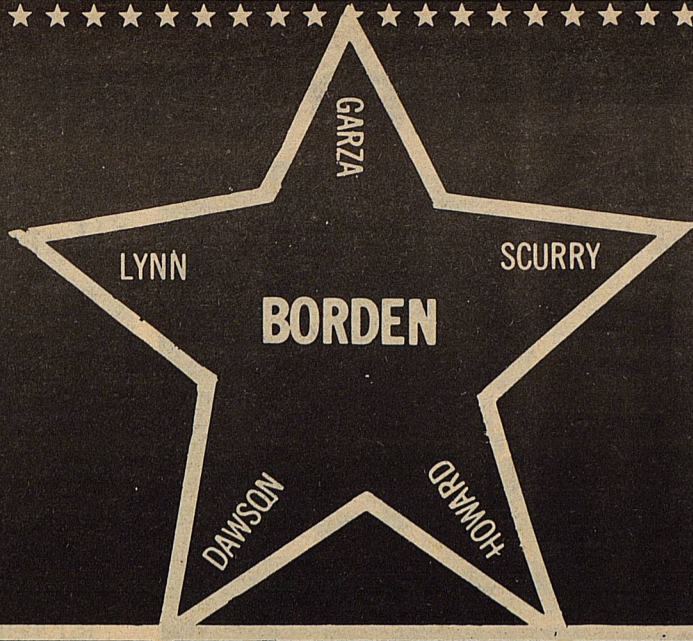


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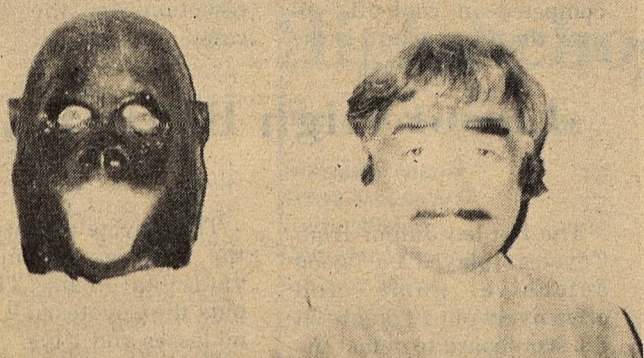
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We're ready for Halloween, how about you?

Halloween Carnival October 31

The Borden County Parents Club is sponsoring a Halloween Carnival Saturday, October 31. The carnival will be held in the County barn beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets will be sold at the barn for the individual booths which include: Bingo, Cake Walk, Dunking Booth, Ring Toss, Bean Bag Throw, Fish Pond, Dart Throw, Duck Pond, Baseball Throw, Color Wheel, Football Throw, Basketball Throw, Spookhouse and Mini spookhouse.

Everyone is encouraged to wear a Halloween

costume. Prizes will be awarded for the most original, "spookiest" and best of show in three age groups; pre-school through kindergarten, first and second grade, and third and fourth grade.

The concession stand menu will include frito pie, sandwiches, cokes, coffee, popcorn and many more tasty treats.

The club will hold raffles throughout the night including 50 gallons of gasoline, a hand made quilt and many more.

The money earned at the carnival will be used by the Elementary Parents Club for school projects.

County road fund distributed

State Treasurer Warren G. Harding announced today that early next week \$25,770,675.15 will be distributed to the 254 Texas counties. These funds are the Lateral Road Fund administered by the State Treasurer's office as allocated by the sixty seventh legislature.

The Borden County allocation is \$37,410.33, and the funds will be used for the construction and improvement of county roads. The lateral road fund is comprised of monies derived from gasoline taxes collected at the pump. The

county allocations are based on the county square mile area, the rural population, and the county lateral road mileage. Expenditures of the funds are reported by the counties to the State Treasurer.

Treasurer Harding stated that the distribution includes money appropriated for fiscal years 1980, 1981, and 1982, as well as interest earned on these funds. The 1982 funds are being distributed now rather than at the completion of the fiscal year.

Big Spring Arts and Crafts Festival

The upcoming Big Spring Arts and Crafts Festival, to be held October 17th & 18th in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, will offer a larger variety than previous festivals. It will also feature a larger number of out-of-town exhibitors than the first four shows.

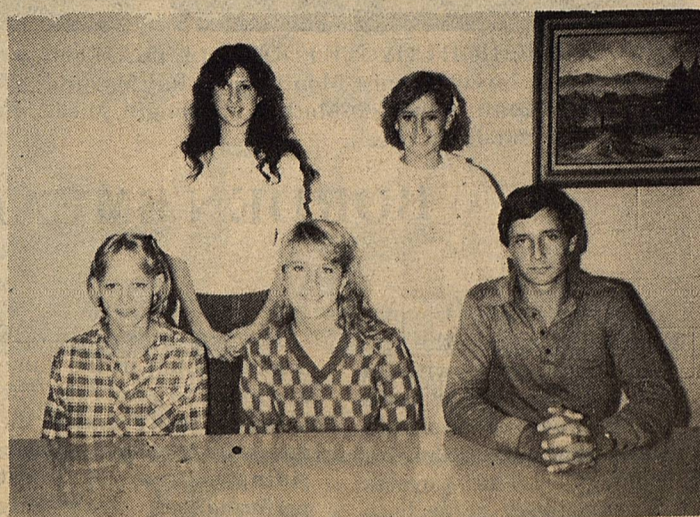
According to festival officials, 60 percent of the more than 160 exhibitors will be from cities other than Big Spring. Austin leads the list of out-of-town entries with 13 represented at the festival. Austin is followed by Midland and Odessa, who will both have seven exhibitors at the local show. Abilene is in fifth place with six, followed by Lubbock with four, and Fort Worth, Sudan, and San Angelo with three.

In addition, the nationally ranked festival will be fairly evenly split between artists and craftsmen. Of those listing their items to be sold at the show, 74 listed art and 82 listed crafts. As in past years, western art and landscapes will lead the list of artists, but will be closely followed by oil field art for the first time in its history.

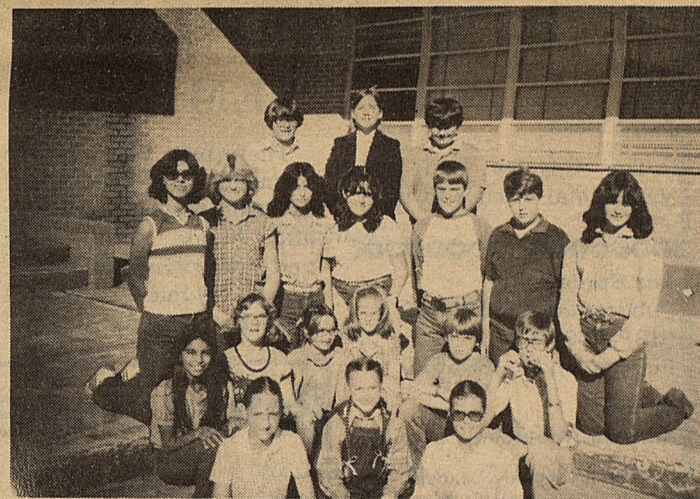
The artists are evenly split with mediums to be represented in oil, acrylics, and watercolors.

As expected, the crafts entries will represent a larger variety than previous show. And, for the first time since its organization, woodcrafts will lead ceramics in exhibitors. During the 1981 festival, there will be 14 woodcraft entries, with only 11 in ceramics. There will also be nine booths offering

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High School Beta Achievement for first six-weeks are Seated-left to right- Marquita Menix, Gena McLeroy, Keith Williams. Standing-Tanya Hollis and Tammy Miller. Not pictured-Jennifer Wilson



Elem. and Jr. High Beta Achievement-Bric John Stephens, Kristi Stone, Gerry Smith. Delane Eppers, Charla Buchanan, Cindy Balaque, Dana Gray, Mickey Burkett, Randell Hollis, Kelli Williams. Elvira Balaque, Kate Porter, D'Lynn Lloyd, Kate Phinizy, Richard Zant, Will Phinizy and front-Shelly Lewis, Ralynn Key and Jennifer Zant.

Homecoming Schedule

Pep Rally-4:00 p.m.
Chili Supper-4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Football Game-7:00 p.m.

BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS



THE JUNIOR HIGH COYOTE FOOTBALL TEAM|Left to right-seated-Michael Murphy, Sam Harris (Mgr.), David Holmes, Monty Floyd, Ray Martinez, Will Phinizy, and Robert Buchanan Back-Gerry Smith, Brice Key, Mathew Massingill, Mickey Burkett, Tommy Soto, Chris Cooley Bric Turner and Jerry Green.

Homecoming Activities Slated

Borden County School will be celebrating Homecoming 1981 on October 16. Activities will include a pep rally and bonfire at 4:00 p.m., a chili supper sponsored by the Borden Booster Club from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria and the football game at 7:00 p.m. in the Coyote Stadium.

R.T. Bell, the famous chili cook, will once again cook the homecoming chili. The Booster Club is extremely lucky to be able to schedule Mr. Bell each year. He has competed in cook-offs all over the country and is the

most famous chuck wagon cook in these parts. The chili supper will include chili, crackers, homemade pie and a drink.

The Homecoming football game with Grady will be highlighted with the crowning of the Homecoming Queen and presentation of football beau and sweetheart as well as Band Sweetheart.

The class of 1971 will be honored with a reception following the game. The Beta Club will host the reception in the school cafeteria

Junior High Beats Ira

The Borden Junior High Coyotes played a good defensive game and offensively put 12 points on the scoreboard to defeat the Ira Bulldogs 12-0. The only scoring in the game was by Chris Cooley. Chris scored both touchdowns and Chris ended the game with 145 yards rushing.

The Coyote defense held the Bulldogs to only 100 yards total offense. The win puts the Coyotes at 2 wins, no losses and 1 tie.

The Coyotes travel to Ira Thursday to play the Bulldogs again. Game time is 6:00 p.m. The Coyotes are tied for zone and need you support to win the zone championship.

BORDEN SMEARS IRA

The Borden High Coyotes scored 28 points in the first quarter of the game with Ira and scored another 28 in the last three quarters to score a 56-8 victory over the Ira Bulldogs. The Coyotes played a good game both offensively and defensively and played with desire. The Coyotes scoring was by Jym Rinehart 6 touchdowns, Mike Peterson 1 touchdown, Fred Burns 1 touchdown, Phillip Benavidez 2 extra point kicks, Jr. Benavidez, 2 extra point kicks.

The Coyotes had 350 yards total offense to Ira's



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140 yards of offense.

The game was called with 5 minutes left in the game due to the 45 point rule. The Coyotes really ended the game in the first quarter, riding on a 28 point performance. Ira's only score was in the 3rd quarter.

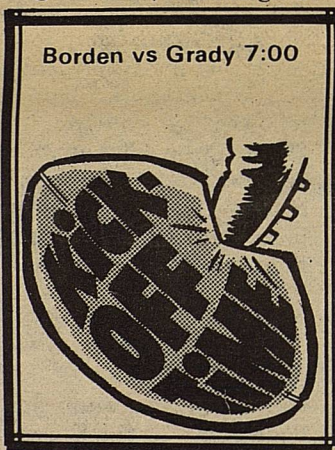
The Coyotes uped their record to 3-2 and 1-0 in district.

CLUB MEMBERS

These new Booster Club members have been added to the list of members-Larry and Wanda Smith, Jack and Marilyn McPhaul, Rube and Sue Smith, and Borden and Dorothy Gray.

The Coyotes play Grady this Friday at 7:00 p.m. at Gail. This is Homecoming, so come out and support the Coyotes and join in the Homecoming activities.

District 2-A Sixman games played October 9, 1981-Borden County 56, Ira 8; Trent 54, Grady 8; Highland 50, Hermleigh 27



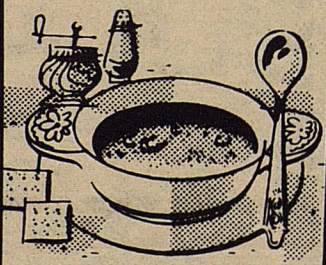
Miss Tana Yates during scooter contest during last Friday's pep rally. You may not can tell, but she is going backwards and the team came in last.

Before Game

CHILI SUPPER

School Cafeteria Oct. 16
4:30-6:30

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6:00 p.m. J.H. Football Grady - Here

First Six Weeks Ends

6:00 p.m. J.H. Football Ira - Here

7:00 p.m. H.S. Football Ira - There

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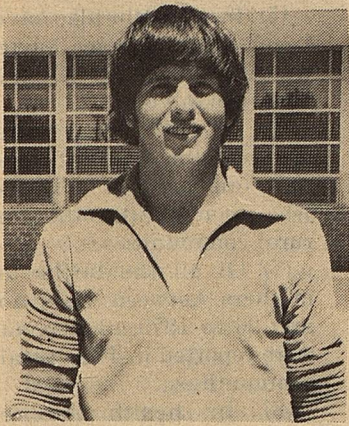
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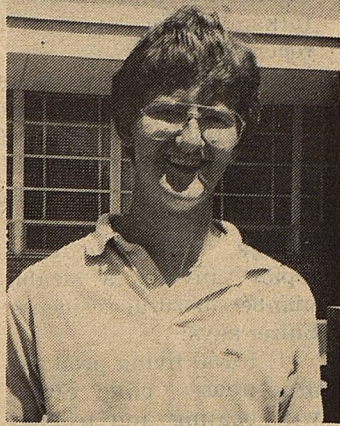
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Halloween

BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS



CHARLES LARUE
Best Defensive Player



DOUG LOVE
Best Offensive Player



PHILLIP BENAVIDEZ
Best Offensive Player



High School Honor Roll for first six-weeks are-Seated left to right- Chip Smith, Glen Gray, Kay Copeland, Jym Rinehart, Doug Love. Standing-Kelli McPhaul, Jeanette Massingill, Becky Massingill, Roxie Wolf, Kelley Lankford, Stephanie Stephens and Samantha Porter. Not pictured Julie Redding.

Pep Rally

Glen Gray, senior, presented the team talk during last Friday's pep rally. "We begin district playoffs with Ira and everything counts, starting now," reminded Glen.

Another senior, Darrell Green, presented spirit stars to the outstanding football players for the week. Receiving the best defensive player award was Charles LaRue and best offensive players were Phillip Benavidez and Doug Love.

Cheerleader, Shellie Peterson presented the spirit jug to Samantha Porter for displaying the most team spirit at football games. Coach Maxwell gave the pep talk.

A scooterboard contest was held. Competing were 4 teams consisting of Dave Briggs, Joe Copeland, Jim Parker; team two-Tana Yates, Cynthia Roemisch and Melba Rinehart; team three-coaches Maxwell, Roemisch and May; team four-Brenda Connor, Sue Jane Mayes and Kay Hopper. The coaches won the contest and received giant cookies as prizes.

Spirit Star Recipients

High School Honors

Beta Achievement

Marquita Menix	12
Gena McLeroy	12
Keith Williams	11
Jennifer Wilson	11
Tammy Miller	10
Tanya Hollis	9

Attendance 9-12
Enrolled 59
Aver. Daily Attend. 57.62
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Percent Attendance 97.49

Honor Roll

Kay Copeland	12
Glen Gray	12
Chip Smith	12
Jym Rinehart	12
Doug Love	11
Julie Redding	11
Kelley Lankford	11
Stephanie Stephens	11
Kelli McPhaul	10
Roxie Wolf	10
Becky Massingill	9
Jeanette Massingill	9
Samantha Porter	9

Elementary-

Junior High Honors

Beta Achievement

Cynthia Balague	8
Delane Eppers	8
Dana Gray	8
Mickey Burkett	7
Gerry Smith	7
John Stephens	7
Kristi Stone	7
Kelli Williams	7
Ralynn Key	6
Shelly Lewis	6
Will Phinizy	6
Jennifer Zant	6
Elvira Balague	5
Randell Hollis	5
D'Lynn Lloyd	5
Kate Phinizy	5
Kate Porter	5
Richard Zant	5
Charla Buchanan	5

Honor Roll

Shannon Biggs	8
Cathy York	8
Mindy Williams	6
Sandra Buchanan	5

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If you would like to buy some fruit, contact one of the following FFA members: Glen Bacon, Dennis Buchanan, Joe Villanueva, Kirby Williams, Phillip Benavidez, Todd Foster, Scott Jones, Keith Martin, Doug Love, Roscoe Massingill, Cody Newton, Kevin Telchik, Keith Williams, Stephanie Herring, Junior Benavidez, Sharon Brummett, Tim Buchanan, Glen Gray, Darrell Green, Jibber Herridge, Jeffrey Martin, Jym Rinehart, Chip Smith, Ty Wills, Darrell Billingsley, and Butch Cribbs.

F.F.A. SELLING FRUIT

The Gail FFA is starting their fruit sale this week. The sale includes oranges, grapefruit, apples and pecans. The cost of the fruit are: small box-20 lb, 6.50; large box 40 lb \$10.00, grapefruit
Oranges
Small box-20 lb-\$6.50
Large box-40 lb \$10.00



Elem. and Jr. High Honor Roll-Shanon Biggs, Mindy Williams, Cathy York and Sandy Buchanan.

Menu

October 19-23, 1981

LUNCH	MONDAY	BREAKFAST
Sloppy Joes Carrot Sticks Pinto Beans Fruit Milk Salad Bar		Cereal Fruit Juice Milk
	TUESDAY	
Chicken & Spaghetti Vegetable Salad English Peas Hot Rolls Pudding Milk Salad Bar		Buttered Rice Fruit Juice Toast Milk
	WEDNESDAY	
Green Enchilada Casserole Tossed Salad Green Beans Hot Rolls Jello & Fruit Milk Salad Bar		Sausage & Gravy Hot Biscuits Fruit Juice Milk
	THURSDAY	
Poor Boy Steak & Gravy Creamed Potatoes Vegetable Salad Hot Rolls Cake Milk Salad Bar		Toast & Jelly Fruit Milk
	FRIDAY	
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It's a world gone mad. International terrorism through attacks upon three prominent world leaders. An assassin attempted to kill the President of US. An assassin attempted to kill the Pope. A group of assassins succeeded in killing Anwar Sadat. Each of these three world leaders espoused peace in this world gone crazy. Two were spared, the third was not so blessed. In each of these incidents, others were badly wounded.

These acts of terrorism are not isolated attacks upon only world leaders. There isn't a day that we are not made aware of world wide terrorism. The Irish, the Iranians, the Afghanistans, El Salvador, England, Libya all are victims and in some cases, propagators of terrorism. Only the Russians seem to have escaped, at least the Politburro has had no State funerals that the rest of the world is aware of. Makes one wonder where the source of terrorism lies.

I am not presuming to say that John Hinckly is a communist but we do know that Oswald was. We do know that the Pope's would be assassin was mighty close to communism. We do know that Anwar Sadat was not a communist and that his assassins were radicals who disagreed with him. We do know that the Irish are being supplied arms by the communist, that the Irish uprising is being fomented by communism, that is is not merely a religious war. We do know that the El Salvador revolution is communist backed, that arms from Russia are being shipped there via Cuba. Just as I do not presume to say Hinckley is a communist, I do believe he is a product of a world wide movement of terrorism which has been fostered and festered by world communism.

I also believe that one of the biggest boons to communist inspired world terrorism yus been instant

communications. A generation ago, an attempt on the life of a prsident would have been over the radio on the evening news, and in next morning's paper. It would have been factually reported, the assassin would have been incarcerated, and the president would be resting well. In the case of Sadat, our afternoon papers would have reported the President of Egypt had been murdered by a gang of terrorists who have been incarcerated. As it was, John Chancellor (I was watching NBC) announced the world via satellite that President Anwar Sadat was dead but that the Egyptians did not know it yet....

Not only does this instant knowing frustrate the sane, but excites the terrorists and would be terrorists. The stock markets all over the world react violently and life is out of sinc. If we had to get our news of the Irish rebellion, for example, via slow boat, would it not take some of the adventure away from terrorism? Were not violent acts and scenes not flashed before our eyes instantly, would it not take away from the total effectiveness of terrorism?

But since instant communication is here to stay, and since communist promoted movements are not loosing steam, the only method of slowing the advancement of terrorism is thru rapid, swift and deadly punishment. It isn't difficult to catch most of these criminales since they are watched by the world either live or on video tape. Their trial and punishment should be as instant as the media which reported it.

Another means of compating terrorism is a return to morality, the belief in sacredness of life and liberty. Since we all seem to be caught in the mesh of terrorism which is being spread by the humanistic teachings of the ungodly, what in the name of common sense is wrong with listening to the Godly teachings of moralists? At least they know exactly shy the world has gone mad.

"The brighter you are, the more you have to learn."
Don Herold

County Living Not Necessarily More Healthful

I country living really more healthful than city dwelling?

Many Texans believe that country living is a healthier way of life, both mentally and physically, as compared to urban living.

Not necessarily so, says Dr. Mary Ann Ahirer, a health education specialist.

Shirer is on the home economics staff of the Texas Agricultural Extesnion Service, The Texas A & M University System.

"Rural communities are often considered to have cleaner air and water, fresher meats, produce and dairy products, a higher value system among the 'good ole country folks' and a generally better enviornment," she notes.

"On the other hand, city dwellers have assumed that their way of life breeds stress and tension, and mental health experts have tended to agree.

"However, more and more evidence has begun to show that the health of city dwellers is as good, and

possibly better on some counts, than that of country folks," the specialist reports.

Here are a few facts concerning the health of country living in Texas, and while rural residents still hold "a better record" than city dwellers on some things, the "problem topics" involve a sizable number of rural residents, Shirer says:

(1) Rural living produces drug abuses, child abuse, wife beating and teenage pregnancy just as frequently as urban living.

(2) Certain diseases often are more prevalent in rural communities, including TB, cerebrovascular disease, pneumonia, influenza, strep throat and scarlet fever, along with salmonellosis (food poisoning) and shigellosis (diarrhea), hepatitis and rabies.

(3) Of all the suicides in Texas, 17 percent were in rural communities.

(4) Generally, youths in rural communities report earlier experience with

drugs than youths in urban communities.

(5) Rural youths also have been shown to be more likely to deal drugs for money than urban youth.

(6) In 1979, there were fewer deaths of infants less than one year old in Texas urban communities than in rural communities.

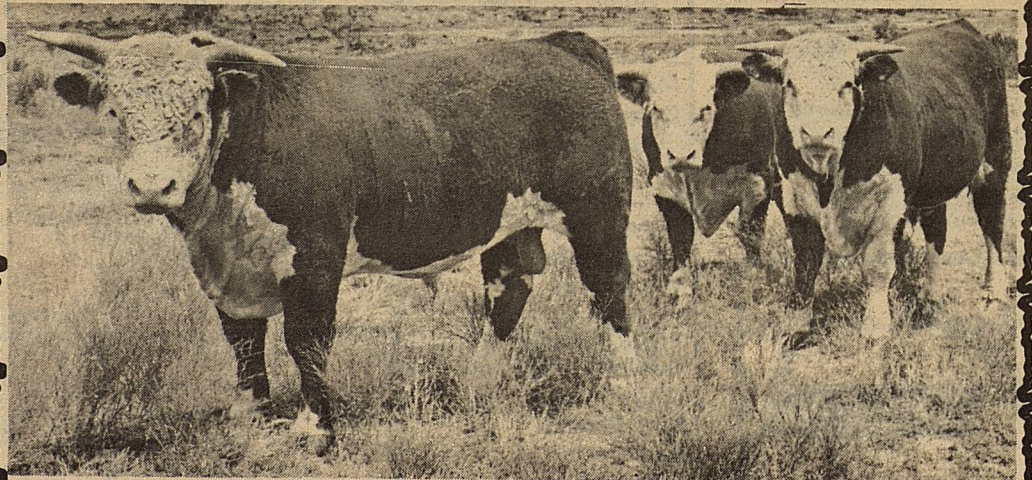
(7) Of all the births to mothers between ages 15 and 20 in 1979, 21 percent were reported in Texas rural communities.

(8) In health service availability, as of 1980, there was one physician for every 1,413 rural residents, as compared to one for every 578 urban residents.

(9) Also, in rural areas, there was one dentist for every 3,384 people, as compared to one dentist for every 2,231 people in urban areas.



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Harp Program Presented

Mary Anderson presented a program on the Harp to a special meeting of the 1905 Hyperion Club of Big Spring.

The program included a history of the Harp, a technical briefing, and performance. "The Harp", Mary said, "is the oldest instrument in the Symphonic category and the one from which all stringed instruments evolved".

However, it was not until the 20th century that it became a major instrument in symphony compositions. It is not unusual to see as many as four harps in a symphony orchestra today," she added.

In explaining the technical aspects Mary told her audience that few people realize the harp has pedals. "It is with the pedals that you set your key or change a note to sharp, flat, or natural. It is because of this action that you are

required to read the music at least one measure ahead of what you are actually playing," she said.

Mary began studying the harp while she was attending T.C.U. After transferring to the University of Texas she continued her study while earning her degree in education. She now resides in Midland and is employed as a secretary. Although she is not taking formal instruction at this time, she finds it relaxing to play the harp or piano "after a hard day at the office."


Mary, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rich Anderson, graduated from Borden High. It was here that she had her first musical training. As well as piano, she played the clarinet in the Borden Coyote marching band for six years.

The Hyperion Club met at

the ranch home of Mrs. Modesta Stokes with Mrs. Corrine Elliott of Big Spring acting as co-hostess.

Booster Members

Joe & Beverly Copeland
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 Joel, Betty & Jeffery Dennis
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 Jim & Jan Parker
 Randy & Cynthia Roemisch
 Edd & Melba Rinehart
 Alvin & Opal Smith
 Ross & Sarah Sharp
 James & Sherry Telchik
 Charles Vaughn
 Kenneth & Mary Lynn Williams
 Van, Barbara & Van Lee York
 Mickey & Shirley McMeans
 Ben & Netta Jarrett
 Steve & Lynette Hillhouse
 A.B. & Effie Telchik
 Don Cox
 Lonnie & Kay Doyle
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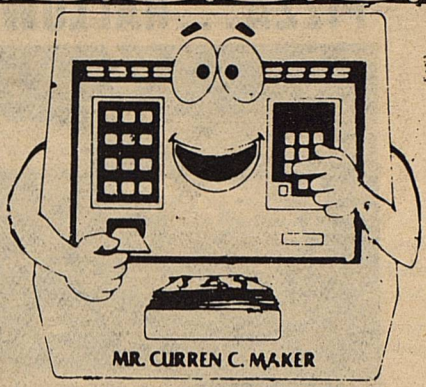
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JACK-O-PIZZA

8 ounces packaged fine egg noodles	1/2 teaspoon oregano
3/4 pound ground beef	1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1 can (16 oz.) tomato puree	3 eggs, beaten
1 envelope Lipton® Onion-Mushroom Soup Mix	1 package (8 oz.) mozzarella cheese, shredded
	Green pepper garnishes

Preheat oven to 350°.

Cook noodles according to package directions; drain. Reserve 1/2 cup for garnish.

Meanwhile, in medium skillet, brown ground beef; drain. Stir in tomato puree, onion-mushroom soup mix, oregano and garlic powder. Simmer covered, stirring occasionally, 20 minutes.

In large bowl, combine noodles, eggs and 2 cups cheese. Press mixture evenly into greased 12-inch pizza pan. Bake 20 minutes or until lightly browned.

Spoon sauce mixture onto crust. Garnish pizza to form "face" as follows: use remaining cheese and green pepper pieces for eyes, mouth and nose, and reserved noodles for hair. Bake an additional 10 minutes or until heated through. Makes about 8 servings.

Hospital Notes

Irene Hart remains hospitalized in Methodist Memorial in Lubbock with pneumonia.

Welcome home Norval. Mr. Cunningham has returned to his home in Gail following a lengthy stay at West Texas hospital in Lubbock.

We hope Margaret Sharp has a speedy recovery following surgery performed last week.

Festival

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handmade dolls, eight with gold and silver jewelry, five with bronze sculptures and an equal number with wood toys. There will be four booths selling candles, three with stained glass, and several with metal sculptures, pottery, and macrame.

Festival officials said they were pleased with the larger variety of items and said they felt there would be exhibits featuring merchandise in all price ranges. And as in past years, the festival will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and 1 to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The show is open to the general public and there is no admission charge.

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Dryland Farming Returns As Irrigation Costs Rise

AUSTIN--Irrigation, the source of high crop yields in the Panhandle and Trans-Pecos, has become so expensive that some growers are returning to dryland farming.

Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown said irrigated acres declined nine percent or 520,000 acres during a Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service survey on the High Plains and Trans-Pecos covering the period from 1976-1980.

Brown stressed the need for alternative energy sources for pumping water and for crop varieties that need less moisture. He said the cost of energy per acre rose from \$26.10 in 1976 to \$38.62 in 1980, a 48 percent increase.

Electricity rose 45 percent to 4.2 cents a kilowatt hour; natural gas, 86 percent to \$2.51 a thousand cubic feet; L. P. gas, 107 percent to 62 cents a gallon, and diesel, 180 percent to 98 cents a gallon.

Most irrigation water in this region comes from wells. Forty thousand of the 5.5 million acres irrigated in 1980 were receiving surface water.

There were 66,600 wells pumping water in 1980, a drop of 6,200 from 1976.

Energy for wells comes mainly from electricity and natural gas. In 1980, 47 percent of the wells were run by electricity, 51 percent by natural gas, 1 percent by L. P. gas, and 1 percent by diesel.

"If funding is continued on projects at Bushland and results are successful, we may be able to use wind turbines for pumping," Brown said. The U. S. Department of Agriculture and the West Texas State University Alternative Energy Institute are testing a wind turbine

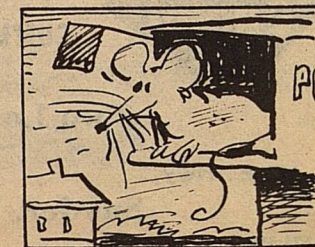
which can pump water from a 300-foot well and operate a sprinkler system. It is also capable of producing energy for other uses.

"We are also hopeful that farmers soon will be able to produce their own fuel alcohol and reduce pumping costs," Brown said.

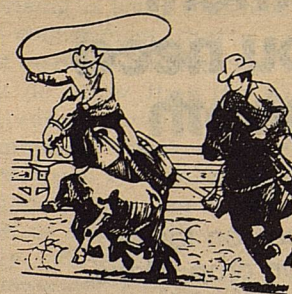
"The availability and cost of water for agriculture is one issue that must be addressed on a statewide basis as the Texas population grows. The reduction of yields that will come with less irrigation will affect our whole state economy."

More than half the corn production and much of the grain sorghum come from irrigated acreage.

"The grain, cotton, and food commodities grown in these areas create jobs all the way from West Texas to Houston and Corpus Christi. We must do all that we can to support research on energy, new varieties for dryland farming, and any other techniques which will enable us to have production with a profit, and use water as efficiently as possible," Brown said.



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Your County Agent Says by Alan Day

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It is too late to use PIX to control top growth. Ethrel is a material that promotes boll opening, shedding of young fruit and preconditions the plant for defoliation. It is expensive. It is not recommended to use Ethrel on cotton that has less than 50-65 percent open bolls or that has a large number of soft bolls.

if you have any questions, call my office.

4-HER'S STATE BOUND

Eight Borden County 4-H youth will be headed for the State Fair of Texas October

19-23 in Dallas, Texas. They will all be competing in the Junior Livestock Show.

Kim Wills, Ty Wills, Michael Murphy, Cody Stoen, Kristi Stone, Tammy Miller, Jeffrey Martin, and Keith Martin will be showing market lambs. Cody and Kristi will show market barrows and Jeffrey will compete in the Junior Steer show.

The market lamb, market barrow and junior steer shows all begin Wednesday, October 21 at 8:00 a.m.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

Saturday night, October 19 is the date for the Borden County 4-H Achievement Banquet. It is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Borden High School Cafeteria.

All Borden County 4-Hers and their families are urged to attend. Representative Charles Stenholm will be present as the keynote speaker.

If you plan to come, please bring a meat dish and a salad, vegetable or dessert. The meal is a covered dish supper and we need your help.

EMS News

Re-certification has been completed by all EMT's of the Borden County Emergency Medical Service. Those EMT's passing the re-certification course were Bob Bagley, Gerald Boyd, Dorothy Browne, Frances Burkett, Jim Burkett, Steve Hillhouse, Nelva Jones, Carol Lewis, Lisa Ludecke, Ross Sharp, and Buster Taylor.

The next regular meeting of the Borden County EMS will be Monday, November 2, 1981, at :00 p.m. in the Ag shop.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Jack Phinzy: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell.

In Memory of Clarence Porter: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell.

"A pig between two sheets" is lunch-counter talk for a ham sandwich.

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Cattle Inventory Down 18 Percent In Texas

AUSTIN--U. S. cattle feeders continue to trim their inventories, which recently reached their lowest level in six years, reports Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown.

Texas feedlots reported 18 percent fewer animals on feed than a year ago, Brown said.

According to the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, 1,450,000 head of cattle and calves were on feed for slaughter in Texas Sept. 1, down from 1,770,000 head a year ago.

In the nation's seven largest cattle feeding states, cattle on feed totaled 6,290,000 head, down 11 percent from a year ago, and off eight percent from Sept. 1, 1979.

"Today's interest rates have helped push operating costs through the roof," Brown

said. "As a result feeders are moving more cattle out and putting fewer cattle into their lots. Most of the feedlots in Texas are running at slightly less than 55 percent of their capacity."

Brown said supplies of choice beef will probably tighten up in the coming months, but that the outlook for improved financial conditions for cattle feeders "may be looking up for a change."

The commissioner pointed out that the United States should harvest a huge corn crop, which will mean ample supplies of an important feed grain. He said that supplies of other meats should be reduced in the months ahead, and that a stronger general economy could lead to greater consumer demand for beef.

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Playday Series In Snyder

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Entries will be taken at 1:00 p.m. and action will begin at 1:30 p.m. on each day.

Entry fees are \$2.50 per event and there will be five events per playday. Ribbons will be awarded at each playday and trophy buckles will be awarded to highpoint individuals in each of the four age groups for the series.

Contestants must compete in at least 3 playdays to be eligible for highpoint. An open jackpot barrel race will follow the playdays with one run for \$13.00. There will also be a jackpot steer roping after the barrel race. To be eligible to rope you must be a member of the Sundowners riding club or have a child participating in the playday.

For more information contact Ann Henderson 573-7098 or Joyce Kincheloe 573-0683.

Playdays are open to the public.



Congressman

Charles W. Stenholm

Congressional Comment

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The comparisons between the problems faced by the Mayor of the City of New York and the mayor of any municipality in the 17th District might seem, at first glance, impossible to make. There are vast differences, no doubt, but after a recent visit with the mayor of our country's largest city, I learned that there are many similarities as well.

Mayor Ed Koch is well-known as a rather flamboyant personality in a city renowned for flamboyant personalities. He is also a dedicated public official who has come to recognize, as few individuals really can, the ease of passing federal mandates as a member of Congress and the difficulty of carrying out those same mandates on a local level. He is the first to admit that during his five terms as a Congressman from New York, he was among those voting for wide-sweeping social programs that were both well-intentioned and expensive.

As he told other U.S. mayors not too long ago, "As a Member of Congress, I voted for many of the laws . . . and did so with every confidence that we were enacting sensible permanent solutions to critical problems. It took a plunge into the Mayor's job to drive home how misguided my Congressional outlook had been. The bills I voted for in Washington came to the Floor in a form that compelled approval. After all, who can vote against clean air and water, or better access and education for the handicapped? But as I look back it is hard to believe I could have been taken in by the simplicity of what the Congress was doing and by the flimsy empirical support — often no more than a carefully orchestrated hearing record or a single consultant's report — offered to persuade the Members that the proposed solution could work throughout the country."

After facing the realities of paying the bills for his city for several years, Koch now describes himself as a "liberal with sanity." As Time magazine recently described his basic governing maxim, Koch believes that "you don't spend what you don't have."

The mayor of New York City and I pretty much share those two philosophies, although no one would ever describe me as any type of liberal. But I would like to earn the description of a "conservative with sanity."

Koch and the Mayor of the City of Abilene could also share frustration in dealing with one particular well-intentioned, but impractical and expensive federal mandate: total accessibility for the handicapped to transit systems. Abilene city officials and I tried and tried, unsuccessfully, to obtain a waiver from Department of Transportation regulations requiring all new city busses to be equipped with wheelchair lifts, even though adequate alternate means of transportation were available in Abilene.

New York City faced the same problem with their subway system and found the DOT unwilling to bend and recognize that alternative means were available and were even preferable. As Koch says, "It would be cheaper for us to provide every severely disabled person with taxi service than making 255 of our subway stations accessible."

It will cost the City of New York some \$1.3 billion in today's dollars to meet the DOT regulations, plus an additional \$50 million in recurring annual operating expenses. In fact, estimated cost for applying the regulations, when spread over the limited number of wheelchair users and severely disabled passengers, will be \$38 per trip, compared to 85 cents per trip for the general public.

My trip to New York, at the invitation of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, gave me a further perspective into the problems brought about by passage of well-intentioned federal mandates being forced on local government — whether those governments are the largest in the country or the smallest.

The visit with Mayor Koch strengthened my own resolve to continue to ask myself, "Can we afford it? Do we really need it? Can it best be done at the local or state level?" before voting on any federal mandate in the U.S. House of Representatives.

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We would like to thank everyone for the kindness expressed while Norval was in the hospital. We appreciated the cards, gifts, and flowers so much and are happy to be home recuperating.

Norval & Christine Cunningham

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