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Raising Children

By Jim Haynes
Plains ISD Superintendent

There is a trend today to find someone to blame for a society gone haywire. Depending on who you talk to, the fault lies with television, the politicians, being poor, being rich, or a bad upbringing. It seems that all involved link the preceding list with its effects on children and how they will affect the future. In a society that has changed in unbelievable ways during the twentieth century and will probably change even more in the twenty first century, we all have concerns for ourselves and our children about the issues that combine to give us a free, safe, wholesome environment in which to live.

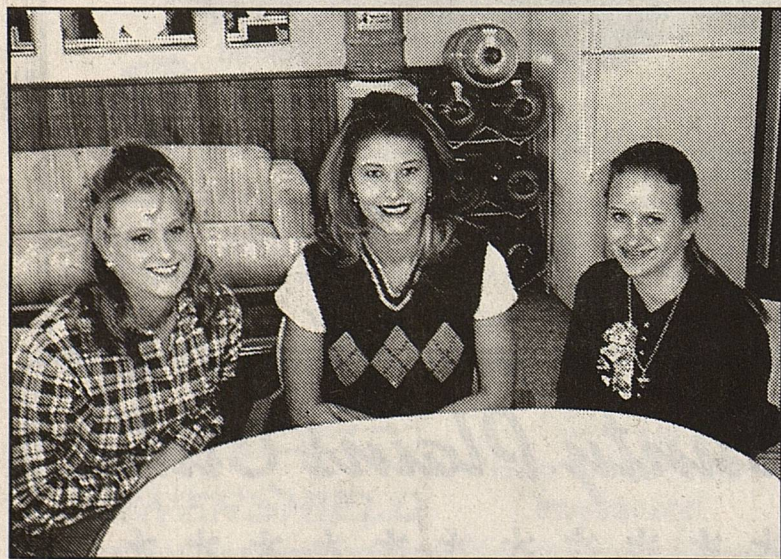
As an educator I believe that one of the ways to solve many of society's ills is through education and the influence, help, guidance, and love of family. As with anything else there are innumerable ideas about raising children, but everyone agrees that the influence of parents has a great deal to do with the success a child will experience when they are grown. I must admit that I am using my definition of success here which relates much more to an honest, hard working, God fearing, citizen of this state and nation than it does to possess-

ing things.

I recently read a book by Dr. Ron Klingler entitled, "The Common Sense no frills, plain english guide To Being A Successful Dad (that every mother should read too)." The book is filled with great information concerning parenting with a focus and ideas that dads specifically can use. It doesn't stop there however. There are ideas that anyone raising children can use to make themselves a better parent.

Dr. Klingler will be visiting Plains and Denver City in early February to provide a workshop for parents and kids in which he will discuss these same topics. Plains ISD, Denver City ISD, the Yoakum County Criminal District Attorney's Office and Yoakum County are sponsoring the workshops. The workshop will be conducted with dads or moms or guardians and their children together. They will be offered at different times to help people fit their schedules. I urge you to make time in your schedule to attend this workshop. I believe you will find it informative and helpful. For more information please see the ad in a different part of the newspaper.

Plans for Livestock Show finalized



Livestock Show Queen Candidates include, L-R, Shay Allsup, a PHS Senior and the daughter of Donna Allsup, representing the Plains FFA; Becca Parker, a Denver City Senior and daughter of Donnie and Suzie Parker, representing the D.C. FFA; Ragan McGinty, a PHS Sophomore and daughter of Kenneth and Ann McGinty, representing the Plains 4-H.

The 48th Yoakum County Junior Livestock show kicks off Thursday, January 28, with weigh-in and check-in of swine, lambs, goats, steers and rabbits.

Fridays schedule calls for the steer show at 8 a.m. The market swine show starts immediately after the steer show, and it is followed by a 'Pee Wee' pig show. Lambs will be shown at 1 p.m., followed by the goat show at 3 p.m., and the final rabbit show immediately after

the goat event.

Saturday's format will differ from previous years. A concession stand branding ceremony will be held at 10 a.m.

A special buyer's dinner is scheduled from 4 p.m. until 5:30. An invocation in the show barn will be offered at 6 p.m., along with presentation of Queen contestants and crowning the winner ceremony. The Premium sale is

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TsaMoGa Girls Whoop It Up!

Or should that be, really Ham it up!

The Tsa Mo Ga Club toasted the New Year and coming Millennium with a rousing musical performance January 10. The extravaganza, with a cast of thousands, featured song and dance from old Broadway, vaudeville and Hollywood musicals, under the direction of club member Billie Blundell.

Virginia Sanders accompanied all the would be star performers on the piano, and ended the show with an impersonation of famed classical pianist/comedian Victor Borge, playing Debussy's 'Clare d' lune' - she missed the very last note, but found it on one of the sheets of music she'd sailed through the air during her performance.

Other rousing performances included "The Y2K Rockettes", aka Toni Jones, Inetta Teaff, Betty Estep, Bonnie Earnest and Wadonna Davis. With the aid of liberal doses of WD 40 on various joints, they kicked semi-high and marched to 'New York, New York', 'Yankee Doodle Dandy', and 'It's a grand old flag'.

Connie McWhirter portrayed Marilyn Monroe, wearing some nine pounds of semi-real stones, rendering "Diamonds are a girl's best friend".

A very, very blonde Bonnie Earnest, playing a scene from "Hello, Dolly", assured the audience she would never ever would go away again.



Wilma Powell, portraying Fannie Brice, performed an incredibly different Hawaiian Hot Hula dance.



Billie Blundell was the epitome of a poor waif of a down and out bag lady

Wadonna Davis was the epitome of sweetness and grace as she demurely sang "Mary, Mary". Holly Dyer, not so sweet and demure, played the sexy and sultry Julee from 'Showboat' as she sang 'Can't Help Loving Dat Man Of Mine', managing not to look at her husband once throughout the performance. Director Blundell also portrayed a very realistic 'Bag Lady' while yodeling mournfully, "Wouldn't That Be

Lovey". A rather western looking Fannie Brice, performed by Wilma Powell, gyrated in a cow pasture version of the Hawaiian hula. Member Inetta Teaff, appearing as famed opera star Beverly Sills, struggled hard and successfully in her effort to stay off key through her number. She was followed by possibly the most incredible performance of the incredible evening - Betty Estep, trying mightily to resemble the great

ballet star Pavlova while wearing an eight year old girl's nightie.

It was reported to CCN the following morning the entire cast of performers remained in the clubhouse until 1:45 a.m., after hearing a talent scout was scheduled to interview them all for possible fame and job opportunities. The rumor proved utterly false.

More Tsa Mo Ga
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Cotton

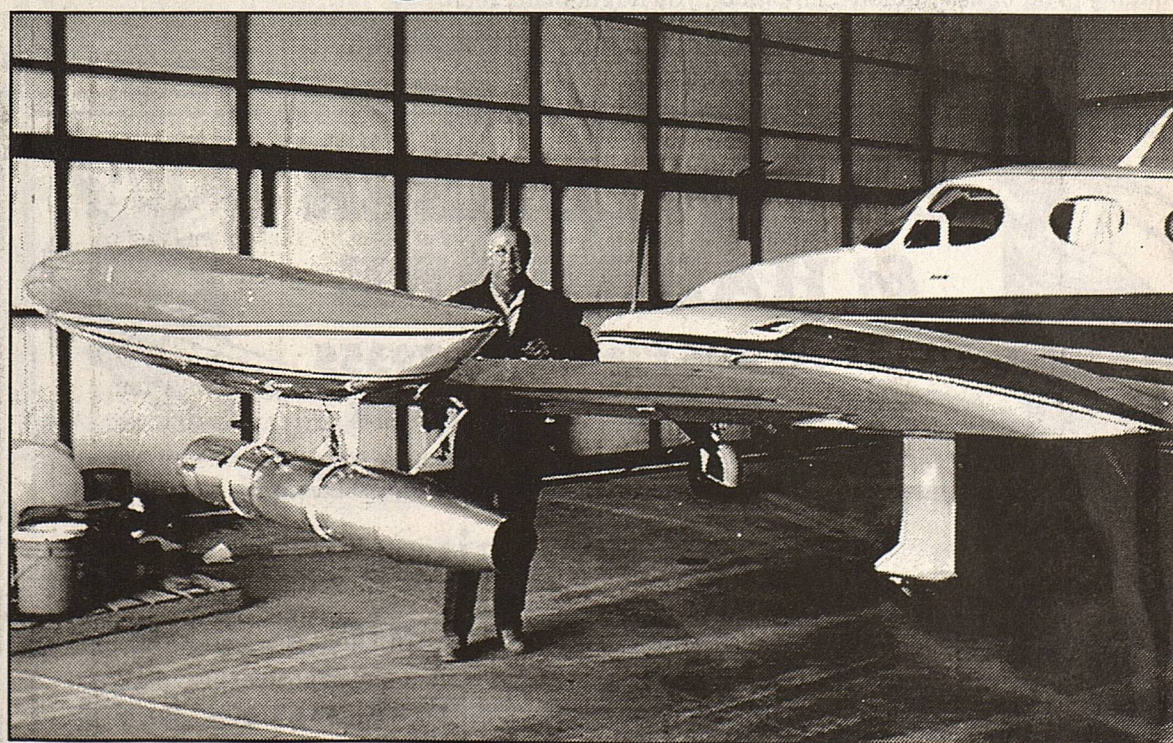
Cotton is the overcoat of a seed that is planted in the Southern states to keep the producer broke and the buyer crazy. The fiber varies in color and weight and the man who can guess the nearest length of a fiber is called a cotton man by the public, a fool by the farmers and a poor business man by his creditors.

The price of cotton is fixed in New York and goes up when you have sold and down when you have bought. A buyer working for a group of mills was sent to New York to watch the cotton market and after a few days of deliberation wired his firm to this effect..."Some think it will go up, some think it will go down. I do too. Whatever you do will be wrong. Act at once."

Cotton is planted in the spring, mortgaged in the summer and left in the field in winter.

There are other definitions but none better than this. Boston News, Boston, Mass.

Cloud seeding aircraft being readied here



Gary Walker is shown with a Cessna 340 airplane belonging to The High Plains Underground Water District in Lubbock. Their plane will be used in next season's rainfall enhancement cloud seeding program throughout the area. Walker flew the Cessna here from North Dakota. He is installing generator devices, shown below the wingtip, which utilize compressed air, acetone and silver iodide ignited and emitted in clouds offering potential precipitation. The aircraft will also be fitted with racks under the belly containing over 200 iodide flares which can be controlled fired from the cockpit into cloud formations. Sandy Land Water District recently purchased another Cessna 340 to be used in the program starting sometime this spring. It is now undergoing modifications at San Angelo. Walker and at least one other trained pilot will fly that aircraft.

Suann Parrish Files For Tax Post



Last week local Suann Parrish furnished CCN the following political announcement; I am seeking the office of Yoakum County Tax Assessor/Collector. I am running unopposed in the Republican Primary and look forward to your support in the November General Election. I have been a resident of Yoakum County for seventeen years and I am married to Don Parrish. Don is a lifelong resident of Yoakum County and has farmed in this area for 20 years. We have two children Blake (12) and Troy (7). I am a graduate of Texas Tech with a BBA in General Business. I served as City Secretary for the City of Plains for 7 years where my duties included record management, recording council minutes, utility billing, and serving as their Finance Officer overseeing all investments and banking transactions. I served as the City of Plains Tax Assessor/Collector for three years prior to the city joining the other taxing entities in allowing the county to serve as the central tax collector.

Prior to working at City Hall I worked at Plains State Bank for 16 years. I am presently working for several businesses on a temporary basis when employees are on leave. I work for GB Aerial during the busy spray season. My job experience has been in jobs that deal with the public in various situations. I feel that my work experience, particularly figuring the tax rate and collecting taxes for the City of Plains, and my education qualify me for the office. I want to serve the citizens of Yoakum County as your Tax Assessor/Collector.

Board Appreciation Month

By Jim Haynes

January has been designated by the Governor as Board Appreciation Month. I think it is fitting that we start the New Year with a time to consider everything a board of education does to help provide for a quality education for our children. Education for all children is a key component to keeping our nation strong and free. The board of education in my opinion is the embodiment of what a democracy really is at its basic level. Their actions affect entire communities. The Plains ISD board of education is no exception and I am proud of the job they are doing. They truly support education for all children and their actions show that they want that education to be of the highest quality. The board demonstrates their interest in our children both in the boardroom and

in the community. You see them at any activity where the children of Plains are involved. The board pays close attention to the programs offered, the personnel hired, and the budget that the school operates under. The school board has worked hard to make sure our students are challenged and that those students are prepared to go on to college, trade school, the military, or to take their place in the work force. They work to provide good working conditions and compensation for the school employees. They work hard to make sure that the money collected in taxes from Plains, stays in Plains. All of this is a challenging task and they are doing a great job of it. The next time you see a board member, you might thank them for their hard work and dedication.

Reader writes about Tokio photo and article

Subscriber G. D. Kennedy sent us the following letter last week:

"I can't identify any of those shown in the photo, however, I might be able to give some insight regarding Tokio.

"It has been my pleasure to work with residents of two Tokios. In 1941-44 I served as Superintendent of a rural Tokio Texas school district, located some 25 miles north of Waco. From 1951 - 1973 I was with the Plains ISD, and had associations with the people of your West Texas Tokio.

"Some memories regarding my time with your Tokio are as follows; My family and I lived in a school owned home. I had a garden, fruit orchard, a milk cow and a pig. My pig story is unusual for a school superintendent.

"Mr. Cepak, a board member, sold me a Berkshire pig. He lived several miles away and I had to go get the pig. Growing up on a farm, I had experience with pigs, but I'd never hauled one in my car. We caught the pig, and with the help of Mr. Cepak's son, placed it in a burlap sack and put it in the trunk.

"After a few minutes traveling, it occurred to me the pig might suffocate. I decided to put the sack with pig enclosed between the front and back seats. A few minutes passed and I heard the pig grunt. I looked back to see my friend standing on the back seat. I reached back to pull him down.

He objected, and bit my finger. The pig was returned to the trunk.

"Getting home, I deposited the pig in a chicken pen. Next morning I went to check and found no pig, but a hole he had made and escaped through. I told my high school students about my tragedy, and offered a \$5 reward to anyone finding and returning my pig friend. A few days later a girl collected the reward.

"Later, after killing time my family enjoyed the pig in the form of sausage and ham.

"Recently, I drove through the Waco area Tokio, and the only thing left there is a church and empty buildings. I could not find the house I lived in."

Sincerely,
G. D. Kennedy

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scheduled to start at 6:30 that evening.

Jim Brown, Chris Chambliss and Tracy Moore are officers of the Livestock Association Board, and other board members include Jimmy Bearden, Kreg Keesee, Bill Anderson, Don Parrish, Mike Roberts, Glen Trout, Tim Addison and Kevin Gibson.

Auctioneer for this year's sale is Reg Trout, weigh official is Kreg Keesee, Lesa Woods will handle all records, Woody Lindsey will announce at the awards ceremony, and Kenneth McGinty heads up the buyer's dinner crew.

Graveside Service For John Brit Clare, Jr.

Graveside service for John Brit Clare, Jr. were held at 4:00 pm. January 17, 2000 in Terry County Memorial Cemetery with reverend Buzz Timmons officiating under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Mr. Clare died January 15, 2000 in Denver City. He was born April 16, 1943 in Brownfield. He married Trucene Crowder on December 19, 1961 in Lovington, NM. He graduated from Brownfield High School in 1961 and attended Texas Tech University on a football scholarship. He

moved to Denver City in 1964 where he farmed and ranched and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include; his wife Trucene, one daughter Kim Johnson of Lovington, NM; two sons Todd Brit Clare and John Lee Clare both of Austin, Tx.; one brother Gary Dane Clare of Brownfield; three sisters; Emily Darlene Charters of Hobbs, NM, Jerry Dean Day and Nita Faye Martin both of Lubbock, Tx; four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

ALTURA boosts B.I.P.P.



Andrea Chavira, Director of the Batterer's Intervention Prevention Program in Denver City, left, accepts a \$250 check from ALTURA representative Sara Garcia. The company donated the funds to assist the program and continue supporting county programs. Others in photo are Stephanie Ashburn of the Criminal District Attorney's office, and Christina Galvan, B.I.P.P. facilitator. Not present for photo was B.I.P.P. facilitator Teresa Enriquez.

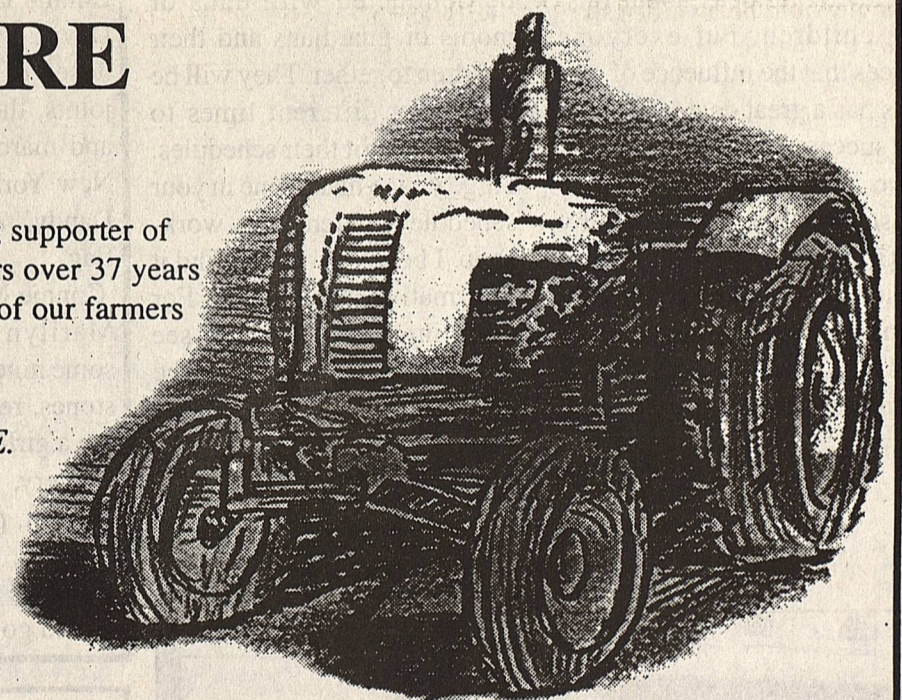
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Farm Safety and EPA Chemical Handler Training Slated

The Yoakum County Extension Service Agriculture Committee will be sponsoring a training for all farm workers on farm safety and chemical handling. The event will take place on Monday, January 24, 2000 in the Plains Community Building from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

The Seminar is intended for all farm employees and will include segments on chemical handling and Worker Protection Standards, electrical safety, and farm machinery safety. The Texas Department of Agriculture will be cooperating on the program and will

issue Environmental Protection Agency Worker Protection Green Chemical "Handler" Cards to those participating in the training. This program will be an excellent opportunity for farm workers to receive a broad range of on farm safety education which will help prevent accidents and quite possibly decrease worker compensation problems. We urge all farm operators to have their employees attend this training.

Certificates of completion will be administered upon completion of the course for both workers and employers.

Lea County Electric To Sponsor Washington Trip For Two Area High School Students

An all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. in June will be awarded to two young people from this area by Lea County Electric Cooperative, Inc., according to Allan Brown, Manager of Marketing and Member Services. Approximately 1,400 students from rural electric cooperatives around the country will converge on the nation's capitol as guests of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Students will visit many of the famous Washington landmarks and museums, as well as visit the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives.

Brown said winners of the Youth Tour essay contest/interview would be awarded the 13 day trip which begins June 15, 2000. Area high school students who are enrolled in one of the areas' public, private or home schools, and whose parents or legal guardians are members of the Cooperative are eligible to enter the contest.

Contest entrants are required to prepare responses to several essay questions on energy and cooperative related subjects. Applications and resource materials that may be helpful to contestants are available from the Cooperative's main office in Lovington, or from either of the district offices in Tatum or Plains, Texas. Each entrant's essay responses will be judged on the basis of the student's knowledge of the subject, originality, composition, neatness and grammar. Deadline for submitting essays is February 11, 2000. Five finalists will be selected to appear for interviews by a committee of judges. The top two winners will each receive a trip to Washington; the third through fifth place finalists will receive cash prizes of \$200, \$125, and \$75, respectively. For more information, contact Allan Brown at (800) 510-5232 (LCEC) or 396-3631.

Math/Science Team competes at Midland



Kristen Gray, \$2000 Scholarship Winner

The PHS Math/Science Team entered the Midland Lee UIL practice meet January 15 missing some of their regular members, but fared well. The Number Sense team placed second, The Calculator team finished fifth, Math team was second, The Science team tied for fifth, and the Computer Science team finished first. Senior Kristen Gray had a strong performance, winning first place in number sense, calculator, math, science, physics and computer science. \$400 scholarships were offered to seniors winning in the five contests, and Kristen earned a total of \$2000 in scholarship funds.

Other individual results included Chris Hansesn, Sophomore, 4th NS, Juniors Amanda Garcia, 5th NS, 8th Cal, Eric Nixon, 4th Math, 8th Sci.

Library Filmtime

There were thirteen boys and girls attending the filmtime activities on Wednesday, January 12. The program started with the game, "Ring Around The Roses" followed by the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. The group joined together to sing "I'm A Little Teapot," "The ABC Song," and "If You're Happy and You Know It." Two books were read: Great Big Animal Book and Cock-a-Doodle-Do with discussion about the different animals one might find on a farm. The video, A Day On The Farm was shown and the song "Old Macdonald Had a Farm" was sung to end the program. Those attending were; Micah St. Romain, Marcy Banfield, Merrit Crump, Daitlyne Broome, Percy, Marisol, and

Sieanna Sosa, Colby Bearden, Lucas Hernandez, Darian Gonzales, Clayton Gass, Whitney and Johnathan Davis.

January is "Fat Free Living Month"

'Connection' Annual Meeting Held

Yoakum County Connection annual meeting was held January 13, 2000 at the main street building in Denver City at 7:00 pm. The 40 members and guests elected directors for a three year term. From Plains, David Brunson, Carolyn Culwell, Jeannette Head were re-elected. Denver City residents Bill Helwig and Elva Lozano were also re-elected. A general report of activities and finances was given by L.J. Sanders. He encouraged the group to utilize the building and be creative with art activities that can take place there. Thirty five paid memberships are in and Sanders reminded the audience to back the Connection Watermelon Round Up and summer youth workshops with their dues. These may be mailed to P.O. Box 117 in Plains. Jeannette Head reported on the September 2, 2000 Yoakum County Watermelon Round Up. Volunteers are needed and may call 45MELON to give suggestions or comments. Linda Harris is in charge of the tabloid this year and Debbie Steffans was introduced as the new publicity chair. Judge Dallas Brewer said to let the commissioners know if they could help with the courthouse area for the next festival. Linda Powell, TCC chair, recognized Crosswind, Net for providing the web space for the organization at yoakumconnection.com, Russell Jones of Renaissance

Productions provided the up-load talent. Tonya Patton, executive director, reported that a county youth art exhibit is planned in the spring as is the Denver City Art Show. The students of DCHS art instructor Lee Ann Romaines have submitted a sketch for a mural to be painted on the building's north side for Denver City Chamber of Commerce approval. Chamber Executive Vice-president Diane Osborne was commended for help with the agenda for the meeting. The Denver City Chamber of Commerce banquet will be February 28 and the Plains Chamber of Commerce banquet will be January 20 it was announced.

Door prizes given by the following businesses were awarded by Jeannette Head and Nancy Dickson. Coast to Coast, Vaughn and Carolyn Culwell, Jerome and Jeannette Head, Kountry Klipper, McWhirter Farms, Mustang Country, Ramona's Hair Affair, Renaissance Productions, Sellers Ag Supply, Tsa Mo Ga, State Representative Gary Walker, Yoakum County Art Association, Shelly Lowery at Tangles, Sam's Club of Lubbock, Pat Lowery of Gywen's II in Lubbock, County Clerk Debbie Rushing, and Texas Tech Athletic Ticket Office (Daniel Canada). "We sincerely thank these individuals and groups for their support", said Powell.

By Linda Powell

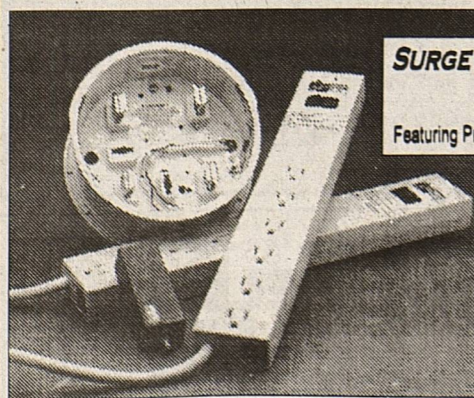
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The Commissioners Court of Yoakum County will receive bids until 8 a.m., Friday, January 28, 2000, for the purchase of (1) new tractor, with the trade-in of a 1991 John Deere tractor, for the Yoakum County Park in Plains.

Bids will be reviewed with contract to be awarded in the Commissioners Court on Monday, January 31, 2000.

Bid price will be paid from 2000 budgeted fund.

For bid forms and specifications, please contact the Yoakum County Auditor, PO Box 516, Plains, Texas 79355, or call 806-456-2422, or you may also contact Commissioner Jim Barron, PO Box 120, Plains, Texas 79355 or call 806-456-4371.

Sealed bids should be marked "BID-TRACTOR" on the envelope and mailed or delivered to County Judge, Dallas Brewer, PO Box 456/Cowboy Way and Avenue G, Plains, Texas 79355. **NO FAX COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

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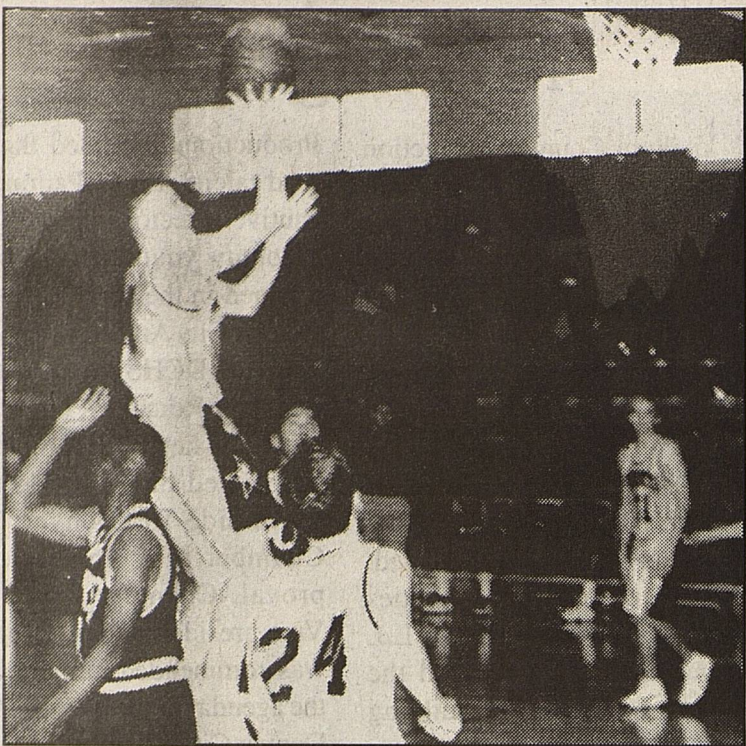
Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office Teddy J. Copeland, Area Engineer, Lubbock, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas at the expense of the bidder.

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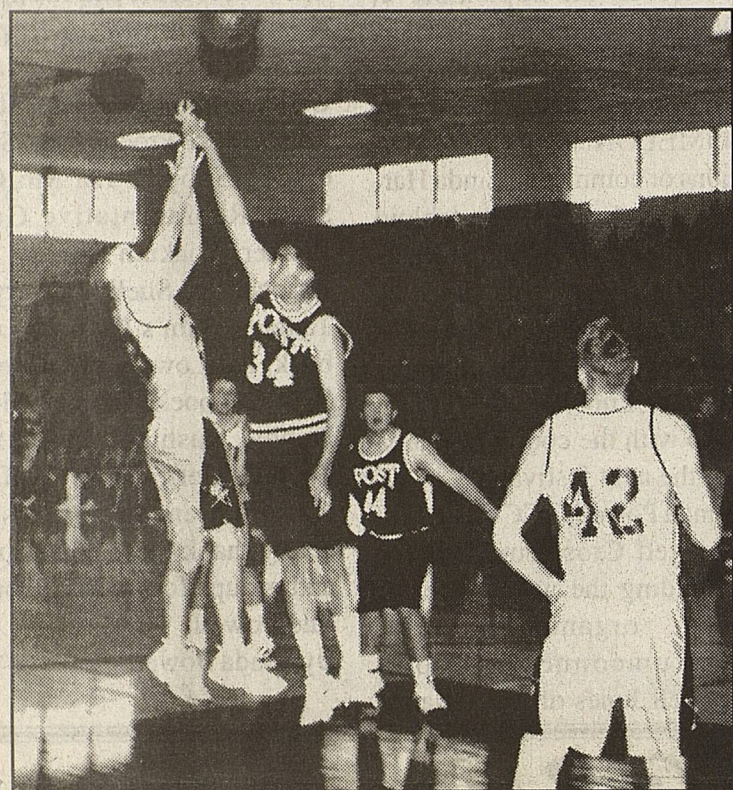


Jarod Newland watches Jeremy Morphis make jumper

PHS Basketball Wrap Up

Junior High:

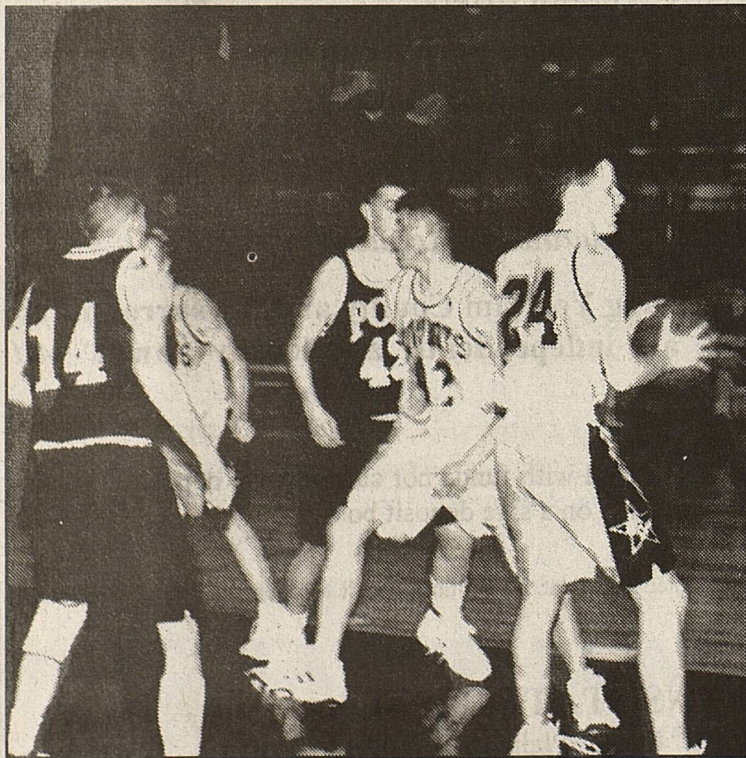
7th Girls - The girls played Tahoka much closer than their first meeting, but still were downed 44-14. Kristian Morales and Jesenia Suarez managed 5 points each, Jamie Covarrubias had 4. In the tournament here, with only 30 seconds left, they lost to Morton 20-18. Lela Coronado and Jessnia had 6 points each, Kristian 4 and Daniela Lazos 2. In their finale, they played better defense, but were downed by Whiteface 22-10. Kristian had 6 points, Jamie 3, Daniela 1 point.



Aaron Cain shoots, Chris Willis ready for rebound

8th Girls - The older girls had an extremely hard time with Tahoka, and were defeated 47-3. In their first tournament game against Morton, they forced the game to three overtimes, but were finally downed 25-22 in a good game. Jeanie Longoria had 8 points, Marlie Diaz 6, Sarah Martinez 4, Moriah Traweck and Helen Neufeld 2 each. They had another good effort against Seagraves, but finally fell 31-27. Moriah had 10 points, Sarah and Jeanie 5 each, Marlie 4, Mayra Flores 2, Helen 1.

7th Boys - The 7th boys came out on top against Tahoka 29-21. Daniel Parker had 11 points, Evan Cain 7, Cody Flores 6, and Scott Bruton 5. The 'B' boys lost to Tahoka 14-8. Cole Krebsbach had 4 points, Breck Hamm and Brandon Hise 2 each. In the tournament here, they came out strong



Jarod Newland ready to move the ball

PISD Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

Elementary 'A' Honor Roll

First Grade
Stephanie Addison
Patricia Avila
Jaxon Bean
Jaaron Bell
Chloe Carpenter
Jose Corrales
Hannah Crump
Emily Davis
Lee Dearing
Samantha Delarosa
Cody Friesen
Kevin John Gass
Guadalupe Lara
Brittanie Lara
Roberto Reyna
Hunter Welch
Magen Whitford
Joseph Williams

Second Grade

Claudia Andazola
Taylor Banfield
Jacob Brink
Natalie Butler
Brock Carter
Brandon Craft
Jason Durham
Emila Gallegos
Justin Gonzales
Brett Hawthorne
Natalie Haynes
Abigail Hernandez
Johnny Land
Ignacio Lozano
Hector Luna
Maria Martinez
Nathan McCravey
Jacob Neudorf
Sara Neudorf
Troy Parrish
Kenyon Powell
Victoria Valverde
Katelynn Young
Third Grade
Chris Addison
Brianna Conway
Wyatt Dearing
Landon Earnest
Reyna Gallegos
Derek Garza
Zachary Guerra
Yesenia Loya
Jonathan Mindieta
Holden Welch
Fourth Grade
Kurt Alldredge
Maria Andazola
L'Shae Arnett
Chandra Carpenter
Douglas Conway
Ryan Crump
Amber Friesen
Trent Hawthorne
Lauren Hise
Zachary Ramos
Katie Winn

Elementary 'A-1 B' Honor Roll

First Grade
Forrest Booth
Second Grade
Sydney Cueto
Abigail Hernandez
Third Grade
A.J. Martinez
Skyler Sainz
Fourth Grade
Flor Lara

Junior High 'A' Honor Roll

Fifth Grade
Scott Addison
Caitlin Carter
Landon Craft
Jose Gallegos
Angelica Mendoza
Araceli Mendoza
Adriana Ponce
Sixth Grade
Michael Crump
Casson Curtis
Allison Friesen
Reagan Haynes
Skylar Keesee
B.J. Lester
Adam McCravey
Blake O'Quinn
Abel Ramos

Seventh Grade

Payton Bean
Evan Cain
Cody Flores
Mayra Flores
Brandon Hise
Kristian Morales
Kerry Sisson
Eighth Grade
Stacie Alldredge
Helen Neufeld
Nolan Newsom
Moriah Traweck
Manuela Villegas
April Wilmeth

Junior High 'A-1 B' Honor Roll

Fifth Grade
Nicole Culwell
Erika Loewen
Margaret Martens
Colby Wilmeth
Sixth Grade
David Alldredge
Tiffany Bruton
Ramiro Martinez
Seventh Grade
Breck Hamm
Brant Huerta
Kelby Johnson
Cole Krebsbach
Eighth Grade
Austin Keesee
Grady McNabb

High School 'A' Honor Roll

Ninth Grade
Jordan Bean
Mario Bonilla
Sandra Gallegos
Jill Gray
Ismari Guzman
Liz Wilmeth
Tenth Grade
Allison Butler
Ragan McGinty
Annaliesa O'Quinn
Eleventh Grade
Lensey Cullins
Roxy Fuentes
Kari Gutersloh
Nicole Haynes
Eric Nixon
Lesli Rowe
Elva Ruiz
Twelfth Grade
Joshua Bell
Krystle Blundell
Candace Bowers

Velvet Canada
Kristen Gray
Wendy Hernandez
Angie Longoria
Nicole Newsom
Anne Palmer
Patty Ruiz
Kyle Sisson
Jason Swann

'A-1 B' Honor Roll

Ninth Grade

Krystal Gonzalez
Nick Hays
Tenth Grade
Wendy Fierro
Chris Hansen
Roberto Luna
Servando Luna
Scott Tirrell
Becky Wilmeth

Eleventh Grade

Emily Blair
Eddie Gallegos
Amanda Garcia
Taylor Gray
Kimbe Jones
Armando Luna
Maria Reyna
Dustin Sellers
Dustin Six
Lexi Warren
Twelfth Grade
Leticia Canon
Jessica Flores
America Hernandez
Brenda Lozano
Fermin Luna
Laura Morales
Staci Tuggle

Semester All 'A' Honor Roll

Ninth Grade

Sandra Gallegos
Jill Gray

Tenth Grade

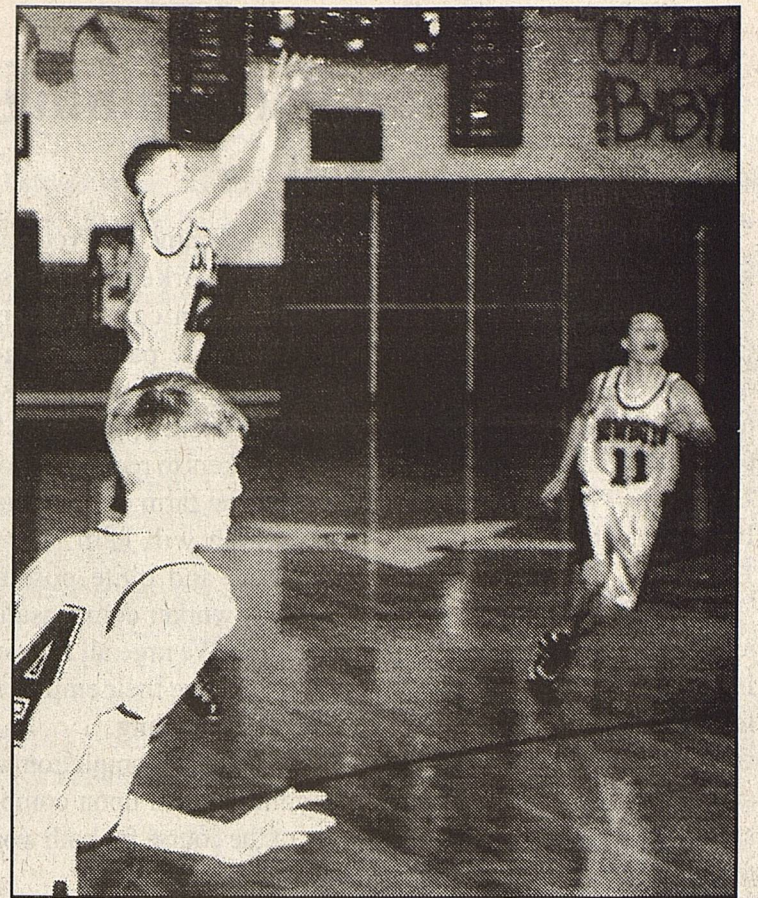
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Sterling Deaton gets off 3 pointer, Jeff Lollar, Chris Hansen moves in

and defeated Sundown 28-17. Evan managed 8 points, Payton Bean and Scott had 6 each, Isaac Ramon 4, Cody and Brand Huerta 2 each. They didn't fare so well against Morton, falling 65-15. Daniel had 9 points, Cody, Isaac and Brandon 2 each.

High School:

Frosh Cowboys - The young Cowboys enjoyed their highest point production of the season, but were still defeated by Tahoka 78-40. Angel Ruiz had 17 points, Ryann Swann 12, Jonathan de la Rosa 6, Chase Howell and Benny Loewen 2 each, Miguel Coronado 1. In the Whiteface tournament, they were beaten by Lorenzo's JV 62-23. Miguel managed 7 points, Jonathan and Benny 4 each, Ryann and Kelly Bowers 3 each, Angel 2. In their best game of the season, the 8th Cowboys whipped the Wellman JV 43-40. Jonathan 14 points, Chase 10, Kelly 6, Miguel 3 and Ryann 2. Fighting for Consolation honors, they were felled by Anton JV 51-42. Angel scored 18 points, Kelly 10, Jonathan 7, Chase 3, Ryann and Miguel 2 each.

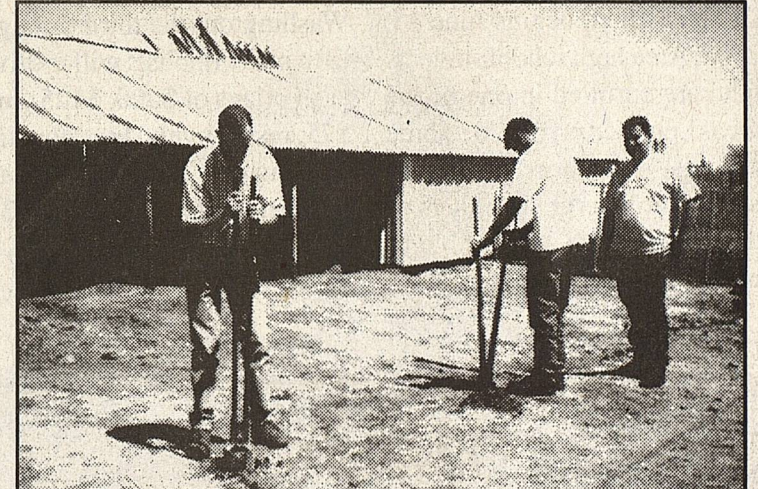
JV Cowgirls - (Black Team) The girls played their best of the year, but lost to a good Whiteface team 33-14. Keri Hansen had 8 points, Liz Wilmeth 4, Jill Gray 2. Kenia Molina, Mandi Rogers and Keri were cited for defense and hustle. The regular JV were downed by a good Post squad 47-38. Kayla Willis topped scoring with 10 points, Keri 8, Jessica Rodriguez 7.

JV Cowboys - The younger Cowboys had a very good outing against Post, winning 55-40. Jarod Newland led the scoring with 13 points, Tanner Hamm had 10, Jeremy Morphis 9, Joseph Rodriguez 8. The District win makes their season record 11-4.

Varsity Cowgirls - The girls were dropped by the Post Lady Lopes 65-33. Anne Palmer dropped in 11 points, Kristen Gray had 7, Krystle Blundell 6, Annaliesa O'Quinn 4, Candace Bowers 5, Lexi Warren 2. Candace pulled down 7 rebounds, Krystle has 3 steals.

Varsity Cowboys - The boys whacked Post 75-31, with Dustin Six leading the way with 16 points. Patrick McGinty and Kelsey Blundell had 9 each, Eddy Gallegos 4, Alex Tarango, Kyle Sisson, Brett Squyres, Fermin Luna, Josh Bell, Justin Bennett and Jared Bell 2 each. Bennett grabbed 6 rebounds.

"Learn & Serve" at PHS



Students quickly learned posthole diggers aren't fun

Vocational Home Economics students received valuable insight recently in how they can both learn and serve their school and the community. Mrs. Judy Deaton's students first project utilized federal grant funds in a project to update the score keepers table in the gym, and put their artistic talent to work designing logos on the lighted front of the table. They next worked with vocational ag students at the school ag farm. They mapped out ground for a series of metal frames, dug post holes poured cement, then installed shades on the frames, providing needed shade for livestock show animals kept at the farm. Deaton said, "They took advantage of an opportunity to use funds for a worthwhile project, and learned the importance of working together as a class, and with other student organizations."

Student of the Week

PHS student of the week is Liz Wilmeth, a freshman, and the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ty Wilmeth. Liz was nominated by Mrs. O'Quinn who said, "Sometimes freshman are reluctant to be involved in school activities, but not this one. This student participates in band, athletics, academic competition and



maintains good grades. She is committed to experiencing every aspect of student life. She has a great attitude and works hard.

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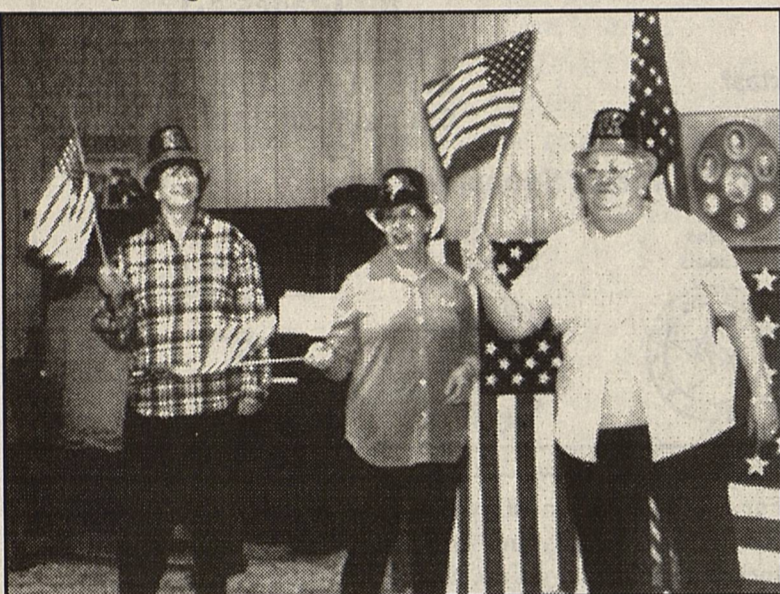
Dolly (Bonnie Earnest) promised to never go away again



Marilyn Monroe (Connie McWhirter) felt diamonds are a girls best friend



A genteel "Mary, Mary" by Wadonna Davis



'Y2K' Rockets Toni Jones, Betty Estep, Inetta Teaff were very patriotic



Betty Estep portrayed a ballet star in an unusual Tu Tu.

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Senior Citizens Corner

Tuesdays free lunch winners in the '42' tournament were Billie O'Neal and Billie McDonnell. Second place winners were Gladys Thomason and Chris Humphrey. There was a nice turn out for the contest and the more the merrier, so come join in next time. Our sympathy to the families of Flossie Ford, Mable Ely and Opal Croone.

There is a lot of illness. Anyone can almost get the flu just by watching the news on T.V. I, for one, lived through the flu epidemic of 1918 and its scary.

The lunch menu for next week sounds nice. Everyone is welcome to come have lunch and participate in all the activities.

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See you next week,
Smitty

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From The Hack

I am almost ashamed to admit this.... Sometimes I think females have more fun than us big, bad, brawny males.

This was brought to my attention last week when I attended and photoed the Tsa Mo Ga ladies musical.

Take a bunch of gals, ranging from barely grandmother age, to several with great grandkids, persuade them to dress in all sorts or really weird garb, dance, sing, flaunt themselves about the floor in wild abandon, throw in some good music, what do you have? A pretty neat show, and I salute the director and cast for their work. A fun night!

Politics will be the hot issue through the primaries and general November election. The stove top is already simmering. Front running Republican Presidential candidates George W. and McCain are at each others throat over tax issues. I predict before it's all over they will be at one another's throat over abortion, food stamps,

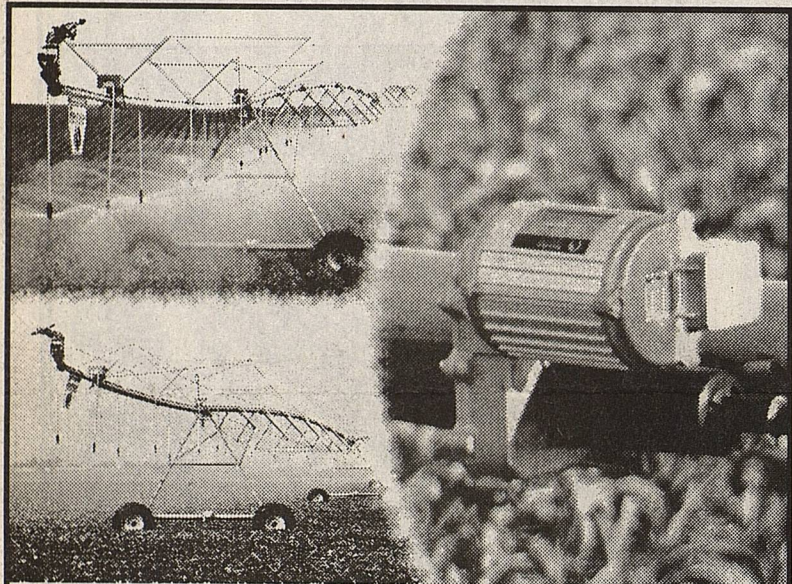
postal rates, drugs, school prayer, Nafta, the NRA, blind lead dogs and Texas versus Arizona picante sauce. George W. will also probably extol the virtues of Shiner and Lone Star Beer. Does the state of Aridzona brew beer? Run with it, George W.

A frequent political conversation and question usually turns to this; If Hillary Clinton manages to get on the ballot for the Senate seat of New York State, will she cast Bubba Willy aside before or after the big election? I'm serious - I have heard a large number of Democrats debating the issue - can him now, clear the decks for action, or continue to cradle him to her bosom until the voting is over, then tie a bell to his tail and boot him down the road. Very interesting.

Scholarships Available Through Lea County Electric Cooperative Education Foundation

Area high schools received scholarship application forms this week that will allow students whose families are members of Lea County Electric Cooperative to apply for scholarships in the amount of \$500 per semester. Re-

ipients of the renewable scholarships may use the funds to attend any accredited institution of higher learning in New Mexico or Texas up to a maximum of eight semesters. Applicants must enroll as full time students and maintain at least a 2.50 cumulative grade point average. According to Mike Dreyspring, Administrator for the Lea County Electric Education Foundation, the program has been providing scholarships to area students since 1988. "Scholarships for the fall semester of 2000 will total \$25,000. We're able to fund the program through individual donations to the Foundation as well as undeliverable capital credits that would otherwise escheat to control of the state. The awarding of over \$285,000 over the last twelve years signals our trustees' commitment to the educational welfare of the communities within the Cooperative's service territory", Dreyspring said. The Foundation also administers the Jackie C. Noack Memorial Scholarship which provides recipients with \$375 per semester up to a maximum of four semesters. Application forms for both scholarships are available at the main office of the Cooperative in Lovington, as well as their offices in Tatum and Plains, Texas, and are due no later than February 11, 2000. For further information contact Allan Brown at (800) 510-5232 (LCEC).



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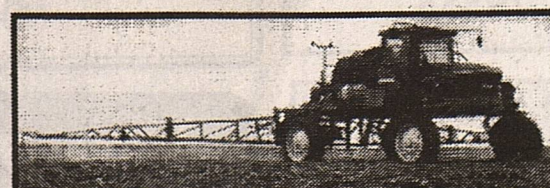
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