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Post Notes

Post Band Booster meets Tuesday

The Post Band Booster Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 18 at the band hall. All band parents are urged to attend.

Community Pep Rally Friday morning

A community pep rally is set for Friday at 9:05 a.m. at the Antelope Arena to express support for the Post Antelope football team in preparation for its bi-district championship game at Sweetwater Friday evening.

Artwork on display for benefit

All artwork for the Jerry Riedel benefit is on display at CitizensBank and Wells Fargo. Those interested in bidding may leave bids in the boxes at each bank. All art will be numbered.

Free skin cancer screening

Faculty members and residents from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will conduct free skin cancer screening (on exposed parts of the body only) Saturday, November 8 and November 15 at the Southwest Cancer Center, 602 Indiana Ave. in Lubbock.

Ladies VFW Auxiliary bake walk Nov. 14

A cake walk will be hosted by the Ladies' Auxiliary VFW at the November 14 benefit for Jerry Riedel at the Post Community Center. Anyone interested in baking cakes, cookies or pies for the event should call auxiliary members.

State/County hog validation

All barrows for the major livestock shows must be state validated. Barrow validation will be held Thursday, November 20 at 1 p.m. in Southland and at 4 p.m. in Post at the GCJLA show grounds. All hogs must be on feed and tagged by November 30, 2003 for the GCJLA county show, January 14-17, 2004.

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.; tickets available at CellularOne, Handy Oilfield Supply, The George R. Brown Partnership and Tommy and Jerri Reed (629-4101). 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.

Free Thanksgiving meal

The First Baptist Church is offering a free Thanksgiving meal at the school cafeteria on November 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Carry-outs are available only by reservation to widows, widowers and people with disabilities who are unable to attend. Call the church office at 495-3554.

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.

Lions Club seeks Toys for Tots help

The Post Lions Club is once again asking for monetary and new toy donations for the annual "Toys for Tots" campaign. The program provides gifts for needy children for Christmas. To donate call 777-4783 or 495-5383.

Church sets revival November 14-16

The Calvary Baptist Church will hold a revival Friday, November 14 through Sunday, November 16 with services at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The Evangelism Team of the First Baptist Church of Post will conduct the services, with evangelist Lynn Williams and special music by the First Baptist Church.

Commissioners accept recall election petitions

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners' Court formally accepted petitions calling for a "rollback election" at the regular meeting Monday morning (11/10/03) following a brief statement by Garza County taxpayer Fred Howell.

The county has 20 days to determine the validity of the 390 signatures. The petitions were submitted to the Tax Assessor to verify signatures with voter registration records and to report to the court at its November 24 meeting as to the validity of the rollback election petition. The law requires signatures from at

least 10 percent of registered qualified voters.

Howell said that he was informed last week by the Tax Assessor's office that there are 2,850 registered voters, which would require 285 qualified petition signatures. "We believe you will find that these petitions include 390 fully qualified signatures," Howell said.

County Attorney Les Acker pointed out to the court that if the court finds the petitions to be valid, an early date for an election should be considered. Acker explained that many taxpayers

may delay payment until the issue is clarified.

Judge Giles W. Dalby took the opportunity to respond to Howell's recent letter to the editor in The Post Dispatch, presenting current budget comparisons of several Texas counties with similar population totals.

In other matters, the court accepted commissioner Lee Norman's offer to fund \$7,000 from Precinct One to support the county's share of purchasing new EKG equipment for the Post EMS. The City of Post and the Garza County Hospital District

have also approved one-third each funding for the equipment.

Sheriff Kenny Ratke told the court that his department would be funding insurance premiums to support the K-9 operations.

The court elected Judge Dalby to continue serving as county representative on the Garza Central Appraisal District.

An indigent application for rental assistance was rejected pending more information from the applicant.

No action was taken on continuing the "burn ban" in the county.

CRMWD water flowing through Post City distribution lines

by Wes Burnett

Water from Slaton began to flow through the City of Post distribution center last week, with approximately 3 million gallons of Canadian River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) water stored in the two new tanks and pipeline from Post to Slaton.

The announcement came at last week's (11/4/03) city council meeting during a briefing by the city's engineer regarding the completion of the backup water system project.

Water from CRMWD will be circulated through the city water distribution every third day as part of the plan to keep the water moving through the tanks and pipeline.

City council members also heard from Edwin Lewis, who owns farm land near Southland, regarding the use of well water from farms in that area. Lewis pointed out that the wells deplete fairly quickly in the summer time and during heavy use. City manager Fred Stephens and the city's engineer confirmed that the wells that had been offered by farmers in the area are insufficient and not cost effective.

Stephens explained that the city had been approached by land owners offering water. The city contracted for well testing and

discovered that in order to meet state standards, new wells would have to be drilled at a cost of approximately \$80,000 each. Stephens also said that the amount of water from those wells would not be enough to satisfy the city's needs.

"Economically, it just doesn't make sense," Stephens said.

The council expressed support for a request by the Post EMS to purchase two new pieces of equipment for ambulances. In-

terim EMS administrator Rodney Tidwell explained that the new EKG equipment is essential for determining the extent of heart attacks. The EMS has adequate funds to purchase one, and has asked the Garza County Hospital District, the City of Post and Garza County to share one-third each for another unit.

"We really need one of these units in both ambulances," Tidwell emphasized.

Council members also sup-

ported a plan to remove junk cars from area property. City attorney Harvey Morton was authorized to develop procedures to ensure that due process is followed in removing junk vehicles.

Jack Alexander was elected to serve as the city's representative on the Garza Central Appraisal District and David Stelzer was appointed to continue serving on the White River Municipal Water District board of directors.

Texas Historical Commission workshop in Post City today

A two-day workshop on promoting historic preservation will be presented Wednesday, Nov. 12, and Thursday, Nov. 13, at various locations throughout the community.

Open to community leaders, preservationists, students and interested citizens of the Plains region, the workshop will be led by representatives of the Texas Historical Commission. The event will run from 5-9 p.m. Wednesday and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday.

Activities will begin with registration on Wednesday at the community center. From there, activities will shift to the OS Museum, where local dignitaries will provide an official welcome. A reception also is planned. At 7 p.m., a heritage play, "The History of Post, Texas," will be offered at the Garza Theatre.

On Thursday, an 8 a.m. registration will once again kick off activities at the community center. At 8:30 a.m., Larry Oaks, THC executive director, will welcome participants. At 8:45 a.m., Loren Brand, city manager of Panhandle, will deliver the keynote address.

Following a break, concurrent sessions on grant writing will be offered beginning at 10 a.m. "Grant Writing 101" will focus on foundation and corporate funding and will be led by Terry Colley, THC deputy executive director. "THC Preservation Grand Opportunities/Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program" will be led by Lyman Labry, a member of the THC architecture division. Amy Hammons, another representative of the architecture division, will discuss "Texas Preservation Trust Fund Grants."

At 11 a.m., the THC staff panel will provide an overview of projects the commission is pres-

ently undertaking in the South Plains. This program will be followed by lunch and a celebration of the THC's 50th anniversary. Participants are asked to bring photos, newspaper clippings and other mementos representing the history of preservation efforts in Post. As part of the celebration, these items will be fastened to the Plains Region memory board. (Items will be returned at the close of the workshop.)

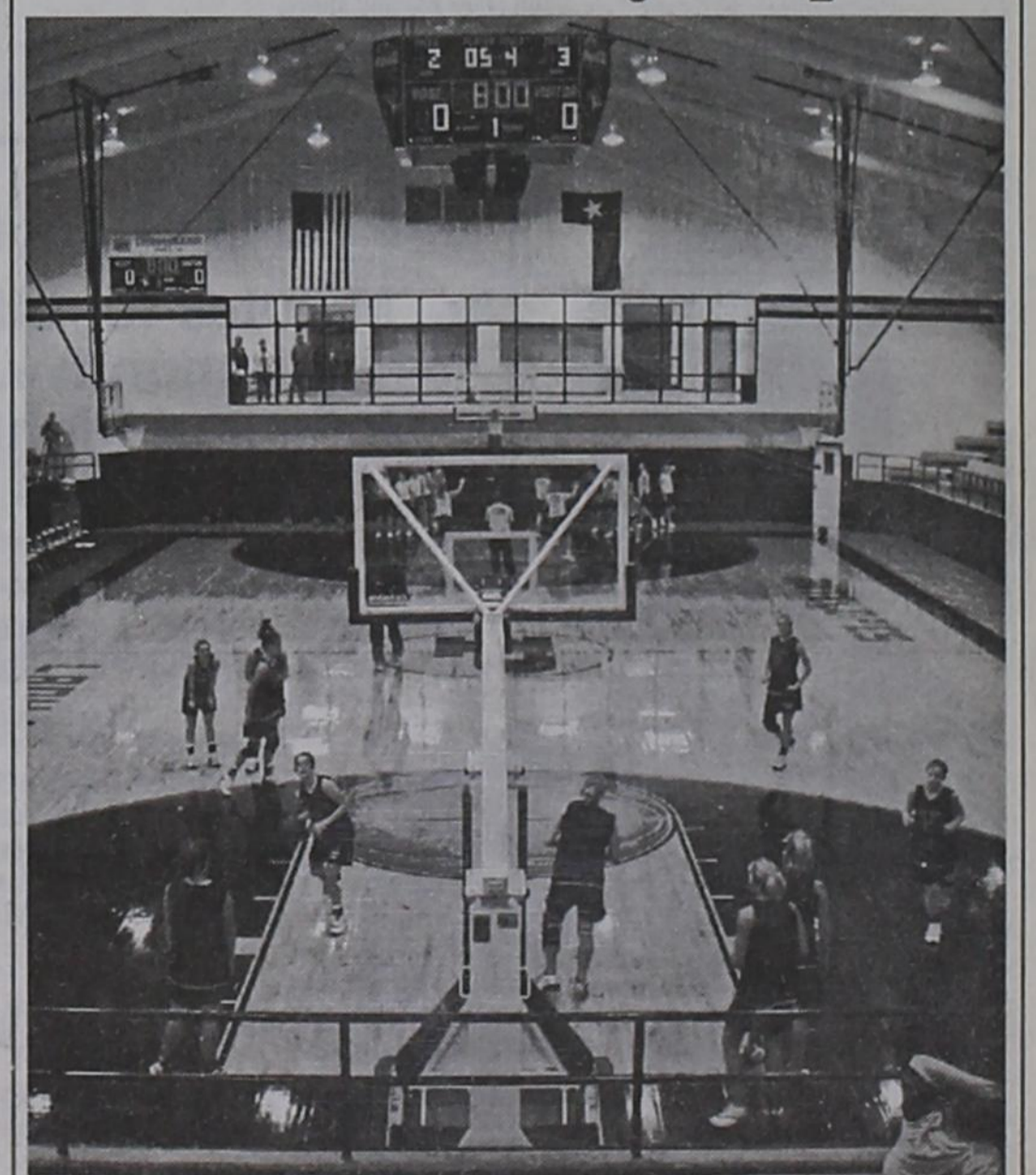
At 1:30 p.m., John Lasserree of the THC's Visionaries in Preservation Program, will speak on

"How to Change the Face of Preservation." Lasserree's portion of the workshop will be followed by a walking tour of the Garza County courthouse, Main Street Square and the Garza County Historical Museum.

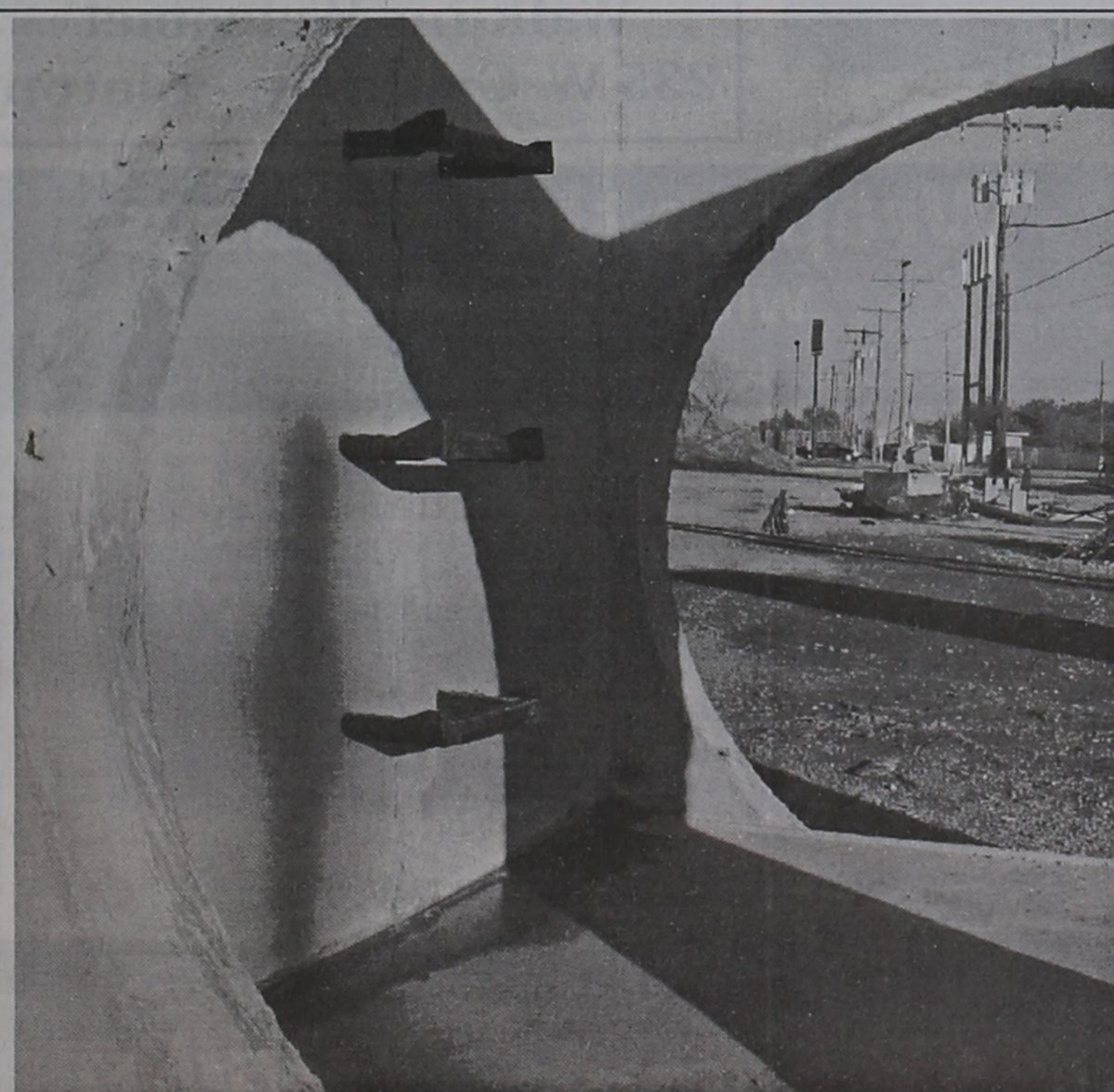
There is no cost for participation in the workshop, but participants are asked to make reservations. In Post, reservations may be made by contacting Wanda Mitchell.

For more information, contact Robert Johnson at 512-463-4315.

Meet the Lady Lopes



Post Lady Lope basketball fans were treated to a taste of Lady Lope talent Monday evening as Middle School and High School young ladies were introduced by coach Randy Courtney. The high school teams scrimmaged Smyer Tuesday and travel to Sweetwater for a scrimmage Saturday. The Lady Lopes open the 2003-2004 season November 18, hosting Anton with J.V. action starting at 5 p.m. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



U.S. Highway 84 construction through Post includes new storm water drainage, which will move water off the highway into a storm water line under the highway. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

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Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush



Hey everyone, I'm putting this weather update in for my daughter Megan. Megan and husband Stan now reside in Aiken, South Carolina. She told me in a phone conversation the other night that she got three weeks paper at one time and laughed about the different weather conditions. Well Megan, today it should be about 77 degrees. Day before yesterday we froze and the high for Thursday is 38!! How's that for a variety? We really miss Megan and Stan and we are bracing for Christmas without them. This will be the first. They are both really happy there, Stan is a golf pro and Megan is a sale rep for an advertising specialty company. Anyway, that is my weather report

for Megan.
TO JEWEL STEEL
 You know, you would think that working out in the public every day and writing this column that I would hear most of the news. But I just found out today that Jewel Steel had broken her hip and was trying to get over her surgery. Jewel, I'm so sorry that I have not mentioned this before, but I just did not know. Jewel is so good about sending me her news and I always appreciate her for that. She is just one of my favorite ladies, so you mend fast Jewel and be up and around soon. Also.....I hear that Edna Mae Owen had hip surgery, a replacement I believe. I hope she is also up and out soon and feeling better.
TRUE OR FALSE
 These tidbits of information were sent to me this week and at

the end it tells you to guess if they are true or false so I'll just let you know in advance that they are all true.

Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

People do not get sick from cold weather, it's from being indoors a lot more. When you sneeze, all bodily functions stop, even your heart.

Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't develop until they are 2-6 years old. The average housefly lives for one month.

40,000 Americans are injured by toilets each year!

40 people are sent to the hospital for dog bites every minute.

and last.... If coloring were not added to Coca-Cola it would be green.

JUST A LITTLE JEALOUS

If you remember a little while back I told you all about Billy and Wilma Williams cruise to Alaska. Well now, I hear they just returned from a wonderful nine day stay in Ireland. Wilma said they took a tour along the coast and got to see all of the towns and the entire trip was great. I guess!!! Anyone else a little jealous?

GO LOPES!!!!

Just want to congratulate those Lopes for a nice win Friday night and going to the play off games. They will play Friday night in Sweetwater against Coahoma. Once again, congrats to the boys and to their coaches.

THINGS I HAVE LEARNED ABOUT TEXAS (FROM SUE WILLIAMS)

Armadillos sleep in the middle of the road, with all four legs in the air.

There are 5,000 types of snakes and 4,998 live in Texas.

There are 10,000 types of spiders. All 10,000 live in Texas, plus a few.

Nothing will kill a mesquite tree.

People actually grow and eat okra.

Coldbeer is one word.

When you live in the country you don't buy a dog. City folk drop them off at your house in the middle of the night.

When a buzzard sits on the fence and stares at you, it's time to go to the doctor. There is no such thing as "lunch". There is only dinner and supper.

Sweetened ice tea is appropriate for all meals and you start drinking it when you are two. I believe that you could safely say that most of these things are

true not only about Texas but a few other states as well!

WELCOME TO POST

I wanted to add something of a personal nature this week. Jane and I are proud to welcome our dear friends, Bill and Bridgette Curry of Lubbock, to our place of business. Bill and Bridgette have had antique furniture and gift items at Old Mill Trade Days for about two years. During this time our families have grown to love them and we are very happy that they have decided to bring their business into our store. They love Post and think our downtown is wonderful with so much historical value (of course they are right!) so Jane and I welcome them with open arms. You can watch the Dispatch for further news.

SYMPHTHIES

I just received the news a little while ago that Jack Kennedy had passed away. What a terrific person Jack was. A couple of years back they held the Kennedy reunion at Jacks home. He and his sis, Willie McBride, ask if I would consider coming out and making some pictures, which I was glad to do.

All of the activity was out in the barn. How Jack loved that barn, and his family. He had several stories to tell me about everyone and was so proud to have them all there. I always thought Jack made such a "good" cowboy with his hat and bandana tied around his neck and his love for his cows. He will be missed by so many, me included. To Gene and Wynonne and all of his family, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

TILL NEXT WEEK

Guess that is all for this week. May God bless each of you and I'll see you next week. **GO LOPES!!!!!!!!!!** Judy

Emily Smith, Christian Stahl set January wedding

Perry and Kelly Smith of Post have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Emily Grace Smith, to Christian Robert Stahl, son of Chris and Karen Stahl of Salt Flat.

A Jan. 31, 2004, wedding is planned in the First Baptist Church in Post.

The bride-elect is a Post High School graduate. She is attending South Plains College.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Dell City High School and Texas Tech University.



Christian Robert Stahl and Emily Grace Smith

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Zavan Zain Gill

Births

Alexandria Michelle Duran

Allen and Amanda are proud to announce the birth of a sister, Alexandria Michelle Duran, on Nov. 4 at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces at birth.

Parents are Armando and Tillie Duran. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Soto, Guadalupe Duran and Isabel Soto.

Zavan Zain Gill

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Gill are pleased to announce the birth of a son, Zavan Zain Gill, Oct. 26, 2003, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches in length at birth.

Lions Club blood drive Nov. 20

The Post Lions Club will host a blood drive Thursday, Nov. 20, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall. Volunteer donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. To donate blood, stop by the church during the blood drive or contact the Rev. Ron Miner at 495-3044 to make an appointment.

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Star on Gail Mountain to be lit

The annual ceremony celebrating the lighting of the star on Gail Mountain has been set for 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, at the Borden County Museum and courthouse courtyard in Gail. Refreshments will be served at the courthouse beginning at 5 p.m., and Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be on hand to take special requests and have photos made with local children. The museum also will be open at 5 p.m. for viewing and refreshments. A child-sized stocking full of prizes will be given away, and hay rides will be offered throughout the evening.

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- Friday, Nov. 14 - Post Community Center
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- "To Go Plates" available
- Auction & Cakewalk - 7 p.m.
- Dance - 9 p.m. to Midnight - \$3 per person (BYOB)
- Tommy Reed & Texas Mesquite
- Raffle - Savage 243 & Case - 9 p.m.
- \$5 Raffle tickets at: The George R. Brown Partnership, CellularOne, Handy Oilfield Supply and Tommy & Jerri Reed (629-4101)
- Artwork • Furniture • Jewelry • Handmade Items & Decorative Items
- Artwork on display at CitizensBank and Wells Fargo Bank.
- Saturday, Nov. 15 - Holy Cross Catholic Church Parish Hall
- Mexican Plates- 11 a.m. - \$5 per plate

A special fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank.
Please take donations for auction to Radio Shack by November 10.
For more information, call (806) 294-5311



Services were held at the new Graham Chapel Church of Christ last Sunday (11/09/03). The new facility is located at West 15th Street and Avenue S. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Graham Chapel Church of Christ celebrates opening of its new building

The first services at the new Graham Chapel Church building at 15th Street and Avenue S were conducted Sunday. Bible classes were held first, followed by the worship service.

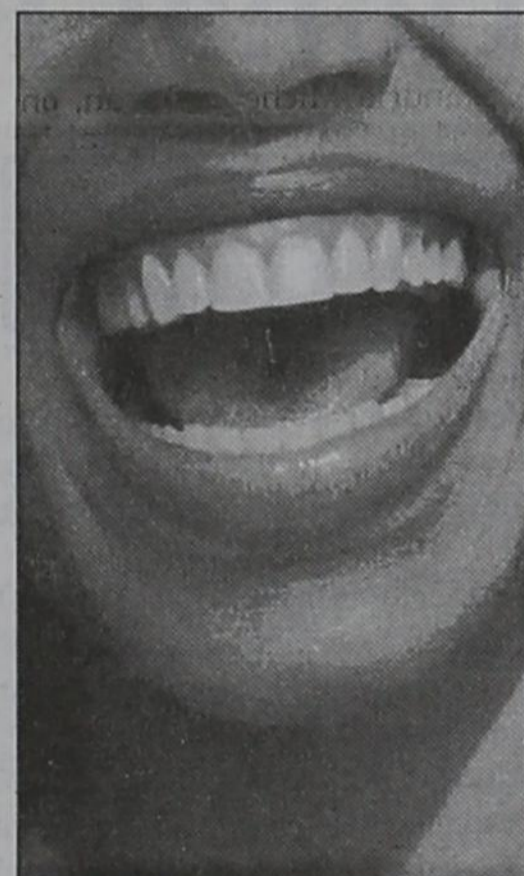
Noel White made announcements and thanked everyone for the work and time spent on the facility. Quannah Maxey, a 93-year-old member, led the first two songs of the service, including "Heavenly Sunlight," which he said his family sang while riding in a wagon to and from the Graham church, and "Where He Leads Me."

Bill Short led the remainder of the song service, and Allan Calvert, the church's new youth minister, delivered the message. A total of 162 individuals attended the service.

Church, family recognize Quannah and Sue Maxey

Quannah and Sue Maxey were recognized for their years of service to the Graham Chapel Church of Christ and Quannah Maxey's 93rd birthday with a presentation from their family and church family Sunday morning following the regular church services.

The Maxeys were presented with money collected by Don and Joyce Tatum, the couple's neighbors. The funds will be used for construction of a new carport. Twenty-four family members dined and enjoyed birthday cake with the Maxeys at Chapa's following the presentation. Those present included Noel and Orabeth White, Lewis and Jane Mason, Ronnie and Diane Graves, Ron and Melinda Graves, Braden and Heston of Floydada, Brent and Michelle Mason, Kenzie and Kambry, Brad Mason, Xane, Maddison and Chole, Sam and Ginger Butler and MaKaylee Noel of New Deal, Keitha Wright and Avery of Lubbock and Tim Hill of Seminole.



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.....will meet Thursday, November 13, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office. The program will be conducted by Kim Reiter on Dog Obedience.

State/County Hog Validation
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Major Livestock Show Entries
All 4-H families wishing to enter major livestock shows must do so on November 17, 2003, from 9:00-6:00. If you will not be able to enter on that date, please make prior arrangements with Greg.

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Obituaries

Sonny Storie

Services for Sonny Storie, 31, of Post were Friday November 7, 2003 at 3 P.M. at the Justice-Mason Funeral Home with the Rev. Billie S. Smith, Pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home. Sonny died on Tuesday November 4, 2003 at his residence.

He was born on November 27, 1971 to San Antonio Fuentes and Socorro (Raymundo) Storie.

Sonny attended Post High School and married Becky Lynn Shumard on April 9, 1991 in Post. He worked in the oilfield and was a Little League Coach.

He enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, golf, base ball, playing video games with Wil and watching his children play sports. He was a Catholic and was preceded in death by his Step-Dad S.C. Storie, Jr.

He is survived by his Wife, Becky Storie of Post. One son, Slaton Wilson 'Wil' Storie and one Daughter, Angela Renae Storie both of Post. His Father, San Antonio Fuentes of Austin and his Mother, Socorro Storie of Post. His Maternal Grandmother Angela Raymundo. Two Brothers: Ruben and his wife Mary Lou Storie of New Braunfels and Danny Storie of Ohio. One Sister, Cruz Raymundo of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Pallbearers were Billy Shumard, Billy Odom, Ramon Raymundo, Pete Morales, Lee McKinney and Gilbert Valdez.



Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation. Opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect those of The Post Dispatch nor its staff.

Thanks for the signatures...

We just wanted to write a note of thanks to all of you taxpayers who signed the petition for the rollback election. Fred Howell addressed the County Commissioners Court at last Monday's meeting and presented them with more than enough signatures to call a rollback election.

Also, we would like to thank those of you who helped collect the signatures on the petition. Unfortunately, although we tried to catch everyone who wanted to sign the petition, we were not able to. We're sure there are folks who were not contacted, but would have liked to sign the petition, and we're sorry that we weren't able to catch you.

Now, what we all have to remember is to get out and vote when the rollback election is called! If you aren't registered to vote yet, get registered! If you can't get out or may be out of town on the date of the election, get a mail ballot sent to you. It is very important that you all vote! Please, everyone vote!

Thanks you,
Charles J. Propst Frank Tobias

Blood donors needed during holiday season

Need time to sit and relax while preparing your holiday shopping list? Make that list, check it twice - and save someone's life at the same time.

The Post Lions Club will host a blood drive Thursday, Nov. 20, from 5-8 p.m. in the Church of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall.

"Take a load off your feet and start your holiday planning while donating blood," said the Rev. Ron Miner, coordinator of this month's drive. "The blood drive will replenish our area blood supply and stock hospitals' shelves for the upcoming holiday season."

"We encourage people to donate once more before the end of the year, before they get too busy with holiday plans," said Connie Hollinshead, community relations representative of United Blood Services. "Traditionally, the nation's blood supply is very tight during the holidays; the people of South Plains can help assure that a blood shortage does not occur this year."

The blood drive comes at a critical time, Hollinshead said. Blood can be stored for only 42 days, and the blood that is donated now will save the lives of patients who are in the hospital or receiving medical treatments during the holiday season.

Surgeries and blood treatments have had to be postponed or cancelled in recent days due to blood shortages. O- and O+ blood types are in great demand.

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Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health.

County takes conservative approach with budget

Fiscal conservation is the theme of a letter sent to county employees late last month by members of the Garza County Commissioners Court.

According to the letter, dated Oct. 30, department heads should be aware of the following:

- Tax revenues are expected to trickle in "at a very limited rate" until the first of the calendar year. "We encourage everyone to hold any purchases that are not immediate needs until that time," the letter states.

- The current budget year "is a very difficult one." In lieu of that, the letter suggests that department heads "watch... budget reports... extremely close," paying particular attention to line items such as travel or capital expenditures.

- All line items determined to be over budget at the end of the first quarter will require adjustments via funds from within the department. "We will... need to know where each department head would prefer these funds to (be) taken from," the letter reads.

- Beginning with the second quarter and through the remainder of the fiscal year, line items that exceed the budget and cannot be covered by department funds "will need to be explained" to the commissioners court.

"We recognize how a single purchase such as a capital expenditure will affect a budget, and this will be considered," the letter states. "We appreciate your help and understanding in this situation."

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Know the love of God

According to God's word, His love casts out fear (1John 4:18). God wants us to experientially know His love (1John 3:16). This can be understood more perfectly by studying God's love toward Jesus Christ. During the time of the Gospels God loved His son, and He was faithful toward His son. God's integrity is directly related to His love.

In John 3:35 the prophet John declared how the Father loves the son. According to John 8:29 Jesus emphasized that God was with him. He also reiterated that the Father did not leave him alone. There should be no doubt about God's faithfulness and love toward His son Jesus Christ.

But then the reader comes to Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34.

In context Jesus willfully allowed the authorities to persecute, beat, mock and crucify him. According to the King James Bible, during his last minutes on the cross Jesus said with a loud voice, "Eli Eli Lama Sabachthani, which is to say, 'My God, my God, Why hath thou forsaken me!'" God left His beloved son alone. This brings a devastating blow to any sincere student of the Bible who desires to know God's love. This verse by itself directly attacks the love and integrity of God. Why the contradiction?

The problem rests in the translation. In *Gospel Light*, author George Lamsa explained that the translators included the Aramaic words due to uncertainty of meaning. He also revealed the more accurate meaning. The word Eli means "my God." The word Lama was really pronounced Lmna, and was a declaration of "for this purpose." The root of sabachthani was shbk and meant to spare, leave, reserve or keep.

Based on this research, Jesus' words are better translated, "My God, my God, for this purpose was I spared!" Jesus Christ knew the purpose of his death. During the most difficult and excruciating time of his life, Jesus Christ sucked in one of his last breaths of air and loudly gave a cry of victory.

God did not leave His son alone. Jesus knew this better than anybody else. In John 16:32 Jesus said, "...yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me." Just as God never left His first-born son alone, so also now will he never leave His beloved children alone.

Anybody who gets born-again has the hope of the return of Christ (1Thessalonians 3 and 1Corinthians 15:51-54). They can trust the integrity of God's word throughout their lives. They obtain victory over death, through Christ Jesus our Lord. With this in mind, what is there to fear? There is no fear in God's love. But the perfect love of God casts out fear.

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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Don't mess with the folks

by Bill O'Reilly



It is simply astounding that some people are spinning this Reagan movie controversy as a censorship issue. The usual left-wing suspects are screaming the "conservatives" forced CBS to abandon the project. The New York Times editorialized: "It should have come as no surprise that conservatives, protective of Mr. Reagan's image at all times, would launch on the fierce assaults that have become so familiar whenever the right wants to scare the media ..."

And Barbra Streisand, an increasingly amusing presence, says, "This is censorship pure and simple." One wonders if The Times and La Streisand would react the same way if Bill Clinton, on his deathbed, was mocked in a network docu-drama starring Pamela Anderson as Monica Lewinsky.

The truth is that the Reagan movie demeans a dying president and the wife who is caring for him. Ten years from now, this Reagan film could run all day long and most of the public wouldn't really care. Certainly the Kennedy family has been worked over by the TV movie czars. But Americans are not big on cruelty when it can be associated with current tragedy. Nancy Reagan, herself, called the movie cruel, and many Americans see it that way.

CBS, wisely, does not want to be in the "cruelty business," as they say in the bistros of Beverly Hills. But there are two questions in play here. First, how could a hokey, over-the-top film like this get greenlighted in the first place, and second what about Dr. Laura?

Let's take Laura Schlessinger first. You'll remember the radio advice-giver tried to launch a syndicated TV program but was picketed by gay rights activists. They objected to her biblical take on the morality of homosexuality. They threatened to boycott sponsors and implored Paramount to cancel Laura. Her show went down in flames.

Maybe I missed the New York Times editorial deploring "politically correct" censorship in this case. As for Babs, well, the silence was deafening. So could this be a case of selective outrage over perceived right-wing "censorship"? Or are we dealing with outright hypocrisy here? You make the call.

I have often stated that the media is not looking out for you because it doesn't understand you, nor does it care about you. The "folks" are seen as ratings points, dollar signs. You might think that a movie about the Reagans written by a liberal, produced by two liberals, directed by a left-winger and starring the husband of Barbra Streisand, might have raised a red flag or two. But not in the hallways of CBS Entertainment. That kind of roster is common in show business, so why would anyone question it? And even when the film was screened few at CBS understood the brewing perfect storm. They simply don't know how much of the country thinks.

But there's something else. Do you think CBS would have financed a movie about the Gores written by Rush Limbaugh? Of course not. Anyone pitching that would have been mocked and scorned. But it's OK to carve up the Reagans? More hypocrisy?

In the end, this is another victory for the folks, not for the political ideologues. CBS could not care less if a few million conservative zealots object to a program. But when the wind shifts and the fire of indignation starts taking hold in the minds of everyday Americans who value fairness, then CBS and every other media outfit must care. For if they ignore those alarms, they will surely go down in flames.

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No wonder two UN humanitarian coordinators quit over the sanctions. As one of them, Denis Halliday, said when he left in 1998, "I've been using the word 'genocide' because this is a deliberate policy to destroy the people of Iraq. I'm afraid I have no other view."

Albright now writes that her answer to Stahl was "crazy" and that she regretted it "as soon as [she] had spoken." Yet she did not take back her words between 1996 and 2003. Neither her office nor the Clinton administration issued a clarification. Could that be because her initial answer was sincere and that her belated apology was issued with her legacy in mind? We can be sure of one thing: word of her response spread throughout the Arab world. Maybe even among some of the 9/11 terrorists.

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Commerce clause abuse

by Walter E. Williams



Several weeks ago, under the title "Is It Permissible?" I discussed how Congress systematically abuses the Constitution's "welfare clause" to control our lives in ways that would have been an abomination to the Framers. Quite a few readers pointed to my omission of Congress' companion tool to circumvent both the letter and spirit of the Constitution, namely the "Commerce Clause."

The Constitution's Article I, Section 8, paragraph 3 gives Congress authority "To regulate Commerce with Foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes." During the war, the 13 colonies formed a union under the Articles of Confederation (1778) whereby "Each state retains its sovereignty, freedom, and independence, and every power, jurisdiction, and right, which is not by this Confederation expressly delegated to the United States, in Congress assembled." The Treaty of Paris (1783) that ended the war between the colonies and Great Britain recognized 13 sovereign nations.

A key failing of the Articles of Confederation was the propensity of states to erect protectionist trade barriers. When the Framers met in Philadelphia in 1787 and wrote the constitution that governs us today, they addressed that failure through the commerce and the privileges and immunities clauses that created a national free-trade zone.

Thus, the original purpose of the Commerce Clause was primarily a means to eliminate trade barriers among the states. They didn't intend for the Commerce Clause to govern so much of our lives.

Indeed, as James Madison, the father of our Constitution, explained, "The powers delegated by the proposed Constitution to the federal government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the State governments are numerous and indefinite."

For most of our history, the Courts foiled congressional attempts to use the "Commerce Clause" to sabotage the clear meaning of the Constitution, particularly the Ninth and 10th Amendments. The courts began caving in to congressional tyranny during the 1930s. That tyranny was sealed in 1942, by a little known U.S. Supreme

ruling in Wickard vs. Filburn.

Filburn was a small farmer in Ohio. The Department of Agriculture had set production quotas. Filburn harvested nearly 12 acres of wheat above his government allotment. He argued that the excess wheat was unrelated to commerce since he grew it for his own use. He was fined anyway. The court reasoned that had he not grown the extra wheat he would have had to purchase wheat — therefore, he was indirectly affecting interstate commerce.

If there's any good news, it's the tiny step the U.S. Supreme Court took in its U.S. Vs. Lopez (1995) ruling. In 1990, Congress passed the Gun-Free School Zones Act, citing its powers under the "Commerce Clause." Namely, the possession of a firearm in a local school zone substantially affected interstate commerce.

Why? Violent crime raises insurance costs, and those costs are spread throughout the population. Violent crime reduces the willingness of individuals to travel to high-crime areas within the country. Finally, crime threatens the learning environment, thereby reducing national productivity.

While all of this might be true, the relevant question is whether Congress had constitutional authority to pass the Gun-Free School Zones Act. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled it didn't, saying, "If we were to accept the government's arguments, we are hard pressed to posit any activity by an individual that Congress is without power to regulate."

In other words, the hours children spend studying, the amount of rest they get and what they eat have something to do with learning. Congress could easily manufacture a case for the regulation of these activities based on its perverted interpretation of the "Commerce Clause."

While the Lopez ruling is a tiny step in the right direction, there's much more to be done. Constitution-respecting Americans should demand the impeachment of congressmen and other elected officials who ignore their oaths of office to uphold and defend the Constitution.

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Albright "apologizes"

by Sheldon Richman

In 1996 then-UN Ambassador Madeleine Albright was asked by 60 Minutes correspondent Lesley Stahl, in reference to years of U.S.-led economic sanctions against Iraq, "We have heard that half a million children have died. I mean, that is more children than died in Hiroshima. And, you know, is the price worth it?"

To which Ambassador Albright responded, "I think that is a very hard choice, but the price, we think, the price is worth it."

That remark caused no public outcry. In fact, in January the following year Albright was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as President Clinton's secretary of state. In her opening statement to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which was considering her appointment, she said, "We will insist on maintaining tough UN sanctions against Iraq unless and until that regime complies with relevant Security Council resolutions."

Apparently no member of the committee asked her about her statement on 60 Minutes. Albright was confirmed.

Why bring this up now? Albright has just published her memoirs, Madam Secretary, in which she clarifies her statement. Here's what she writes:

"I must have been crazy; I should have answered the question by reframing it and pointing out the inherent flaws in the premise behind it. Saddam Hussein could have prevented any child from suffering simply by meeting his obligations.... As soon as I had spoken, I wished for the power to freeze time and take back those words. My reply had been a terrible mistake, hasty, clumsy and wrong. Nothing matters more than the lives of innocent people. I had fallen into the trap and said something I simply did not mean. That was no one's fault but my own." (p. 275)

In the paragraph before this one she complains about the 60 Minutes report because "little effort was made to explain Saddam's culpability, his misuse of Iraqi resources, or the fact that we were not embargoing medicine or food."

When one reviews the facts, it is clear that Albright's explanation is woefully inadequate. First, it contains an apparent contradiction. She says food and medicine were not embargoed, but then she says Saddam Hussein could have avoided the suffering "simply by meeting his obligations." Does that mean more food would have been available had Hussein done what the U.S. government wanted? If so, weren't American officials at least partly responsible for the harm done to the Iraqi people? Hussein certainly did not let his people starve. The New

York Times and Washington Post have reported that in answer to the sanctions, Saddam Hussein maintained an elaborate food-rationing program for rich and poor, presumably to hold the loyalty of the Iraqi people, which the sanctions were supposedly intended to dissolve. Iraqis are reported to be reluctant to give up the program even though Hussein is gone and the sanctions are over.

Albright is being disingenuous. Although food wasn't formally embargoed when the sanctions began in 1990, Iraq was hampered in importing it because initially Iraqi oil couldn't be exported. No exports, no imports. The UN's "oil for food" program, started six years later, was supposed to remedy that. But it didn't entirely. Counterpunch.org reported in 1999, "Proceeds from such oil sales are banked in New York.... Thirty-four percent is skimmed off for disbursement to outside parties with claims on Iraq, such as the Kuwaitis, as well as to meet the costs of the UN effort in Iraq. A further thirteen percent goes to meet the needs of the Kurdish autonomous area in the north." With the remaining limited amount of money, the Iraqi government could order "food, medicine, medical equipment, infrastructure equipment to repair water and sanitation" and other things. But - and here's the rub - the U.S. government could veto or delay any items ordered. And it did.

As Joy Gordon reported in the November 2001 Harper's, "The United States has fought aggressively throughout the last decade to purposefully minimize the humanitarian goods that enter the country.... Since August 1991 the United States has blocked most purchases of materials necessary for Iraq to generate electricity, as well as equipment for radio, telephone, and other communications. Often restrictions have hinged on the withholding of a single essential element, rendering many approved items useless. For example, Iraq was allowed to purchase a sewage-treatment plant but was blocked from buying the generator necessary to run it; this in a country that has been pouring 300,000 tons of raw sewage daily into its rivers."

For Albright to say that food and medicine were not embargoed is to evade the fact that critical public-health needs could not be addressed because of the sanctions. Preventing a society from purifying its water and treating its sewage is a particularly brutal way to inflict harm, especially on its children. Disease was rampant, and infant mortality rose because of the sanctions. Let's not forget that destruction of Iraq's infrastructure was a deliberate aim of the U.S. bombing during the 1991 Gulf War.

'Lopes surprise Eagles 30-6

Advance to playoff action as second place in District 4-AA

by Wes Burnett

The Post Antelope football team secured itself a post-season playoff berth last Friday at Roosevelt by surprising the Eagles (and others) with a 30-6 district win. The 'Lopes go into the playoffs as the second place team in District 4-AA, behind Shallowater. Idalou captured the third place spot with a win over New Deal.

At Roosevelt on a cold and damp night, the 'Lopes came from a 6-0 deficit to lead the Eagles 14-6 at halftime, then sealed the win with aggressive defense and two touchdown drives in the second half.

The game opened with Roosevelt winning the coin toss, deferring its option until the second half. The 'Lopes accepted the challenge, mounting a 10 play, clock-eating drive that featured a first down conversion on fourth down at the Eagle 45. The drive sputtered on fourth down at the Eagle 32.

Post defenders forced a three down and punt situation on the Eagles, with Omar Medina, Mitchell Mills, Jace Pollard and Mark McCallister leading the charge. Another time-consuming drive for the 'Lopes ended with a punt from to the Eagle 36.

Early in the second quarter, facing a third down at their own 31, the Eagles took advantage of their speedster Nathan Stone, who ripped off a brilliant dash to the end zone around his left end. The point after failed and the Eagles led 6-0 with 11:04 left in the first half.

The 'Lope offense couldn't get on track, punting after three downs. Once again the Post defense took control, with Kris Hernandez, Blake Nichols, Pollard and McCallister combining on key plays to force a fourth down punt.

First 'Lope touchdown

The punt dropped dead at the Roosevelt 47. Quarterback Wilson Cash faked a handoff to Mills, then skirted around right end to the 39. Mills blasted around left end following a Jerrad Grisham block for a first down at the 31. Mills got the call again to the 27, then broke through would-be tacklers, carrying three with him to the 19. On third down, Cash faked a handoff to Mills, then dashed around his right end racing past defenders to the end zone. Mills came in at quarterback for the two point conversion and kept the ball into the end zone.

With 4:31 left in the first half, the 'Lopes took a slim 8-6 lead.

The two teams exchanged punts, with both defensive units controlling the line of scrimmage. With 1:41 remaining in the first half, the Eagles took a Mark Norman punt at the Post 49. Hernandez pressured the quarterback, forcing a fumble and loss to the 41 yard line, a pass fell incomplete, then on third down with 59 seconds left, Stone was hammered by Theo Paiz, Hernandez and Mills at the 43. On fourth down the Roosevelt quarterback was sacked behind the line of scrimmage by David Lee Rivera at the Roosevelt 36.

Second 'Lope touchdown

With only 46 seconds on the first half clock, the 'Lopes opened up a seven play touchdown drive, taking advantage of times-out. On first down Cash was trapped behind the line of scrimmage at the 31 and the 'Lopes called the first of three times-out with 36 seconds left.

On second down Mills got the pitchout from Cash and blasted through defenders to the 21, calling time-out with 20 seconds showing. On third down Mills bulled his way over left tackle to the 18 for a first down. Cash quickly called the team to the line, took the snap and spiked the ball, leaving only 11 seconds.

A second down pass to Grisham was tipped, setting up a third down with only six seconds left on the clock. Cash dropped back checked off his receivers and threw a pass to Norman, who went to the ground near the end zone. Officials put the ball at the two yard line as Norman quickly called time-out. The score board clock had expired, but officials ordered one second to be put on the clock, against the objections of Roosevelt coaches and fans.

On fourth down Mills got the call, ramming his way over left tackle into the end zone. Jett Lott's extra point attempt was blocked and the 'Lopes took a 14-6 lead into halftime.

Second Half Action

Once again the two defensive teams controlled the ball game until late in the third quarter. Roosevelt got the second half kickoff, and the 'Lope defense forced a fourth down punt. Defensive highlights included plays by Hernandez, McCallister, Mills, Paiz and Norman.

On its first possession of the second half, the 'Lope offense gave up the ball on a fumble at the end of a completed pass from Cash to Grisham. The Eagles took over at their own 10 yard line. Their drive didn't last very long, when on first down the running back coughed up the ball and Paiz jumped on it for the 'Lopes at the 12 yard line. The offense could only get to the six yard line on four tries, giving the ball back to the Eagles.

Another strong defensive effort forced a fourth down punt from the Eagle 12 yard line. The ball rolled dead at the Post 45.

On first down Lott took the ball over right guard to the 48. Then Cash and

Mills pulled out the fake of the year, as the Eagles converged on Mills while Cash trotted around his right end, then turned on the afterburners down the right sideline, dodging defenders to the end zone. Mills went over left tackle for the two point conversion, and the 'Lopes took a healthy 22-6 lead with 2:56 left in the third quarter.

The Post defense kept up the pressure on the following Eagle possession. The three play drive came off a long kickoff return to the Post 35. Stone was trapped by Randon Blacklock at the 33, then McCallister forced a fumble at the 29. On third down Roosevelt's quarterback fumbled and Rivera scooped it up for the 'Lopes at the Post 32 yard line.

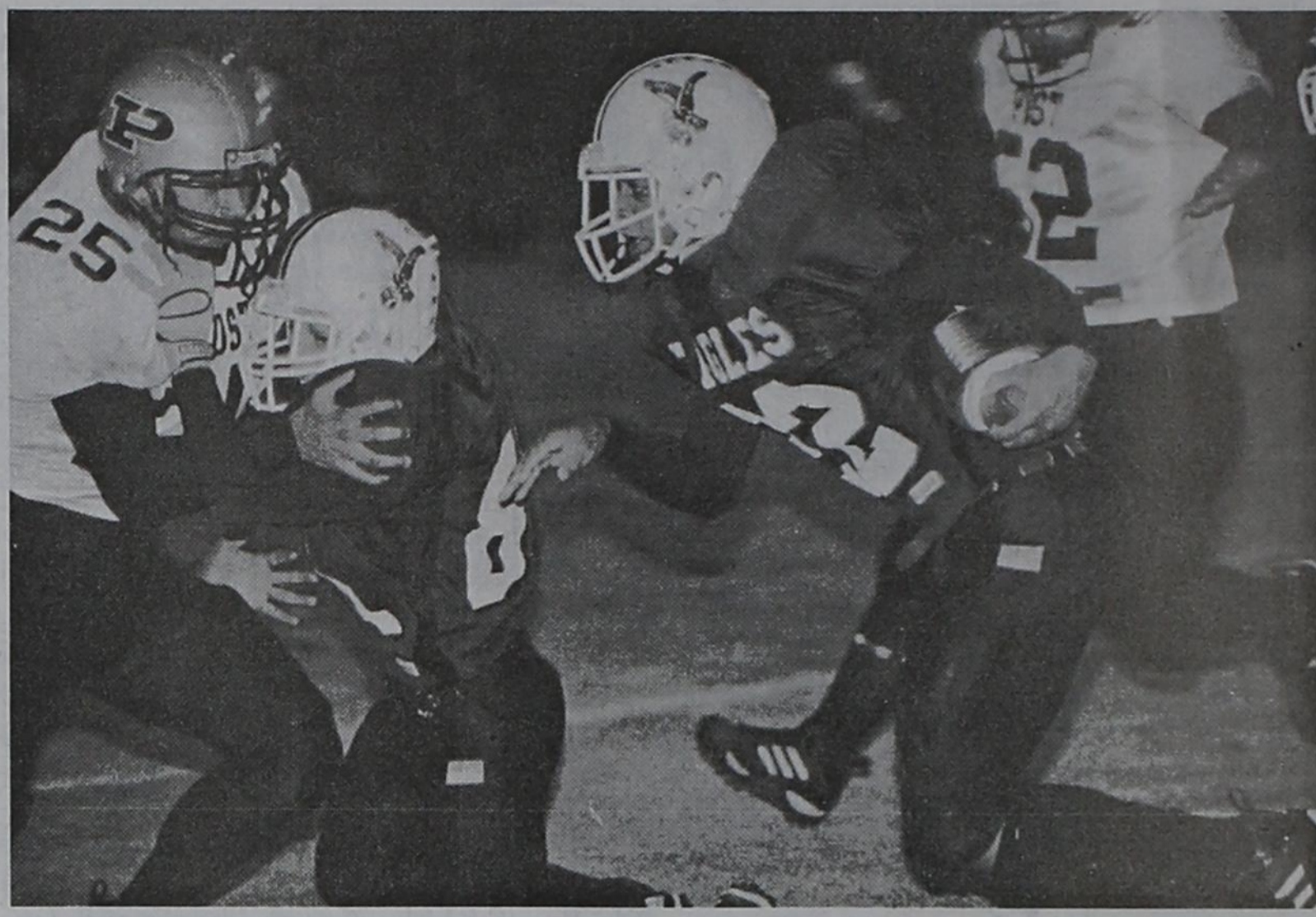
The quarter ended with the 'Lopes inside Eagle territory following runs by Cash and Mills to the Eagle 37.

Lott picked up a first down as he broke through tacklers to the 23 on third down, then Mills took the ball to the 20. Three more times Mills hammered into the Eagle defense, taking the ball to the one yard line. On fourth down Lott sailed over the top of defenders into the end zone over right guard, and the 'Lopes took a commanding 28-6 lead. Mills took a pitchout to the end zone for the two-pointer, sealing the 'Lope scoring at 30-6.

Roosevelt got two more opportunities, but the Antelope defense stood the test. Russell Merritt intercepted an Eagle pass near the end zone to cut short a Roosevelt come-back effort. On its last possession, the Eagles pulled off a screen pass to the 18 yard line, but could get no further than the 14 before running out of downs. Nichols, Hernandez, Blacklock and Eric Reyna played key roles on defense for the Antelopes.

With 48 seconds left in the game, the 'Lope offense took the ball at the 14 and ran out the clock.

The team heads to Sweetwater Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff against Coahoma, which upset Crane last Friday 31-29. Those unable to attend the game will be able to follow all the live action on KPOS Radio (97.7 FM in Post) on Cebridge Media Cable Channel 12 and on the internet at www.shoutcast.com (type kposradio in the search box).



Theo Paiz (25) sheds a blocker to tackle Roosevelt's Nathan Stone in action there last Friday. Jace Pollard (52) joins in on the defensive action. (Photo by Gena Lott)



Omar Medina (60) takes on a Roosevelt Eagle as Mark McCallister (51) gets ready. The 'Lope defense dominated the 30-6 win last week at Roosevelt. (Photo by Gena Lott)

'Lopes meet Coahoma Friday in Sweetwater

by Wes Burnett

"We are extremely proud of these young men," Antelope head coach Tim James emphasizes about the Post Antelope offense and defense following last Friday's 30-6 win at Roosevelt. "We just can't say enough about how they responded," James added, "they had to win by more than seven, but set much higher goal, they wanted to in second place and they did it."

"Our defense dominated in that game," coach James reported, praising the efforts of Blake Nichols, Jace Pollard, Omar Medina, Kris Hernandez, Theo Paiz, Mark McCallister, Mitchell Mills, Randon Blacklock, Kyle Gunn, Russell Merritt, Mark Norman, Jett Lott and David Lee Rivera.

Coach James also heaped praise on offensive players Coby Jones, Medina, Pollard, Chessauf Garcia, McCallister, Jonathan McGregor, Jerrad Grisham, Zane Marts, Sterling Smith, Mills, Lott and Wilson Cash.

"It was a total team effort," James added. Looking to Friday's bi-district contest in Sweetwater, coach James described the Coahoma Bulldogs as strong on defense and pass-happy on offense. The Bulldogs throw approximately 80 percent with about 20 percent running. Coahoma operates almost exclusively out of the shotgun, using the throwing talents of their quarterback.

"We know this is going to be a tough game, and our players are working hard to get ready for this one," coach James observed. "Every week from here on out is one game at a time, and every team we play is top notch."

The winner Friday night will advance to the area championship against the winner of the Ozona-Anthony game. Those fans attending Friday's game will find the Sweetwater stadium by taking the first exit off IH 20 into town to the courthouse, and take a left turn to the stadium. Post is listed as the home team for the game.



PHS cheerleaders demonstrate their enthusiasm as they prepare for the opening kickoff last Friday on a chilly and damp November evening at Roosevelt. (Photo by Gena Lott)



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Post Lady Lopes demonstrate basketball skills at Monday evening's Meet the Lady Lopes Night. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

PHS Lady Lopes earn regional Cross Country berth

Cross country teams earn regional bids

Post High School's cross country teams landed two district medalists and a pair of trips to regionals at the District 4AA Cross Country Meet held last week.

For the varsity girls, Lyndee Strawn placed sixth with a time of 13.48 and earned a district medal, while Andrew Espinoza represented the varsity boys with a ninth place finish of 20.07 for a district nod.

Each varsity squad finished third in its respective contest, qualifying both for the regional level of competition.

Individual results were as follows:

• Varsity girls - Strawn, sixth place, 13.48; Christin Collier, 14th, 14.34; Rachel Grey, 16th, 14.55; Christina Zellmer, 17th place, 14.56; Larissa Halford, 20th place, 15.07; Megan Hoover, 25th place, 15.41; and Courtney Short, 27th place, 16.06.

• Varsity boys - Espinoza, ninth place, 20.07; Jake Fluitt, 18th place, 22.12; Keith Meredith, 19th place, 22.22; Jerin Tyler, 24th place, 25.10; Byron Scruggs, 25th place, 26.00; Mitch Holly, 27th place, 27.20; and Robert Apolinar, 28th place, 27.21.

Also making a mark at the contest was the junior varsity boys team from Post. Three of its members - Zack Lopez, Roby Lester and Colton Valdez - finished in first, fourth and fifth places respectively in the JV competition.



USAF Academy Cadet Clell Knight

Clell Knight Defeats Navy's Sandborn

Falcon senior takes 165-pound title at Las Vegas Invitational.

Air Force senior boxer Clell Knight (Justiceburg, TX) took the 165-pound title over Navy's Josh Sandborn at the Las Vegas Invitational on Friday, Oct. 31, in Las Vegas, Nev. The invitational featured boxers from five NCBA schools - four representatives from the west region (Air Force, UNLV, California-Berkeley and Nevada) and one school from the east region (Navy).

Knight, the Falcons' team captain and the only AFA boxer on the evening's card, earned the decision over Sandborn in the 165-pound weight class. Sandborn, who had defeated Air Force's Rene Prieto on Oct. 4 at Annapolis, was no match for the quick speed and combinations of defending national champion, Knight.

"Knight was controlled and used lateral movement and great combos to stay ahead of Sandborn on points," Air Force head boxing coach Eddie Weichers said following the match. "The two had several crowd-pleasing exchanges, but Knight's speed and combinations proved too much for Sandborn."

The Falcons return to action on Friday, Nov. 7, as they host eight boxers from service-academy rival, Army. Matches will begin at 4:30 p.m., in the Upper Boxing Room of the Cadet Gym.

Toy collection in Gail

The Borden County courthouse will serve as the drop-off point for this year's Buckner's Children's Home Toys for Tots campaign. New toys and gifts are needed for children ages toddler through 18 years. Deadline for drop-off is Dec. 15.

Salvation Army offer online service

The Salvation Army has kicked off two new online programs - the Red Kettle effort and the Angel Giving Tree campaign - that will benefit area residents.

Visitors to www.salvationarmyusa.org have the opportunity to be "virtual bell ringers" by manning their own red kettle online. Through a customized Web site, bell ringers are encouraged to electronically collect donations from friends, family and co-workers. The personal kettle site tracks all donations and provides real-time results to the bell ringers.

The Salvation Army's popular Angel Giving Tree also is available online. With the Angel Tree program, visitors may purchase toys for needy children with just the click of a mouse.

All donations are directed by zip code to the donor's area, unless otherwise requested.

For more information, visit the Salvation Army Web site listed above or contact the area Salvation Army office.

MS District Cross Country

by Kara Swindell

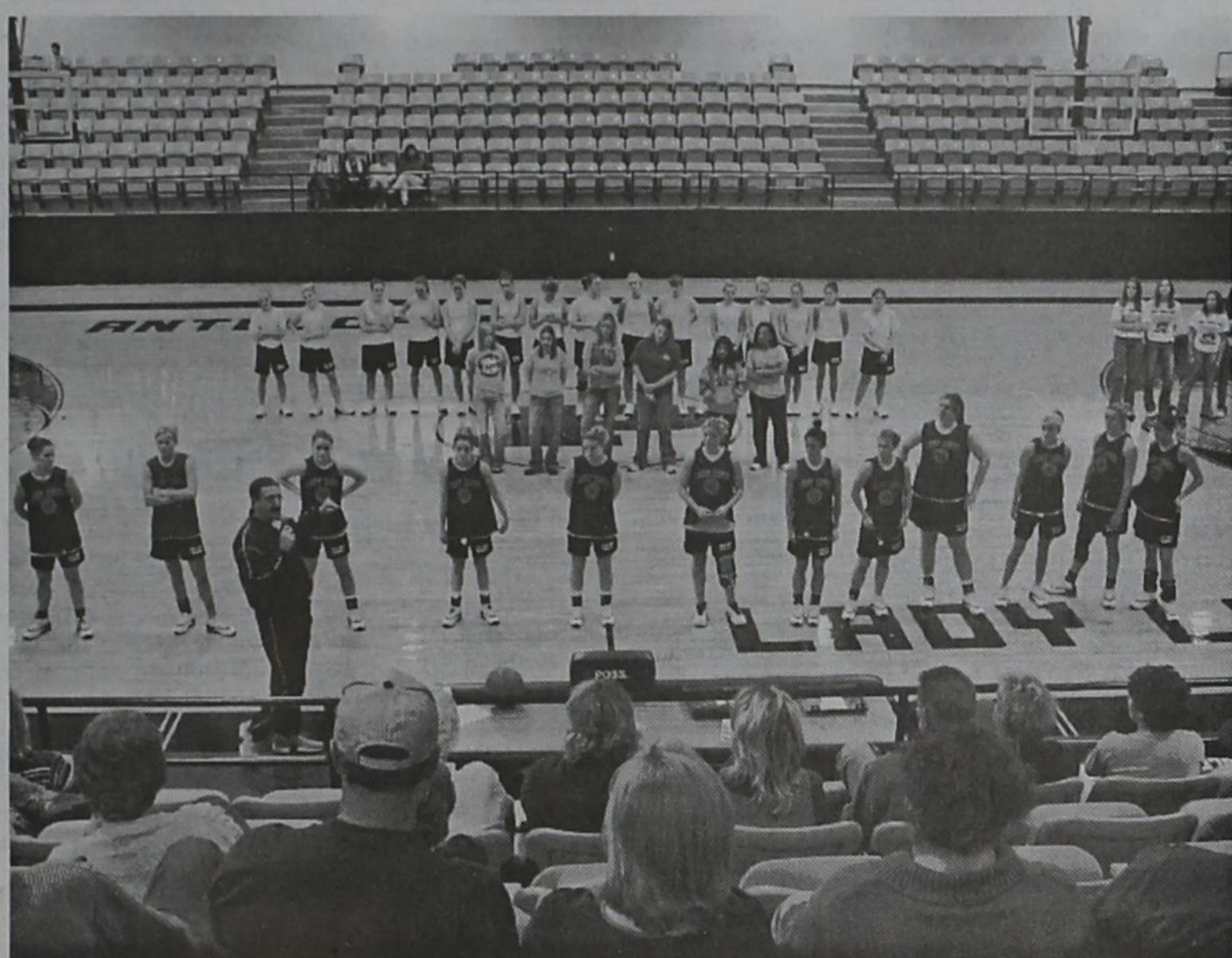
The girls did a good job Saturday (11/01/03). Our district is a really tough district and they competed well. Haley Lester received a 10th place medal which is outstanding.

Everyone did a great job and I'm proud of them for what they have accomplished throughout the cross country season and how hard they worked.

We were third in district behind Shallowater and Roosevelt.

Post competitors were Samantha Hoover, Tamara Raymundo, Brenna Postell, Marlee Plummer, Lauren Gonzales, Ashleigh Harris, Shelly Gearheart, Suhani Bhakta, Lori Jones, Haley Lester, Alex Hart, Jackie Slough, and Sabrina Sanchez.

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Coach Randy Courtney introduces the Post Lady Lope varsity basketball team at Meet the Lady Lopes Night, Monday, November 10 at Antelope Arena. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Congratulations 8th Grade Antelopes



Post 8th Grade Antelope Football team - (back row, left to right) Jeremy Safran, Pat Reiter, Bradley Reed, Allen Heckaman, Jeremy Short, Kris Crenshaw, Call Windahm, Richard Suit, (middle row) Timothy Wilson, Nathan Jurado, James Griffin, Roosevelt Brown, Luis Ceja, Eric Guerrero, Jose Esparza, John Vasquez, Leonard Lopez, (front row) Ryan Belongia, Randall Jewell, Roman Deluna, Tyler Odom, Blaise Lester, Dylan Davis, Steven Contreras, Timothy Garza and Joseph Segovia. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

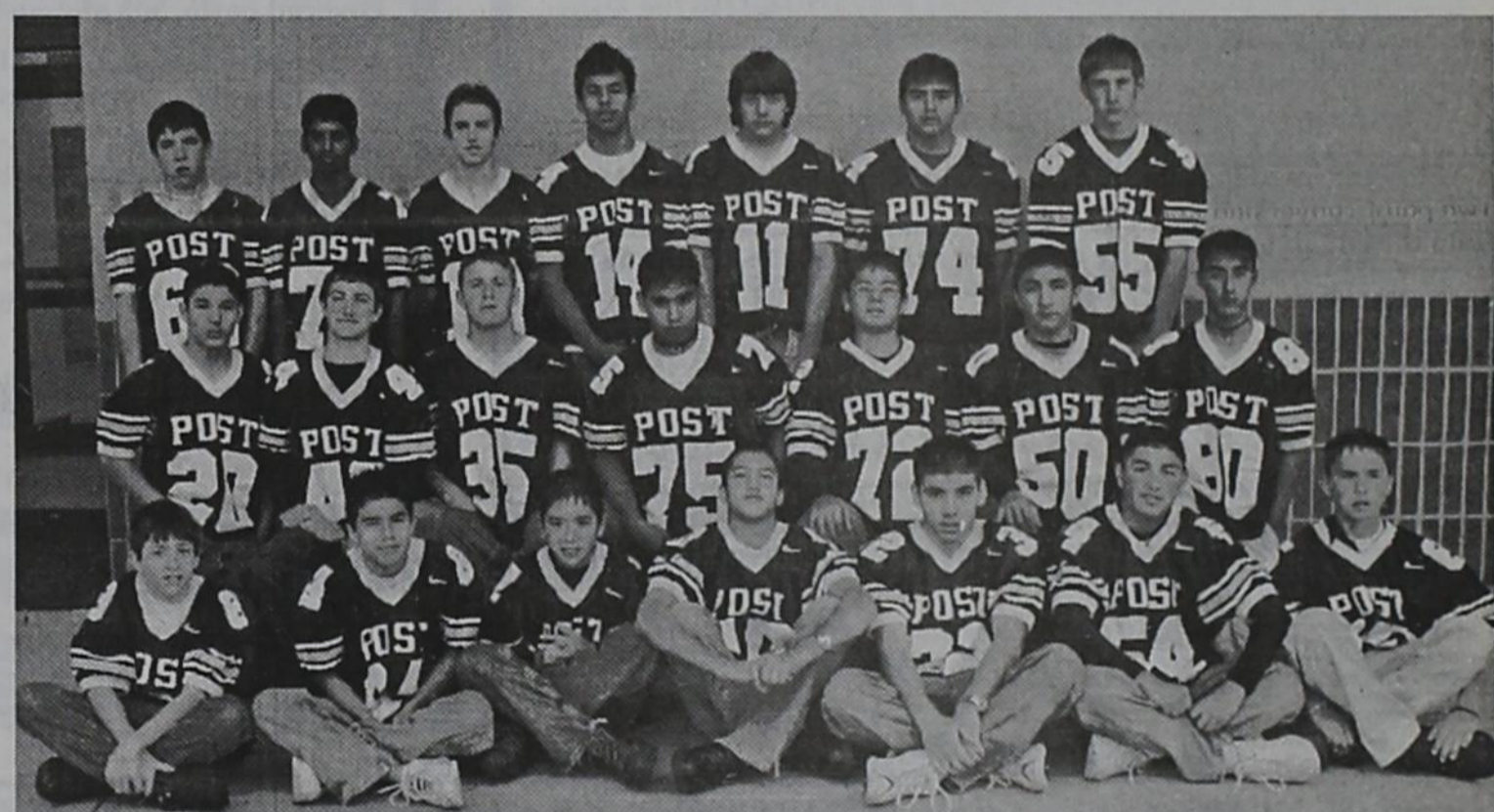
David & Kelly Davis

Donny, Diann & Clint Windham

Robert, Julie, Ashley & Amber Wilson

Jerry & Judy Bush

Congratulations 9th Grade Antelopes



Post 9th Grade Antelope Football team - (back row, left to right) Zach Witcher, Jay Dihenia, Heath Fellhauer, Edgar Garay, Colter Creech, Lorenzo Soto, T.J. Essary, (middle row) Zach Perez, Wes Mason, Steven Hair, Preston Ortiz, Ricky Vergara, Marrio Torres, Steven Polanco, (front row) Asa Rutherford, Adrian Nava, Justin Lopez, D.J. Baiza, D.J. Rivera, Mark Ayala and Andrew Elmore. Team coached by Nick Dickson and Max Katwinkel.

Scott, Joy & Gentry Creech

Ray, Celia & Ben Mason

Jesse, Misty, Hunter & Holden Basquez

Jackie & Cindee Reiter

Congratulations 7th Grade Antelopes



Post 7th Grade Antelope Football team - (back row, left to right) Klent Baker, Jesse Vera, Jovanni Garay, Dalton Duran, Brandon Crawford, Adam Meredith, Zach Davis, (middle row) Jonathan Juredo, Angel Duran, Chad Miller, Braden Courtney, Eddie Rocha, (front row) Jarrett Blevins, Travis Rasbeary, Timothy Gonzales, Zach Nava and Kevin Griffin (Photo by Tim Burnett)

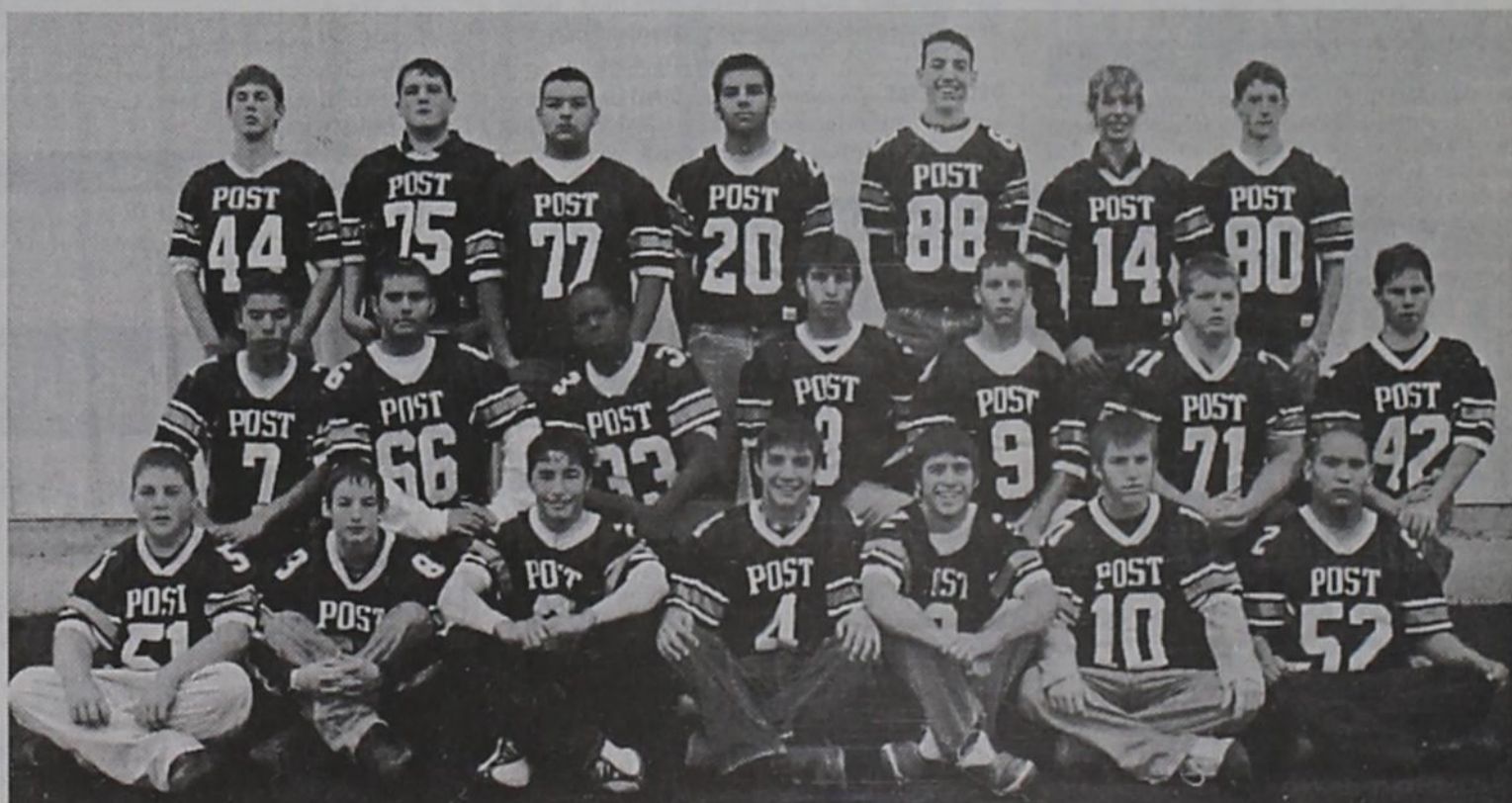
Kelly, Donna & Kam Baker

Gary & Jaquita Blevins

Guin, Charla & Alex Miller

Joe & Michelle Rasbeary

Congratulations Junior Varsity Antelopes



Post Junior Varsity Antelope Football team - (back row, left to right) Jared Smith, Jason Smith, Adrian Zubia, Tony Garay, Cole Easterling, Braden Bratcher, Shawn Merritt, (middle row) Andrew Espinoza, Fernando Soto, Chris Reed, Kenny Garay, Byron Scruggs, Israel Beggs, Josh Lee, (front row) Colt Mason, Jacob Egbert, Aaron Fox, Brice Feagin, Quinton Odom, Stace Norman and Jaime Valdez. Team coached by Kyle Motheral and Lonnie Scott.

Jackie & Cindee Reiter

Kim, Rhonda & Steffi Norman

Joe & Kyran Moore

Joe, Melinda, Heather & Ashley Mason

Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones from the files of The Post Dispatch

10 Years Ago October 20, 1993

Deborah Rene' Craig graduated from West Texas A&M on May 8 with a 3.33 GPA. She was awarded a Bachelor of Business Administration in General Business. She was on the Dean's List for four semesters while at WTA&M.

Jenifer Fumagalli of Post is the lucky winner of a Robert Chennault original oil painting. Mr. Chennault donated the valuable painting (valued at \$1,500) to benefit the many projects of the Caprock Cultural Association and Post.

Melissa Williams was named Garza County 4-H Sweetheart at the organizations annual awards banquet. Williams was escorted by Russ Bird.

Support for the proposed courthouse annex is all but dead following action by the Garza County Commissioners Court Monday morning. The court did approve a motion to remove the item from the election, but after checking with state officials the court learned it did not have the authority to remove the question from the ballot.

Main Street was hopping last Saturday as tourists and Post and Garza County residents were out in force to enjoy the festivities of Founders' Day. The annual celebration kicked off October 13 with the Double U livestock sale. The Black Tie and Boots dance was held Friday at the historic Postex Mill. At the dance, the Deward Campbell original oil painting was auctioned off for \$11,000. The Macy Ranch won both Saturday and Sunday's Ranch Rodeo Competition.

20 Years Ago October 23, 1983

The opening of a new counseling service in Post has been announced for Nov. 1, 1983, by Travis Ellis, the director. The facility, to be known as The Listening Center, will be located in room 201 of the McCrary Building. The primary emphasis of the center, according to Ellis, will be the application of principles for personal growth and adjustment as developed in Bi-Polar psychology.

Bruce, Debbie, Lorrye and Matthew Ledbetter are proud to announce the birth of their daughter and baby sister, LaRinda Lea born October 8 at Methodist Hospital.

A Post Civic leader has been named 1983 Friend of Education. The award will be presented to Ruby S. Kirkpatrick of Post during the awards banquet at Texas Tech University. Mrs. Kirkpatrick is on the Texas Tech Foundation Board and the President's Council. She has been a civic, educational and religious leader throughout West Texas.

U. S. Highway 380 west of Post was under water Thursday morning following almost 12 hours of continuous rain. Although a blessing for area ranchers, the heavy rains have hurt area cotton farmers. Some gauges in Post measured 10-11 inches from Tuesday night until Friday morning, but the official measurement at the airport was 6.2 inches.

30 Years Ago October 25, 1973

State Rep. Bill Heatly of Paducah congratulates the 1973 Gold Star Boy and Girl, Mark Terry and Nancy Maddox, at the annual Garza County 4-H Achievement awards banquet. Heatly, himself a former 4-Her, told the members at the banquet they "had it made" if they lived up to the 4-H Motto and Pledge.

Mrs. Beth Walker was selected as "Teacher of the Week". Mrs. Walker has been teaching for 15 years, all which have been with the Post school system.

Pee Wee Pierce, librarian at the Post Public Library, has returned from a visit in Memphis, Tenn. with her daughter Janice, and family. Mrs. Pierce said while there they took a trip down the Mississippi River on an old paddle wheeler, the Memphis Queen.

Friday night at the Homecoming game the three nominees for Pep Squad becu were as follows: Jay Polard, escorted by Kathie Morris; Donnell Harper, escorted by Jan Hall; and Ricky Shepherd, escorted by Cindy Bird. Kim Hester, vice president of Pep Squad, crowned Ricky Shepherd as 1973 Pep Squad Beau.

40 Years Ago October 24, 1963

Judy Clary, a graduate of Post High School has been elected as a nominee along with four others for Homecoming Queen at Cisco Junior College.

The Post Lions Club presented Dan Tucker with a new wheelchair. Mr. Tucker, a longtime resident of Post, who has no relatives here, was presented the wheelchair by Lions' President Jack Alexander.

Movies

by Wes Burnett

Here's a few movies we've seen lately, some better than others:

"The Gospel of John" - you will leave the movie theatre with an inspired call to live a better life. This is one of the most powerful movies we've seen in a long time. It's a bit long (about 3 hours), but it follows the scripture very carefully ... no Hollywood hype. It probably won't win any Academy Awards (although it certainly should get some nominations), this movie is a "must-see" for any person professing belief in Jesus Christ.

"Intolerable Cruelty" - A fun movie, maybe even a "keeper," if you like romantic comedies. Two crooks (one a lawyer) square off in a well acted, funny and not totally predictable movie. It was very entertaining ... the men will love Zeta-Jones (what a knock-down beauty) and women will of course swoon over Clooney.

"Luther" - Even if you think you know the history about Martin Luther, you'll certainly want to see "Luther." You may remember the lead actor (Joseph Fiennes) from his powerful performance in "Shakespeare in Love." Very few men in history have had as much impact on Christianity as Martin Luther, and this movie portrays it quite well. Revolutionaries (and that's what Martin Luther was) often end up as cast-aways, but Luther was held in high esteem the remainder of his life, and for generations afterward.

"Open Range" - There's a big debate in our family circle about this one. I thought it was a glorious waste of talent, the script was so stilted and so cornball ... so predictable. For me, it was most difficult seeing Annette Bening's marvelous talents wasted on such imbecilic lines. Robert Duvall was the only saving aspect of this otherwise dreadfully long mishmash of the "old west." Other members of our family thought it was great movie ... oh well, that just shows you how far out of touch I am.

"Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" - Johnny Depp is one of our favorite actors, and he was a delight in this spoof movie. Geoffrey Rush adds a special punch to the action. For sheer fun entertainment, put this one on your list.

"Radio" - You know this movie is going to be on the Academy Award list. Cuba Gooding, with the excellent help of Ed Harris, puts this movie among the best this year. And, it's a true story. I highly recommend this one... entertaining, inspiring ... and it's real.

"Second Hand Lions" - Put Robert Duvall and Michael Caine in the same movie with a good script, great story and terrific supporting actors (and actresses), and you've got yourself a winner. The scene of those "old bird" raising their shotguns up and firing at traveling salesmen was a hoot. But more than that, it's a great story.

"Under The Tucsan Sun" - We almost didn't see this one, not sure at all about its content. But, I'm glad we did ... with the exception of the standard Hollywood obsession with homosexuals, the movie is fun and entertaining... and it has some twists and turns that are totally unexpected.

Well, that's it for now ...



Post Elementary Students helping with American Heart Association fund drive are (back row, left to right) Taylor Osborn, Tamara Moore, Katie Allen, Kade Mason, Morgan "Tiny" Williams, & Aspen Wischkaemper, (front) Zach Bush, Josh Hataway, Nathan Collazo, K'Lenn Hair and Jill Thompson. (Photo courtesy Post Elementary School)

PES students earn funds for American Heart Association

The Post Elementary School participated in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart on October 17, 2003.

Students from kindergarten through fifth grades collected donations to send to the AHA to help fund research on heart attack and stroke, and to help educate people on eating a well-balanced diet and exercise.

These students raised an astonishing \$6,297! The American Heart Association awarded various thank you gifts to the students that reflected the amount that was raised.

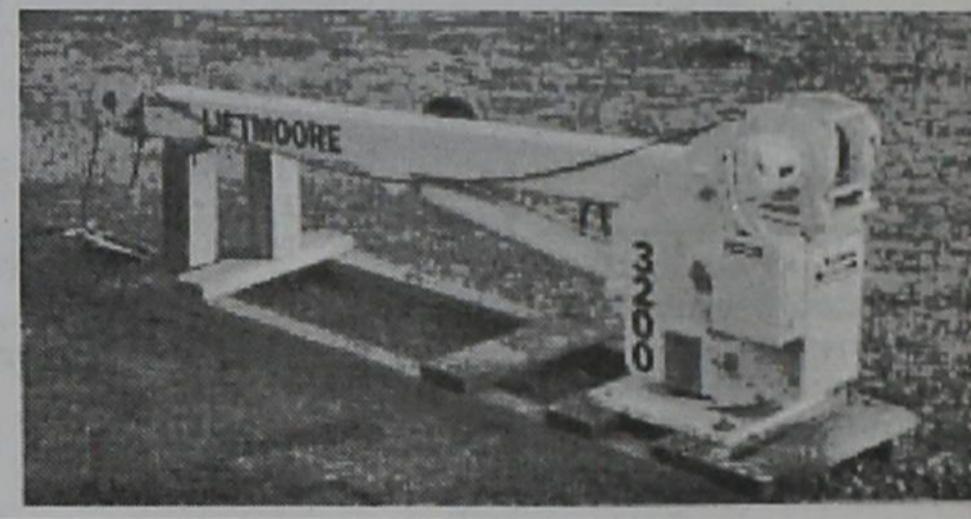
The gifts ranged from jump ropes to radios. Pictured are the students who raised \$100.00 or more for this cause with Nathan Collazo being the top donation collector with \$153.00.

The Elementary School would like to thank the community for its generosity.

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- 35 "no-noes"
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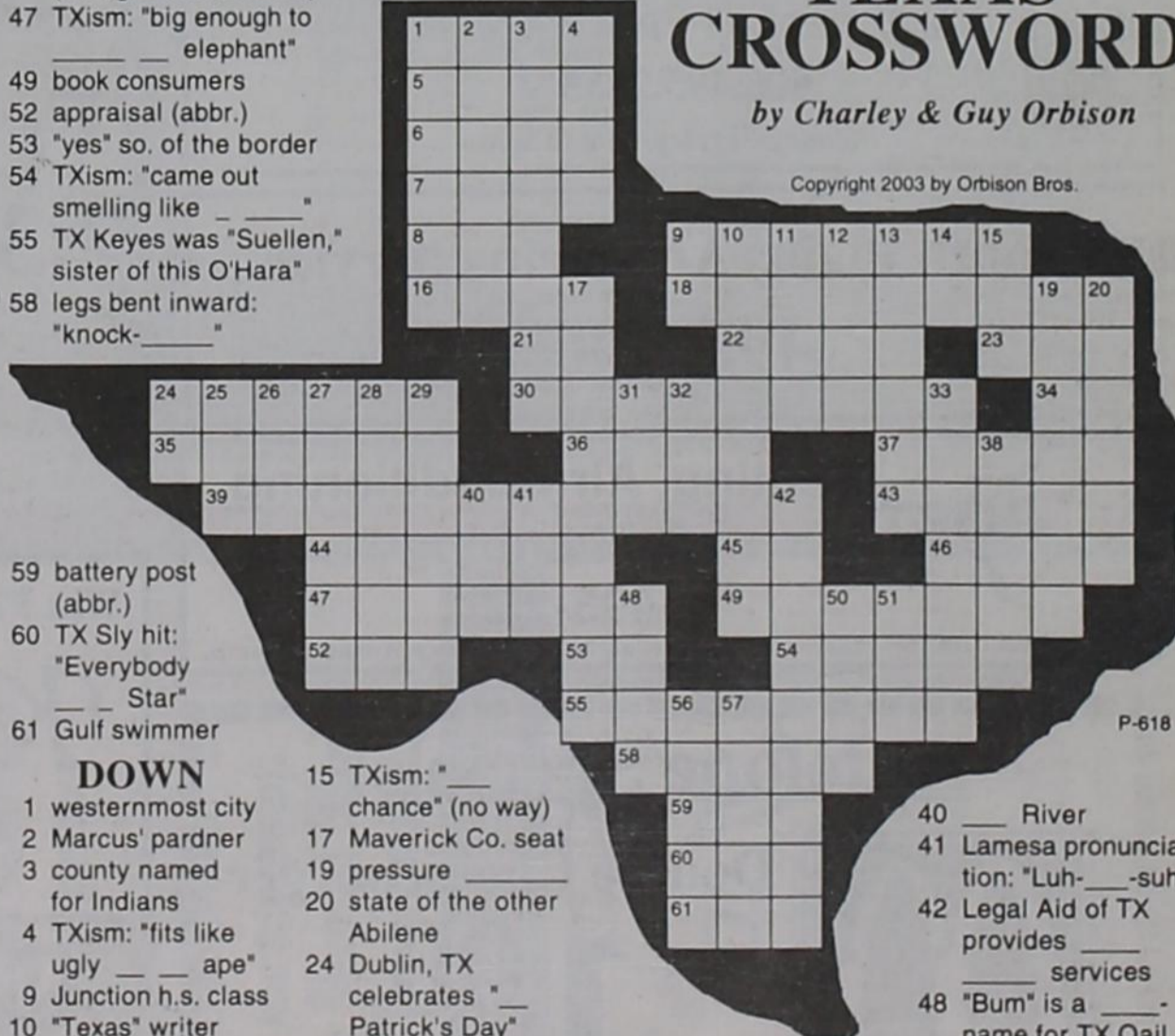
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