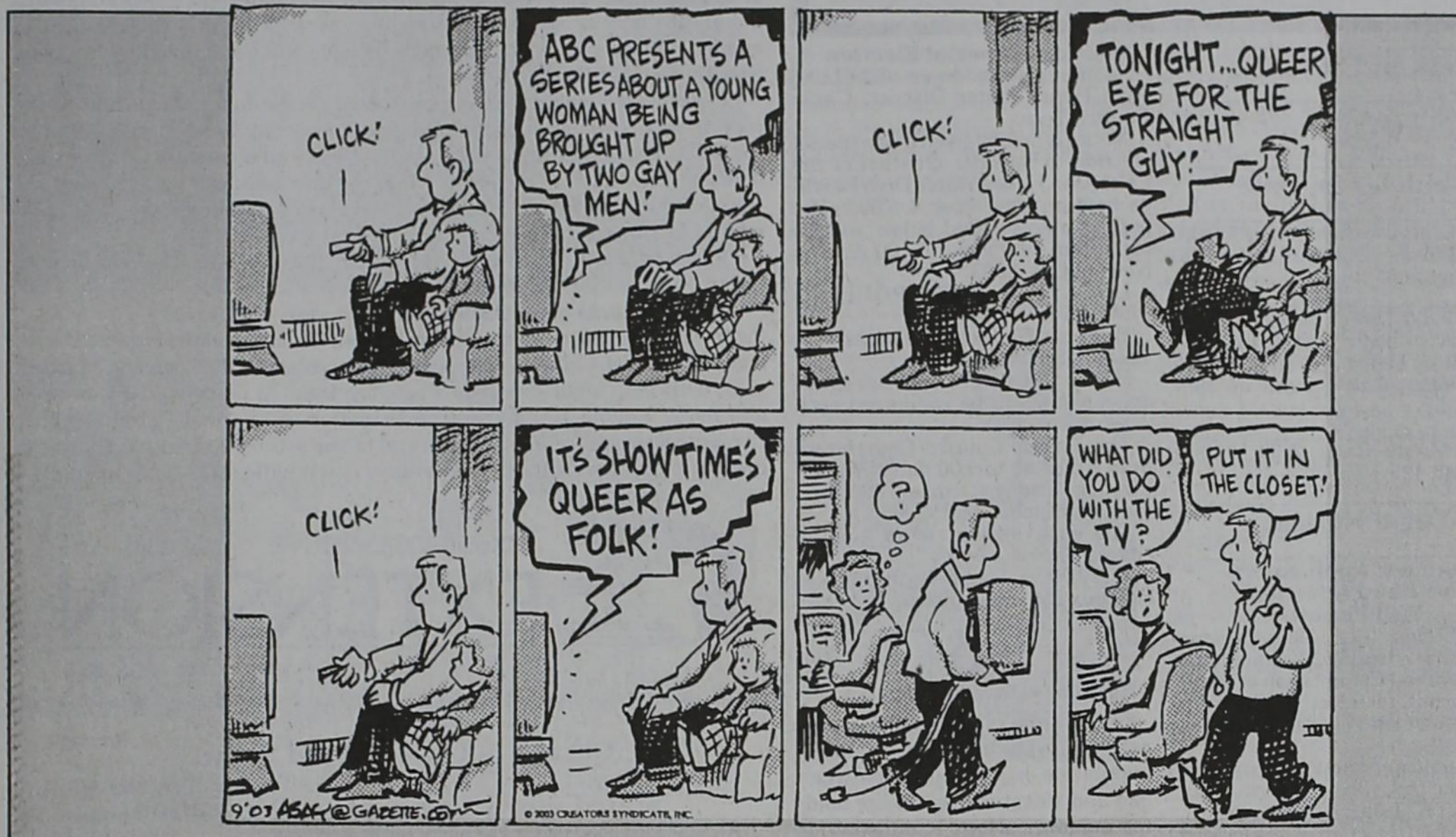
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Media bias

by Bill O'Reilly



A recent Gallup Poll says nearly half the country believes the media are biased left, and this poll proves one thing: The people who told the pollsters that are smarter than I am.

For most of my journalistic career, I did not believe there was institutional bias on the part of the media. I felt there was an exclusionary bias. That is, certain opinions and issues simply were ignored by the major media. For example, I worked for two network news organizations, and the

only time you'd hear a pro-life opinion would be if some nut blew up an abortion clinic.

But I've now learned the hard way that liberal bias is a way of life for many media organizations. Over the past few months, I have been slimed, smeared and pilloried primarily by leftists who do not approve of my commentary.

I am not whining, I'm reporting. And to put things into perspective, what actors Mel Gibson and Arnold Schwarzenegger have recently suffered at the hands of the left-wing press makes my situation look like an episode of "Happy Days." These guys have been viciously attacked, and even their own fathers have been used as bludgeons against them. Awful doesn't even begin to describe it.

In my case, the attacks are very personal but also designed to advance the far-left agenda.

Item: When my new book, "Who's Looking Out for You?" hit No. 1 on The New York Times Best-Seller List, it was described as an "attack" vehicle. In reality, the book is a primer for everyday Americans on how to achieve success and stability. In the past 10 years, only two people have had three No. 1 nonfiction bestsellers on the Times list: Washington Post reporter Bob Woodward and your humble correspondent. Yet somehow the Times has not gotten around to reviewing any of my books, while tomes by the liberal "satirists" are given major exposure.

Item: People Magazine assigned a man who loathes me (I know, I know it's hard to believe) to review "Who's Looking Out for You?" Newsflash — he didn't like it.

Item: A National Public Radio interviewer insisted on reading that People Magazine review on the air during her chat with me. When I strongly suggested she read the very positive review in Publisher's Weekly magazine as well, she refused.

Item: Matt Lauer on "The Today Show" sat there smirking as one of the far-left "satirists" defamed me. When my publicist called "The Today Show" asking for a chance to respond, the program turned me down.

To be fair, Barbara Walters gave me fair play on "The View" and did challenge the "satirist," so there is not a left-wing monolith in play here. But there is no question that scores of left-winger press people have now emerged from the closet and are out for blood, the same way hard right-wing ideologues were during the Clinton administration. However, the hard right did not have access to the elite media, and that's a key.

The assault from the left is directly because of the unprecedented success of Fox News Channel. Perceived by the "progressive" community to be conservative, the network drives the far left absolutely crazy. That politically correct bastion CNN has been decimated in the ratings by FNC, and traditionalists finally have a place on television to put forth their points of view. Of course, liberal voices are given the same opportunity on Fox, but it doesn't matter to the far-left ideologues. For decades, they controlled the agenda on TV news. Now that's over. All voices are heard.

So, the far-left is counter-attacking, and God help you if you're in their sights. My name is no longer Bill O'Reilly, it's "gasbag," "bully," "liar" and "blowhard." Those descriptions are not confined to opinion pieces but are routinely used in hard news stories, as well. The far-left media has loaded up on sticks and stones, and is eager to hurl them.

There is some good news, though. Never again can many news organizations claim any kind of fairness or nonpartisanship. They have been flushed out of the weeds for all to see. Excuse me for a moment, something just went whizzing by my head.

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the new book "Who's Looking Out For You?" To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. This column originates on the Web site www.billoreilly.com.

Racial censorship

by Walter E. Williams



Rush Limbaugh's comment on ESPN regarding Philadelphia Eagles' quarterback Donovan McNabb was: "I don't think he's been that good from the get go. I think what we've had here is a little of social concern from the NFL. The media has been desirous that a black quarterback do well."

Kweisi Mfume, NAACP's president, criticized Limbaugh's remarks as bigoted, ignorant and racist. Democrat presidential hopefuls chimed in with their criticism, and Eagles' owner Jeffrey Lurie called Limbaugh's comments "despicable."

Being 67 years old, I've personally experienced racist language as well as racist acts, not only in my hometown of Philadelphia but during my 1959 to 1961 stint in the Army while in South Carolina, Georgia, Korea and California. I'd like someone to tell me precisely what it is that Limbaugh said that can rightfully be characterized as racist. For the life of me, I can't find it. Limbaugh's statement is opinion that can be characterized as correct or incorrect — but racist, no.

The true tragedy of the flap over Limbaugh's remarks is that it's reflective of an ongoing process in our increasingly politically correct world where people are losing the freedom to say what they think lest they be subject to intimidation, extortion and other costs by our well-established grievance industry.

On an earlier ESPN show, Limbaugh criticized the NFL's new hiring rule that turns black prospective coaches into diversity pawns. Under the NFL's "diversity" program, the Detroit Lions were fined \$200,000 for failing to interview minority candidates before hiring their new coach, Steve Mariucci. Limbaugh pointed out that the reason no black coaches showed up for the interview was because they knew president Matt Millen was interested in Mariucci.

The message to other teams, not wanting to be fined, is to interview black coaches even though they might have no intent whatsoever in hiring them. That's a despicable practice that I can relate to. While interviewing for jobs early in my career as an assistant professor,

there were at least two different university interviews where I suspect there was no intention to hire me.

They only wanted to interview a black candidate so as to keep the affirmative action lady off their backs. I was simply a pawn, a statistic. Now my question to you: Does Limbaugh's criticism of the NFL's diversity policy also make him a racist?

Liberals are selective in terms of what they deem racist. Take Dusty Baker, the black Chicago Cubs manager, who said: "Personally, I like to play in the heat. ... It's easier for me. It's easier for most Latin guys and easier for most minority people." Baker added, "Your skin color is more conducive to the heat than it is to the light-skinned people, right? You don't see brothers running around burnt and stuff, running around with white stuff on their ears and nose and stuff."

Then there was New York City Councilman Charles Barron who said, addressing a 2002 Washington, D.C., reparations gathering, "I want to go up to the closest white person and say, 'You can't understand this, it's a black thing,' and then slap him, just for my mental health."

Then there's the liberal California Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, who while giving a Black History Month speech used the word "nigger." He claimed it was a slip of the tongue and got off the hook. Sen. Robert "former Klansman" Byrd used the term nigger in a Fox News interview. His Senate colleague Democrat Ernest Hollings told reporters in December 1993 that he attended international summits alongside "these potentates from down in Africa." He added, "Rather than eating each other, they'd just come up and get a good square meal in Geneva."

Here's my challenge: Ask liberals in the media and elsewhere, who are demanding Limbaugh's head, why they didn't demand the heads of the authors of these clearly racist remarks.

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Crowding out the crabbing market

by Scott McPherson

The Washington Times reported on October 7 that "a proposal [in Georgia] to ban crabbing three days a week is netting opposition from crabbers who say their livelihoods are in danger." According to state officials, harvests of the blue crab need to be reduced by 35 percent if the species is to avoid extinction.

Crabbers, on the other hand, say that the crab population has rebounded following the end of a recent drought and, the Times reports, "that no limits are needed." They correctly fear that such massive restrictions on their business will have dire economic consequences.

Both sides have a stake in the outcome. Legislators want to appear conservation-minded to their constituents - a valuable asset in today's political climate - while crabbers have their incomes to think about. It is a conflict between competing interests that plagues fishing markets around the world.

What to do?

Any time a good is in high demand, profit-minded entrepreneurs will seek to supply the market and reap the financial rewards. Fears that the market will "use up" resources are typically unfounded because resource-owners have an economic incentive to maintain the value of their investment; constantly searching for new stockpiles of oil, for example, is part and parcel of a petroleum industry that has long-term profits in mind. Timber companies likewise replant after harvesting trees on their own land.

But an essential ingredient is required for such foresight: Those thinking about future earnings must know that someone else is not going to draw on their particular moneymaking source and rob them of as yet unrealized profits.

Like any other resource, crabs are in limited supply. This means that the best way to ensure the efficient distribution of crabs is market processes based on supply and demand; but just as important, it is imperative that property rights to the valued stock be recognized (and protected) in order to make competent management more certain.

When the good in question is a public resource, however - meaning either that it is owned by the government or that access to it is gained through the public domain, such as an ocean or river fishery - economic motivations are skewed against preservation in favor of unsustainable consumption. Why save for tomorrow when it will only go to profit someone else?

Clearly, government's age-old routine of leaving valued commodities to the "tragedy of the commons" has taken its toll on the blue crab.

Though establishing property rights to individual crabs would prove impossible, Georgia's state government could nonetheless be looking at credible and practical ways to create the necessary inducements for the kind of market-based conservation that takes place in other industries.

One way would be to limit the number of crab fishers allowed in state waters using "Individual Transferable Quotas" (ITQs), which give the owners of ITQs a legally protected right to net a set percentage of the maximum allowable catch fixed by the state, on basis of the best available data on current and future crab stocks.

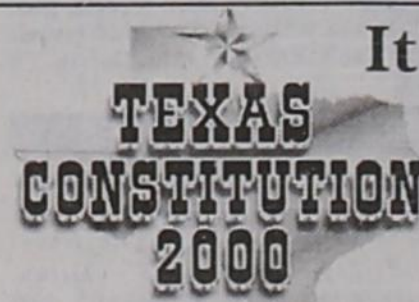
ITQs have been successfully employed in New Zealand, Iceland, Greenland, Alaska, and elsewhere, to boost catches of various ocean species while protecting supplies from depletion. The transferability of ITQs also means, as pointed out by Terry Anderson and Donald Leal in their excellent book *Free Market Environmentalism*, that "quotas ... end up in the hands of the most efficient fishers - that is, those with the lowest costs and who can pay the highest price" to purchase ITQs from less-efficient fishers.

Another option is to set up property rights to fishing areas. Anderson and Leal refer to studies of private ownership of oyster beds that reveal positive conservation results and, in one study, an indication that private oyster fisheries are actually more profitable for individual fishers than open-access fisheries. Maine has employed the use of quasi-private Fishing Cooperative Associations to limit access to lobster fisheries and preserve lobster stores for more than a hundred years.

Some may complain that the options mentioned above are imperfect, and for a variety of political and philosophical reasons. So-called environmentalists will bristle at the thought of private markets' determining the outcomes of natural resources, but the facts speak for themselves: government has historically been a poor steward of the environment. Remember that Georgia crab stocks became so drastically exhausted under the supervision and control of state officials, not a genuinely free market.

At the same time, private ownership - under the proper conditions - has a demonstrable success rate. With ownership rules established, even if they are imperfect, it is at least possible to have true market incentives driving economic decision-making, rather than the race to the commons, which always ends in tragedy for the environment.

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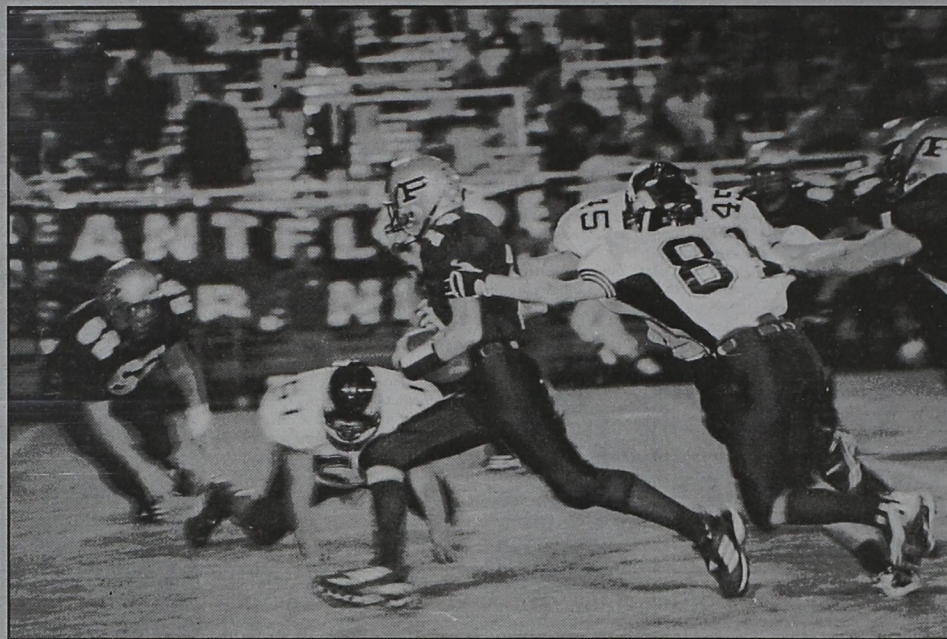
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