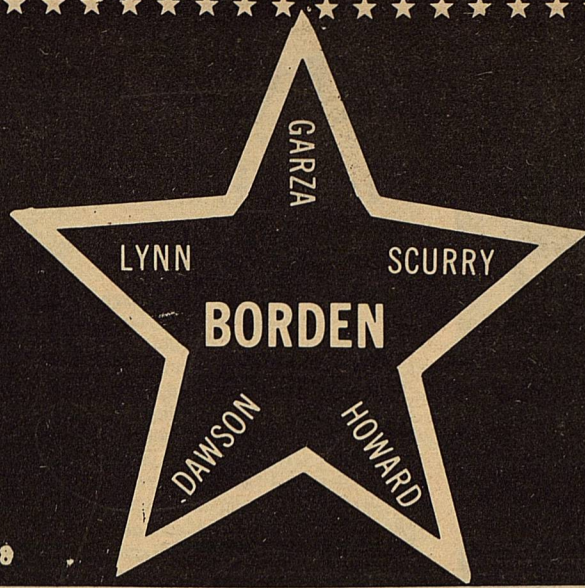


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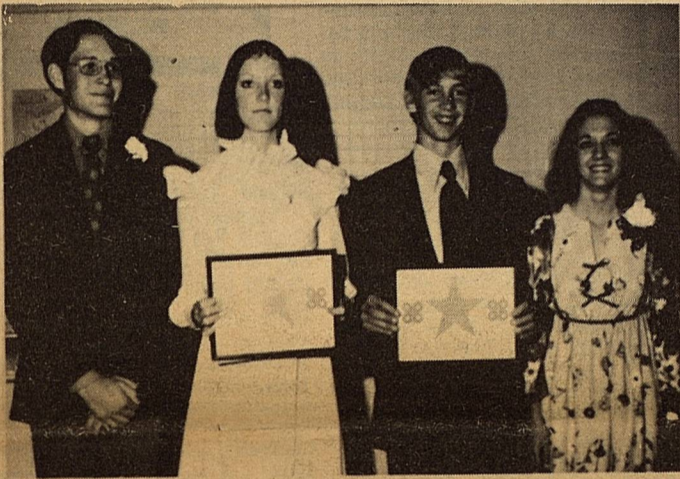
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Gold Star Awards



RECEIVING THE GOLD STAR AWARD FOR BORDEN ARE MELISA TAYLOR AND EURDIST RINEHART. ACTING AS HOST AND HOSTESS FROM DISTRICT 2 ARE FRANK FARMER, L. AND GAY GRIFFIN, R.

Lubbock--Forty outstanding teenagers were spotlighted for their achievements at the 1973 4-H Gold Star Award Banquet here last night.

Parading across the stage at Lubbock's Coronado High School, the winners were presented Gold Star certificates by Billy C. Gunter and Catherine Crawford, district agents with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Joe Brown of KDAV Radio in Lubbock narrated the presentation of awards following an address by Ken Loyd, assistant to the General Manager of Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., Austin.

Dr. L. S. Pope, associate dean for Administrative affairs, Texas A & M University, was master of ceremonies.

The Gold Star is the highest county award offered in 4-H, presented to winners for their achievements and for offering special inspiration and encouragement to all youth.

Twelve area electric cooperatives joined in sponsoring the event. They include Bailey, Dickens, Hall, Lamb, Lea (New Mexico), and Swisher county electric cooperatives, as well as the Cap Rock, Lighthouse, Lone Wolf, Lyntegar, Midwest and South Plains electric cooperatives.

About 400 parents, Extension

and electric cooperative representatives, and other special guests attended the annual event.

Ginger Rodgers, "Miss Texas Rural Electrification," was on hand to welcome the guests.

Several 4-H youths participated in the program, providing dinner, music, leading in the invocation and 4-H Pledge, and in ushering.

The special recognition banquet singled out the contributions of 4-H clubs, parents, leaders, and the "dedicated men and women of the Agricultural Extension Service who provide leadership and training for 4-H clubs."

Gold Star winners must be at least 13 years of age, must have completed at least three years of club work, must be currently active in 4-H, and can receive the award only one time.

Following are the Gold Star winners from around The Star: Borden County--Melisa Taylor and Eurdist Rinehart; Dawson County--Cindy Bartlett and Randy Airhart; Gaines County, Pam Owens and Brad Hughes; Garza County, Nancy Maddox and Mark Terry; Howard County, Darla Buchanan and Joey Shaw; Lynn County, Cindy Cook and David Pearson; Scurry County, Danita Layne and Randy Courtney.

ASCS Ballots

The ASC county committee administers federal farm programs locally. In Borden County the principal farm programs are Cotton and Feed Grain.

Ballots were mailed on November 19 to all persons eligible to vote in the ASC county committee election. Final date for mailing back voted ballots or for dropping them off at the county ASCS office is Dec. 3. Ballots will be counted on Dec. 7 in the county ASCS office, with the public invited to attend.

Any farmer who is eligible to take part in any ASCS program is eligible to vote in the mail election. Voting eligibility is determined without regard to race, sex, color, religion or national origin.

A list of known eligible voters is on file in the county ASCS office, Gail, Texas and is open for public inspection. If a man or woman feels he or she is eligible to vote and is not listed, just call it to the attention of the office employees, and it will be checked out right away", Mrs. Wilson said.

Current members of the ASC county committee are; Brent Murphy, chairman; Ralph N. Miller, vice-chairman; Kenneth Williams, member; and J. O. Creighton and E. L. Farmer, alternates.

Mr. Miller's three-year term expires this year, which means voters will elect one committee member, plus two alternates, who serve one-year terms. The person with the largest number of votes will receive the committeeman post; the two next highest will be the alternate. Following the election, the county committee will choose its chairman and vice-

Medical Legislation

The chances appear to be very good that the popular Military Assistance to Traffic and Safety Program, better known as MAST, will be continued and expanded to Texas.

Senator Tower has been a supporter of the program since its inception at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. It uses military helicopters and personnel to provide transportation to civilians needing emergency medical attention, and has received the praise of community leaders and members of the medical professions.

Senator Tower sponsored an amendment to the Military Procurement bill on the Senate Floor to continue and expand MAST in Texas. The amend-

ment was approved, and the Senator is hopeful that the House will accept it since the proposal is the same as one recently approved by the House of Representatives.

If adopted, the proposal will allow the Secretary of Defense not only to continue the present program at Fort Sam Houston, but to expand it to other Texas areas where such facilities are available.

In other developments in the medical field, Senator Tower cosponsored a bill just passed by the Senate to provide emergency medical service systems through grants and contracts to state and local governments. The new bill was revised to meet objections by the Administration which led to the veto of a similar bill recently by President Nixon. Senator Tower joined with Senator Bob Dole of Kansas to increase the participation of rural communities in the program.

Senator Tower expects to bring to the Senate floor in the near future his proposal to offer tax incentives to medical personnel who establish practices in rural areas where shortages of such personnel now exist.

The President just recently signed into law the Rehabilitation of programs to rehabilitate handicapped persons, enabling them to get jobs.

The Act for the first time provides special projects and research into problems of those suffering from spinal cord injuries, the older blind and deaf, and the disabled migratory agricultural workers.

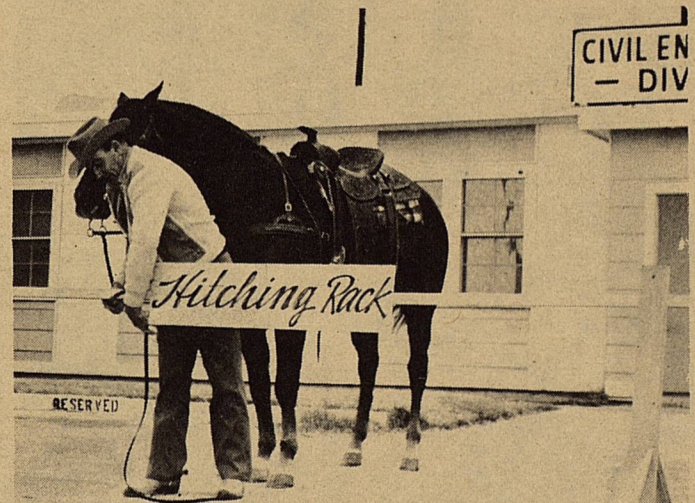
Juvenile Crime

Big Spring--The City of Big Spring will establish a juvenile crime prevention and control unit. More than 50% of all crimes committed within the city limits of Big Spring are perpetrated by juveniles. Presently the Big Spring Police Department has no division or personnel assigned to deal strictly with youth the investigation of juvenile crime, supervision of voluntary restitution by parents of juveniles offenders, assistance or guidance for needy children, organized efforts in the field of drug or safety education, or coordination with the County Juvenile Probation Officer. The proposed unit will consist of three male and one female police officer with a minimum amount of office type equipment. The two year program is anticipated to reduce crime by youths in Big Spring by 20%.

15 Inch Spread

El Paso-- Permian Basin antelope were everything that was expected of them.

According to El Paso Parks and Wildlife Department information officer Roger McKown, the pronghorns were in excellent condition for the September 29-October 7 hunt. One antelope taken from a Borden County ranch had horns which measured 15 inches in length.



WEBB AFB, TX., WHAT FUEL CRISIS?--FRANK KNAPP, A BUILDING INSPECTOR FOR THE CIVIL ENGINEERING DIVISION AT WEBB AFB, IS DOING HIS PART TO CONSERVE GASOLINE, INSTEAD OF USING A TRUCK ON HIS INSPECTION ROUNDS, HE'S TAKEN TO RIDING A HORSE. IT GETS HIM TO WORK, TOO. (USAF photo by AIC Bill Rigsby)

IN ACCORDANCE TO THE PRESIDENT'S WISHES, K.T. REDELL'S TEXACO STATION WILL BE CLOSED EACH SUNDAY. MR. REDELL ADVISES GAIL RESIDENTS TO FILL UP ON SATURDAY.

Borden County School News



PERRY SMITH, TIM SMITH, LESA HENSLEY, LISA MCLE ROY, AND RHESA WOLFE' SHOW EXHIBITS FOUND ON MUCHAQUE PEAK.

Field Trip

The seventh grade Life Science class and Earth Science class of the eighth grade enjoyed an interesting field trip to Mushaway Peak last week under the guidance of Joe Copeland, instructor of Sciences at Borden County School.

The seventh grade concentrated on the study of animals and their relationship to fossils and observed the different insects found in the area. Also of interest was the comparison of plant growth found at the base of the peak as to that at the summit. The difference, as explained by Mr. Copeland, has to do with soil, wind erosion, intensity of the sun, and the amount of rain fall absorbed.

The Earth Science class main objective was to study the fossils and rocks found in the area. The historic Mucha Que Peak has played host to literally generations of data seeking historians and geologists as well as just interesting "spectators", it still holds an amazing amount of "finds"--both fossil and rock.

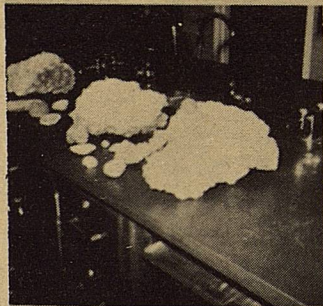
The eighth grade class was able to bring back a very interesting collection to be studied. They are now on display in the Science lab at the Borden County School.

Mrs. Frank Miller, a life long resident of Borden County and a charter member of the Borden County Historical Society, accompanied Mr. Copeland, Mrs.

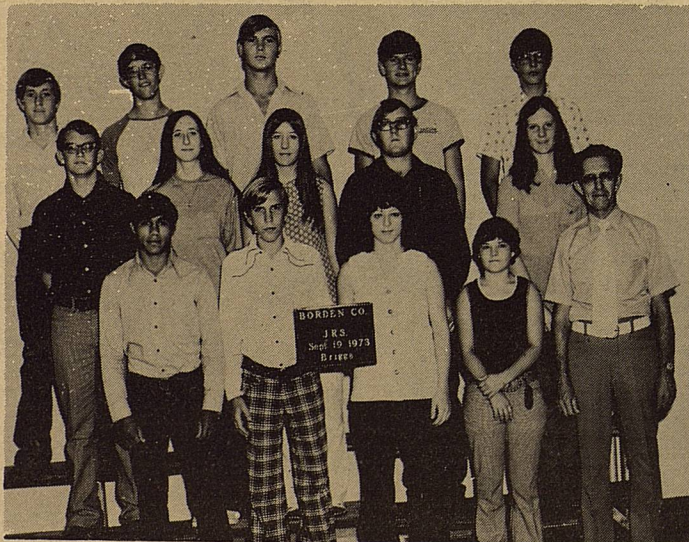
Westbrook and their students. During the tour Mrs. Miller filled in with a very interesting history of the area. It is believed the name "Mucha Que" was derived by the white man from the Indian word Much-a-koo ay. The peak was used by the Comanche Indian as a camp ground and look-out point until they were driven out by the buffalo hunters and General McKenzies troops around 1865.

To have such a historical landmark rich in history as well as geology right in your back door is a bonus for the students of Borden County.

Arrangements for the field trip were made by Martha Anderson through Mr. Aubry Stokes who leases the land.



SPECIMENS FOUND ON FIELD TRIP.



JUNIORS:

BACK ROW: L TO R. MONTE SMITH, CLIFTON SMITH, TOBY SHARP. KEM LOCKHART, JIM McLEROY, SECOND ROW: L TO R: TEDDY COOLEY, C. THERINE JACKSON, RITA CORNETT, GARLAND WILLIAMS LISA LUDECKE, FRONT ROW: L TO R. JUNIOR OLIVAREZ, KEN McMEANS, BARBARA BROWN, LINDA GASS, MR BRIGGS

Mesa District FFA Banquet

The Mesa District FFA Banquet was held in Seminole, Monday evening, at 7:00P.M. Approximately two hundred FFA members, sweethearts, and their advisors attended the banquet, from eighteen schools in the Mesa District. Max Jones, District FFA President, presided over the banquet. Guest speaker, Doug Legget, Area II FFA President, from Wall, gave an inspiring talk on the role that responsible young people must play in the leadership of our country. Highlight of the evening was the election of the Mesa District FFA Sweetheart who was chosen from eighteen girls, representing each school in the district. Delegates elected the Brownfield FFA Sweetheart as District Sweetheart. The Gail FFA Chapter was represented in the Sweetheart contest by Miss Janice Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Davis. Also, awards were presented to the district Lone Star Farmer for 1973. Seven members of the Gail FFA Chapter received the highest award given on the State level, the Lone Star Farmer Degree. The awardees were as follows: Audry Brummett, Rex Cox, Joe Hancock, Doug Isaacs, Max Jones, Randy Ogden, and D. M. Parks. The Gail FFA Chapter also received the Gold Emblem rating for having superior Chapter activities for the past year. Other members of the Gail FFA Chapter attending the banquet were Tommy Patterson and Juan Baeza, voting delegates; and John Anderson. The members were accompanied to the banquet by their advisor, Mr. Sid Long, who is, also, the Mesa District advisor this year.

LONG TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Approximately 600 teachers of vocational Agriculture, State agriculture supervisors and teacher educators will attend the National Vocational Agriculture Teachers' Association (NVATA) Convention at Atlanta, Georgia. The 25th annual convention will be held December 1-5, in conjunction with the American Vocational Association (AVA) Convention. The Agricultural Educators will be among the estimated 9,000 vocational educators attending the AVA sectional meetings, general sessions, and trade show. Coy Jagers, Dekalb, Texas, President of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, will head the delegation of teachers attending the national meeting from Texas.

Other officers and vocational agriculture teachers attending are: Albert Timmerman, Jr., Vice-President, Rockdale; Guy Finstad, Secretary-Treasurer, Boys Ranch; Sidney Long, Gail; L. E. Downes, Pearsall; Dick Vestal Baird; Jack Rowland, Godley; J.T. Wiggs, Wills Point; Ray Seale Shiner and Frank Brownfield, Colorado City.

Also attending the meeting will be J.A. Marshall, state Director, Vocational Agriculture Education, Texas Education Agency, Austin, and Teacher Educators, Earl Knebel, James

Christianson and John Holcomb, Texas A&M University; A.C. Hughes, East Texas State University; T. J. Honneycutt, Sam Houston State University; T. R. Buie, Southwest Texas State University and W. H. Meischen, executive Director, Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, Austin.

The NVATA is the Professional Organization for Vocational Educators in Agriculture. Organized in December 1948, several programs have been designed to emphasize and commemorate the silver anniversary convention. Over 10,000 agricultural educators belong to NVATA, representing approximately 90% of the potential membership.

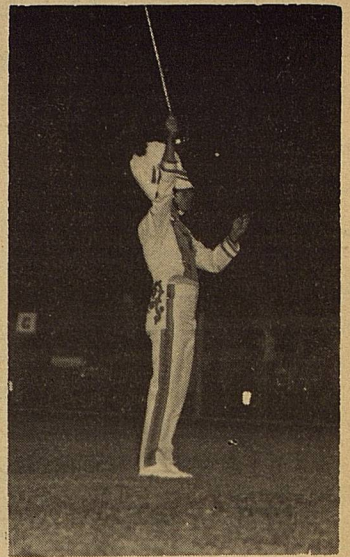
Francis N. Murphy, vocational agriculture teacher, Madison, South Dakota, is the NVATA President, and James Wall is the executive Secretary. The national office is at Lincoln, Nebraska.

BORDEN BOOSTER CLUB PENS ARRIVE

The Borden Booster Club has announced the arrival of the ball point pens and are up for immediate sale. There are also still a small limited supply of Key Chains available. As soon as the lighters arrive, they will also be ready for purchasing. These are expected to arrive any day now. Anyone desiring a Key chain, ball point pen, or a lighter should contact one of the many Booster Club members. As one Booster said, "Everyone surely needs at least one of each!" Each item represents the Borden County Coyotes and is another way of showing one is a Coyote supporter! Buy one, two, or all three!!!

20 MULE TEAMS

The 20 mule teams that hauled borax wagons from Death Valley to Mjoave, California were actually 18 mules and two horses. The horses were placed on the outside (wheel position) because they were stronger and easier to handle.



KEM LOCKHART, COYOTE BAND LEADER

SCHOOL Lunch Menu

MENU

Dec. 3-, 1973

MONDAY

Ground Beef and Spaghetti/
Tomato Sauce
English Pea Salad
Hot Rolls/Butter
Peanut Butter Cake
Milk

TUESDAY

Tuna Salad
Scalloped Potatoes
Apple Sauce
Cookies
Milk

WEDNESDAY

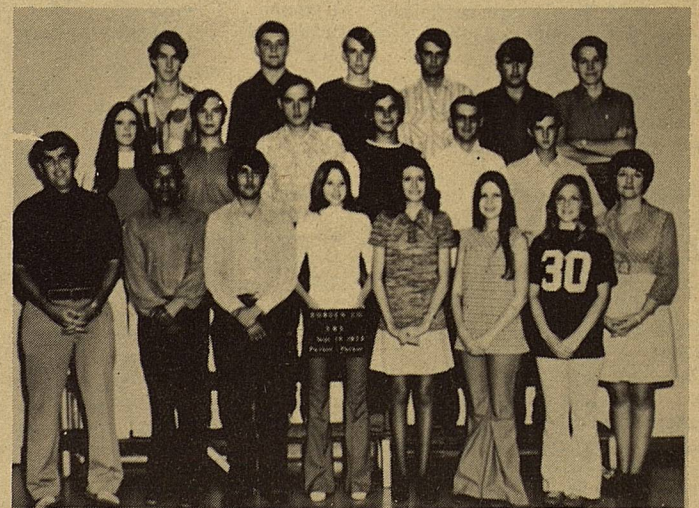
Baked Ham
Spiced Sweet Potatoes
Fruit Salad
Hot Rolls/Butter
Milk

THURSDAY

Hamburgers
Lettuce/Tomatoes/Pickles
French Fries
Brownies
Milk

FRIDAY

Beef Tips/Gravy
Cabbage and Pineapple Salad
Mashed Potatoes
Hot Bread/Butter
Cookies
Milk



SENIORS

BACK ROW: L TO R. LESLIE HAGINS, JOE HANCOCK, DOUG ISAACS, MAX JONES, JIMMY GRAY, FRANK FARMER, SECOND ROW MELISA TAYLOR, STEVE WHITAKER, AUDRY BRUMMETT. CLAY COPELAND, D. M. PARKS, RANDY OGDEN. FRONT ROW MR. PARKER, HENRY OLIVEREZ, JUAN BAEZA, RHONDA PATTERSON, JO ANN MARTIN, JANICE DAVIS, DIANA McHENRY AND MRS. PARKER



BAND TEACHER, JIM PARKER SHOWS THAT HAPPINESS IS RECEIVING DIVISION I RATING

Basketball

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

Playing their final game before the start of district play, the Borden High School girls defeated a good Seagraves team 66-60 Tuesday night. Scoring for the Coyotes was well balanced, with Melissa Taylor, Philena Farmer, and Deidre Tucker getting 17 points each. Catherine Jackson scored 12 points while playing on the forward end of the court for only the first 6 minutes of the first quarter before moving to the guard end for the remainder of the game. Sue Hancock contributed 3 points. All of the guards, Rhonda Patterson, Lisa Ludecke, Barbara Brown, Tricia Jackson, Bica Baeza, and Catherine played well against the talented and taller Seagraves forwards. Rhonda led in both rebounds and recoveries with 3 and 4 respectively. Overall this was the best game played thus far by the Borden girls as they came from 5 points behind with approximately 3 minutes to play to win by 6.

B TEAM

The Borden "B" team lost the score 52-18. Gay Griffin scored 9 points, Kristy Smith 6 and Donelle Jones 3. Dana Westbrook led in rebounds with seven.

The Borden Junior High girls

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS

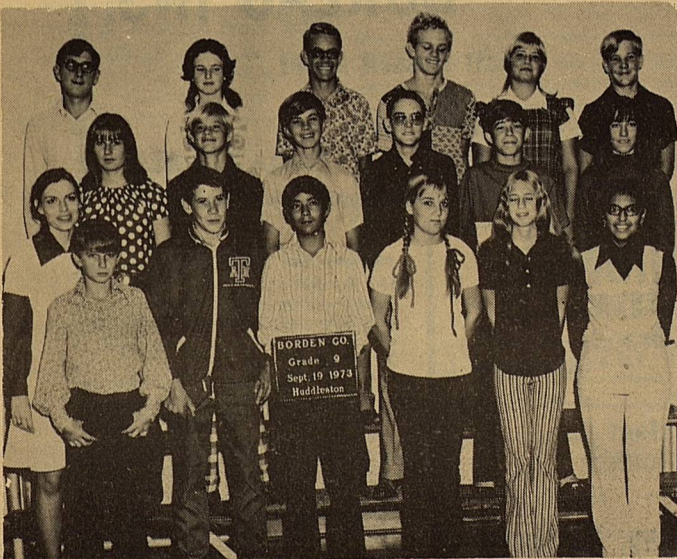
The Borden Junior High girls were defeated by Klondike 57-25 Monday night in Gail. For Borden Lesa Hensley scored 15 points, Martha Anderson 9 and Twila Telchic 1. Jeanene Bradford had 26 and Pepper Echols 25 for Klondike. Denise Currey led Borden in rebounds with 4. Penny Thompson and Lesa each had 2 recoveries. The Borden girls have now won 4 and lost 2. They begin district play next week in Loop.

JUNIOR HIGH "A" BOYS

The Junior High boys beat Klondike Junior High Monday night 25-17. Richard Long was top scorer with 10 points. Blane Dyess had 6, Matt Farmer 4, Perry Smith 3, and Marlon Vaughn 2. The next game for the Junior High is December 3 at Loop.

JUNIOR HIGH "B" BOYS

The Borden Junior High boys "B" team lost to Klondike "B" 16-14 in a good close game. Craig Peterson led the Coyotes in scores with 6, Benny Taylor had 4, Travis Rinehart and Mark Walker each had 2 points.



NINETH GRADE

BACK ROW: L TO R RICHARD SMITH, ELIZABETH LEDBETTER, GENE COOLEY, LARRY SIMER, TRICIA JACKSON, TOMMY PATTERSON. SECOND ROW: L TO R CATHY UNDERWOOD, DARIN TUCKER, BOB McLERoy, EDDIE PARKS, BEN THOMPSON, DANA WESTBROOK. FRONT ROW: L TO R MRS. HUDDLESTON, JACKIE LOCKHART, JOE DON ZANT PETE GONZALES, SUE HANCOCK, KRISTY SMITH, AND MARIA VIDAL.

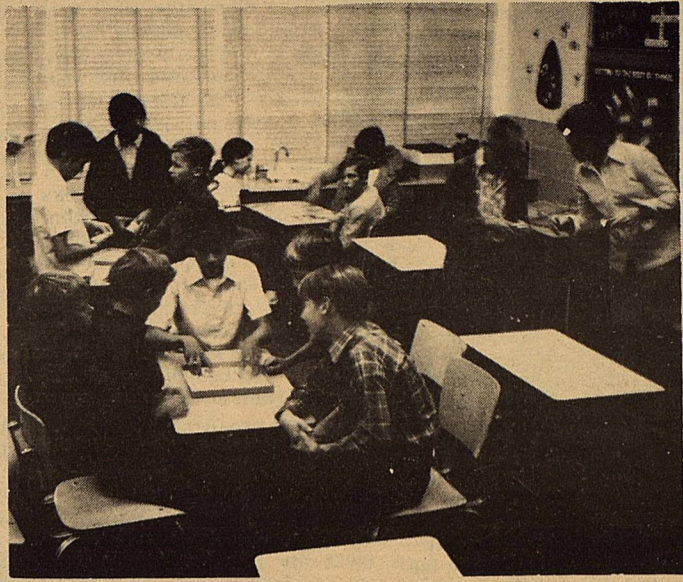
Beta Book Sale

The Borden High School in Gail will sponsor a student book fair from December 3 to December 7. Students will be able to browse and purchase books. Books will be on display in the School Auditorium.

The book fair committee invites all students, parents and visitors to attend the fair. The fair will encourage student interest in reading and in building home libraries, and will also contribute to a worthwhile project. All profits will be used for Beta Club Activities.

The Beta Club is sponsoring this event, with Kem Lockhart serving as book fair chairman. The committee includes Catherine Jackson, Co-chairman, Donelle Jones, Deidre Tucker, Teddy Cooley, and Janice Davis.

The book fair display will include attractive new books from many publishers in all popular price ranges:--wonderful books to read or to give as gifts. All reading interests will be represented, including classics, fiction, biographies, adventure stories, science, nature, crafts, mystery and reference books. The committee is working with Educational Reading Service, a professional book fair company, to furnish an individual selection of books for the fair.



MRS. WESTBROOK AND THE SIXTH GRADE CLASS.

Bad Weather Games

The Borden County Parents Club purchased a multitude of games to be used when bad weather will not permit outside playground activities. These games include: Tic-Tack-Toe, Ring Toss, Bingo, Nerf Balls, Rubber Redset Darts, Chinese Checkers, Scrabble, Yahtzee,

Password, and a variety of card games. These card games include: Slap Jack, Authors, Animal Rummage, Old Maid, etc.

The elementary school wishes to express their appreciation to the Parents Club for brightening up the gloomy days of winter.

Views Launch

Jerry P. Reddell, a 1963 Texas Tech graduate from Gail, watched the launch of the third manned Skylab at the Kennedy Space Center as a special guest of the Space Agency.

Reddell, an employee of McDonnell Douglas Corporation at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, was chosen "because of his noteworthy contributions to the Skylab program."

Reddell's wife, the former Betty Snow of Lubbock, also attended the launch. Jerry, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Reddell of Gail, has worked for McDonnell Douglas since his graduation from Tech.

What's The Difference

Between the atheist who supports no church, and the member who will not support the one to which he or she belongs?

Between the skeptic who does not believe the Bible, and the negligent Christian who never reads it?

Between those who do not believe in Bible classes, and those who never attend them?

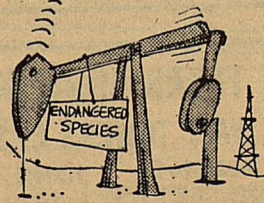
Between the man of the world and a person in the church who lives like a man of the world?

Between a sectarian preacher and a gospel preacher who refuses to tell the truth on certain subjects?

FERTILIZES AUTO

As a couple from Longview, Texas were driving to Shreveport, La., their car began smoking and warning lamps lighted on the instrument panel.

The husband finally learned that instead of putting anti-freeze in the radiator, he accidentally had put liquid fertilizer in. He had fed the anti-freeze to his pear tree.



WTC Community Service

Snyder-- About 150 persons are presently enrolled for Community Services courses at Western Texas College, J. M. Kayser, director of the program, has announced.

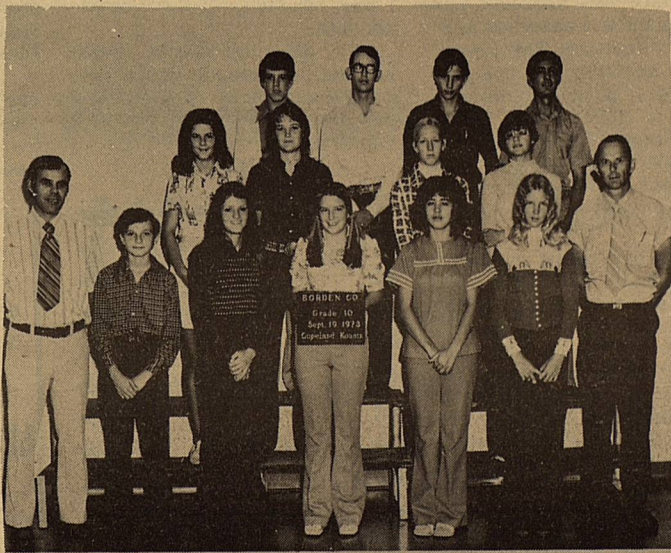
Community services courses are special courses set up to teach subjects selected by the people who enroll for them. They are not taken for college credit and may begin whenever there are enough students to form a class.

Courses now being taught include Sign Language for the Deaf, Dealing With the Young Child, Aviation Ground School, Interior Decorating, Adult Education, and advanced Conversational Spanish. Community Services is working with the owners and operators of public eating establishments in Snyder to plan classes in sanitary food handling procedures for employees of those establishments. "Almost any subject can be taught through Community Services," Kayser said, "and we can repeat courses which have been offered when there is sufficient interest."

"New courses being planned early in 1974 include a short course in Astronomy for the Layman and First Aid. The astronomy course will be taught by Mickey Schmidt, director of the planetarium, and will make use of the planetarium. The First Aid course will include observation of ambulance and hospital procedures, and will be of benefit to firemen, policemen, ambulance personnel and others who want to prepare themselves to handle emergency situations."

GUAM STONES PUZZLING

Agana, Guam -- Guam was originally settled by a blend of Indonesian and Polynesian people called Chamorros. They left a legacy of language, social customs and, in more than 200 places, mysterious latte stones. Tall and carved, the stones were foundations for houses occupied by tribal chiefs, archeologists believe.



TENTH GRADE

BACK ROW: L TO R, CREIGHTON TAYLOR, PHILLIP BOYD, RANDY HAGINS, NESTOR BAEZA. SECOND ROW: L TO R, DONELLE JONES, PHILENA FARMER, CINDY BEAVER, MARYLEDBETTER, COACH VAN KOUNTZ. FRONT ROW: L TO R, MR. COPELAND KENDALL DAVIS, DEIDRE TUCKER, DEBRA HERRING, BICA BAEZA, AND WANDA JOHNSON

Jeres Gottings

Your editor wrote about the inadvisability of impeaching Richard Nixon or forcing him to resign as President of the United States-for reasons of involvement in the Watergate scandal. She is exactly right. Nothing yet disclosed about the Watergate incident and eventual cover-up have indicated any impeachable offense. (Maybe the media and those doing the investigation are conspiring to overthrow our system of government - but they aren't the defendants.)

But let's talk about impeachment. Treason is an impeachable offense. Nothing about Watergate constituted the undermining of our constitutional system or threatened the future of our Republic. Sure, there was spying on the opposition (by both parties) and there was falsification of records. Even though these practices are commonplace among politicians, they are shameful. But they merely are diversionary tactics-diverting our attention away from the impeachable tactics that have been carried on by Presidents and Congressmen for over a generation.

So far it has not been hinted that the Watergate affair and subsequent fall-out involved the use of tax money to finance both enemies abroad and at home. But look what members of both parties have done openly. They have for years used your tax money for foreign aid programs and for financing Communist subversion and insurrection. And that, my friends, constitutes treason. Therefore, if you are going to bring impeachment charges, let's bring in the whole bunch and for the constitutional reasons.

Futhermore, all those howling for the impeachment of Nixon haven't uttered a yelp since he unlawfully intervened in the Middle East in October. It is estimated that that intervention will cost the American taxpayer five million dollars. We can ill afford such extravagance at a time when inflation has brought us practically to the bread lines-and when our own defenses and war reserves are seriously depleted. This interference certainly did not promote peace-pressure was not applied to both sides. The United States is being placed in a position of supporting one belligerent against another belligerent and gaining nothing from it.

Due to our taking sides, we have virtually pulled the plug from the energy socket, Arabia (Russia) now has us in the position for which all the chess moves have been made for fifteen years. We have alienated ourselves from Arabia by supporting the Israelis. After all that drilling and producing American companies have done over there, we aren't allowed a kerosene lamp full. And after working so hard on a detente with Russia-giving them all that wheat so they could feed the Arab army - (that is called supplying aid and comfort to your enemy) - and pulling out of Vietnam so they could recoup and regroup - now really,

On the other side, what have we gained by supporting the Israelis? Certainly we did not gain any friends at a time when we need all the friends we can get. It even put us in a position of allowing Israel to dictate to US how we are to spend our tax money. This has been done without a commitment to war - but simply out of a sense of obligation to Israel by the President. Some say, "Well we simply must stop the advance of Communism". I don't think that is what was on his mind - and besides, we tried that for twelve years.

I'm not pro-Arab or pro-Jew I am pro-American. And I think it is time persons in high offices should be also. If they are not, then let's begin to seriously consider impeachment for the proper reasons.

Makes Team

Mary Anderson, a sophomore student at TCU earned a position as a starting forward on the newly formed TCU girls basketball team. The "Frogs", giving their all, were none the less defeated in their first game by East Texas State.

Playing full court Mary states "It's a different ball game" and expects the squad of 25 girls to improve as the season progresses. "No way to go but up", she says.

Mary was on the starting lineup for Borden County throughout Junior High and lettered her first three years of High School here. Taking her Senior year at Brenau Academy in Georgia she continued to play ball. She is a 1972 graduate of Brenau.

From B's Kitchen

From B's Kitchen
It's tea time, so lets have a cup.

- Spice Tea
- 2 cups Tang
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup instant tea
- 1 3/4 teas. cinnamon
- 1 teas. cloves
- 1 pkg. sweetened Twist Lemonade mix

Mix all ingredients together well and keep in tightly covered container. Mix to your own taste, about two teas. per cup of boiling water.

Bette Fulcher

HAPPINESS
IS.....
BEING 12
ON DECEMBER 1ST.
CONGRATULATIONS!!!
MARK

NEWS GETS AROUND

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jym Hendricks over the Thanksgiving Holidays were their children. Those visiting were: Mrs. John C. Birdwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Birdwell and Jason, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Eller, Stacy, Jeni and Judy, all of Mangum, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rinehart, Eurdist, Travis, and Jym of Gail.

Coach, Patt, Blane, and Monica Dyess spent Thanksgiving with Patt's parent's in San Angelo. That night they traveled to Abilene and observed the Goree Wildcats soundly defeat the Sterling City Eagles 54-22. Patt said "The Coyotes played Goree a better game in the blind." (The Coyotes had no scouting report). She added the Coyotes had a good season in her opinion and are a fine group of athletes and would like to commend them. "They're the best in my books!" said Patt.

Attending a Thanksgiving dinner in the home of Margie, Terry and Toni Cleavenger in Forsan were: Mrs. Katie, Lewis, Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Newcomb and children, Coahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Rawls and daughter, Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crowder and daughter, Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crowder and daughter, Crane; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gilmore, Gail.

The Gail Goof-offs got together again Sunday night to practice their music in the Vivian Clark home. Bud, Willie and Rita, Cornett, Joe and Sibyl Gilmore, Catherine Jackson, Ruby Smith and Richard Shaw and the host and hostess Vivian and Pauline Clark.

Whiz Creighton's brother, S. E. Lee and his family visited with Whiz, Bo and Family over the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Smith were week-end visitors with friends at Cransfill's Gap, on a deer hunt with out luck.

Mrs. Don Bryant of Odessa visited sa short while with her mother, Mrs. N. M. McMichael last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Austin of Lamesa visited over the week-end with their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Udell White and attended the wedding of their granddaughter Gale White and Steve Northcot, Sunday at the First Baptist Church at Ira.

Becky Sanders has been a recent visitor of Mrs. W. Ed Murphy.

Mrs. Leila Weathers of Hamilton spent the week-end with her brother Hugh Birdwell and wife and visited with other friends and relatives.

Dick Weathers and Rickie Rogers of Amarillo spent Saturday with Ruth Weathers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Davis and three children of New Mexico spent Friday night in the Wright Huddleston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Huddleston and Ruth Weathers attended the wedding Sunday of Gale White and Steve Northcot at Ira. The Northcot's future home is in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Rich Anderson and children Mary, John and Martha enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holidays at the Rim Rock ranch in New Mexico. Missed but unable to attend due to their recent move was Sally and her husband Buddy Geter of Oklahoma.

Accompanying the Andersons were Juan Baeza and Andres Lorenzo. The boys were joined by Roy, Scott, and Rick Hendley for three days of deer hunting. The last day of hunting was successful for Rick who shot a small buck.

Jerry Smith of Gail was injured in a butane explosion late Saturday evening.

While installing butane heaters in his home, Jerry suffered extensive burns to his face, hands, and arms.

Taken to Lamesa for medical treatment, Jerry was released the same night.

Originality does not consist in saying what no one has ever said before, but in saying exactly what you think yourself.



MISS TALETA JEAN STAGGS

Rev. and Mrs. Harold Stone, 901 North Ave. F, Lamesa and W.D. Staggs of Hobbs, N. M., wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Taleta Jean, to Winston Lee Wiseman, son of George Wilson Wiseman of Steel Mo., and Mrs. Mary Frances of Seattle, Washington.

The couple will repeat nuptials on December 6 in the home of the bride's parents with Rev. Stone performing the ceremony.

Mis Staggs is a senior at Lamesa High School, while her fiancée farms for Kenneth Pearson.

HOSPITALIZED

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Briggs were called to Plainview late Monday evening due to an emergency appendectomy performed on their daughter, Billie. Billie, a student at Wayland College entered Central Plains Hospital around 10:30. Surgery was performed shortly after that time. Mr. Briggs, who returned to Gail Monday night, reported that Billie is doing nicely and will probably remain hospitalized three or four days. Mrs. Briggs remained in Plainview.

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Tommy Haegelin Reports

U. S. Beef Keeps Lead

College Station--World demand for beef is increasing, so Americans will have to rely more on production in the United States rather than on increased imports from other countries.

That's the report from Dr. Don Farris and James Simpson with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, after a trip to five beef exporting countries in South America and an International Conference of Agricultural Economists.

"There's little chance that leading South American beef exporters will expand exports over the next four or five years, say the economists, also with the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology at Texas A & M University.

Despite high beef prices on the world market, the leading South American exporters---- Argentina and Uruguay--probably will not expand production due to a heavy export tax, believe the economists. Expansion will be more rapid in Brazil and Paraguay, but the lower production response due to marketing of four-year-old steers combined with rapid population growth will generally hold exports in check.

"South American coexporting countries could sharply increase exports in a few years if producer prices were to reach levels near those prevailing in the U.S. However, there is no indication that this will happen," say Farris and Simpson. "For example, the price for live cattle in Uruguay has not exceeded 17 cents per pound this year compared to 40-50 cents per pound in the U.S. The Uruguay market is generally the lowest price cattle market in the world."

South American beef goes mainly to Europe due to the U.S. embargo on uncooked beef from that continent. Canned and cooked-frozen beef is shipped to the U.S. and is not under the quota applied to fresh and frozen beef imports. However, their exports have a significant effect on available world beef supplies.

"Europe and Japah are competing strongly for Australian beef so imports from that country will be limited," according to the economists. "Although Australia has increased exports in recent years, it was partly at the expense of a depressed wool industry. Now that wool prices are high, beef production may not increase as fast."

All these factors are putting pressure on cattlemen in the U.S. to expand production, and this expansion is underway, believe Farris and Simpson "We can expect the fastest production response in the U.S. due to the inherent productive capacity and the high level of technology used by American producers."

The two economists' work in South America involved a research project in international beef marketing through a grant from the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Save Fuel With Milo

Dawson Soil Conservation District Director Don Peterson receives several benefits from leaving milo stubble on top of his land during winter and early spring. One of the most important benefits is saving diesel fuel reports Mike Bogard of the Soil Conservation Service.

Peterson chiseled his land soon after harvesting milo which will be last trip land needs until weeds start growing in spring. Standing sorghum stubble does an excellent job of protecting land from blowing, therefore plowing to stop blowing will not be needed.

Due to fuel shortage all trips across a field eliminated, will be most important, Research has shown most farmers make several trips across their fields not needed to produce excellent yields.

Medical Message

Dr. Mark D. Altschule, Editor-in-Chief of Medical Counterpoint Magazine says that atherosclerosis has nothing to do with diet .. a fact, he says our furry, four-footed friends in both nature and zoos have "been clamoring for years to tell us." Severe atherosclerosis, ---- which medically speaking means the formation of fatty plaques within the walls of arteries which often lead to heart attacks, "occurs in vegetarian birds and fish and plant-eating seals, whereas only mild or trivial atherosclerosis develops in carnivores that gorge themselves on fat meat," Dr. Altschule observed.

Stating flatly there's "no substantial evidence that cholesterol in the diet causes atherosclerosis or anything else," he suggests we haven't been paying enough attention to what animals are telling us.

Altschule, who is Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at Harvard, noted that experimental work with dogs indicates that diets high in beef fat protect against heart attacks caused by atherosclerosis and he concludes, "it appears that the low meat diet recommended by some may do serious harm."

Snowflakes are small, but enough of them can snow you under. Wrong habits are like that. Check over your habits--make a clear sweep of those that are holding you back.

Food Appreciation Month

College Station--It's a modern day miracle, the production of food and fiber for the mushrooming population of this state and nation. Yet it's happening because dedicated people are working hard and caring for the land and striving to do their best to provide high quality food and fiber products for their fellow countrymen.

"Texans are invited to take a close look at the agricultural industry of their state during the month of November, which has been designated as "Food and Fiber Appreciation Month." It's a fitting tribute to an industry that serves as the lifeblood of humanity," points out Charles Baker economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Texans should be proud of their agricultural industry which contributes more than \$10 billion to the state's economy each year and employs about 30 per cent of the state's labor force. Of the state's 168 million acres of land area, 142 million are devoted to agriculture."

What are some of the other facts and figures that make Texas an agricultural giant?

Baker lists a few: Texas ranks third nationally to only California and Iowa in total agricultural income. Texas leads the nation in producing cotton, grain sorghum and rice. It is the top cattle producer and also leads in the production of sheep and wool, goats and mohair. Texas ranks third among agricultural exporting states and is the leading exporting state in rice, cotton, hides, tallow and cottonseed oil. About 21 per cent of the state's 1972 cash receipts from agriculture came from exports. Texas is second only to Georgia in peanut production and is a major producer of other oilseed crops such as cottonseed, soybeans, flaxseed and castors. flaxseed and castors. Texas is the third leading vegetable producing state behind California and Florida. It ranks first in cabbage, watermelon and spinach production and second in onions, carrots and cantalopes. Our state is second in producing grapefruit and third in oranges. Texas leads in native pecans and is third in overall pecan production. Honey production is also big business, with Texas being third in the number of bee colonies. Texas is among the top 10 dairy states in the nation. The state is a leading producer of poultry and eggs.

Other enterprises that are important generators of agricultural income in Texas are

timber, horses, fish farming and recreation. Texas is the leading state in horse numbers and is among the leading states in fish farming.

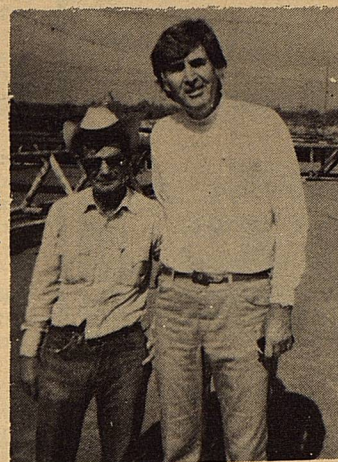
"Agriculture is indeed "big" in Texas," notes Baker, "and it continues to grow to meet the ever-increasing demands for high quality food and fiber products."

PIG POWER

With the current round of energy crisis stories, the National Live Stock and Meat Board recently reported that high Octane pig power may replace gasoline as a pollution-free solution to the energy crisis. Inventor Harold Bate has developed a process for converting pig manure into methane gas. compressing it into small cylinders carried in the trunk of his car and connected to the engine with a hose.

This idea has sparked interest and generated inquiries from folks all over the world, says Bate, who sees possibilities of converting huge quantities of livestock manure into methane gas? As one Texan was reported to have said, "We have more bull-bleep in Texas than we know what to do with."

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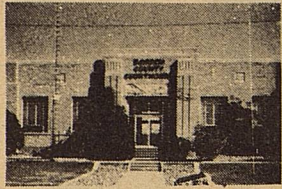
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Court House Happenings



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BE IT REMEMBERED:

WHEREAS, On the 12th day of November, A. D. 1973, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present and participating, to-wit:

- Herman Ledbetter, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
- Carl McKee, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
- Vernon Wolf, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
- Don A. Jones, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
- Doris T. Rudd, County Clerk And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court

and Glenn Toombs, County Judge, absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones that Commissioner Vernon Wolf preside over the Court in the absence of Judge Toombs, motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter, Motion carried.

The next regular Court day being the 24th day of December, the Court agreed that it would be changed to the 21st day of December, 1973.

The Court minutes had on the 19th day of October, 1973, were read. A motion was made by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter to approve said minutes as read, motion was seconded by Commissioner Don A. Jones and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones to approve Tax Refund to Edwin H. Bower in the amount of \$7.71. (Tax Receipt 1211.) Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones to execute Release to Mr. O. C. St. Clair on Martin County School Land, motion seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee, and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carl McKee to grant the request from Eddins-Walcher Butane Company for increase in propane price from 10.2¢ to 19 1/2¢ per gallon, motion seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carl McKee to approve the contract for a pipeline crossing in Precinct No. 2 for Phillips Petroleum Company. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter and approved unanimously.

In compliance with Article No. 834, Texas Election Code, the returns of the Constitutional - Amendment Election held on

November 6, 1973 were opened and canvassed, to wit:

Constitutional Amendment - No. 1 For 26, Against 35. Constitutional Amendment No. 2- For 49, Against 13; Constitutional Amendment No. 3-For 48, Against 14; Constitutional Amendment No. 4- For 20, Against 38; Amendment No. 5 For 38, Against 20; No. 6-For 16, Against 45; No. 7-For 35, Against 29; No. 8- For 19, Against 43; No. 9-For 27, Against 33.

Commissioner Herman Ledbetter made a motion that the Court confirm the foregoing results of the Constitutional Amendment Election, November 6, 1973 as true and correct. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter to approve current accounts in the amount of \$14,541.31 plus \$1855. transferred from Road and Bridge #2 to Precinct No. 1 and \$1855.00 transferred from Road and Bridge to Precinct No. 3. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

Improvements to the County 4-H Live Stock Barn was discussed at length. Commissioner Vernon Wolf is to secure figures for review at the next Court meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carl McKee to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter. Motion carried.

Cotton Loan Program

Wash.-- Congressman Omar Bureson called attention today to a US Department of Agriculture announcement that detailed specifications applicable to bagging and bale ties used in packaging cotton tendered to the Commodity Credit Corporation under its Cotton Loan Program will be continued for the 1974 crop of cotton.

This will provide for the same specifications that were in effect for the 1973 crop and withdraws the action to discontinue these specification requirements as announced September 13, 1973.

Observe Liberal Leave

The Armed Forces will observe liberal leave policies and permit early separation of members for the 1973-74 Christmas-New Year's holiday season, according to a Defense Department announcement.

Air Force officers and enlisted people whose normal separation dates occur between Dec. 6 and Jan. 6 may be separated anytime beginning Dec. 6, if requested. This policy does not apply to service academy graduates or Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps Financial Assistance Grant graduates who have not completed initial service obligations.

Liberal leave policies will be exercised consistent with operational requirements during the holiday season.

Marijuana Case

The board of Pardons and Paroles has been called on by Governor Briscoe to review marijuana possession felony convictions under old state law where less than four ounces of the substance was involved.

Criminal Appeals has struck down a portion of new state law providing for resentencing of prisoners convicted of felony possession, Briscoe said the legislature obviously intended that sentences of minor offenders would be lowered. New law effective last August lowered the penalty for first offense possession of small amounts of marijuana to a misdemeanor.

About 800 are serving time in Texas prisons for marijuana offenses. Briscoe is particularly interested in granting clemency to first-time offenders who had small amounts of marijuana in their possession.

LEGAL NOTICE

An ordinance enacted by the Colorado River Municipal Water District in regular session on October 18, 1973, under the powers and provisions of Chapter 8, Title 128 of the Laws of the State of Texas, amending Section V of an Ordinance adopted by the District on the 2th day of October, 1959, providing for recreation permits for boating, fishing, skiing, surfboarding or floating in, from or upon the waters of Lake J. B. Thomas or from lands adjoining or installations affixed to lands adjoining such waters without possession of a recreation permit, providing for the fixing of fees, providing certain exemptions, repealing any Ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance; providing for lawful publication of this ordinance and the fixing of the time in which this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect.


Be it enacted and ordained by the Board of Directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District that Section V or the Ordinance adopted by this District on the 27th day of October, 1959, be and the same is hereby amended to provide as follows:

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Fuel And Agriculture

FUEL-AGRICULTURE

The vital need of ranchers and farmers for diesel oils got special recognition this week at the highest levels of government, as ANCA continued to move quickly in Washington to assure that all future fuel needs of cattlemen and other producers are met. As followup to ANCA Washington staff activities, a series of meetings has been arranged at which ANCA Transportation Committee Chairman Stan Schaeferman and other association representatives will meet with officials of the Interior Department's Office of Oil and Gas (OOG), USDA and the White House energy crisis office headed by former Colorado Governor John Love. The sessions are set for Friday, November 30.

Among matters of consequence to be discussed will be the heavy dependence of the cattle industry upon trucking, a point that appears to have gone unnoticed by many officials dealing with the fuel crisis. ANCA will stress that food must be moved from where it is produced to where it is consumed; that efficient and prompt trucking is required to get cattle from grass to feedlot; to move fuel itself and feed for preparation of rations; and to transport animals from the feedlot to packing plant.

It will be pointed out that restrictive speed limits imposed on the trucking industry would mean longer travel time for livestock, causing added stress and shrink.

Meanwhile, the government moved this week to rejigger its allocation program for middle distillate fuels which include diesel, designed to assure that agriculture obtains sufficient energy at least to complete the harvest. For two months, until mid-January, officials announced, ranchers and farmers, mass transit systems like bus companies and producers of oil and coal are to have top priority for diesel fuel and are supposed to be supplied all that they require during that period.

What about after that? Government officials did not say. The allocations program for middle distillates was set up so that all users would get about the same percentage of diesel as last year, on a month-by-month basis. But late last year, many ranchers and farmers used less fuel because of bad weather, and it became clear that they couldn't get by on that same amount late this year. Hence, the temporary change in the program to give agriculture priority for 60 days.

The remaining problem was whether basic and lasting changes would be made in the allocations system to insure enough fuel for next spring and thereafter. This problem of getting enough diesel in the future is one of the important ones on which ANCA representatives are now working.

Among other questions involved is whether cattlemen and other producers are going to have to pay later for the extra diesel they are getting now. The additional fuel going to priority users under the temporary 60 day program of relaxed allocations, officials indicated, would be subtracted from future allocations. There was considerable speculation in Washington, however, that the government might reverse itself on that point, or at least temper its stand.

In any case, changes and

improvement in the allocations systems for practically all fuels appeared to be necessary in order to guarantee the continued operation of truly vital activities such as food production and distribution. Stricter government controls of energy use are bound to come, with higher taxes and/or rationing of gasoline and perhaps other fuels a likely possibility.

Conservation

by Jimmy Shelburn, Soil Conservation Service-Lamesa

Are you thinking of reinvesting some of the unexpected profit made this year because of higher prices received for cotton? Many farmers in the area are. Their reasons vary, still the end result they are seeking is the same; more production or cheaper production with the end result hoped to be a larger margin of profit.

Some of this investment is being done because if it is not reinvested, it will necessarily be paid out in income taxes. Many hope that by going to larger equipment and newer, more modern equipment that they will not only save on taxes this year, but will also reduce labor costs in the following years, and more than likely they are correct in this assumption.

An expanding business, if done wisely, is a much healthier business than one that is stagnated and not moving forward. But larger equipment on the same acreage of land does not necessarily mean more profit. Why invest more money in equipment if it's going to cost more to operate than the labor it replaced would have cost?

In the past, you've had to get newer and larger equipment, so you could operate your farm with an ever decreasing labor force. And, to offset the cost of larger equipment, you've had to expand your operation.

This year, some farmers may be finding themselves in an unusual situation. Their incomes

may have exceeded the point to where going to larger equipment would only be a luxury and not necessarily needed. If more land cannot be acquired on which to expand, land on which to expand will be harder to get this year because very few people will be going out of the farming business, the near future for the farm market looking as it does.

There are other alternatives to increasing production without going to new and larger equipment and more acres of cropland. They may fit your farm or farming operation plan and they may not, but they should be considered.

Maybe you have been planning to shape that wash through the middle of your field or divert some of that outside water to an area where it will cause less damage. Or maybe you have been planning to terrace this field or that field, but your income just hasn't been high enough so you felt you could afford to do it.

Many farmers may find themselves in the pleasant or unpleasant (depending on how you look at it) situation of being in a higher income tax bracket for the first time or at least the first time in many years. The only way to keep this tax money is to reinvest it in such a way that it can be deducted from their income. Conservation work is one such investment and in some cases may be the best for the present and certainly will be for the distant future.

If you purchase a new tractor it is depreciated out over a period of years. You might be able to deduct as much as \$2000 per year from your income for tax purposes. But, on the other hand, if you do conservation work you may be able to deduct up to 25% of your total income each year, depending on its cost and your income. If you have conservation work which needs to be done, discuss this with your tax accountant and if you decide to do the

work, contact the Soil Conservation Service and they will provide the necessary technical assistance needed to install any needed conservation practices.

Obituary

T. H. McCANN

T. H. McCann, 55, owner of McCann Butane Company and an active church and civic worker, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home, Monday.

The funeral was at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist

Church where he was a leading layman for many years. Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor officiated assisted by Chaplain Lee Butler. Burial was in the Trinity Memorial Park under direction of Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Mr. McCann was a director of the Texas Association of Liquefied Petroleum Gas Dealers, had served as head of Howard County Sheriff's Possee, Chairman of the church's Boy Scout Troop and chairman of the board of deacons at the First Baptist Church. He was also active in various other civic affairs.

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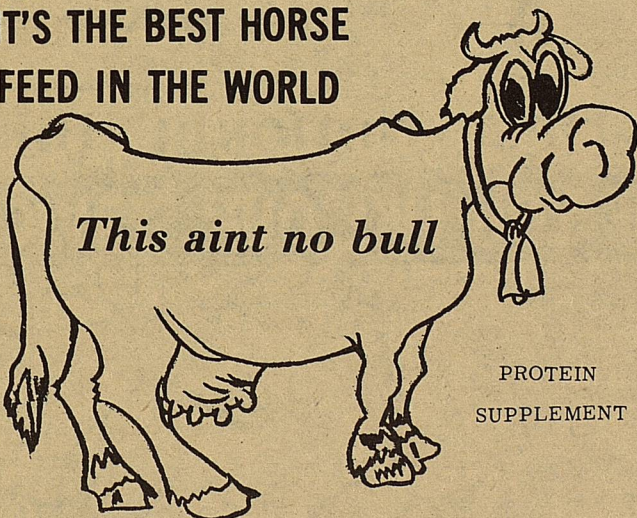
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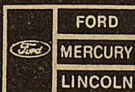
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I have warned repeatedly of the inevitability of this situation and of the concomitant dangers to our economic prosperity and national security inherent in such reliance.

As a result of the most recent Mideast war, the policies of the oil producing Arab countries have crystallized. Their forces have been unified as never before. Because of the U.S. Policies of giving preferential treatment to Israel, we have seen most of the producing countries, including Saudi Arabia, the most important one, halt all exports of crude oil and downstream products to the United States.

Listen to what the Beirut Weekly, an influential oil publication of that world, says about supplying oil for the Western world:

Quote: "Saudi Arabia has three Western countries on its most-favored status list----- France, Britain and Spain. Such countries will receive priority in oil supplies. It is understood that Saudi Arabia is insisting that to qualify for most favored status, a country must fulfill some or all of these conditions: Break off diplomatic relations with Israel. Apply some economic sanctions against Israel. Afford some military assistance to the Arab states." End quote.

Last week, Saudi Arabia considered the most pro-American of the Arab states-- refused to resume oil deliveries to the U. S. despite a personal appeal from Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to King Faisal. Faisal also was reported to be putting out feelers to Moscow.

It has been conservatively estimated that the Arab oil States in 15 years will own \$100 billion in gold and foreign currencies. This is enough for them to challenge all industrialized nations and to have a profound effect on the economic health of the entire world community.

Without again elaborating in too great a detail the cause of these problems, it can be directly attributed to the diminution over two decades of the incentives needed to attract the risk capital necessary to develop domestic supplies.

Even if every current cor-

rective action could be taken to establish and maintain the necessary economic climate for such investment, there would be a lag of several years before significant new quantities of energy will be available to meet our burgeoning requirements.

In the meantime, we will be forced to rely on imports. This petroleum must come primarily from Persian Gulf oil producing states since that is the only known place in the world where such huge supplies are available.

It is a fundamental truth that we cannot consume energy which we do not have. This means that the United States will be forced to use less energy.

There are solutions available, but we must get on with them now. There must be more incentives to attract the estimated 10,000 smaller independent producers who have drilled over 75 per cent of the exploratory wells in the U.S. back to the field. We must accelerate our technology needed to extract gas and oil from coal, extract crude oil from shale, utilize solar and geothermal energy and the technology of the fast breeder reactor.

Specifically, we must proceed with all speed to develop the Alaskan pipeline to tap those vast resources of energy. There must be some additional tax incentives to drill for new oil and gas sources. We should immediately remove other restrictions as federal clamps on the price of natural gas at the well head.

If we all cooperate and let the good old proven American knowhow seek its own level in a relatively free market atmosphere, then we can solve this most serious crisis our nation has faced in decades.

Our attitude is important. We should view the current situation, not as an energy crisis, rather an energy challenge. As we have met challenges in the past--Sputnik, for example, accelerated our now highly successful space program--so we shall meet this challenge with creative integrity and self-sacrificing conservation.

It is in this light that I applaud the action this week by the Senate to meet the energy challenge by passing the President's National Energy Emergency Act within less than two weeks after it was requested as an emergency measure. It is now incumbent on the House to act speedily on this vital legislation and rush it to the President's desk.

This bill which we passed this week is a strong measure, and grants the President immense powers. It authorizes the President to immediately undertake actions to conserve scarce fuels

and to increase supplies. He may, if necessary, implement rationing of gasoline and other fuels. But I emphasize that he is not required to do so. I reluctantly support the rationing concept, for use only as a measure of last resort, to be imposed only if less economically restrictive programs and voluntary measures fail to generate the necessary energy savings.

To best use our scarce resources, the President will require power plants using cleaner fuels such as natural gas or low-sulphur oils--which are now in short supply--to convert to the more abundant, less clean fuels such as high-sulphur oil or coal when conversion is possible. In order to accommodate this conversion, variances from air pollution control standards will be permitted under certain limited conditions.

Another provision of the Senate bill prohibits exports of oil products considered scarce, and will divert their destination to our domestic market.

I only regret that this bill which we passed this week does not reach the heart of our energy problem---that of supply. Again, let me say that I reluctantly supported this legislation because such legislation has been forced upon us by decades of wastefulness in the use of energy, years of ill-advised energy-related policies on the national level, and too many examples of short-sighted thinking by too many in high levels of government. I said a few years ago when we cut the oil depletion allowance that it was a mistake. Now it's proven it was a mistake.

We must move quickly now to de-regulate the price of natural gas at the well-head so there will be incentives for our producers to find the vast new sources of gas which we need.

Three times now this year the President has called for new legislation to meet our energy crisis. Congress is beginning to respond. The President's call for a project of independence to meet our energy needs here at home by 1980 is one to which every American should respond.

Weather

WEATHER AT THE COUNTY SEAT By K. T. REDDELL

Weather conditions for the week of

		MAX.	MIN.	RAINFALL
MONDAY	19	75	58	0
TUESDAY	20	61	35	0
WEDNESDAY	21	73	38	0
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SATURDAY	24	66	49	0
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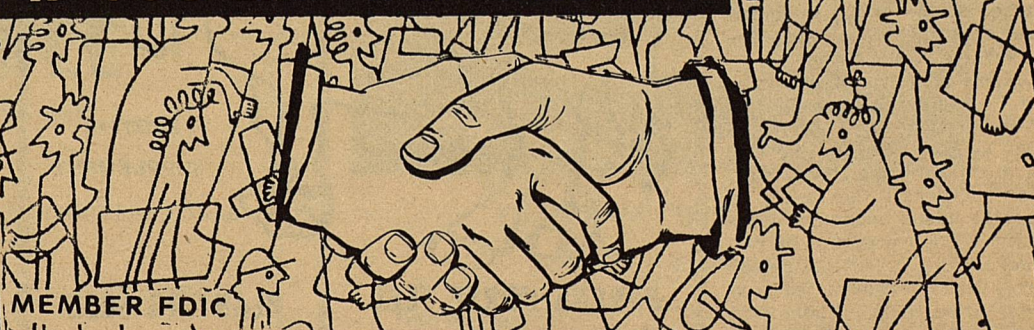
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