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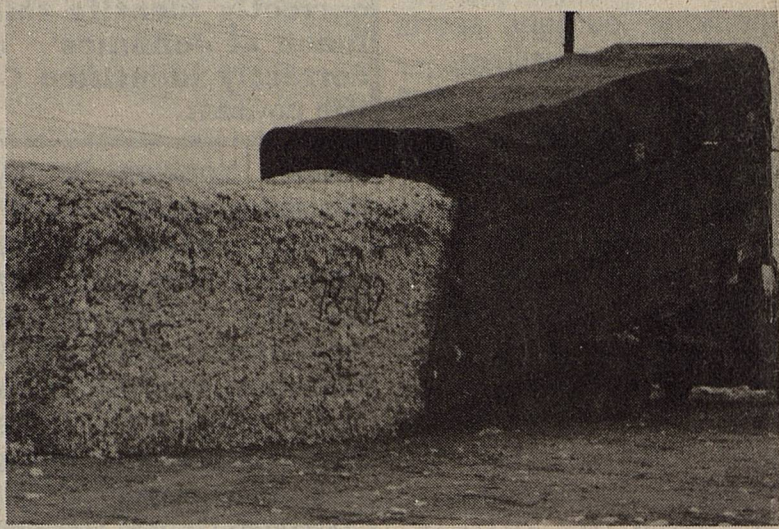
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## COTTON HARVEST UPDATE

Area gins unanimously reported their pleasure with this year's cotton harvest to date. Before cotton strippers began moving into the county's major agricultural crop, producers and the four local gins agreed this year's harvest would be on the short side because of an extremely dry growing season.

On Tuesday, New-Tex Gin had produced 26,525 bales, and had another 11,826 bales waiting in modules on their yard. Earlier, Manager Ron Craft expressed his hopes for some 30-35 thousand bales, a goal already exceeded. They think they are about 80-85% through the ginning process. Craft attributes the better than expected



THIS IS HOW IT COMES TO THE GIN figures to a better production on dry land acreage.

Yoakum County Coop has ginned 19,500 bales, with another 4,500 bales on the yard. The gin had hoped to produce some 20,000 bales this year. The surprising performance of dry land cotton will

push them well over the earlier prediction.

Tokio Co-op Manager Marc Traweek reported 20,716 ginned bales, and 4,000 on the yard. He too expressed his pleasure with the to date figures, and added, "This dry land cotton crop surprised lots of people, including myself." He estimates they are 80% through the season.

Circle 12, ginning primarily for its individual owner-producers, have ginned 4,741 bales as of Tuesday morning, and are confident of well over 7,000 before the final shut down.

This year's local production will set no records, but it has been much better than first anticipated, a real plus for the farmers and the county economy.

## BENEFICIAL WINDBREAKS

Windbreak trees may now be ordered from the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District. The district sponsors a program to purchase windbreak trees for use in yards, fields, wildlife and other conservation plantings.

The evergreen species  
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**WINDBREAKS**

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## ASC ELECTIONS RESCHEDULED

This year's election for positions on the Yoakum County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee, which were to be held in December, are being rescheduled to accommodate changes brought on with last month's enactment of the law to reorganize the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

According to Tommy box, chairperson of the Yoakum County ASC Committee, the change in the election schedule is nationwide and is authorized under regulations issued by USDA. Current members of ASC committees will continue in their posts until the new election is held next fall.

The law, which reorganized USDA, created a new Agency--the Farm Service Agency--which

encompasses all of the commodity support and basic conservation programs of the former Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), all of the risk management programs of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), and the farm lending activities of the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA).

Tommy Box said the new committee system, when fully implemented, will exercise increased responsibilities in its enlarged role. "Rescheduling the elections on a nationwide basis avoids confusion which could occur from hastily drawn rules and regulations," Tommy Box said, "and will create efficiencies by using funds which would have been spent on this year's election process to be used in training committees in performing their added duties."

## COURT HIRES COUNTY AGENT

In the regular meeting of Commissioners Court Monday, November 28, County Judge Dallas Brewer read a letter from Bob Robinson, District Extension Director-AG, Lubbock recommending the Court hire Tadd Knight as Yoakum County Extension Agent, Agriculture.

Robinson and Knight recently visited with Judge Brewer and Commissioners Jim Barron and Macky McWhirter, giving Knight the opportunity to visit and familiarize himself with the community and county.

The three Court members reported they had been very favorably impressed with 26 year old Knight,

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**"County Agent"**

## "To G A T T Or Not To G A T T"

If you occasionally listen to one of the Radio Talk Shows, chances are good you have heard commentaries from both hosts and listeners about G A T T (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trades), which the Congress must soon vote yea or nay on.

The most frequent questions I have heard on Lubbock's KFYO Talk segments are, "Why don't our legislators know more about this pending treaty", and if it took eight years to work out, why can't we get a copy of it", or "If the thing is as huge as reported (about one and a half ft. thick), how can you intelligently vote on it if you haven't read it in its entirety."

Evidently these and other questions are on the minds of plenty of people other than West Texans. The following two letters to the Editor of THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS appeared in the Sunday, November 20 issue of that venerable publication.

\* I am a regular reader of THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS and wonder why you cannot seem to print factual reports about the upcoming vote on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

This pending agreement ("treaty") is, in the long run, going to cause more unemployment than this country can stand. We cannot compete with child labor of the Far East nor the workers of Third World countries.

If this agreement is so

good for America, why do the French and Indian populations know more about it than we? Why so few copies printed with no additional printing forthcoming?

If it took eight years to negotiate, why aren't we being given the opportunity to scrutinize it?

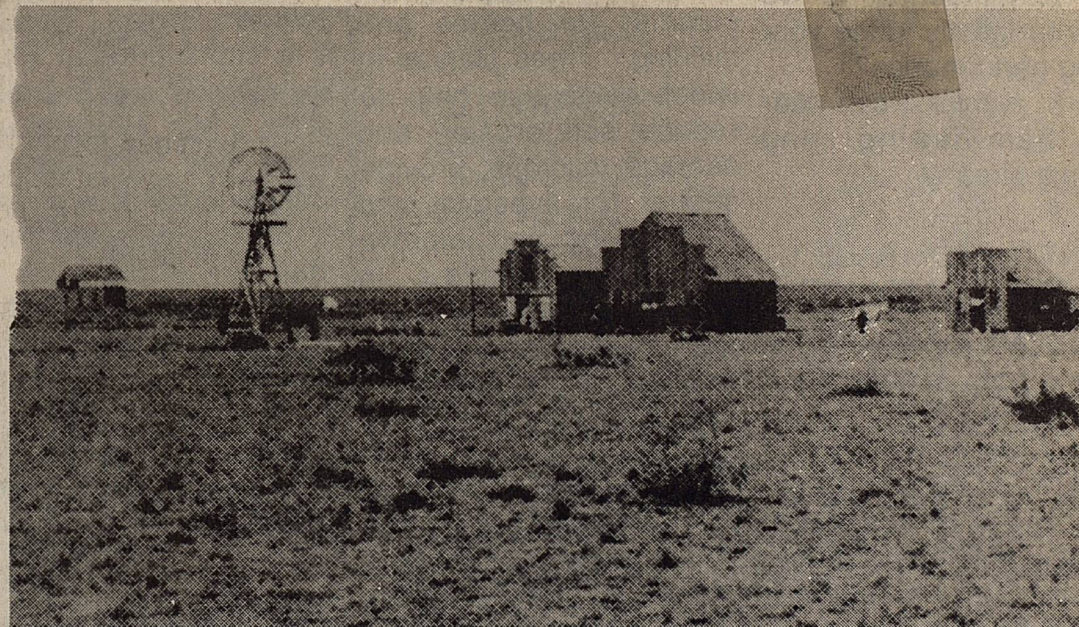
Our representatives have not read one word of the agreement, let alone the implementing legislation. Why do we need them? If an uninformed vote is all we can expect, we deserve what we elected.

\* Will someone please explain to me why the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade is such a secret and why the "fast track"? Is our country no longer a democracy?

For a democracy to work, people must be informed. But how can we be informed if the biggest proposed agreement of the century is the biggest secret in the world? Is it any wonder that people are asking our elected officials, "Just exactly whom do you represent?"

We certainly have no sound understanding of this huge undertaking, which could drastically alter our nations' future. I know I am wary about any kind of sweeping agreement involving 122 countries and the U S, which has never been fully explained to the people, and which I am willing to wager, less

## DOWNTOWN PLAINS, 1906



The building left of windmill was built by Fulton Brown, and was later torn down and rebuilt into the R.P. Moreland home. The windmill, first in Plains, and two center buildings were built by W.J. Luna, the one on the left serving as the first store and post office. The other building, far right, served as a land office for J.J. Kendrick.

## TWENTY YEARS LATER, 1926



In 1926 Plains was a flourishing Cowtown. This scene was probably on a busy Saturday afternoon, the time to come to town to shop and visit. Note hats on almost everyone, men, women, and children. In the earlier photo, residents traveled by horseback, buckboards or wagons. None of these are visible just 20 years later.

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**'GATT'**

than two percent of our Legislators have read and can comprehend.

For some reason, this agreement seems to point to a sort of economic United Nations organization, and I'm not too sure we can afford another such hodgepodge, ineffective, and tremendously expensive group, with the U. S. (that reads us, the taxpayers) footing the major share of the huge annual bill.

I have read that a minimum sixty Senators must vote to waive their very own Senate budget rules, because G A T T doesn't "pay for" an estimated \$12 Billion loss of Tariff revenues during the first five years of the pact. G A T T supporters are merrily predicting the loss of revenue will be a very minor and only temporary problem, for the accord is so wonderful for the economy, it will actually overcome this loss, and actually increase revenues. It's difficult for me not to equate this with the old football coaching adage; "Thou shalt not take points off the scoreboard in hopes of making more points."

It would be very interesting to call either of our two Senators, or any of our area Representatives, and ask them two questions; One, "Have you read the entire agreement, so you can intelligently vote on its passage?" and, Two, "Will you use your influence to make the entire document readily available to us, your constituents, so we can intelligently judge your voting performance?"

Hark; I think I can hear the hem-hawing and waffling already.

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**WINDBREAKS**

which are available for ordering are Austrian Pine, Ponderosa Pine, Scotch Pine, White Pine, Rocky Mt. Juniper, Afghanistan Pine, Arizona Cypress, Blue Spruce, and Eastern Red cedar.

The hardwood species available are the Bur Oak, Catalpa, Desert Willow, Flameleaf Sumac, Honey Locust, Mulberry, Osage Orange, Pecan, Russian Olive, Shumard Oak, Cottonwood, Green Ash, Hackberry, Little Walnut, Redbud, and Chinquapin Oak.

The shrubs that are available are American Plum, Cotoneaster, Fourwing Saltbush, Honey-suckle, Lilac, Nanking Cherry, Native Plum, Skunkbush Sumac and Western Sandcherry.

Windbreaks, if properly designed and maintained, can help protect life and property for many years to

**JP COURT**

The following is a summary of actions taken during the past two week period in Precinct One Justice of Peace Court, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.

Fifteen traffic cases filed by the Department of Public Safety.

Four cases filed on issuance of bad checks.

One Civil case filed.

Bond amounts were set on the following charges;

Aggravated Assault with deadly weapon, \$7,000 bond.

Driving while license suspended, \$500.

Resisting arrest, \$2,500

Assault, family violence, \$3,500.

Escape arrest, \$3,000.

Motion for revocation of probation-criminal mischief held until hearing.

Motion of Surety-Assault, \$2,500.

Issuance of bad check, \$125.

Surrender of Surety-Possession of marijuana, \$2,500.

Surrender of Surety-Unlawful carrying weapon, \$1,500.

Parole violation- held until transported.

Possession of marijuana, \$2,500.

Driving while Intoxicated, \$2,500.

Motion to revoke probation- assault- held until hearing.

Motion to revoke probation- Forgery- held until hearing.

come. Windbreaks help decrease heating costs in winter and cooling costs in summer for homes and building. Trees planted in windbreaks also help to reduce soil erosion and damage to crops, provide shelter for livestock and supply food and improve habitat for wildlife. In addition, windbreaks significantly increase the monetary value of a homesite and the aesthetic quality of rural life.

Wildlife packets for Quail and Pheasant, Deer, Turkey and Squirrel are also available at a very low price. These packets consist of 25 plants of four species which wildlife prefer. The Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation district encourages wildlife plantings to promote wildlife habitat development in this country.

Quantities are limited and the deadline to order your trees is Jan. 1, 1995.

For more information or to place an order, please contact the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District at 456-3703 or come by the office located at 1303 Brownfield Hwy. in Plains, Texas.



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**"County Agent"**

who now serves as Ag Extension Agent in Memphis, Hall County. He was previously Assistant Agent in Grayson County. He is married and has one two year old child.

McWhirter expressed his opinion that Knight's previous experience in a county with cotton, peanuts and cattle the main agricultural activities would be a big asset in Yoakum County.

Barron moved and McWhirter seconded Knight be hired, and the motion unanimously passed.

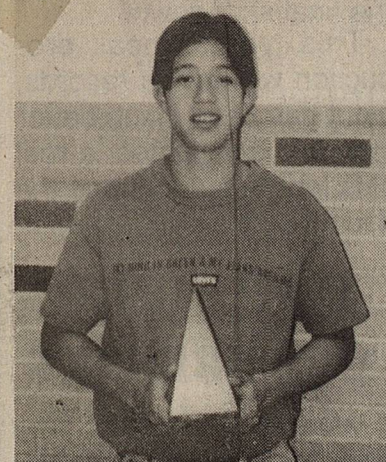
Knight will receive \$10,000 annually from the County, along with \$2,000 travel expenses and the use of a County pickup. The state will also contribute to his annual salary. He is expected to assume his duties January 4, 1995.

Attending Court in addition to the Judge and four Precinct Commissioners were Hazel Lowrey, County Auditor, Ruby Bruton, County Clerk, and Toni Jones, County Treasurer. Other court business included review and approval of County bill disbursements and part time salaries, and line item transfers from the General Fund to various County departments.

**PISD STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

Plains High School Student of the Week is Stephen Bitolas. Stephen is a sophomore at Plains High School and is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Alex Bitolas.

He was nominated by Coach McMinn who said, "I nominated this young man for student of the week because of his hard work in both the classroom and athletic field. He has maintained an "A" average in health and is very conscientious about school



STEVEN BITOLAS

**HOSPITAL PRESENTS MEDICAL COLUMN**

Yoakum County Hospital announces the beginning of a new public service for its patients. Beginning Nov. 30, Yoakum County Hospital will present a weekly medical column in Cowboy Country News on topics of interest to persons in our area. These articles will include information and advice in the areas of medicine, surgery, sports medicine, and wellness.

Many articles will teach a person how to prevent problems, when to seek care for symptoms or medical illnesses and what options and treatments are available. The articles will help a person understand what symptoms he can take care of at home and checked at the clinic or hospital.

Among the first articles to be presented will be ones on hypertension and heart disease, skin cancer, the risks of using alcohol during pregnancy, and exercising to lose weight.

work and his fellow students. He is very sensible and level headed. Also, on the football field he excelled by gaining over 920 yards rushing while starting for only 7 games. Even though only a sophomore, Stephen is a leader both in the classroom and on the athletic field."

**WHO IS THIS?**

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Who is this plump little cutie? Hint- Don't waste your time searching old school annuals. She is a county resident, and between 20-70 years of age. If you are THE FIRST CALLER AFTER 2:00 PM THURSDAY to correctly identify this person, we'll feed you lunch at Johnnies'. Last week Teresa Stroup correctly identified Clarence Koncaba to win the contest.

Since Yoakum County Hospital wants this column to be as useful as possible to its patients, they encourage readers to call or write to the hospital with topics they would most like to see. The hospital will choose the most-requested topics for upcoming columns.

Yoakum County Hospital looks forward to comments and suggestions from readers on making this a worthwhile service for the public.

To comment on this service and suggest topics, contact Ed Rodgers at Yoakum County Hospital, phone number, 592-2121.

**"C" HYPERTENSION THE SILENT KILLER**

Causing few or no symptoms, hypertension has become known as the "silent killer". You must have your blood pressure taken to diagnose it.

A normal reading is below 140/90, and when it goes above this reading it should be followed closely. The diagnosis should not be made from just one or two readings--it will vary depending on heart rate, excitement, and just being in the doctor's office.

When the readings are consistently high, your doctor will consider several factors which may be affecting the blood pressure.

Use of tobacco, alcohol, coffee and salt may contribute to the elevated readings. These are all life-style factors which can be changed. Losing weight and increasing your physical activity may be all that is needed to control mild hypertension.

When dietary and life-style changes do not control the blood pressure, a medicine is usually started. A wide variety of medicines are available and the best one often depends on your age and medical conditions such as diabetes or asthma. Water pills which remove salt and water from the body or beta-blockers which slow the heart are often used first.

When the readings are extremely high, there is an immediate risk of a stroke or heart attack until it is controlled. Hospitalization to treat the blood pressure and protect against these complications may be necessary.

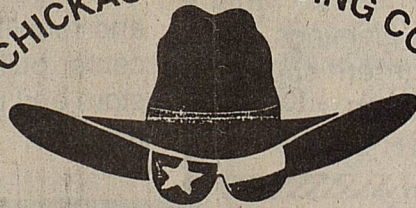
A person's blood pressure may increase with age, so yearly checks are needed. It is important to treat it early to prevent the complications of heart attacks, strokes and kidney failure.

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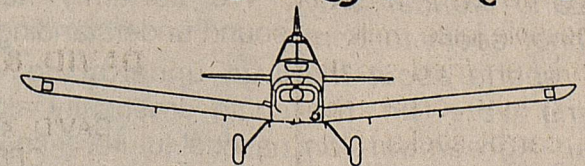
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# COWGIRLS HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR ROUND BALL SEASON

Head Varsity Cowgirl basketball coach Steve Osborn has his girls off to an impressive start of the young season, already scoring wins over Jal, N. M. 59-39, Lazbuddie 52-44, and Midland Christian 51-26.

"What pleases and impresses me most about these victories is the fact five different girls on our roster of ten have scored in double figures," Osborn stated Monday morning. "All ten of these girls can play the game," he added.

Team members are Seniors Amber Bryan, Misty Willett, and Stacey Jones, Sophomores Bridget Bernal, Kyley Bearden, Tessa St. Romain and Robin Squyres, and Freshmen Sandi Warren, Shyloh Winn, and Kassie Lowe.

Osborn, in the typical basketball coach's lament, wishes the team had more height, but is extremely pleased with their quickness, and the aggressive manner they play the game. "We're going to be competitive this year, and we're going to surprise some folks," Osborn stated.

The Cowgirls face a grueling game schedule, with well over twenty games, including district competitors Anton, Whiteface, Smyer and O'Donnell.

Coach Osborn expects Kylie Bearden, Tessa St. Romain, Amber Bryan,

Misty Willett and Stacey Jones to start, with Seniors Jones, Bryan and Willett serving as team co-captains. "All our girls will see plenty of action," he added.

The coach is pleased with the teams work habits. "They work hard, real hard. The season is very young, but they have already pleasantly exceeded our expectations," he reported in a positive manner. He added, "We need to bear down when we're on defense. We've got to make things happen when the other team has the ball. We need to turn our defense into an offensive weapon."

The Cowgirls just missed making the season ending playoffs last year. Osborn said, "It's real possible we can be a dark horse contender, if the girls don't lose their focus, and will continue to work hard as a team. We're all really excited about our prospects." So are we, Cowgirls. Good Luck!

# COWBOY BASKETBALL OFF AND RUNNING

Head Cowboy basketball coach, Jack Baucom, entering his 35th season, is the epitome of experience, and experience is a valuable asset he feels this years Cowboy team has.

"We were 28-4 last year, and I feel our returning Seniors and Juniors will give us a strong nucleus to build another good year around," Baucom said Monday morning.

This years Varsity roster includes Seniors Shannon Ward, Ladd Winn, Brad McMinn, Ken McAdams, Victor Bernal and Pete Flores. Junior players are Chase Clanahan, Johnny Don Davis, Ralph Ramirez, Kirk Parrish and Chris Payne. Steven Bitolas is the lone Sophomore on the squad.

Coach Baucom lists Ward, Winn, McMinn, Clanahan and Bitolas as his probable starters, and says all of the team will see considerable action. He noted returnees Shannon Ward, Ladd Winn and Brad

McMinn all earned All-District honors last season, with Winn reaching the All-State level.

Along with experience, Baucom is pleased the team has adequate height, and excellent quickness in several players. "We need these qualities this year. The District race will be tough, and Anton appears to be one of the tougher teams we must beat," Baucom said.

Asked about his main goals this year, the coach said he hopes the players will concentrate on giving their very best, one game at a time. "If we can get the players to do this, to dedicate themselves to a true team concept, use self discipline, we should show progress and improvements each week, and of course, these improvements will eventually lead to a good season for us."

Baucom said it will be a problem for ten of the Varsity to make the mental transition from football, with its demand for hard body contact, to the hard boards, with its demand for more finesse. "Ten of our twelve people just hung up their football gear a few days ago. They've got to put that behind them, and dedicate themselves to team basketball. If we can do this, we'll have another good year," Coach Baucom said. Good luck, Cowboys!

## PISD BASKETBALL SCHEDULE HIGH SCHOOL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TEAMS	TIME
11/15	Jal	There	A-B girls	6:00
11/18	Lazbuddie	There	A-B girls	5:00
11/22	Midland Christian	Here	A-B girls	5:00
11/29	Seagraves	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
12/1-3	Plains JV Tourn	Here	B girls & boys	TBA
12/2	Sands	Here	A girls	6:30
12/6	Seagraves	There	A-B girls & boys	5:00
12/8-10	Farwell Tourn	There	A girls & boys	TBA
	Sundown JV Tourn	There	B girls & boys	TBA
12/9	Denver City 9th	There	9th boys	6:30
12/13	Amherst	There	A girls, A-B boys	5:00
12/15-17	Meadow Tourn	There	A girls & boys	TBA
12/20	Tatum	Here	A-B boys	5:00
	Denver City	Here	A-B girls	5:00
12/27-29	Sundown Tourn	There	A girls & boys	TBA
1/3	Spade	Here	A-B girls & boys	4:00
1/6	Meadow	There	A-B girls & boys	4:00
1/10	Whiteface	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/13	O'Donnell	There	A-B girls & boys	4:00
1/17	Anton	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/19-21	Whiteface JV Tourn	There	B girls & boys	TBA
1/20	Smyer	There	A girls & boys	6:30
1/24	Muleshoe	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/27	Whiteface	There	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/31	O'Donnell	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
2/3	Anton	There	A-B girls & boys	4:00
2/7	Smyer	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
2/10	Sterling City	Odessa College	A-B girls & boys	4:00

### JR. HIGH

11/21	Whiteface	There	A-B girls & boys	5:00
11/28	O'Donnell	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
12/5	Anton	There	A-B girls & boys	4:00
12/12	Smyer	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
12/19	Sundown	There	A-B & 9th boys	5:00
	Sundown	Here	A-B girls	5:00
1/9	Whiteface	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/12&14	Sundown Tourn	There	A girls & boys	TBA
1/16	O'Donnell	There	A-B girls & boys	4:00
1/19&21	Plains Tourn	Here	A-B girls & boys	TBA
1/23	Anton	Here	A-B girls & boys	5:00
1/28	Sundown Tourn	There	B girls & boys	TBA
1/30	Smyer	There	A-B girls & boys	5:00
2/6	New Home	Here	A girls & boys	5:00

### P.I.S.D. BASKETBALL COACHES

#### COWBOYS;

Varsity;  
Jack Baucom  
Junior Varsity;  
Edwin Brink  
Freshmen;  
Larry Mc Minn  
Eighth Grade;  
Everett Mc Adams  
Seventh Grade;  
Michael Davis



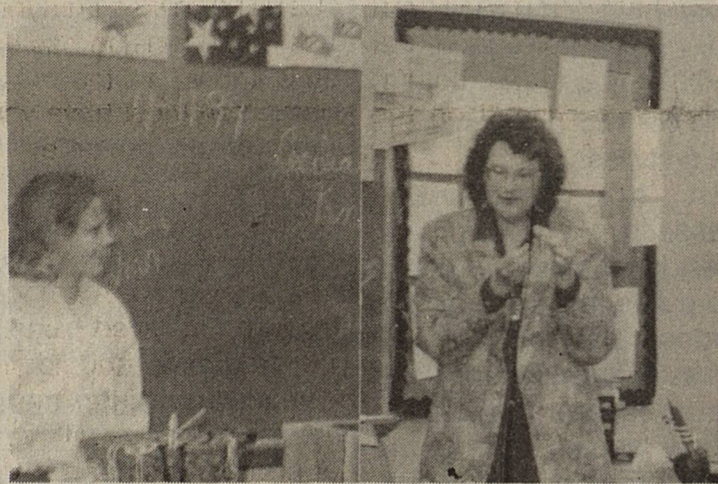
#### COWGIRLS;

Varsity;  
Steve Osborn  
Junior Varsity;  
Charles Cain  
Eighth Grade;  
Charles Cain  
Seventh Grade;  
Linda Haragan



### NATIVE AMERICAN ARTIFACT PROGRAM

Plains 4th graders enjoyed a recent presentation by Cecilia Knight and her daughter Jessica, displaying and explaining Indian artifacts they own. Students Mackenzie Winn and Brad Palmer also took part in the program.



**BOO!**  
**Boo On Turkey**  
**Leftovers!**  
**BOO!**



### BASKETBALL

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR BASKETBALL

THURSDAY: Plains, JV Tournament - Girls & Boys  
FRIDAY: Sands, V Girls Here at 6:30 p.m.  
SATURDAY: Plains JV Tournament continues

#### MENU

WEDNESDAY:  
**Breakfast:** french toast sticks w/syrup, toast, orange juice, milk  
**Lunch:** cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onion rings, chips, mixed fruit, chocolate chip cookies, milk  
THURSDAY:  
**Breakfast:** pancakes w/syrup, fruit punch, milk  
**Lunch:** stew, pinto beans, kosher spear, cornbread, peach cobbler, milk  
FRIDAY:  
**Breakfast:** cereal, toast, orange/pineapple juice, milk  
**Lunch:** chicken fried steak w/cream gravy, creamed potatoes, carrot sticks, hot rolls, jello, milk

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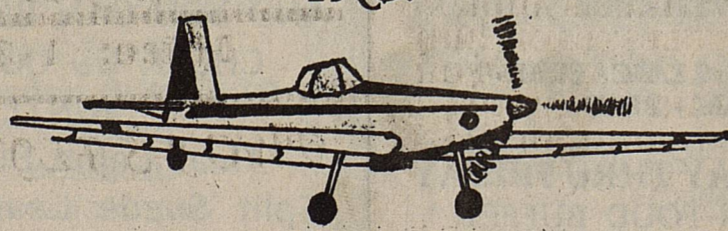
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Wylie Osborne, Club Pro

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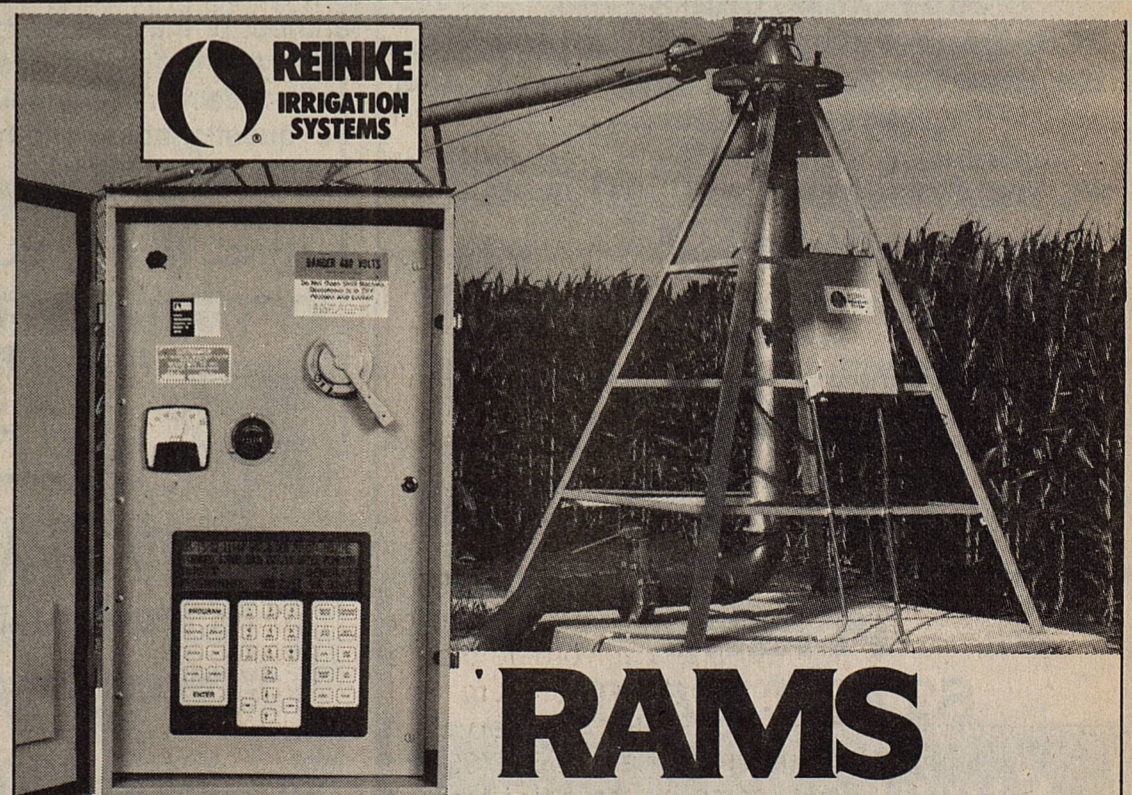
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plains EMS will hold a public meeting at the City Hall, 601-11th St. at 7:00p.m. on Thursday, December 1st, 1994. The EMS has requested a variance from the standards on personnel as authorized by the Health and Safety Code, Chapter 773. The EMS encourage all persons to attend. All comments and questions will be welcome.



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 Last weeks deadline and space limits did not allow us to print this picture of the costumed teachers in last weeks Kindergarten Indian & Pilgrim play.



L. to R. Linda Simmons, Tana May, Ann McGinty

**LOCAL 4-H'ers WIN GOLD STARS**



KATRINA HART AND KELLY MCGINTY

Thirty-two outstanding members of 4-H Clubs across the South Plains were honored Monday, Nov. 21, at the 37th annual district Gold Star Banquet in Lubbock.

Yoakum County 4-H members Kelly McGinty, Plains, and Katrina Hart, Denver City, received the coveted Gold Star award plaques.

Kelly, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth McGinty, is a seven year member of the Plains 4-H club, and is the

current club Secretary. Katrina, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Carrol Hart, has been in 4-H nine years, and is 1st Vice-President of the Denver City club.

Both girls will receive \$250 scholarship awards upon graduating from high school. They are to be congratulated for their achievements and hard work on all their 4-H projects.

**CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING**

The annual lighting of the tree in Pioneer Plaza, across the street from the courthouse in Plains will be Wednesday, December 3, 1994.

Speaker for the event will be Ray Young, Church of Christ. The Cowboy Band will furnish music. Vocal Christmas carols will be directed by Vernon Hise.

The Child Welfare organization will take photographs in exchange for one (1) nonperishable food item. (NOTICE: one picture per family.)

The Lions Club will serve coffee and hot apple cider.

**COTTON BOWL**  
 Did you hear about the guy who passed away? Instead of going up to his reward, he went the opposite direction. He looked around at his new surroundings. He stood on solid ice, and as far as he could see in all directions was nothing but snow and ice. Shivering, he mused, "Well, looks like Texas Tech finally made it to the Cotton Bowl!"

**SCHOOL PLANS MADE BY CONGRESS**

Houston, January 27. President Mirabeau B. Lamar today signed a bill providing for a system of public schools in Texas.

According to the measure, each county will receive three leagues of public land for support of an academy; the counties may possibly receive additional land later to help in obtaining buildings and equipment for the academies. The bill also sets aside fifty leagues of land as an endowment fund for two universities of the first class.

In his December message to Congress, President Lamar urged that the public lands be used to endow the schools of Texas. One statement from his message has been widely quoted. In it, the President said: "It is admitted by all that the cultivated mind is the guardian genius of democracy and, while guided and controlled by virtue, it is the noblest attribute of man. It is the only dictator free men acknowledge and the only security free men desire."

From "THE TEXAS NEWS", DECEMBER 1, 1839

**MAIL EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS**

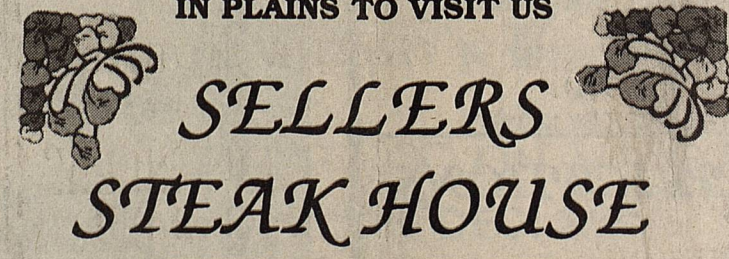
Norris Jones, Postmaster, urges all local customers to mail Christmas gift boxes as early as possible. "There is no such thing as too early for mailing parcel post items, if the customer wants to insure delivery by Christmas Day," he said.

He advised patrons to complete mailing Christmas Cards and other first class items no later than December 21. Customers should also note, the Post Office will be closed Saturday, Dec. 24, thru Monday, Dec. 26.

For any overseas mailings, Norris said there was no problem getting items through the U. S. Postal System and out of the country, but once at the foreign destination, delivery time could be questionable, another reason to 'Mail Early'!



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FROM PAGE ONE, 'COTTON HARVEST'



**THIS IS HOW IT GOES OUT**

**LOVINGTON LIVESTOCK MARKET, INC.**

892 head of Livestock sold for 90 consignors Friday, November 25, 1994. A good crowd and an excellent selection of young bred cows and pairs made a good market for stock cows. The packer market was also very strong. Not enough calves and yearlings for a real market test. Representative Sales include:

Double T Ranch	Levelland	3 Mxd str	357	92.50
Jenny C Wiggins	Hagerman	2 Rd mf str	448	85.00
F & F Inc.	Lamesa	4 Mxd str	663	73.50
Sid Price	Tatum	1 Char X str	600	74.50
R & F Cattle Co	Brownfield	5 Mxd hfr	515	70.50
Pete Peters	Seminole	1 Rd wf hfr	570	69.00
Shay Johnson	Carlsbad	3 Rd hfr	662	68.50
Jenny C Wiggins	Hagerman	2 Mxd hfr	503	70.00
R & R Cattle Co	Brownfield	4 Rd wf c	head	760.00
R & R Cattle Co	Brownfield	4 Xbrd c	head	710.00
Travis Wilson	El Paso	14 Bk wf c	head	665.00
J & T Cattle Co	Plains	12 Rd c	head	680.00
Gilmore Ranch	Lovington	6 Rd wf pr	pair	760.00
Cindy Simmonss	Hobbs	4 Char X pr	pair	740.00
Double L Cattle Co	Lovington	1 Rd c	980	44.25
Jerry Ross	Hobbs	1 Bk wf c	840	42.50
Rodney Taylor	Brownfield	1 Bk wf c	1035	42.50
J & W Cattle Co	Lovington	5 Xbrd c	914	39.20
James West	Portales	5 Mxd c	975	42.80
S & A Dairy	Lovington	1 Hol c	1520	41.25
Larry Bearden	Seminole	1 Limo b	head	800.00
G & M Cattle Co	Lubbock	1 Limo b	1365	56.50

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From THE TEXAS NEWS, Dec. 1, 1839.

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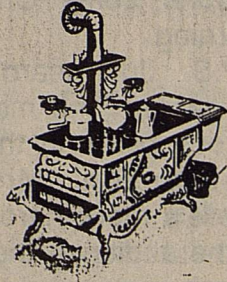
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- 1 lb dried red beans
- 1/2 lb salt pork
- 3 cups chopped onions
- 1 bunch green onions, chopped
- 1 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1 cup chopped green pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 tsp. red pepper
- 1 tsp. black pepper
- 3 dashes hot sauce
- 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce.
- 1 (8 oz) can tomato sauce
- 1/4 tsp. dried whole oregano
- 1/4 tsp. dried whole thyme
- 2 lbs. smoked German sausage, cut into bite size pieces

Sort and wash beans; place in a Dutch oven, cover with water and soak overnight. Drain beans, add pork, cover beans with water. Cover and cook over low heat 45 minutes. Add all remaining ingredients except sau-sage and rice; Cover and cook over low heat for 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Add sausage. Cook uncovered, over low heat 45 minutes, stirring occasionally; Serve over rice. YIELD: approx. 12 servings.

This recipe came from Southern Living Cookbook. I have used it plenty. There is nothing like Southern Cooking: Sudie Thompson and Pete St. Romain will agree.

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### LONG

To shorten; Brush powder under tip, using a deeper shade than foundation.

### SHORT

To lengthen; Shade bridge; highlight sides one shade lighter than foundation.

### WIDE

To narrow; Sweep darker powder down the sides; apply lighter powder on bridge.

### HOOKED

To straighten; Shade bump on bridge, then blend shading color into sides of nose.

### CROOKED

To align; Straighten edge with darker powder; highlight the bridge.

## LIPS

A lip pencil is essential for creating a perfect mouth.

Pro. secret; soften and warm point first by rubbing on tissue before using. After outlining lips, fill in with matching lip color.

### THIN LOWER LIP

Draw a fuller outline, following natural shape.

### BALANCE UPPER LIP

Fill in.

### THIN UPPER LIP

Draw fuller outline, following natural shape.

### BALANCE UPPER LIP

Fill in.

### SMALL LIPS

Draw line slightly outside natural mouth; turn corners upward.

### DROOPY CORNERS

Lift corners by extending lower lip line upward; extend upper to meet it.

### \*\*\*\*\*

### Quote-Unquote

From Jay Leno, *The Tonight Show* host: "I was watching the Discovery Channel the other night, and scientists have a new theory as to what wiped out the dinosaurs. They now think it may have been a sudden midterm election."

## EYES

Take it from the pros—with a little practice you can learn to use shadows, highlighters and pencils to create almost any eye effect you want, quickly and easily.

### Droopy

To lift corners: Blend shadow upward; stop upper eyeliner where lid begins to droop; extend liner upward on lower lid.



### Deep-Set

To open up: Use pale shadows—apply creamy shades from lash line to crease, deeper above crease, ivory to highlight brow bone.



### Close-Set

To widen space between eyes: Apply light shadow near nose, darker shadow on outer third of lid, upward to brow in V-shape.



### Too Small

To make eyes appear larger: Apply light shadow from lash line to crease; from crease to brow, go gradually from light to darker tones.



### Hidden Lids

To give lids definition: Create a crease with an arc of subtle color like mushroom; highlight brow bone with a paler tone.



## REMODELING BLUES COME FROM BOREDOM

Living in approximately half of the states in the Nation, and several towns or cities in most of those states, I think I might qualify as an authority on moving. Be that as it may, I'm quite sure I have enough experience in remodeling homes to be able to elaborate extensively on the subject.

There have been few houses I have moved into I didn't at least paint the walls. For several years, I lived in rent houses and most of them had dirty walls when I moved in. I can't think of anything more disgusting than to live in someone else's dirt. My beds may on occasion be unmade, my dishes might need washing, my floors may need swept, but none of these will embarrass me as much as if my walls and ceiling are dirty.

A few people who know me well, know that I love to paint. My neighbor, (who is also one of my bosses), says if she sees me with a paint roller or brush in my hand, she knows that I am perfectly happy and content. She is pretty accurate with her opinion.

I usually buy paint that is supposed to be guaranteed for around 8 to 15 years. Give me a break! I would lose my mind if I had to wait that long to paint. Anyway, I'd rather repaint than to use soap and water.

I have been known to buy entirely too much paint for a job. For example, a few years back I bought paint, I had mixed to the perfect color, to do the trim on the outside of our house. Now, wouldn't you think that would take a lot of paint? I only bought 10 gallons. Yes, you read right. Ten gallons, and I was worried that I would have to go back for more. It

worked out alright and I didn't take any back to the store. I've used most of it for different things, and still have about 1-1/2 gallons left. That is just about what I need to put another coat on the trim in another year or so.

Normally, I paint the inside of my house about every three years. This is a wonderful time to clean anything I might have been lazy about doing before. But let me get to the real nitty gritty of remodeling. Take a wall out, or maybe you'd like to add a wall. Better yet, ask your husband to help you do these sort of things. See what kind of reaction you get. I have a wonderful husband who just simply says, "Are you sure?" My answer is always convincing and we usually get started on the project shortly after the idea is pondered and then decided.

I am always right square in the middle of everything that is being done. I don't think I could handle letting someone else do the work. I have helped cut nail, mud and tape drywall, helped build a bathroom (including ceramic tile), kitchen cabinets, refinished hardwood floors, installed new door handles, put up outdoor siding, papered walls, torn out walls, put up paneling, helped with plumbing and installing electrical plugs and switches, and installed linoleum. I dare say, there aren't many jobs I wouldn't at least try.

I've always wondered what it would be like to remodel a house before I move into it. Living with the mess and disorder while remodeling is trying to the patience, but I enjoy the challenge, and especially enjoy the results.

If my friends come for a visit, and see that something new is being done to my house, they immediately know that I have been bored.

By Diane Brown

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

WE LIVE IN THE PRESENT, WE DREAM OF THE FUTURE AND WE LEARN ETERNAL TRUTHS FROM THE PAST.

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 THE SUCCESS WE ACHIEVE TODAY IS BUILT ON THE LESSONS WE LEARNED FROM YESTERDAY. THE FAILURES WE EXPERIENCE TODAY ARE THE LESSONS THAT WILL GUIDE US AS WE KEEP PURSUING OUR DREAMS.



## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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Congratulations to the following people whose birthday or anniversary occurs Nov. 24 - Nov. 30; 24th- Roxie Durham, David Lollar. 26th- Heather Bowlin; 27th- Landon Earnest. 28th- Spencer Seals-Deaton, Punk and Inez Culwell (A), David and Sarah Guetersloh (A). 29th- Kristin Tingle, Gracie Lazos, Larry Morrow, Claude and Peggy Bowers (A), Bob and Myrna White (A). 30th, Barry and Jonnie Green (A).



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## MOISTURE TESTS AT LANDFILL

Personnel at the County landfill have completed installing moisture monitoring blocks in the dump area currently in use.

David Bruton, landfill technician, reported a total of sixty of the blocks were placed in a grid pattern in bore holes at one, two, three and four foot levels. Each block is attached to electronic leads. "On a daily basis, we hook our moisture indicator instrument to the leads, which indicates the degree of moisture at each level," Bruton said.

The purpose of the daily monitoring is to support landfill Manager Gary Walker's contention that a properly maintained fill in arid West Texas poses no threat to ground water at the fill site. His plan received endorsement and approval recently from the Texas National Resource Conservation agency, previously featured in 'CCN'.

Kenley Powell, weigh master at the site, stated, "The daily moisture logs will prove Mr. Walker's theory that the very expensive pit lining procedure we were formerly required to use is not necessary to protect our ground water resources in this part of the state. It will save our taxpayers a great deal of money over time."

## 4-H AND FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS DEADLINE

4-H and FFA club members planning to exhibit animals at four of the state Livestock Shows must have their entries preregistered no later than Monday, December 5.

This mandatory registration deadline covers members planning on taking animals to the El Paso, San Angelo, San Antonio and Houston Livestock Shows.

4-H members should contact Joan Chandler, extension Agent, and FFA members should contact Joe Pierce, PISD FFA Adviser.

## FFA FRUIT HERE SOON

Local residents who have ordered holiday fruit packages from FFA club members should have their orders in plenty of time for Christmas.

Joe Pierce, FFA Counselor, reports he has received word the fruit has been shipped and should be here by Dec. 5, when it will be distributed by the club members.

If you have not received your order by Dec. 10, contact your FFA seller, or Joe Pierce.

## FROM THE HACK

"There are just 22 shopping days left before Christmas." Each time I read those fateful words, I suffer with mixed emotions. On one hand, only 22 days left to endure the constant barrage of commercial appeals by merchants. On the other, only 22 days left to ponder the brides gift.

Each year, we sit down and calmly, sensibly discuss our Christmas gift wishes. Last year I expressed a yen for either four days in Las Vegas, a bass fishing trip to Florida, or a new shot gun. I was slightly underwhelmed when on Christmas day I unwrapped a pair of bootie socks, a Lifetime Membership in

AARP, and a king size bottle of Beano.

The bride had pre-conditioned me with her wish list as she always does. "You can keep it simple this year. I desperately need a Fox Stole, replacement of the diamond ear ring I lost, and please, try again real hard to get us a Gold Master Card. This old shabby thing we have always says, "Sorry, You're Over Your Limit" when I try to use it. She then cautioned me logically, "But honey, let's be a bit more conservative this year. Keep my stuff under \$400, Okay?"

Yeah, sure. I'll just trot out, shoot and skin a fox,

pay a visit to Diamonique for a pasty. She'll have to be disappointed about the Gold Master Card. I stand as much chance qualifying for that as I do the Nobel Prize for literature.

I have, over eons of Christmas' past, learned one thing. Do not try to shop for your bride if wearing apparel is on her wish list. I have been guilty of making every selection mistake possible for a mere mortal male. "It's too big." "It's too small." "The color's not right." "It's too long." "It's too short." "It's too outdated." "It's too modish." These are the only comments I have ever heard when presenting her with

something that goes somewhere on her body.

Do what I do now. If you plan to spend, say, \$500 for your brides attire, take that amount of cash, hand that and an extra \$50 bill to one of your daughters, or one of your wives' female type buddies. Tell them the \$50 is their gratuity for playing Santas' helper. Let them get mauled at the Mall. Everyone will be happier come Christmas morning.

P.S. Just heard this on the radio; The most dangerous place in the world is Branson, Missouri. There's more nitroglycerin in the audience there than anywhere in the world.

# TELCOT<sup>®</sup> Report

## A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For The Week Ending November 23

Evidence continues to mount that cotton crops in Pakistan, India and Egypt are lower than most recent estimates due to adverse weather and insects. Thus, it comes as no surprise that world cotton prices continue to advance.

As prices maintain their upward momentum, they seem to be feeding the bullish sentiment that has persisted for several weeks. In fact, it is obvious that many traders believe prices will go even higher as they roll their December futures to March in notably heavy volume. The spread between December and March futures has widened considerably this week under this heavy rolling activity, however, some traders noted that even if deliveries were to surface, the spread is enough to cover carrying charges.

Underlying bullishness for cotton futures in recent weeks had come in part from a strong U.S. export outlook amid the crop shortfalls in other countries. According to one noted entomologist who recently visited Pakistan, the disastrous bollworm problem in that country was aided by heavy rains, vegetative plant growth, along with inefficient and untimely sprayings. Some analysts feel that Pakistan will only produce slightly more than 6.0 million bales this year.

Some trade analysts continue to believe the country could be a net importer this year. Earlier this week, Pakistan's government approved a relief package for the textile sector including the complete removal of all duties on raw cotton imports. Meanwhile, a delegation from the country's Cotton Export Corporation was in Central Asia this week to discuss the Pakistan's import requirements.

Reports from India indicate that cotton crop may be suffering from the same pest difficulties as Pakistan. It appears that the white fly continues to be a problem this year and is now spreading a virus which is now dubbed "leaf crumple virus". Some estimates place India's crop at 10.1 million bales versus USDA's most recent estimate of 10.4 million bales.

Egypt's agriculture minister stated this week his country's 1994-95 cotton crop is now estimated at 850,000 bales, which is less than half of last year's production. As a result, Egypt has suspended all raw cotton exports. This could facilitate further sales of U.S. upland cotton if the Egyptian government can be persuaded to allow imports from the U.S. east coast ports where fumigation facilities also are available.

USDA announced export sales of 1994-95 U.S. cotton increased a net 175,200 bales in the week ended November 17, up considerably from the previous week's figure of 112,200 bales. Notably, Egypt was a featured buyer at 45,000 bales for the week. Other featured buyers were China, Hong Kong, Thailand and Taiwan.

This recent strong foreign demand for U.S. cotton may present a double-edged sword for U.S. merchants and growers in the near future since the U.S. becomes less competitive in the world market as great demand drives cotton prices higher. Step two of the competitiveness program allows for the issuance of export certificates, currently the certificate is valued at 234 points. The adjusted world price for upland cotton

continues to rise each week and is quoted at 64.59 cents per pound for the week beginning November 25. If the adjusted world price rises above sixty-five cents, exporters are no longer eligible for step two certificates. Thus, U.S. cotton prices would be less attractive to exporters. However, due to availability and an infrastructure conducive to delivering cotton in a timely manner, America still attracts its fair share of importers.

On the domestic front, the U.S. Census Bureau figures released this week showed domestic mills in October consumed cotton at a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 10.965 million bales, down 1.2 percent from the September figure. However, a nonadjusted rate indicates a slight increase in consumption boosting the October demand to the highest level since 1942. Mill demand has been heightened slightly due in part to the global situation in cotton.

On the other hand, the Census Bureau's report did not show that U.S. mills currently are reluctant to purchase large quantities of cotton for future consumption. The strong price scenario at this time has made mill buyers cautious, making purchases on a hand-to-mouth basis in hopes that prices will decline.

Spot sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT for the four trading days ending November 23 totaled 69,477 bales, down from the previous week's 156,026 bales. Average daily prices received by producers selling on the electronic marketing system ranged from 67.87 to 68.88 cents per pound.

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