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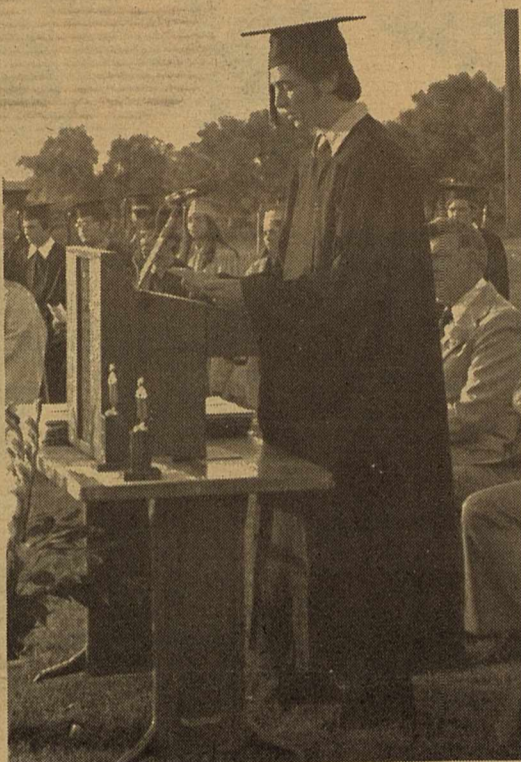
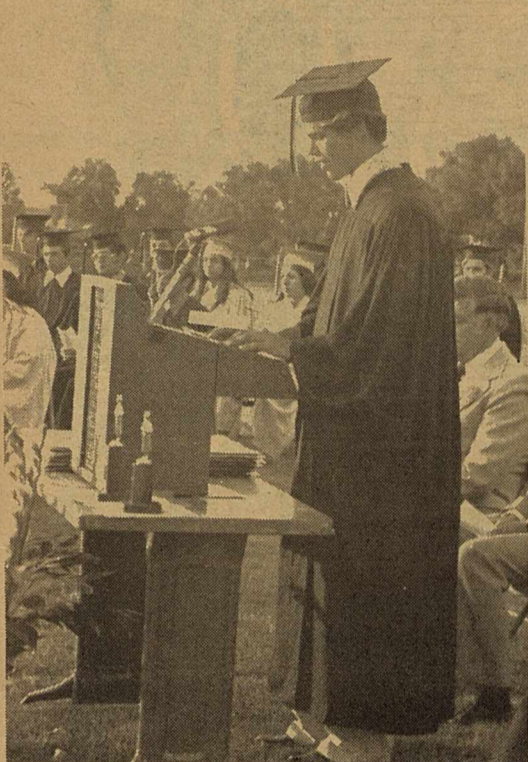
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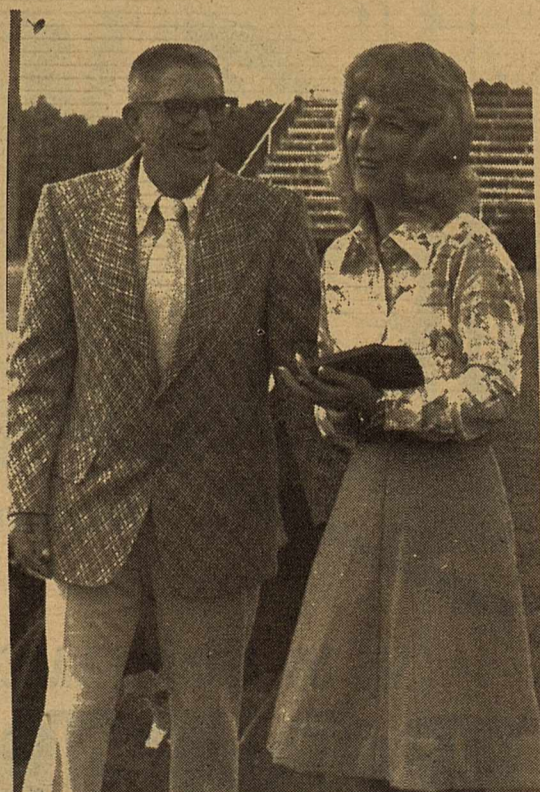
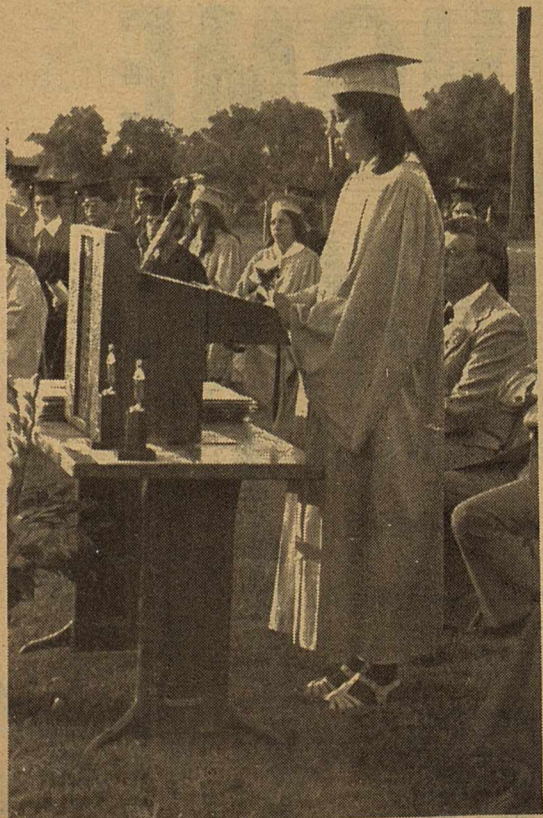


Graduation ceremonies for the 1977 Brackett High School was held at Tiger Field, last Friday night.

With the Tiger Band played at the Processional and the invocation was delivered by Miss Lou Ann Lindeman.

Bill Pratt presented the salutorian address and Mark Veltmann delivering the Valedictorian address. Dawn Slubar then presented the guest speaker, G.T. "Stoney" Burk, assistant minister of the Brackettville Church of Christ.

Emma Slaughter was presented with a life time membership in the P.T.A.



GUEST EDITORIAL

by: JOE TOWNSEND

As I drove along Highway 90 toward Uvalde the other day I neared the Nueces River and was flabbergasted to see roses were planted along the meridian. Now I love roses. They are beautiful and speak a language all their own. But I also know somewhat of the trouble roses are. I'm somewhat familiar with the cost of preparation of the soil for them, the feeding of, the watering of them and the fight against fungi and insects that must be waged. As I drove on into San Antonio I noted again the sad condition of the highway. I just thought "Money to plant and maintain roses but not to repair and maintain the highway."

I suppose no people have as much trouble arranging priorities as we do in America. We "Beautify America" according to some woman's idea of beauty and let our highways go to pot. This is simply one glaring example of the sick condition brought about by bureaucrats with petty and pet ideas and given free reign by politicians trying to be all things to all people that they might be able to hold on to some office. When will objective integrity

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Irrigation Program Planned

On Monday, June 6, there will be a program that should be of interest to all irrigators. Topics covered will be such as pumping efficiency, cost of pumping water, efficiency of irrigation systems and when and how to fertilize and water crops for maximum production.

The program will start at 10:00 a.m. and last until after lunch. To get to the location proceed south one mile on Las Moras Road. Signs and Flags will mark the way.

The program will be presented by specialists from the Rio Grande Conservation Service and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Lunch will be dutch treat.

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rise again in the minds of these "servant" (?) (master would be more accurate) of the People." Are more apropos "When will the American people show enough common sense and integrity to elect men with these traits?"

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LITTLE LEAGUE

by: FERN DYER

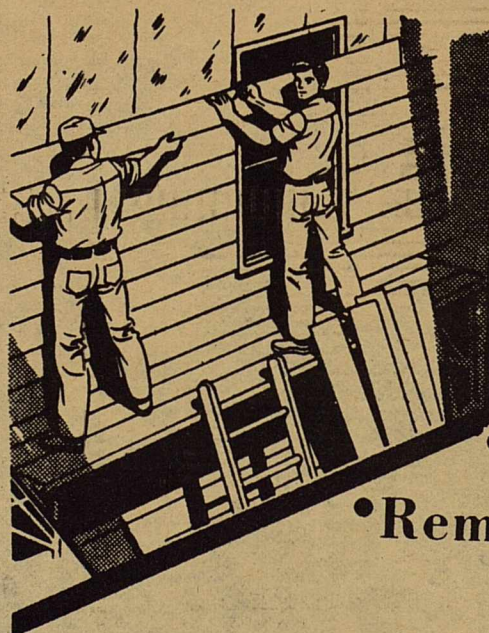


The Kinney County Little League season for 1977 is underway. Officers for the year are: Leland Burgess--President; Ernest Jaso-- Vice-President; and Gay Lene Frerich--Secretary/Treasurer. The Borad of Directors include: Roy Dyer, Eloy Garcia, Lingo Sandoval, and Ray Pena.

The Managers and coaches are as follows:

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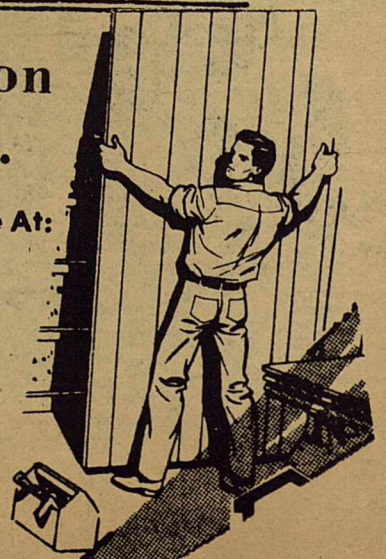
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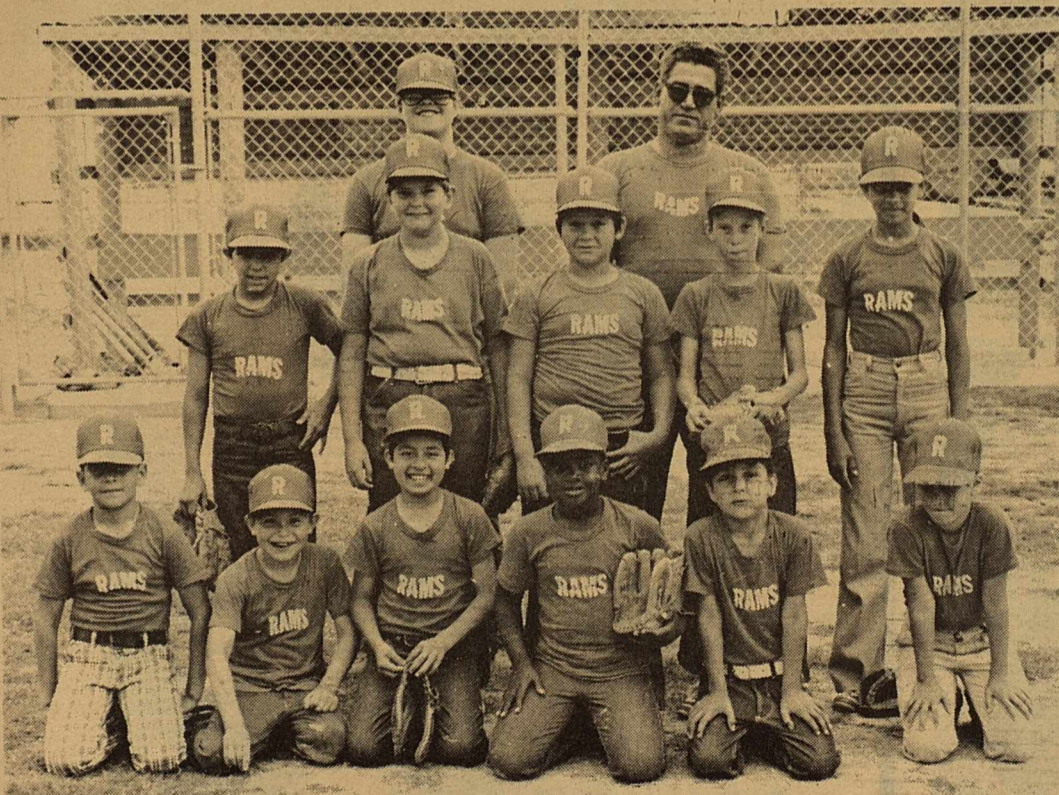


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Our little League Field has undergone a facelift with a new backstop, an added fence, cement sidewalks and new bleachers. The concession stand is active every game selling sandwiches, fritos, candy and soft drinks.

The double header games are played on Mondays and Fridays at 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

We would like to thank the merchants, clubs and individuals from Brackettville and Del Rio, who contributed to our Little League Fund and welcome all to come out and see the games.

Senator Lloyd Bentsen Watching Washington



BENTSEN TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AT MEXICO MEETING

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Lloyd Bentsen, Thursday left from Washington, for Hermosillo, Mexico, to serve as Co-Chairman of the U.S. delegation to the 17th U.S.-Mexico Interparliamentary Conference.

Bentsen, prior to leaving, said he will concentrate on economic affairs at the conference, with emphasis on energy problems, the U.S.-Mexican trade balance and economic problems along the Texas-Mexico border.

"The energy situation in Mexico has changed dramatically during this decade. Substantial discoveries of oil and gas in the Tabasco-Chiapas oilfields of southeastern Mexico caused that country, in late 1974, to go from several years as a net oil importer to an exporter," Bentsen said.

"Mexico currently exports 172,000 barrels of oil daily, most of it is to the United States. In 1982, they expect to be exporting 1.1 million barrels of oil a day along with 1 billion cubic feet of natural gas."

"Clearly our interests are better served by importing oil from a nearby neighbor in this hemisphere than from the far away Persian Gulf. I will be seeking to learn more about Mexico's plans for increasing oil production during the Interparliamentary Conference," Bentsen said.

Bentsen said the favorable balance of trade between the U.S. and Mexico makes the prospect of increasing oil imports from that country even more attractive. In 1976 the U.S. exported goods worth \$5 billion to Mexico and imported only \$3.6 billion from Mexico. "Devaluation of the Peso continues to cause serious problems for the economics on both sides along the U.S.-Mexico border. Employment and sales on the U.S. side of the border have fallen dramatically and I will be exploring possible avenues of relief during the Conference," Bentsen said.

Other matters to be discussed during the Interparliamentary Conference include traffic of narcotics and weapons, international law of the sea, foreign investments, and the status of the Mexican and U.S. prisoners, also non-documented workers.

Senator Bentsen attended the working session of the Conference, May 26-29 in Hermosillo, before returning to the United States.

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HE REPLACES JOHNNY FRITTER, WHO RESIGNED TO TAKE A POSITION WITH KINNEY COUNTY.



THOSE SURE ARE HOT PEPPERS. This employee at the Avoca Farms division of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. wears a special mask to protect against the stinging fumes given off during the harvesting of Bahamian chili peppers. Avoca is the only producer of these peppers in North America. They are sold to producers of spices and foods. In addition to peppers and several other exotic crops, Avoca produces the Avoca 11 — an extra-large peanut that has gained application for a U.S. patent.

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James Speights, M.D. (from San Antonio) will be heading the free glaucoma screening to be held Sunday, June 5th, from, 2-4 p.m. at the Civic Center in Brackettville. Dr. Speights will be assisted by Ms. Dawn Dietrich (of San Antonio) and various volunteers from the Extension Home Economics Advisory Committee for Kinney County. This screening for adults 35 or older, is being conducted in an effort to detect possible glaucoma victims--thus referring them for professional eye examinations.

Glaucoma is a leading cause of blindness among adults in the United States. It is characterized by increased fluid pressure (within the eyeball) which affects blood vessels and nerve fibers, thereby causing a certain amount of permanently lost sight with each nerve cell and fiber destroyed. One out of every eight blind person is a victim of glaucoma. Since glaucoma rarely strikes until after age thirty-five, glaucoma victims

usually lose their sight during their forties--fifties--or sixties.

The two principal types of glaucoma are acute and chronic. Acute glaucoma has a tendency to strike suddenly.

It inflicts cloudy vision which is sometimes accompanied by severe pain in and around the eyes. Chronic glaucoma, often termed the "Sneak Thief of Sight", is a slow and painless destroyer of sight. With this type glaucoma, the victim is only vaguely disturbed by symptoms which come and go. Chronic glaucoma is much more common than acute glaucoma.

Without proper treatment, early glaucoma will advance and eventually result in total loss of vision--Blindness! On the other hand, if glaucoma is discovered in time, medical treatment (drugs and/or surgery) can halt its progress. Still, sight already destroyed by glaucoma cannot be restored. For each month that a glaucoma victim postpones treatment, he may lose a small but priceless

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percentage of his sight--sight that he can never regain.

All adults, 35 and older, are urged to take full advantage of the up-coming glaucoma screening on June 5th. It will be held inside the Society's mobile van unit. This free public service is being sponsored by the San Antonio Branch of the Texas Society for the Prevention of Blindness and the Extension Home Economics Advisory Committee for Kinney County, coordinated by Rebecca Rogers, County Extension Agent-at-Large.

BE DIFFERENT!



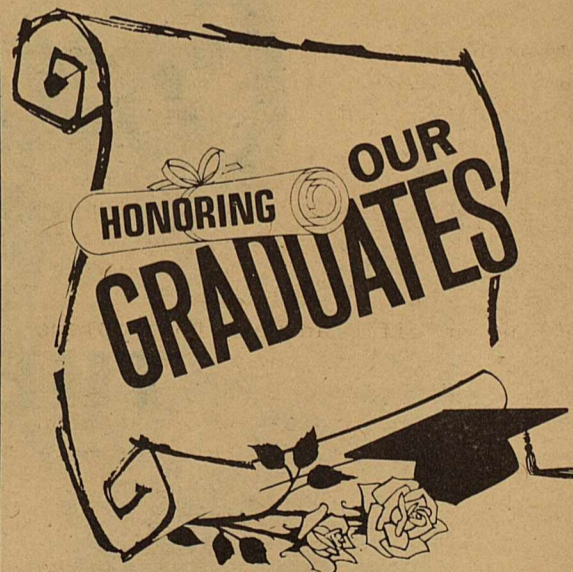
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GRAZING MANAGEMENT
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UVALDE--Most Rio Grande Plain ranchers are aware that a well-planned range management system on their land could add almost \$25 million to the income of the area.

But, their dilemma is knowing how to put such a system into practice in an economical way. Finding that answer is one of the goals of the grazing management research effort underway at the Rio Grande Plain Experimental Ranch near Spofford.

"The present situation of high ranch expense and low livestock prices demands that more efficient methods of operation be employed," said Dr. Patrick Reardon, an assistant professor of range science with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

"We know, for instance, that with proper management, mechanical brush control and seeding with improved grasses such as buffelgrass or Klein-grass may nearly double livestock production."

But, the scientist emphasizes, this practice costs \$40 to \$75 per acre and then requires continuous follow-up treatment and careful grazing management. Very few landowners can afford this type of expense.

"Land Management techniques and programs need to be developed in this land resource area which offer the landowner an alternative to the more expensive treatments," Dr. Reardon said.

He said ranchers who are able to balance current forage resources on their range with livestock numbers might add 50 cents profit per acre; a well-planned systematic grazing system could add another 50 cent per acre; and a properly managed wildlife habitat and harvesting system could add at least another 50 cents per acre.

"This can mean an additional \$1.50 per acre profit, an extra \$4500 to the average 3000 acre ranch and more than \$25 million income to the Rio Grande Plain," the range scientist said.

Finding the most economical way of getting that income into the pockets of Southwest Texans is what Dr. Reardon and his associates are trying to do at the experimental ranch. He is seeking specific answers to problems such as grazing systems which maximize production per acre, types and amounts of livestock supplementation needed; types or breeds of beef cattle best suited to the range and achieving maximum sustained income from wildlife; brush management-reseeding operations as they relate to grazing systems; and establishment of new and improved varieties of range grasses and forbs.

Dr. Reardon, who is housed at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Uvalde, said area ranchers have seen the need for such information for a long time and have contributed a great deal of time, effort and financial backing to get the research program off the ground.

"People such as Robert Bracher, Chalre Griffin, Jr., Louis Capt, and Virgil Helm and others contributed tremendously by assisting in

in locating the experimental ranch, Dr. Reardon said.

"After going through the normal headaches any rancher might have in stocking a South Texas Ranch with the proper kinds, numbers and quality of beef cows, the first calf crop is

now on the ground at the experimental ranch."

Information should be coming soon which will give area ranchers a few answers or at least alternatives to their problems.

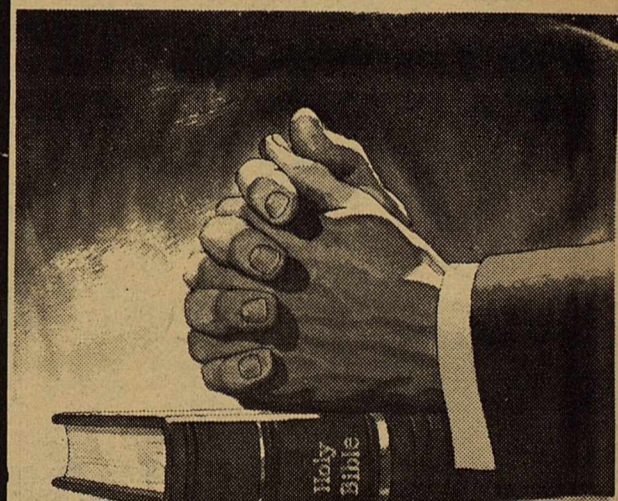


This classroom on the range is being conducted by Dr. Pat Reardon (right) of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Staff. College classes, such as this one from Southwest Texas Junior College, and ranchers are coming by in increasing numbers to get the latest results at the Rio Grande Plain Experimental Ranch.

TIPS FOR GREEN THUMBS

JOE TOWNSEND

If you have space now is the time to plant your second gardens. Green beans planted now will come in to bearing about the time your first ones play out. Beets, swiss chard will produce in good time. It's time also to plant some summer squash. Okra also is good to plant now. With good management you can have your space producing fresh food from the garden steadily until frost. Why not try carrots and parsnips, more radishes, cantaloupes, cucumbers or black-eyed peas? If this weather holds and long range forecasters say it will, this will be the summer to grow a great deal of garden fresh vegetables at a minimum of cost and a maximum of production.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- June 5----Micheal Roselle
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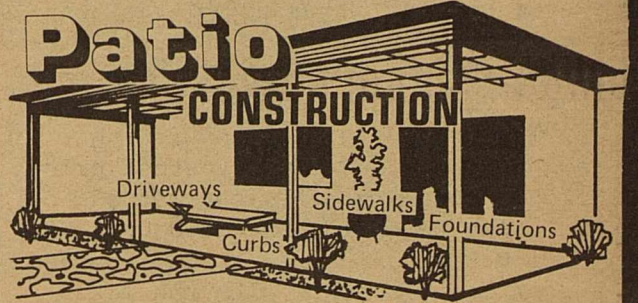
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