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Politics out of 'no pass, no play' law

The Texas Supreme Court last week took politics out of the "no pass, no play" law by declaring it constitutional, but pre-campaign activity was stepped up in the attorney general's race.

One Republican announced he would challenge Democratic incumbent AG Jim Mattox, and three other Republicans say they are lined up to follow suit.

Mattox, meanwhile, was all over the field in an aggressive display of the power of his office. Friend and foe alike concede Mattox is one of the best campaigners, bar none, in the state.

10 most wanted
He stepped up his war on fathers who fail to make child support payments by announcing a list of high-dollar delinquent dads.

Mattox called the regional



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

listed the "10 Most Wanted," and asked state newspapers and television and radio stations to print and broadcast the names.

Mattox said his agency will buy advertisement if free space/time isn't provided.

Pass-play rule
The High Court's upholding of the no pass-no play rule will probably end the ruckus and

lawsuits over the controversial new law which requires students to pass all courses or give up extracurricular activities.

In dozens of cases this spring, lower court judges ordered school districts to drop the prohibition on sub-par students' non-class activities.

Mattox said the ruling is a clear signal to lower courts to quit tinkering with the law.

Thanks, Dusty!

To the Editor:
A big word of thanks needs to go out to Dusty Lowe, basketball and tennis coach at Rice High School, for the tremendous amount of work and effort he put forth during the just completed tournament sponsored by the Eagle Lake Tennis Association.

Due to Dusty's diligence, there was a high level of competition on hand for the meet.

Competitors on the tennis court included numerous former district-level champions, all-time players and all-time champions. There also were several former collegian players who competed. In short, the

To the Editor:
My husband is a great grandson of William Chester, founder of Chesterville, Texas. Recently while visiting a cousin we saw a copy of the Chesterville News dated July 19, 1901. Would it be possible for us to purchase a copy of that paper. If so please send us the amount and we will forward it immediately.

We certainly appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,
Gerald E. Thomas
Rt. 1, Box 183A
Burtrum, Minn., 56318
Editor's Note: If anyone in the area can provide the Thomases some information, I'm sure they would appreciate it.

4-H summer horse program results

These are the results of this past Monday night July 8 4-H Summer Horse Program held at the 4-H Horse Club Arena:

WESTERN PLEASURE
Beginners: Tiffany Crane, 1st; Heather Hiltcher, 2nd; Brooke Crane, 3rd; Delana Smith, 4th; Chad Mueller, 5th; Libby McMurrugh, 6th; 8 and under: Chad Fuchs, 1st; Carl Crane, 2nd; Ashley Crane, 3rd; Misty Crane, 4th; LeShon Dromgoole, 5th; Sarah Fuchs, 6th; 9 to 12: Dana Shea Dromgoole, 1st; Tanya Shrader, 2nd; Matthew Bronco, 3rd; Kirk Hattermann, 4th; Bo Shrader, 5th; Chas Mueller, 6th; 13 and over: Paul Robinson, 1st; Tanya Sue Stephens, 2nd; Paula Baumgarten, 3rd; Leah Shrader, 4th; Shea Venghaus, 5th; Bonnie McMurrugh, 6th.

REINING
Beginners: Tiffany Crane, 1st; Brooke Crane, 2nd; Heather Hiltcher, 3rd; David Fuchs, 4th; 8 and under: Kacey Stewart, 1st; Carl Crane, 2nd; Misty Crane, 3rd; Ashley Crane, 4th; Sarah Fuchs, 5th; LeShon Dromgoole, 6th; 9 to 12: Dana Shea Dromgoole, 1st; Bo Shrader, 2nd; Matt Stone, 3rd; Tanya Sue Stephens, 4th; Kirk Hattermann, 5th; Katy McMurrugh, 6th; 13 and over: Leah Shrader, 1st; Bonnie McMurrugh, 2nd; Tanya Sue Stephens, 3rd; Shea Venghaus, 4th; Paula Baumgarten, 5th; Mack Wade Dromgoole, 6th.

WESTERN RIDING
Beginners: Tiffany Crane, 1st; Brooke Crane, 2nd; Heather Hiltcher, 3rd; Leslie Trammel, 4th; Delana Smith, 5th; Michele Gorman, 6th; 8 and under: Carl Lyn Crane, 1st; LeShon Dromgoole, 2nd; Ashley

which the Legislature passed last summer when it reformed the public school system.

Student competency
Another hotly contested reform, the pre-diploma test, is also about to get under way.

The State Board of Education is giving final approval to the test version which will be used to rate high school students before they graduate.

High school juniors who fail the exam will be required to take remedial classes, and, if they do not pass it by the end of their senior year, they cannot graduate on schedule.

Secrecy as well as controversy now surrounds the test. Board members signed sworn statements pledging not to reveal the contents.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Mascheck were in Austin last week to attend a Management Workshop conducted by the University of Texas.

LET'S LOOK BACK...

24 YEARS

July 20, 1961
Jim Clipson of Eagle Lake began combining of the first rice of the 1961 crop. Mr. and Mrs. George Matthews and sons, Johnny, George, and James were hosts July 15 for a family reunion.

Cadet Charles D. Jocheta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jocheta of Eagle Lake, is receiving six weeks training at the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps summer camp at Fort Hood.

The Humble Service Station at Altair had their formal grand opening of the station last Saturday. Harvey Lamascus is the manager. A miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. James E. Adkins, a recent bride, was held in Lissie. Miss Linda

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New Lions president

Mike Ramsey (left), 1985-86 Garwood Lions Club president, is shown receiving the gavel from past president Paul Parker at the club's annual installation and awards banquet where new officers were installed and 32 members received awards. Photo courtesy of El Campo Leader-News

Dorcas Class met in home of Mrs. J.O. Stein

Monday, July 8, the home of Mrs. J.O. Stein was the meeting place for the "Dorcas Class" of the First Baptist Church. Jane Massey called the meeting to order and conducted a short business meeting. Mrs. Stein gave a devotional on Justice and Kindness to Others, which she concluded by reading the poem, "God has not Promised."

The hostess served delicious refreshments and a social time was enjoyed by the members.

Anytime a grown person hurts a child's feelings so bad that she cries, you darn right I get mad. My daughter went home crying after the last game asking me why she was good enough to be picked for the team, but wasn't allowed to play. If they were not good enough, why were they picked in the first place, to hurt their feelings? These girls did not deserve to be treated as

Sheriff's Report

The Sheriff's office would like to remind everyone that it is unlawful for the Sheriff or anyone else to remove a name from the jury wheel once it has been drawn. Anyone that has a death in the family and the deceased is a registered voter, the family should notify the tax collector to have the name removed from the jury pool. Once a name has been drawn, it is a jail and fine offense for the Sheriff to discard and fail to mail the jury notice.

7-8-85: assisted at the scene of a vehicle fire on 71 Byrnes; checked on a reported dog bite near Columbus; assisted at the scene of an accident near Bernardo; checked on a suspicious subject east of Columbus; issued two traffic citations; served five civil citations.

7-9-85: investigated a burglary near Eagle Lake; recovered a trailer that was stolen in Houston; assisted at the scene of an accident on IH-10; had county court; checked on a disturbance in Rock Island; issued four traffic citations; served seven civil citations.

7-10-85: checked on a burglar alarm activating on 109; had county court; assisted with a funeral procession in Columbus; transported a prisoner from Houston to Columbus for court; removed livestock from the roadway on Rees Lane; issued three traffic citations; served four civil citations.

7-11-85: assisted at the scene of an accident near Rock Island; responded to a burglar alarm activating in Columbus; transported a prisoner from Harris County to Columbus for court; had county court; posted two citations in the courthouse; served two civil citations.

7-12-85: checked on a suspicious vehicle on G. Miller Road; arrested one for assault; investigated a theft near Garwood; checked on a reported theft in Alleyton and investigated the theft of a tractor on county road 258; assisted at the scene of an inquest near Mantec; removed livestock from the roadway on 102; assisted at the scene of an accident on 106; transported two prisoners from Harris County to Columbus for court; served five civil citations.

7-13-85: checked on an accidental shooting near Freiburg; assisted a stranded motorist near Rock Island; checked on a vehicle in a ditch south of Columbus; checked on a suspicious vehicle on 71 North.

Proper rangeland management is essential

Proper management of range grass plants is essential if these plants are to remain healthy, vigorous and thrifty. Understanding how these grasses grow is also essential in order to properly manage these plants, according to the Soil Conservation Service.

The leaves and green stems are the factories of grass plants. In fact, 95 percent of the total plant food is called photosynthesis which converts solar energy from the sun into simple sugars in the plant.

When the leaves of the plant are grazed too short, the ability of the leaves to make food is greatly reduced. This results in loss of roots, and a reduction of plant vigor, thus making the plant weakened.

If grazing of the grass plant persist, the end result will be death of the plant simply because it cannot make any food to keep itself alive.

When continuous overgrazing occurs, this results in less available forage for livestock, and poorer quality forage. The final result of overgrazing is higher feed bills and less profit.

Undesirable plants replace the grass, and eventually bar ground is the result with ugly scars of erosion showing up on the face of the land. This is why proper grass management, and proper grazing height of grass plants are important.

As a rule of thumb, the amount of percentage of a grass plant which can safely be grazed in about 50 percent. Using this rule of thumb, and depending on the growing season, i.e. rainfall, climate and other factors, the plant will have enough leaf surface remaining to adequately produce forage, and to keep itself healthy.

Storage batteries
The roots of the plant are used as storage batteries, so to speak, so that the food reserves can be used to put out new growth in the following spring.

Another factor to consider in grass management is that about one-half of the roots of a plant die off each year and need to be replaced.

The best way to achieve proper grazing of grass on rangelands is to stock the livestock numbers according to the available forage produced.

Deferred grazing is another valuable way to improve all range conditions. It gives the land a rest for a certain period of time such as 3 months each year during the growing season.

This will promote natural revegetation by increasing the vigor of the grass stand and permit desirable plants to produce seed. It can provide a food reserve for fall and winter grazing or emergency use. It will improve the appearance of the range, and help prevent soil and water loss.

For assistance in determining range conditions, grass plant identifications, livestock stocking rates, and suggested systems of grazing, contact the personnel of the Soil Conservation Service in Columbus at 732-2573 or write to 316 Spring St. in Columbus.

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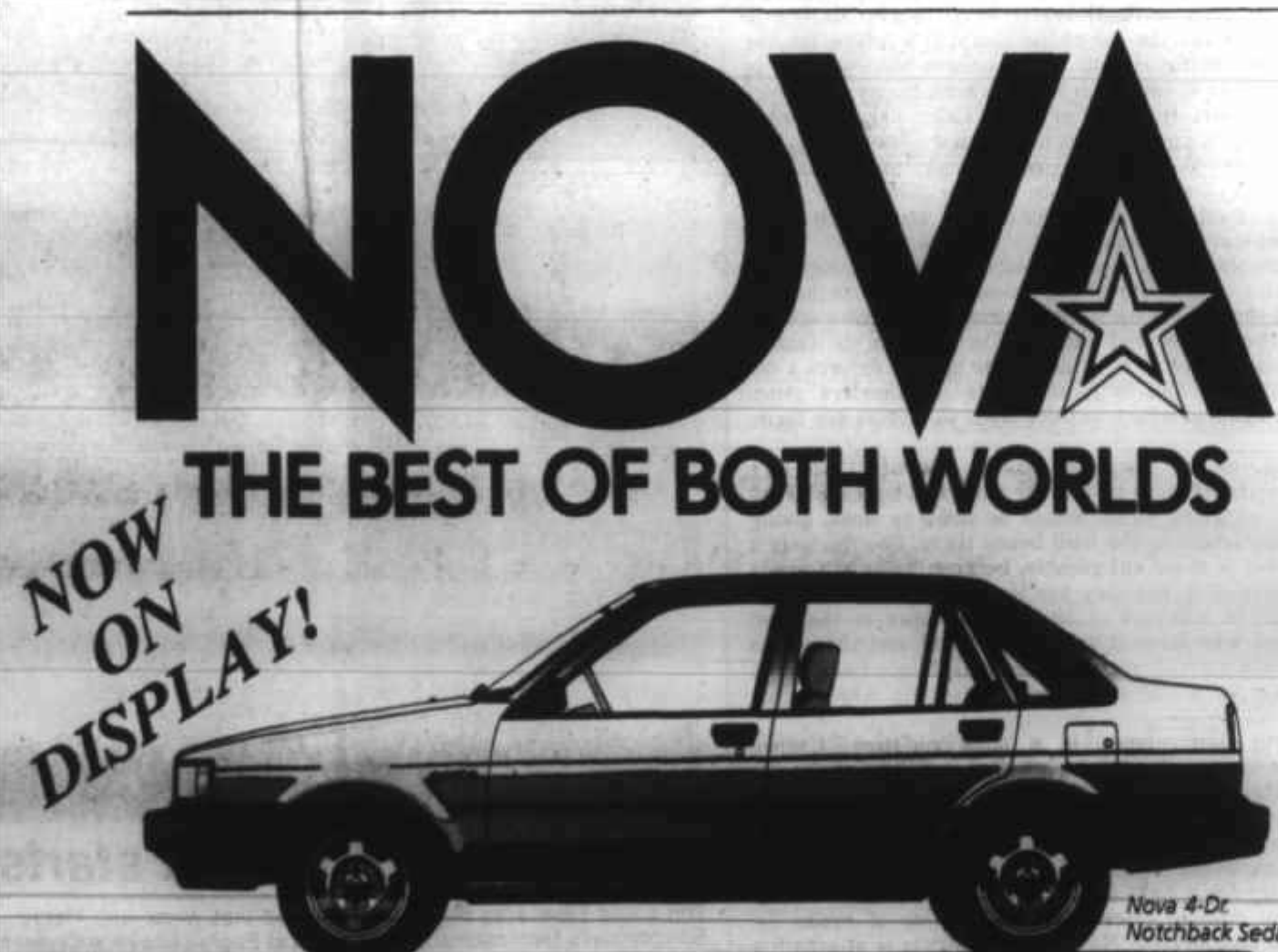
Cut off about 18 inches of floss and wrap the ends around the middle fingers, leaving about 2 inches between the hands. Guide it with thumbs for the top teeth and index fingers for the lower. Pass the floss gently between two teeth, sliding several times to the gum and back along the side of one tooth. Repeat the scraping on the side of the adjacent tooth and move on until all teeth are flossed.

A word of caution: Always control the floss. Try never to snap the floss suddenly between two teeth as the gums may be sensitive. Use a gentle, sawing motion. If gums bleed, you may be flossing too hard, or they may be in poor health. It makes sense to have your dentist or hygienist demonstrate the flossing method to you. It will help insure the future health of your teeth and gums.

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DEED TRANSACTIONS
Deed, Don Linder to Richard Shaw, 12 acres, Peter Finger League 6-20-85.
Deed, William Goldsmith, 12-acre, dependent on the estate of the late William Goldsmith to William Goldsmith, 12 acres, part of the Henry Austin First League Grant; 9-24-85.
Deed, R.P. Foster, et al to DeWayne A. Kyles, et al Part of Lots 1 and 2 in Block No. 15, City of Columbus 7-5-85.
Deed, Dorothy Isabel Duggs to Carmine Duggs, 28.83 acres, Gabriel Riverwelder League 6-20-85.
Deed, H. Winfield Albertson Jr. to H. Thomas I. undivided interest to wit 12.18 acres, James Cummins League 7-1-85.
Consent Warranty Deed, Glibe M. Jr. Trustee to Fred Scott, Jr. et al; Lot 16, Jerry Pastorek Subdivision, Part of Block Survey 1-2-85.
Deed, Paul E. Higgins, et al to David S. Leyden 5-15-85.
Deed, James L. Lusk to H. H. H. Deed, Fred W. Walling, et al to Judith Ann Wall, 8.0 acre Daniel O'Brien 6-24-85.
Deed, Guy R. Beard to Edward Marshall, et al; Lot 22 in Block No. 22, Town of Burdick 6-16-85.

W.C. GAS LEASES
Basic Lease, G.W. Kell to Robert Mosbacher, 28.38 acres, Elizabeth Duggs Survey 6-24-85.
L.V. Gray to Tynd Energy Corporation 10.25 acres; 1 & G.N.E.D. Co. Survey 7-12-85.
Shirley Linder's Club of Sherridan to Ray R. Gardner, et al designated as Logan Park, Town of Sherridan, 5-16-85.
Vernita D. Jocheta, et al to Ray R. Gardner, undivided interest Lots 5 and 6, Block 15 and Lot 4 Block 20, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Floyd Purkay West to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15 and 16, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Charles Ernest Flippin, et al to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15, 16, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
John Massey, et al, individually and as agents and attorney-in-fact for Massey to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15, 16, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.

19 and 24, Block 26, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Gilbert H. Hattcher, et al to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15, 16, and 6, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Gordon M. and Patricia M. to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Robert Mosbacher et al to Ray R. Gardner, 10 acres, John Meyer Survey 6-20-85.
First Baptist Church of Sherridan, by Trustees, Gilbert Hattcher et al to Ray R. Gardner, various lots in Town of Sherridan 4-17-85.
Gordon Albene West to Ray R. Gardner, various lots in Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Lena Brown, et al to Ray R. Gardner, Lot 15 and 16, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Deed, Robert H. Hattcher, et al to Ray R. Gardner, 1.61 acre, M. Cooke Survey and Lot 16, Block 15, Town of Sherridan 5-16-85.
Harvey J. Hattermann, et al to Fayette Exploration Company, 128.80 acres, James G. O'Farrell Survey 5-16-85.

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Let's talk.

Spotlight on Texas
Texas has become the envy of many other states. And it's not just because of our mouth-watering chili and mesquite-smoked barbecue.

Our state is now attracting more and more businesses to headquarters or locate a major operation here. Corpus Christi was just chosen as the new U.S. Navy base for the battleship Wisconsin. And support warships will be stationed in the Houston-Galveston area. The annual economic impact is expected to top \$250 million.

No longer is our state a land of only oil and agriculture. While these industries still play major roles, they are now part of a varied big picture, which includes the banking, defense, computer, tourism and telecommunications industries, to name a few.

Regardless of their locations within Texas, the influx of new businesses is a boon to the whole state. New businesses increase the state's tax base and create new jobs for all Texans.

Attracting new businesses
Helping to draw new businesses to Texas are the state's abundant resources, good climate, excellent transportation and hard-working residents.

For example, good transportation was a dominating reason for Southwestern Bell Telephone's recent decision to locate a major distribution warehouse in Lancaster, south of Dallas. The new 400,000 square foot complex will serve all five of our company's states.

In addition to transportation, telecommunications facilities are also important in many business relocation decisions.

Southwestern Bell Telephone is proud to offer top-notch telecommunications in the 450 towns it serves in Texas. For the eighth year in a row, we are investing more than \$1 billion in new construction to meet Texas' growth and to continue adding state-of-the-art communications facilities.

Reasonable phone rates
Also, Texas residential telephone rates are among the lowest in the nation. In fact, a recent study conducted by an investment brokerage firm — Smith Barney — found Texas had the lowest average monthly residence bill among the 18 states surveyed.

From 1975 to 1984, the average residential phone service for most Texans increased only 44 percent. During that time, the Consumer Price Index rose 53 percent, gasoline went up 117 percent, medical costs increased 184 percent, while natural gas prices rose 239 percent.

In fact, statistics show it actually takes a smaller percentage of earned income to pay for telephone service today than it did 25 years ago.

Even at our current proposed increases, Texans will continue to enjoy quality communications at affordable rates.

What makes Texas grow? It's a lot of factors. From its highways to its telecommunications services to its state government that actively works to promote economic development.

It's also good people. Including Southwestern Bell Telephone's 35,000 Texas employees. We're proud of our traditions of service in the state since the late 1800s. And we're confident of our abilities to continue meeting the needs of our growing state.

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