### **DRN Super Sports**

**Jym Trimble talks to Eldorado** coaches Tim Terry and Bob Helmers about the District 9-A Race.

Sonora vs Del Rio **Eldorado vs Junction** Results in the **West Texas Sunday Shopper** 

### Don't Be Left Out of the 1979 Petroleum Edition

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Sonora, Eldorado **Livestock Shows** This Weekend See Page 1B

Wednesday, January 17, 1979 The Devil's River News Sonora Texas

male who assaulted Department of Public Safety Patrolman Dwight Hardin Saturday afternoon is underway.

Eighty-Eighth year, Twenty-first Week

Warrants have been issued for a subject on charges of assault on a police officer and kidnapping. Officer Hardin had received a

request for a license check from the DPS in Ozona Saturday and stopped vehicle bearing the California plates reported stolen.

Upon asking the subject for his license Hardin went to his own vehicle to answer a radio call and was attacked from behind. A scuffle ensued and the subject came up with Hardin's service revolver. The suspect attempted to remove the wiring from Hardin's radio and proceeded east on IH 10 after a truck driver stopped at the scene to assist Hardin.

The DPS vehicle had also been stripped of keys and Hardin estimated it was probably 4 to 5 minutes before he gave chase and notified fellow officers.

Local Sheriff Bill Webster, a city patrol unit and most local and area law enforcement officers began the manhunt and roadblocks were set up. Officers searched on foot and by vehicle and found the vehicle

abandoned some 30 miles east of

Roadblocks remained until early Monday morning with officers from Sonora, San Angelo, Del Rio and Ozona assisting in the search.

A call from Kimble County Sheriff John Lockett late Sunday Afternoon revealed a young 18 year old came into his office and advised

he had been kednapped and forced to drive a Negro male to Kountz, a small town east of Houston.

driven back to Junction before reporting the kidnapping. Officers believe the subject who attacked Hardin and kidnapped the

area youth are one in the same.

The youngster, in his fright, had

# School Board Hears **Problems of Tax Amendment**



Tax Assessor-Collector Don Wootan went before the regular meeting of the Sonora Independent School District Board of Trustees to explain the effect of the November Tax Relief Amendmend on local revenues.

Wootan explained the \$5,000 homestead exemption created under the amendment would probably result in a loss of about \$35,000 in tax revenue to the school district.

'There are 1,740 residences in Sonora," Wootan said, "but not all will apply for the exemption since some people own two or more houses, and these will not qualify."

Wootan, who attended a seminar for tax administrators last week in Austin, said other repercussions could be felt if certain legislation pertaining to the amendment is passed, but no one can be sure of the exact amount.

In explaining some of the new procedures in taxation, Wooten urged the board members to write legislators concerning new bills regarding taxation to not make them effective until next year. Any severe losses in tax revenue would

play havoc with the current year's

budget, he explained. The Board approved the rehiring of athletic director Jerry Hopkins, band director Ed Martinez and extended two-year contracts to high school prinicipal Don Jones and curriculum director McAndrew. Elementary principal Harold Miller and junior high principal Smith Neal were also given one-year extensions on their

current contracts. Tonette French was also hired as a one-half day special education

Jones made a report to the Board on current programs underway at

the high school. "We have a strong faculty," Jones said, and although we still have a few weak spots, it is still the strongest faculty of all the schools I

have been associated with. Jones said one of the most pressing problems in the high school is to make the curriculum more uniform by making the individual academic departments stronger.

The board also approved the purchase of a 1978 Oldsmobile Delta from Ken Braden Motors, Inc. for use by the superintendent. It was agreed by the Board to advertise for bids on the old superintendent's car as well as the

school station wagon. Superintendent Dr. Joe Andrews was instructed to gather prices and information for the purchase of a

new station wagon.

The Board also approved a replacement schedule for school cars at the outside limit of 50,000

In other action the board approved a slight raise in the rent of faculty housing to help defray increased maintenance costs, ap proved the moving of the Junior-Senior Banquet from the school cafeteria to the Sutton County 4-H Center, gave Dr. Andrews authority to have school architect Augie Sachs draw up specifications for a new gym floor is the old ones cannot be found and agreed to make the school's station wagon available to the principals when it was needed to attend out of

town activities. Board members present were Mary Adele Balch, Dorothy Pope, Sam Perez, Bud Whitehead, Don Lawson and James Hunt.



**Charlie Steph** 

### **New Sonora Postmaster Assumes Office Friday**

Charlie Steph took over duties Friday, January 12 as postmaster of the Sonora Post Office.

Steph replaces Arlon Vaughan who has moved back to Midland after serving as officer in charge following the retirement of longtime postmaster James D. Trainer.

A resident of Clyde, Steph spent 21 years in the Abilene Post Office where he was officer in charge of

Steph's wife is a third grade teacher in Clyde and the couple has three children, a daughter who attends Angelo State University, a son, who is a senior at Clyde High School and a 12 year old son who also attends the Clyde Schools.

The Steph family plans to move to Sonora in the spring following the end of the school term there.

## City Council Votes Raise, **Sets April 1 Election**

Members of the City Council met Tuesday morning to discuss a raise in deposits on utilities and a raise in elected city official's salaries. City Manager Jim Dover asked

that the discussion on the raising of deposits for city utilities be tabled until he could look more closely into the matter.

Alderman Hershel Davenport, Mary Owensby, Jack Kerbow and James D. Trainer, who were present at the meeting, along with Mayor Doyle Morgan, did vote a raise for elected city officials to become effected May 1.

For a number of years council members have been receiving \$20 for each regular meeting and \$10 for each called meeting attended.

Much discussion was held concerning the raise in salary as opposed to receiving a minimum charge on utilities as is provided other city employees.

It was approved by the coucil to raise the salary to \$50 for regular meetings and \$25 for called meetings instead of the minimum

Coouncil also voted to set April 7 as election day with the city hall being the polling place for that election. Terms of city alderman Hershel Davenport, Jack Kerbow and Lemuel Lopez will terminate at

Council also approved a proposal to become efective with the election of new alderman, that any

alderman missing three consecutive meetings unless for reasons of sickness or a leave of absense, shall constitute termination of that

Also approved was the entering into contract with Southwestern Appriasal Co., Inc., to re-evalute and update the tax roll for new properties or those missed in last year's re-evaluation.

City Manager Dover reported to the council particulars of his meeting with NCR representatives early January.

There was also Discussion

concerning the keeping of animals in the city limits. No decision on this discussion was arrived at but the council intends to pursue the birth defects.
"Birth defects affect over 200,000 children each

year, and many of those

cases could be prevented

with proper care before as

Dimes campaign director

for the Sutton County

Mr. Neal says that the

pregnant mother has a big

responsibility--to make

sure she is eating the right

foods, avoiding possible

harmful drugs, getting

enough appropriate exer-

of course, she must

provide care and attention

to give the infant a health

helping this process in two ways he said. "Through

its medical programs,

MOD is trying to seek out

and provide help for

'high-risk' mothers; and

also to make available on a

regular basis the most

up-to-date medical ser-

vices for babies in

immediate danger right

Mr. Neal said that

contributions to the March

of Dimes will help set up

pre- and postnatal care

facilities, support current medical service programs,

and finance research into the underlying causes of

When buying lamb chops remember that ribs chops are

likely to be more tender

than shoulder chops.

after delivery."

birth defects.

The March of Dimes is

Chapter.

start in life.

### January, March Of Dimes Month

March of Dimes month in Miss Vivian Sonora. Miear: For Rent of this year's For Rentarch.

During January, Sutton County residents will be approached in three ways for contributions: Mailers

#### Berlanga **Rites Held**

Funeral services for Jose Berlanga, 77, were held Sunday at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Rosary was held Saturday at Kerbow Funeral Home Burial was in Sonora Cemetary.

Mr. Berlanga died January 11 in the Schleicher County Medical Center.

He was born March 5, 1901 in Lenares Nuevo Leon Mexico and married Felipa Bermea in Sonora in 1929. They had made their home in Sonora since that time.

Mr. Berlanga was a retired construction worker.

He is survived by his wife of Sonora; two sons, Henri Berlanga of Bedford and Jose Berlanga, Jr., of Fort Worth; two brothers, Ralph Berlanga of Houston and Alfonso Berlanga of Bakersville, California; and seven grandchildren.

#### **Home Demo Club Name To Change**

A new name for the Home Demonstration clubs has gone into effect all over Texas and the Sutton County clubs will soon join in this change.

For their names, the Sutton County clubs will change the words, "Home Demonstration" to "Ex-Homemaker Clubs". These clubs include the Borderline Club. the Happy Homemaker Club, and the Stitch and

Stew Club. This change is affecting the statewide network of Extension Homemaker clubs at all organizational levels-including county,

district, and state. To create the new name members of the statewide Texas Home Demonstration Association recently voted to change the state organizations name to Texas Extension Homemakers Association.

#### Reflections

by Rev. Jim Miles During the time of the Babylonian Exile, Nebuchandenezer, the Babylonian king took it upon himself to demonstrate that even the Jews, who were thought in his land to be rude, crude, and

could be taught to have the finer sensitivities. Therefore, he asked his chief eunich to select some of the fairest of the Jewish young men for extensive training, which included a luxurious diet, and a three

unacceptable,

year education. Daniel, however, objected strenuously to the food, for the Babylonians were prone to eat foods which Jewish dietary law would simply not permit. In the end, since he was able to prove to his mentor that his own diet would not harm him, he was permitted to refrain from eating

Perhaps it is difficult for us to understand Daniel's feelings, for we labor under no such limitations. But one phrase he used should strike close to home, Daniel did not want

the forbidden foods.

to defile his own body. If we are to be the best servants of the Lord, we too should endeavor to protect our own bodies. and refrain from poisoning them with that which is harmful, for much that we eat, and drink can indeed defile us. This is not to say that the danger is in the things themselves, but in our continuous overin-

dulgence. Daniel is a book that has served well over the centuries as a guide to those who seek stronger self discipline, something that is sorel needed in each period of history.

### **Welfare Board Names Members**

A local Child Welfare Board was organized in the county in September envelopes will be given to and nine local persons school children; and ladies were named to that board. from each neighborhood Named chairman was will be calling door-to-door Harold Miller; vice chairman, Bill Webster; secretfor contributions. No one ary, Jeryl Fields; along is expected to contribute all three ways; but it is with Anabelle Wuest, Smith Neal, Ben Solis, hoped that by using the three methods, everyone Mary Adele Balch, Dr. will be given an opportun-Charles Browne and the ity to give something to help in the fight against Rev. Jim Miles.

The local program will serve the purpose of provising services to those in the county in need of services and encouraging and engaging in such

children in the county. The program was coordinated with the Texas Department of Public Welfare, Child Welfare Division.

One of the tasks the board plans to undertake is to coordinate a listing of the helping facilities available to residents in Sutton

Residents who need medical, legal or counseling help for children are encouraged to contact any member of the board for information.

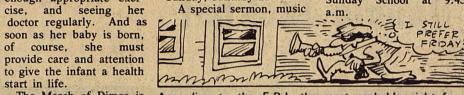
The next meeting of the Sutton County Welfare

well as after birth," says Smith Neal, March of Primera Bautista Plans **Program by Youth** 

The young people of Primera Igelsia Bautista invite you and your family to attend their "Young People In Action Service" Sunday, January 21.

and fellowship will start at 11 a.m. All the service will be conducted by young people from 4 to 16 vears.

Come join them for School at 9:45 Sunday



According to the F.B.I, the most probable night for a burglary is Saturday night.

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### Sonora Churches

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**Methodist Church** Rev. Paul Terry, pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Worship First Baptist Church Rev. Clifton Hancock,

Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:00 p.m. Wed. Services 7:00 p.m. Hope Luthern Church John E. Hafermann,

Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Adult Inquirer's Class 6:00 p.m. Saturday Confirmation Instruction

**Church of Christ** 

Bible School 10:00 a.m. Worship Youth Group 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Sunday Eve. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Eve. 7:00 p.m.

**United Pentacostal** Rev. Kenneth Doyle,

Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Eve. Worship Wed. Services 7:30 p.m.

St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. John Waldron Sat. Vigil Mass Sunday Masses 8 a.m. 10 a.m.

Holy Day Mass 7 p.m. St. John's Episcopal Chruch y Com. 11:00 a.m. Holy Com. 1st and 3rd Sundays Morn. Prayer 11:00 a.m.

2nd and 4th Sundays

of Prophecy

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Eve. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Eve. 7:30 p.m. The Church of the

**Good Shepherd** Presbyterian The Rev. Jim Miles

Sunday: Church School 10:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Fellowship Worship 11:00 a.m. (Communion on first Sunday of each month) Inquirer's Class 7:30 p.m. (Session and Diaconate meet at 7:30 on the 3rd

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER FISCAL YEAR - OCTOBER 1, 1977 to SEPTEMBER 30, 1978

TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS:

As Manager of the General Department, and the Light, Water and Sewer Systems of ty of Sonora, Texas I hereby file with you a condensed Balance Sheet, and combined

report of the operations of the departments, in ending September 30, 1978, as follows:	prants and sy	Scens 101 C	- San	/*						
ASSETS	General Fund	Revenue Sharing Fund	Firemen's Retirement Fund	Debt Service Fund	Electric Fund	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term <u>Debt</u>	Memorandum Only
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BALANCES/RETAINED EARNINGS

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> The foregoing is taken from the Audit Report of the City of Sonora, copies of which are on file with the City Secretary and reference is made thereto for a complete itemization of revenue and expenses.

\$410,311

espectfully Submitted, James E Dover ames E. Dover City Manager

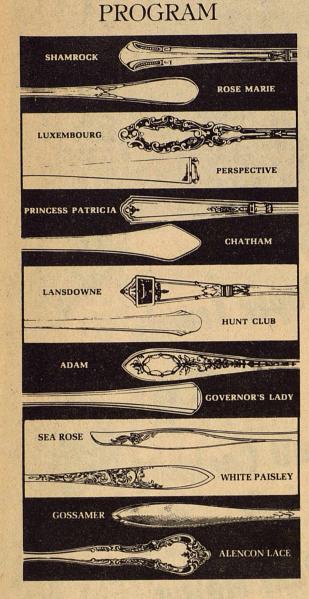
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Thursday, January 18 David Drennan Steve Vargas Lois Behrens Armstrong Friday, January 19

Sharon Mittel Clay Matthew Allison Felipe Vargas John Lopez, Sr. Wes Burnett Saturday, January 20

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Leon Neely Cindy Feagin Marion Russell Chalk Marilyn Bloodworth

Mrs. Gary Hann Sunday, January 21 Cecil Westerman Carl Teaff Anne Elizabeth Ward Tim Turner Juanita Bautista Mrs. Joe Brown Ross

Monday, January 22 Mrs. Jim Luckie

Leta Noriega
Tuesday, January 23
Lois Young Seward
Jess David Cook Jason Pryce Henderson Wednesday, January 24 Mrs. S.M. Loeffler

Mike Gilly Edward Mata

ASU Sutdents Listed On Dean's List

Area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester at the

University.
Those listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll include Sheila Sue Alexander, an Elementary Education ma-Gina Gamez, a Business Major; Lesa Nancy Joy, an Elementary Education Major, and Terri Kae Simpler, an undecided major.

Those listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll include Doyle Blaine Crawford, a Mathematics Major, and Jimmy Galindo, an Accounting Major.

#### Mona Strange To Wed Lynn Simpler In Feb.

His parents are Mr. and Miss Mona Leigh Mrs. J.T. Simpler. and E. Lynn Strange Simpler have announced graduate of Texas Tech their engagement and University and is a speech apparoaching marriage. pathologist at the local

The wedding will be held February 23 at St. John's Episcopal Church. The bride elect is the daughter of Sam Strange and Mrs. Clara Strange.

and is owner/manager of the J&V Mobile Home Two Sonora Students

school.

Two Sonora students at Angelo State University were among 155 students who completed degree requirements at the conclusion of the fall semes-

Cynthia Ann Feagin

Graduate From ASU received a Bachelor of Joe Fincher.

Science Degree with a major in Elementary Education. Debra Kay Tittle Hill received a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Elementary Edu-

Miss Strange is

Her fiance attended Arizona State University

### Fire Auxiliary Meets

The Sonora Fireman's Auxiliary met Tuesday, Jan. 9, at the fire station with Trevlin Luttrell serving as hostess. Winners at 42 were Vicki Zech, high; Donna Keese, low; and Nova

Olenick, 84. Also attending were Rhonda Blackman, Jean Humphreys, Frances West, Jane Smith, Vicki Clearly, Cheryl Clearly, Jinx Taylor, Melissa Teaff and Linda Odom.

#### Home Demo Club Meets

Mary Ann Shurley was hostess to members of the Stitch and Stew Home Demonstration Club Monday, January 8.

She gave an excellent program on planning a budget. She passed out

booklets for assistance in helping set up a home bookkeeping system.

Members of the club

stated they enjoyed the program and that it was informative and very

#### Lions Queen Candidates Chosen

Twelve senior and junior high school girls were chosen by their classmates January 9 to represent them in the Lions' Club Queen Contest. Criteria was beauty, charm and

personality. Candidates from the senior class are Pam Powers, Lorraine Creek, Patricia Ponsetti, Karen Crownover, Judy York and Carol Brandon.

Candidates from the junior class are Linda Smith, Mary Lynch, Sandy Lilly, Janie Gold, Hillary Hunt and Paige Pollard. These girls and their

escorts will be honored with a dinner at the 4-H Center January 24. Local Lions and their wives will be in attendance.

Some members of the local school faculty who have hidden talents have graciously volunteered to present a program for the night. This is a special treat and all who attend appreciate program.

### Bronoc Bits

By Annabelle Gonzales

The third six weeks of the school year has ended, and S.H.S. students will be receiving report cars today. Students are asked to have their parents sign their report cards and return them back to their teachers as soon as possible.

Students will not be required to attend school this Friday because the faculty members will be having a workday.

All three Sonora Bronco Basketball teams were victorious over the Menard Yellowjackets last

Tuesday night.

The J.V. girls turned the Jackets into flies as they stomped them 56-24. Leading scorers for the J.V. girls were Jessica Robledo and Paula Friess with 17 and 12 points respectively. Other scorers were Rosa Noriega and Tonya Evans with six; Vicki Sheppard, four; Kandis Carta, Julie Stewart, Sandi Wright, Daphney Smith and Maray West, all with two; and

Julie Harris, one.

The varsity girls slipped by the Jackets 47-46. The game was undecided until the last 10 seconds of the game when Pam Powers hit the winning shot. Jamie Condra was high point with 17. Other scorers were Judy York with 14, Paige Pollard with six, Janie Gold

and Powers with four, and Stacy Chandler with two.
The varsity boys overpowered the Jackets 52-40
after a halftime lead of 24-22. Pat Street led the scoring with 23 points, and Dan Lawson followed with 11 points. Other Bronco scorers were Cody Savell, seven; David Creek and Kent Cagle, four; and Preston Love and Eddie Favila, two.

The varsity boys played their first district ballgame against Kermit last Friday. The Broncos were

against Kermit last Friday. The Broncos were defeated 32-19 in the most unusual game ever held in the Bronco gymnasium. David Creek held the ball for almost all of the third and fourth quarters.

The J.V. boys were also defeated. The J.V. and freshman girls traveled to McCamey last Friday night. The freshman lost by two points in the last few minutes of the game. The J.V. lost 50-25 as some of the players got into foul trouble.

All four teams will play against Crane this Friday All four teams will play against Crane this Friday

night in Sonora. The games will start at 5 p.m. This will be the first district ball game for the girls. Thought for the Week: You never lose if you learn

### **Women's Softball Association** Meeting Thursday night 7:30 Fire Dept. **Everyone interested please**

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### 4-H Center Rates Increased

At their meeting last week, the 4-H Center Building Committe voted an increase in rental fees, for the Sutton County 4-H

> Art Club Meet Held

Mrs. Harold Garrett gave instruction in oil painting to members of the Sonora Art Club when they met January 15. This followed a business meeting presided over by President Mrs. Ira Gilbert. Hostesses for the evening were Mmes. Philip Cooper, Ray Jones and

attending Members were Mmes. Estes Adams, Garrett, J.L. Gibbs, Ira Gilbert, Travis Gordon, Clyde Hill, Elton Holt, Jones, Bobby Kinard, Willie Raphelt, Bobby Schankle, Schwiening, Steve Short, Buck Skains, Travis Williamson and Fincher.

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The new fees, to take

effect Feb. 1, will increase

the rent from \$35 to \$50

Chairman Gene Wallace.

at the 4-H Center. In a letter sent out Jan. 10 Wallace stated, "We sincerely hope that these needed rental increases will not restrict your use of the 4-H Center, and that you will continue to help us maintain the 4-H Center for the use of the people of Sonora and

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### **Sporting Chance**

By Don Holdridge

Leaving Bronco gym last Friday night I overheard several people criticizing the Sonora game plan in the game they lost to Kermit, 32-19.

Fact: Reagan County--probably the class team in this area--defeated the Broncos twice this year, by 15 and 25 points. Fact: Kermit blasted Reagan County earlier in the

season by almost 20 points.

Anyone who can add two and two can quickly see the District 7-AA opener Friday night (see story, Page 3B) could have very easily been a disaster.

Coach Bill Shaw went with the only possibility he had-a slow, deliberate stall. The strategy almost worked, although a victory by the Broncos was dependent on several "ifs"

dependent on several "ifs" If" the Broncos could have made at least some of the five free throws they missed in the second quarter, there would not have been so much pressure on their shots in the second half.

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'If" the Broncos had made their shots with 17 seconds left in the third quarter, the margin would have been down to three points, and by doing the same thing in the fourth quarter, the margin would have been down to one point, and anybody can win a

one-point game.
"It" the Broncos had waited another few seconds to put up their shot in the third quarter as the coach had planned, Kermit probably would not have gotten the free throw to increase their lead to six points.

"If" Pat Street had been shooting as well as normally, the Broncos might have gotten those points they needed. However, no player can be expected to be hot every single night-that's just part of the game. Unfortunately, all of us are human.

Kermit proved in the last few minutes of the contest they could have blown the game open if allowed to play their style of basketball

Shaw deserves credit for having the guts to sit on the ball like he did and face the criticism, and his players deserve credit for having the discipline to hold the ball. It's not easy to force yourself to stand still that long.

Shaw faces an unenviable task in trying to rebuild a basketball program in Sonora--an unenviable task indeed in a town where football has always been king, and the roundball game has always just been something to do between football and track.

If all of us were as open to criticism in our jobs as coaches are, we might all be on unemployment.

On to something a little lighter--if you can call the Super Bowl lighter.

I've been trying for two weeks to figure out who will win, and my decision is still a little shaky.

Regardless of the outcome, it should be exciting.

Terry Bradshaw has finally come of age as the Steelers quarterback, and although the Steel Curtain defense is not as young as it used to be, it is still a very solid group.

On paper Pittsburgh appears to be the team to

But the Cowboys seem to have that knack for playing well enough to win

I have my doubts if anyone could have scored against the defense in the Los Angeles game, and if they can maintain that kind of intensity in Miami, and get some help from the offense, they'll be hard

Tom Landry will have to dig deep in his reserve of plays to find something to keep Pittsburgh off balance.

Look for some big play from Jackie Smith. Smith is too valuable a weapon to remain unused, and Sunday would be the perfect time to unleash him. On a hunch: Dallas 21-17 (Where have I heard that score before?)

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#### Fish Girls **Edged 35-33**

A fourth quarter rally fell short Friday night as the Sonora freshman girls dropped a squeaker to McCamey, 35-33.

Jessica Robledo led the

comeback effort, hitting seven of her nine total points in the period to help the Broncos outgun their hosts, 10-4.

Celia Hernandez paced the Bronco attack in the opening period as they pulled to a 9-8 lead on the strenth of her seven points.

Rosa Noriega clicked for eight points in the second stanza, but the girls manage only two others as McCamey went ahead at halftime, 21-19.

The Badgerettes stretched their lead even wider as they scored 10 points in the third quarter, and Gina Thompson's four points were all Broncos could muster.

The gap proved too closing period, especially Noriega, Stewart and Sandi Wright fouled out.

Hernandez was the top point producer for the Broncos with 10, followed by Robledo with nine, Noriega with eight and Thompson with six.

The loss was the first of the year for the girls after two victories.

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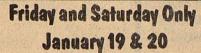
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# Love, Van Hoozer Top Lamb Carcass Show



Preston Love and Marla Van Hoozer were named champions of the Carcass Lamb Division of the Sutton County 4-H Livestock Show Friday. Love won

in the Crossbred Category, while Miss Van Hoozer won in the Finewool Classification.

Hoozer took top honors in the Carcass Lamb Division of the 32nd Annual Sutton County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale last Saturday.

Love was the winner in the

Crossbred Category with a 121-pound lamb bred by Mayer Rousselot. The lamb had a 20-pound weight gain since Oct. 28.

Miss Van Hoozer was the winner

in the Finewool Category with a 115-pound lamb bred by Corky Schwiening. The lamb has a 41-pound gain since the Ocotober weighing.

Espy Whitehead was the runnerup in the Finewool Category with a 113-pound lamb bred by Bud

# Schleicher County Show Starts Friday

By Jym Trimble
The Schleicher County Livestock
Show, sponsored by the Eldorado
4-H and FFA organizations, has
been slated for Friday and
Saturday.

Exhibitors are reminded that all calves are to be in the showbarn facilities on Thursday, while lambs and barrows must be entered by 1 p.m. Friday.

The annual event will begin with the lamb and swine show Friday evening. Saturday's tenative schedule includes the conclusion of the lamb show, the steer show, a barbeque at noon with the sale scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Concluding the event, 'J.J. Mac and the Music Machine' will perform from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight for your dancing pleasure. All proceeds benefit the local 4-H chapter.

### Whitehead, while Monica Zapata was the runnerup in the Crossbred Category with a 126-pound lamb

bred by Phillip Jacoby.
Others placing in the Finewool
Category, their ranking and breeder

are as follows:
Tammy Van Hoozer, Third,
Corky Schwiening; Steve Love,
fourth, Mayer and Rousselot; Cathy
Doran, fifth, Phillip Jacoby; Fran
Friess, sixth, Texas Experiment

Station.
Also, Charlotte Schwiening, seventh, Corky Schwiening; Lance Love, eighth, Mayer and Rousselot; Preston Love, ninth, Mayer and Rousselot; and Matt Miller, tenth, Corky Schwiening

Corky Schwiening.

Those placing in the Crossbred
Category are as follows:

Debra Zapata, third, Phillip Jacoby; Cathy Doran, fourth, Phillip Jacoby; Paula Friess, fifth, Mayer and Rousselot; Chris Karnes, sixth, Bill Karnes; Drew Wallace, seventh, Mayer and Rousselot; Espy Whitehead, eighth, Bud Whitehead; David Love, ninth, Mayer and Rousselot; and Steve Love, tenth, Mayer and Rousselot.

Carcasses will be displayed at the Sutton County 4-H Center Saturday beginning at 10:30 a.m.

At that time the fianl results of the lamb carcass judging will be announced, and 4-H members will receive their prize money and ribbons.

The lamb carcasses will be sold during the auction sale along with the live lambs and rabbits. Purchasers of the carcasses will not have to pay for the slaughter of the lamb.

Judges for the lamb carcasses are Dr. Frank Orts of College Station, Dr. George Ahlschwede of San Angelo and Jack Groff of Kerrville.

# 32nd Livestock Show, Sale Slated For Friday, Saturday

The 32nd Annual Sutton County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale will get underway Friday at 9 a.m. with the beginning of the Market Lamb Show, followed by the Angora Goat Show at 1:30 p.m.

The show will continue Saturday with the display of lamb carcasses and results of the Carcass Show to be announced at 10:30 a.m. followed by a barbeque lunch at 11:30 a.m., the auction of lambs at 12 noon, and the presentation of awards for handmade boots set for

J. Rex Stults of Del Rio will be the judge for the Market Lamb Division; Gary Coates of Christoval will be the judge for the Rabbit show; and H.G. Haby will be the judge for the Angora Goat Division and for showmanship.

Coates has asked that entrants not bring their rabbits until after 1 p.m. on Friday.

Sixty-four 4-H members will

Sixty-four 4-H members will exhibit 312 head of livestock at the two-day affair.

L.P. Bloodworth will be auctioneer, and Terry Blair will be the announcer.

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Showmanship, Twin Oakes Motel of Sonora; Livestock Production Award (Engraved Watch), Ruth Shurley Jewelry of Sonora.

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First place prize money in the Registered Sheep and Angora Goat Divisions will be \$15 down to \$6 for 10th place.

First place prize money in the Lamb Classes will be \$15 down to

\$1 for 15th place.
First place prize money in Rabbit Classes will be \$10 down to 10th

First place prize money in the Heifer Classes will be \$50 down to \$20 for fourth place.



Debra Zapata [left] picked up third place in the Crossbred Division of the Carcass Lamb Show Saturday while her sister Monica took second place in the category. Espy Whitehead [right] garnered the runnerup position is the Finewool Classification.

### Eldorado Coaches Optimistic on District 9-A Races

by Jim Trimble The Eldorado Eagles and Eaglettes began their attempts for a chance at the District 9-A basketball crown Thursday night at Eagle gymnasium.

### **McCamey Girls Down Bronco J**

scoring spree by Paula Friess, the Sonora Bronco junior varsity girls were bombed by McCamey bombed by McC Friday night, 54-19.

The girls were hampered by poor free throw shooting as they could only connect on seven of 26 charity shots.

The Badgerettes edged ahead to an 8-2 first quarter lead, then ex-

Despite a 15-point ploded in the second coring spree by Paula stanza for a 25-11 halftime

By the end of the third quarter, the McCamey lead was extended to 37-15. Besides Friess's 15

points, Vicki Sheppard hit for two points, and Tonya Evans and Debbie Kemp

season record.

each added one.
The J.V. now has a 7-8

coach Bob Helmers plans on one of the most successful seasons yet for his varsity girls team.

He has four starters returning from last years team which lost the district race to the eventual state champs, Robert Lee.

Helmers concedes that "the District 9-A race will be tough. Menard has a 10-2 record, while Mason has mounted a devastation 14-1 record. Thursday's game was just the beginning of other season.

The Eaglettes sport a starting five that are well ounded defensively and offensively. Of that five, three have attained

all-tournament honors this year--Sammye Jay, Cherie Niblett and Mary Kay White.

But three people don't make a team, and Helmers also relies heavily on Lorrie Powell and Paige Helmers for outside and importantly, Helmers has a list of reserves that are capable of turning the outcome of any game

Helmers continued, "We have no real weaknesses. Versatility is the key to our game. I have 11 people who can play any position just as

around.

well as the next player." Rounding out the team are Jolynn Jay, Rhonda Kerr, Lori Griffin, Toni

Fatheree, Cynthia Schooley and Mary Byrd.

Things aren't as bad as they might look for coach Tim Terry's Eagles. Their record of 3-9 reflects the way they have played.

"We are only shooting about 30 percent on free throws, and the percentage is lower than that from the field of play. We play a fine defense. Our only problem is that we cannot put the ball in the basket," Terry advised recently.

He continued by saying, "Reagan County would have to be the forerunner at the present time. They are the only district team we've tangled with so far this

season. We lost the game by 22 points, but better shooting could have meant

a victory. Leading the Eagles is John Cheatham. As the top scorer and rebounder, Cheatham has been picked all-tournament once this

Also abetting the Eagle cause are seniors Kyle McCormack and David Hill, followed by juniors Michael Mertz, Charlie Mickey Nixon, Bradley, Randy Morrison and Don Garlitz. In

sophomores Mike Griffith and Keith McCormack

have been seeing action. The Eagles and Eaglettes hosted Junction last night in another District 9-A tilt. See your Sunday Shopper for game

### **Kermit Blasts J.V. Broncos**

sity boys took a thrashing at the hands of the Kermit Yellowjackets Friday

night, 53-20. Kermit jumped to a 16-8 first quarter lead they never relinquished and pulled ahead 25-15 at

The Broncos could manage only two points in the third stanza as they fell further behind, 41-17, and then could only hit three points in the closing period while the Yellow-

jackets scored 12. John Blanken and Jerry Don Glasscock took the

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The daughter of Turney and Rex Ann Friess, she is a

Kandis Carta is a 5-1 sophomore guard for the junior

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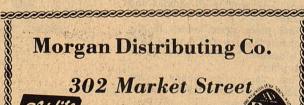
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Tonya Evans is a 5-3 sophomore guard for the junior varsity Broncos. She is also a member of the track team. The duaghter of Roy and Marlene Evans, she has lived in Sonora 2 1/2 years.

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**Broncos Drop District Opener** 

described as a patience-of-Job waiting game, the Sonora Bronco boys dropped their district opener to Kermit, 32-19, Friday

Implementing a stall throughout the game, the Broncos came close to pulling off what could have been the upset of the year against the powerhouse Yellowjacket squad.

The four-corners offense run by the Broncos kept usually fast-paced 'Jackets off balance. Two charity shots by David Creek--the Red Hosses' leading scorer in the game with eight points--tied the 4-4 midway through the first period.

Creek came back with a short jumper just seconds later to knot the score again at six-all, and the Broncos were propelled to a 10-8 first quarter lead. Kermit outrebounded

the locals during the

jumped ahead, 18-13. The Bronco problems were compounded by missing five free throws in the quarter that would have tied the game at halftime.

The Broncos sat on the ball the entire third quarter, and Kermit was content to watch, having a five point lead.

With 25 seconds left in the stanza, the Broncos went to work. The ball went to Pat finally Street--the most dependable Bronco shooter--but his shot with 17 seconds left scooted across the rim, and Kermit grabbed the rebound.

Ruben Berzoza put in a free throw for the Yellowjackets before the buzzer sounded to up the Kermit margin to six, 19-13.

The Broncos tried the same strategy again in the fourth period, only this time they were forced to minutes remaining. Again, Street could not

find the range, even with straight opportunities.

Unable to make their offense work, the Broncos were forced to play ball with Kermit, and the Yellowjackets capitalized by sinking nine free throws in the remaining minutes-three by Dean Bryant and five by Bobby Kimball.

When Dan Lawson and Kent Cagle fouled out seconds apart, the victory was cinched for the visitors.

Bronco coach Bill Shaw still sticks by his guns concerning the strategy. "We had to use the

stall, or we would have gotten blown off the court' Shaw said. "Kermit beat Reagan County by nearly 20 points, and Reagan County beat us by 20 or 30 points both times we played

"The thing that hurts most was missing the five free throws in the second quarter," Shaw added, but still, if we had made the shot in the third quarter and done the same thing in the fourth quarter thing in the fourth quarter, it would have been a one-point game-anybody could have won

Shaw maintains he will use the same strategy when the Broncos travel to Kermit Feb. 2 for their second encounter with the Yellowjackets.

Besides Creek's eight points, Cody Savell added five; Lawson, four; and Street, two.

Kimball and Bryant led the Kermit scoring with nine each, while Berzoza connected for seven; Rodger King, five; and Lane Nutt, two.

The boys next game will be Friday against another District 7-AA rival, Crane. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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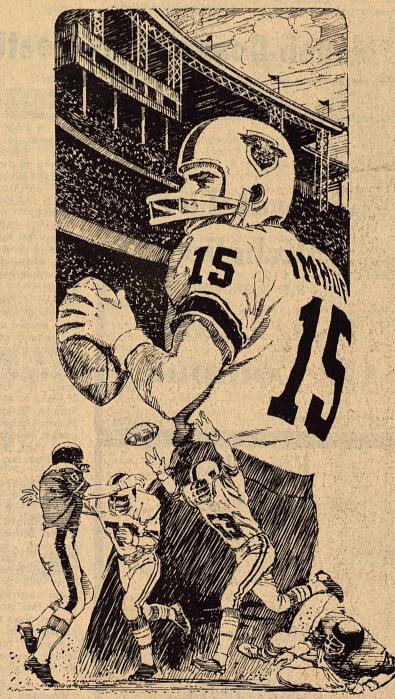
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**Specialist Issues Warnings** 

# Conditions Right for Grass Tetany

says cold, cloudy, overcast days such as those Southwest dominating Texas now make conditions prime for a cattle called grass

Dr. LeRoy Hoermann, an area livestock specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, says grass tetany is a disease which can strike cattle at their most productive time

"This disease is caused by a magnesium deficiency in the diet, and usually affects the most productive cattle in the herd, which are either in late gestation or early lactation," Dr. Hoerman said. "It usually shows up in animals age four or older which are in the most productive stages of their life."

Dr. Hoermann said that for some reason, in the

winter, the disease strikes animals which turned on the relatively lush growing winter pastures of oats or wheat.

"This apparently happens because these plants during the cold, cloudy overcast winter days do not pick up the magnesium from the soil," Dr. Hoermann said.

The livestock specialist said disease symptoms belligerent breathing, tremors and finally death. He said the animals are affected very rapidly. "One problem is that the cattle are often down or dead before the

farmer or rancher notices

it," he said.

The Texas A&M University specialist said the condition can be treated in some cases. He said treatment depends entirely on how soon the disease is detected.

The condition can be prevented by magnesium supplementation which should normally be started prior to cattle losses," Dr. Hoermann said.

He said there are commercial mineral mixtures available with high magnesium oxide content, or producers can mix their own magnesium oxide supplements. One mixture includes 40 per cent salt, 40 per cent bone meal and 20 per cent magnesium oxide.

"We recommend that cattle intake of magnesium oxide should be about two ounces per day," the livestock specialist said. "Producers should be certain that their animals are consuming enough of the supplement to meet their requirements."

Dr. Hoermann said the disease incidence in Southwest Texas has been spotty. He said certain soil types are suspected since some areas, like one north of the farming community of Knippa, have greater problems than other areas. "We suspect that since all the producer in this one area have had problems with the disease the soil type may be a contributing factor," he said.

The specialist said the weather conditions have been right and producers, especially those with prior incidence of grass tetany, should be on the lookout for the disease. symptoms are observed, the producer should consult a veterinarian immediately to possibly avert a

### **Texas Hereford Association Holds Annual Sale**

For the tenth year in a row, approximately 600 head of high quality, commercial Hereford females will sell in Fort Worth January 28. The annual sale, sponsored by the Texas Hereford Association headquartered in Fort Worth, will again present in volume numbers, quality commercial Hereford heifers from some of the well-known and highly commercial respected breeding establishments in the state. The sale has traditionally offered buyers an opportunity to purchase open and bred

only because they are set aside for this special promotional Hereford

Consignors to the show and sale will compete for \$5,000 premium money, with a \$500 prize for each first place pen. This is a ALL SHOW - ALL SELL event with females being shown and sold in pens of 20 head. All females will be shown prior to the sale. The show begins at 8:00 AM with a 1:00 PM sale

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ors to the sale in the past have had land holdings exceeding 1½ million acres and cow herd numbers of over 60,000. Managers of the sale said that this particular event offers buyers an opportunity to see the results and the chance to

select from a set of

females that it would take many days and many, many miles to inspect individually.

Past consignors to the sale have included such names as Burnett Estates, Summerour Ranch, Swenson Land & Cattle Co., Bryant Edwards, Matt Coldwater Mathews,

Cattle Co., W.K. Gordon, Jr., Buster Carter, Paul Dauer and John E. Birdwell.

The Hereford females sold are purebred, but not registered heifers. Some will be open and ready to breed as the buyer wants, others will sell bred not registered

Hereford bulls but to bulls of other breeds. The females are definitely replacement type heifers that will fit into any breeding program or they can be used to start a commercial herd of exceptional quality with years of performance behind them.

Other activities during the Fort Worth Stock Show of special interest to Hereford breeders will be the "Texas Select Bull Sale" also sponsored by the THA on Sunday, January 28 following the heifer sale; the Chas. Neblett Jr. Register of Merit Hereford Show, Monday, January 29; and the annual Texas Hereford Association Membership Meeting and Banquet at Green Oaks Inn, Monday, January 29. For additional information on the Fort Worth events, contact the Texas Hereford Association office, 3345 Winthrop Ave., Fort Worth, Tx

**Rebreeding Hints Offered** 

### First-calf Heifers Present Big Problem

cattle operation is to get a calf from each cow every 12 months. However, first-calf heifers sometimes put a kink in those plans because they tend to have lower pregnancy rates and often fail to rebreed or take longer to rebreed.

"First-calf heifers often experience rebreeding problems due to a number of stress factors," points out Dr. John C. Spitzer, livestock specialist with the Texas Agricultural

"For instance, the firstcalf heifer is required to perform all the body functions of a mature cow, such as body maintenance, lactation and rebreeding. Parturition itself may place a greater stress on the heifer, especially if she experiences calving difficulty.'

A first-calf heifer is also attempting to grow, and this problem is compounded by the shedding of incisor teeth which limits her ability to chew feed, adds the Texas A&M University System

To get first-calf heifers back on their breeding track fast, Spitzer offers two general management practices which should become standard proce-

dure in cattle operations:

Separate heifers from mature cows the last three months of gestation and through the breeding season. This will keep heifers from having to compete with mature cows for available feed.

2. Breed virgin heifers 20 to 30 days earlier than assure early calves. Calving early will give heifers enough time to return to heat during the second breeding season, which would then correspond to that of the regular cow herd.

If a producer is short on feed or is faced with thin heifers at calving time, he should wean calves early or alter the suckling pattern. Weaning calves at 30 to 90 days of age removes one of the primary stresses on heifers and makes more nutrients

available for other body functions such as growth and rebreeding. An alternative is to limit nursing to one time per day for 30 to 45 minutes until the heifer shows heat. This should not begin before 30 days after calving and can run for about 45 days.

Research by Dr. Don Randel with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station has shown that once daily suckling can dramatically decrease the interval from calving to first heat after calving while having little effect on a heifer's milk production or total calf gain to weaning, notes Spitzer.

'Giving heifers in your

beef herd a little special treatment can boost their reproductive performance," contends the specialist. "This can mean extra dollars in tuture years of production due to a larger calf crop as well a increased weaning weights of early-born

# Fed Cattle Business Faces Dollar Squeeze

for fed cattle, the cattle be in for a squeeze in 1979 387-2071 due to increasing costs. These costs are in the form on high feeder cattle

"While there will be good feed supplies at generally favorable costs,

faced with higher prices for the cattle they will be putting into their feed-lots," reports Dr. Ed reports Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Exten-

sion Service. According to the Texas

**Mohair Council Sets Meeting** 

people in the cattle A&M University System feeding business will be specialist, high feeder prices are a result of two things--massive liquidation of the cattle herd since 1975 which has brought on a dwindling supply of feeder cattle, and inspiration from spring and summer profits in cattle

Uvacek points out that Amarillo will average in upper-\$50s hundredweight) for 1978, about 46 percent higher

likely not increase half Choice yearling steers at that much in 1979. However, Choice yearling feeder steers will probably average in the mid- to upper- \$60s.

profit margins for cattle 1979," points out the specialist. "In fact, there may well be losses at times."



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been set aside for visitors who wish to stay over-These can be obtained by contacting the Mohair Council office at (915) 655-3161 or the Holiday Inn at (915) Highlights of the meet-

ing will be the documentary film on Angora goats made by the Italian group who visited here this past Germano President of Fileppo, Filatura di Crosa of Biella, Italy, headed up the group this summer and will be at the meeting, along with one or both of the photographers who were here. The film was seen in Biella in its rough draft form in November by the Mohair Council of America market development team, and they were highly complimentary of it.

Bob Childress of Ozona, President of the Mohair Council, will preside. Other officers are Herman Moore, Brownwood, Vice-President; and Robert Pfluger, San Angelo, Secretary-Treasurer. ports will be given on major activities of the MCA this past year, as well as plans for activities coming up in 1979. Another highlight will be the election of officers

President extends to all producers of mohair an invitation to attend the meeting. This is an excellent opportunity for growers to learn what is happening in the mohair industry and to have a voice in the operation of the Council.

for the coming year.



