

Graves Named Auditor

Charles Graves was sworn into the office of county auditor Monday afternoon by District Judge Troy Williams in a ceremony held in the district courtroom at the courthouse.

Graves took over officially Tuesday and will maintain an office in the courthouse. The first item to officially become a job of this office will be the county budget for the coming year. On May 16, 17 and 18, Graves will attend an audit conference in Austin.

Prior to moving to Sonora six years ago Graves worked with the U.S. Department of Labor in the wage and hour investigation division. He holds a business degree from North Texas State University.

He and his family moved to Sonora where they built and operated the Dairy Mart for some years and he now owns Country Fried Chicken 'N Fish and is involved in a housing project north of town.

The job of county auditor is appointed by the district judge.



Charles Graves is shown here taking the oath of office as county auditor. District Judge Troy Williams administered the oath in the courthouse Monday.

Weather

Compiled By Pat Brown

Date	R	HI	LO
April 24		86	51
April 25		93	60
April 26		90	54
April 27		85	51
April 28		82	52
April 29		70	55
April 30	T	74	55

Rainfall for the month, 1.75; rainfall for the year, 4.97.

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Judging Team Places First

The Sutton County 4-H Senior Grass Judging Team composed of Brad Johnson, Marla Van Hoozer, Lance Love and Preston Love placed first in the District 13 4-H Range and Pasture Grass Identification Contest held at Uvalde Saturday. Brad Johnson was the second high individual and Marla Van Hoozer placed third. Preston Love also participated in the senior division.

Joe Will Ross, Cathy Doran, Matt Miller and Miles Miller placed first in the junior division of the contest. Joe Will placed first, Cathy

second and Matt third in junior contest.

The senior team will represent Extension District 13 in the State 4-H Range and Pasture Grass Identification Contest which will be held during the State 4-H Club Round-Up at College Station June 6. The Senior 4-H Range Judging Team qualified earlier this month for the State 4-H Range Judging Contest so eight members of the Sutton County 4-H Club will attend the 4-H Round-Up and compete in state contests June 5-7.

Mrs. Claire Powers and Joe Ellis

are coaches of the range and pasture grass identification teams county extension agents, Sarah Mahon and Clint Langford supervised 4-H members at the district contest.

The Senior 4-H Rifle Team composed of Scott Cain, Mark Van Hoozer and Gus Ward placed fifth in the district 13 rifle shooting contest.

Rodney Knight and John Little are the coaches of that teams. John Little supervised 4-H members at Uvalde.

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SHS Honor Graduates for '79 Named

Sonora High School is pleased to announce its top graduates for the class of 1979.

This year's valedictorian is Patrick Bennett Street, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Street. The Streets have been ranchers in the Sonora area for the last eighteen years and are the parents of three previous Sonora High School graduates.

During his high school year, Patrick served as vice-president of the sophomore class, vice-president of the National Honor Society, junior class president, and speech club president.

Patrick was awarded honors for outstanding performance in speech, American History, and World History. He was elected to the All-District basketball team during his junior and senior years, and won the free throw award. He also placed third in the district informative speaking contest during

his freshman year.

Patrick has been an active participant throughout high school in the basketball and speech program, National Honor Society and the Student Council. He is also an active member of St. John's Episcopal Church. His future plans include attendance at the University of Texas at Austin where he will pursue a degree in psychology or medical technology.

Salutatorian for the Class of 1979 is Laura Denise Neal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Neal. Mr. Neal is the junior high principal and Mrs. Neal works as a teachers' aide in the Sonora school system.

During her high school years Denise has served as vice-president of the junior class, band president, and Historian for the Future Teachers of America.

Denise was awarded honors for outstanding performance in English

I, English II, health, and math. She was also a regional qualifier in track and was entered in State solo and ensemble band competition. In addition, Denise was elected to Who's Who in American High School Students during her junior and senior years.

Denise has been an active participant throughout high school in the National Honor Society, Girls Athletic Association, Student Council, Band and Track team. She is also an active member of the First Baptist Church of Sonora and has participated in the church choir and youth group.

Denise's future plans include enrolling at Angelo State University to pursue a degree qualifying her as a math teacher or an accountant.

The third highest ranking student of Sonora High School's graduating class in Janet Hanna. Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John

Hanna of Sonora, and transferred here from Andrews at the beginning of her senior year.

During her high school career at both Andrews and Sonora, Janet has received numerous awards and honors, including All-Region Band, First Chair All-Region Band, State and Ensemble qualifier, and All A

academic awards.

In addition, Janet has served as National Honor Society treasurer, business club secretary and math club treasurer.

Janet has been an active participant throughout high school in the National Honor Society, Band, math club, business, club, and Home Economics Cooperative

Education program. At Andrews High, she was a member of the drill team, flag corps, and speech and tennis teams.

Janet's future plans include enrolling at Texas A&M University to work toward a degree in mathematics with elementary and secondary teaching and certification.



Pat Street
Valedictorian



Denise Neal
Salutatorian



Janet Hanna
3rd High Student



Banquet Fetes Athletes

By Kay Holdridge

Master of Ceremonies Jerry Hopkins, Bronco head football coach and athletic director, presented a special award to the 1978 Sonora Bronco football team.

He stated that the 1965 Bronco team paved the way to a successful state contending football program. For six years to follow, a tradition of winning, dedication, and self-discipline was established because of that one determined team.

Hopkins presented the 1978 team with a football including player's names and their record. The award went to one of the few undefeated teams in the school's history. It was intended to encourage returning Broncos and to praise the team's dedication and hard work.

Pam Powers was recipient of the best all around girl athletic award at the banquet held Monday night. Paige Pollard received the nod for basketball field goal award. Stacy Chandler led the basketball team in the free throw division and received an award for the honor.

He stated that perhaps the tradition could be revitalized.

Billy Bob Galbreath was chosen by his teammates to receive the prestigious Nathan's award. The award is given annually to the player exemplifying sportsmanship, teamwork, and the giving of 100% of himself and his abilities to his team. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lawson.

Cody Savell was chosen best all around athlete. Savell participated in football and was an all district defensive back. He was a starter on the basketball team and a track Regional qualifier in three events. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Savell.

The girl best all around athlete chosen to receive the Ruth Shurley award was Pam Powers. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Powers. Pam was a second team all district basketball player and a Regional qualifier in track this past season.

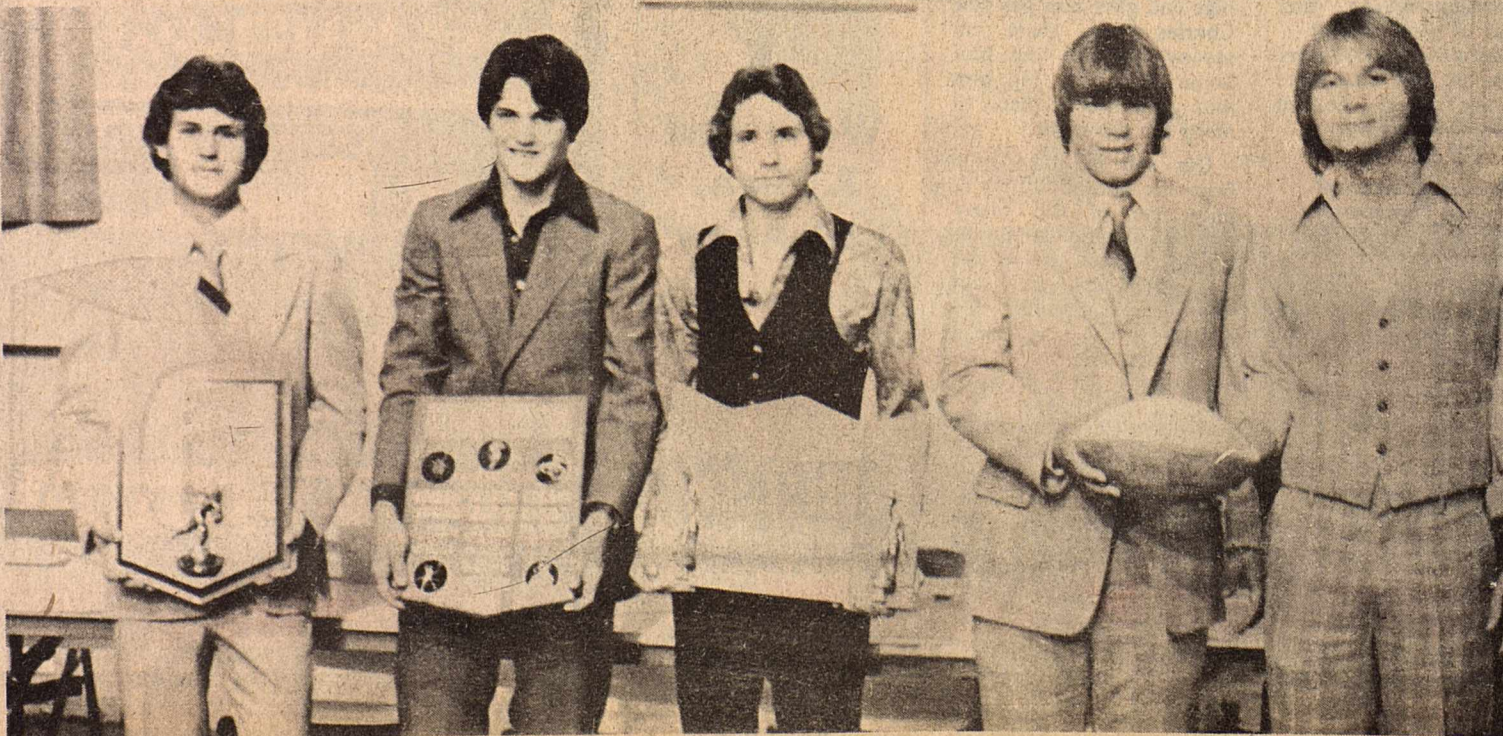
Pat Street was a double winner in boy's basketball awards. Street captured the free throw percentage award as well as the field goal champ. An all district selection, Street is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Street.

In girl's basketball awards, Stacy Chandler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chandler, was the free throw accuracy winner while Paige Pollard, all district selection, led the field goal statistics. Paige, a junior, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lonnie Pollard.

Hopkins also introduced his varsity football squad and the other coaches and their spouses. Each coach introduced his or her athletes and commented on his season.

Due to a last minute cancellation, the guest speaker was unable to attend. Cheerleaders, girl's basketball and track teams, and the tennis team provided humorous skits or award presentations.

These members of the 1978-79 Bronco Football team were on hand Monday when they and all athletes of Sonora High School were honored at the All-Sports Banquet. Billy Bob Galbreath (pictured left) was the recipient of the Nathan's Award, Cody Savell won the prestigious best all-around athletic award, and Pat Street was winner of the basketball awards. Benny Granger and Dan Lawson, co-captains of this season's Bronco football team, hold a football, donated by Coach Jerry Hopkins in honor of senior members of the football team. The football, depicting the Bronco as co-champions, is autographed by each senior team member and is to establish the winning tradition inspired by the young men of this football team.



DHT Honors Don Jones

Proclamation

Whereas, Epsilon Sigma Alpha was founded in 1929, the first non-collegiate sorority in America, as an organization in which women could learn, grow and serve together; and

Whereas, Epsilon Sigma Alpha this year is observing its fiftieth anniversary as a sorority of service and education, now with membership in seven countries encompassing 33,000 women; and

Whereas, the women of Epsilon Sigma Alpha are continually working together to aid the handicapped and meet community needs while engaged in a full program of education, leadership training and social activities; and

Whereas, Epsilon Sigma Alpha has achieved a position of high esteem for providing hope, assistance and answers in areas of need; and

Whereas, Such important contributions made by Epsilon Sigma Alpha have become an integral part of our communities;

Now, therefore, I Doyle Morgan, Mayor of the city of Sonora, state of Texas, do hereby declare the week of May 1-7, 1979, as Epsilon Sigma Alpha Fiftieth Anniversary Week, and do urge all citizens to join me in commending the good works of this organization and its service to our community.

William D. "Don" Jones was honored recently by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (DHT) with a 20 year Certificate of Service and Emblem.

Mr. Jones is a native Texas-born in Stanton, a graduate of Odessa High School, attended A&M

College for three years, specializing in Chemical Engineering—has lived in Texas all his life.

Don started his career with the DHT in 1939 as an Engineering Aide III for District Six in McCamey, and worked for two years before going into Military Service.

He returned to the DHT and District Six. In 1967 he transferred to the Sutton County Residency in District Seven to the work force of Supervising

Resident Engineer Joe Lane and has remained there except for a few months work with the Sterling County Residency

before it closed in 1971.

Over the years Don has been a rodam, senior office engineer, instrumentman, draftsman II, inspector III, and his present position of engineering technician IV.

Don and Mrs. Jones (Wilma), who works for the Elliott Insurance Company, have two children, a

son Gary and family live in Houston, and daughter,

Trudy Schriber and family live in Tyler. There are also four grandchildren, three girls and

one boy to brighten their lives. Don belongs to the Downtown Lion's Club in Sonora. His spare time is spent working in his

garden or fishing.

The presentation, made by Assistant District Engineer W.P. Harrington of San Angelo, was accompanied by a letter of congratulations for his long service with the Department and a hope "that his continued service would be pleasant and productive."

McMillan Named Outstanding Lawyer

Richard T. McMillan, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. McMillan, has been named Outstanding Young Lawyer of Midland County and now qualifies for possible selection as Outstanding Young Lawyer of Texas.

McMillan was named to the county honor by the Midland County Young Lawyers Association, formerly known as the Junior Bar.

The Outstanding Young

Lawyer title is bestowed each year by the state Young Lawyers Association.

Born in San Antonio, McMillan grew up in Sonora and was graduated from The University of Texas in 1968. He received his law degree from UT in 1971 and moved to Midland immediately afterward. He has been associated with the Midland law firm of Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe,

Morrow and Dawson since the firm's formation in 1974.

McMillan holds membership in the State Bar of Texas, the Midland County Bar Association and the Midland County Young Lawyers Association. He has been a member of the North American Securities Administrators Association and the Oil and Gas Interest Committee.

A member of the board of trustees of the Trinity

School of Midland since 1977, he currently serves as treasurer of the board. He was a member of Midland's Human Relations Council from 1975 to 1977 and served on the board of the Arthritis Foundation from 1974 to 1976.

McMillan is married to the former Jan Lake and the couple has two children. The family resides at 1204 Country Club Drive in Midland.

Lubbock Youth Choir To Perform Here Sunday

Thirty-six members of the youth choir from Bacon Heights Baptist Church in Lubbock will perform Sunday morning at the 10:50 worship services at First Baptist Church.

Steve Brasher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brasher of Sonora, who is director of the choir, will make the trip to Sonora with the group. Everyone is invited to attend.

Kindergarten Roundup May 10

The Elementary School is in the process of determining the number of Kindergarten pupils we may expect for the 1979-80 school year.

Kindergarten will have their roundup on May 10, 1979 at 8:45 a.m. in the cafeteria. Any child who will be 5 years old on or

before September 1, 1979, is eligible to attend. After registering your child, you may visit with the teachers and kindergarten classrooms.

Each child who is entering school for the first time must present a birth certificate and im-

munization record. If you do not have these items available for roundup, please get them together before next fall. You must present these records before your child can enter school.

You may contact Erma Lee Turner, County Clerk at the Court House

(387-2950), about information on how to secure an official birth certificate.

The school nurse or your family physician will be able to inform you if your child's immunization records are complete.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school at 387-2414.

Six Teams Enter Judging Contest

Six Sutton County 4-H Range Judging teams participated in the Concho and North Concho River Soil Conservation District's Range Judging Contest in San Angelo, Tuesday, April 24.

Rex Surber was the high individual of the contest and won a hatch presented by The Soil Conservation District. Tammy Van

Hoozer placed second and Marla Van Hoozer placed third.

A senior team composed of Rex Surber, Tammy Van Hoozer and Brad Johnson, placed first in the contest. The second senior team was composed of Marla Van Hoozer, Julie Stewart and Lee

Burch. Lance Love, Preston Love and Fran Friess also participated in the senior division of the contest.

The Sutton County 4-H Junior teams composed of Miles Miller, Matt Miller, Cathy Doran and Tessa Joy, placed third in the junior division of the contest. Other junior 4-H

members who participated in the contest were Wayne Hill, Sean Mathews, Glen Love, David Love, Cindy Doran, Steve Love and Precia Miller.

Mrs. Claire Powers, Mrs. Betty Stewart and Mrs. Jerry Johnson supervised 4-H members at the contests.

Texas Cities To Share In \$5.2 Million In Rebates

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Texas Cities and counties will share more than \$5.2 million in rebates from the state's mixed drink tax.

Sutton County's total county tax revenue was \$6,883.54 with \$4,634.59 being inside the city limits.

Bullock said mixed drink sales for the first quarter of 1979 totaled more than \$180 million.

His office has mailed checks totaling \$5.2 million to some 200 counties and 354 cities as their share of the 10 percent gross receipts tax on mixed drinks sold in Texas during January, February

and March of this year. The balance of the tax money collected, \$12.8 million, will go to the state's General Revenue Fund.

Texas cities and counties receive a 15 percent rebate of the tax collected on mixed drinks sold within their boundaries under the law that legalized the sale of mixed

drinks. Bullock said mixed drinks generated \$65.3 million for state, county and local governments in 1978.

The mixed drink tax is collected by the Alcoholic Beverage Commission and the city-county share is rebated on a quarterly basis by the Comptroller's office.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Sir: This is a thank you to a gentleman of unknown name. My husband and I hope that he will read this letter in your newspaper and recognize himself.

if the opportunity presents itself.

Sincerely, Mrs. W.S. Harris, Jr. 1628 Hanford Rd. Graham, N.C. 27253

In October, 1977 our son, Charles Harris, 18, who was traveling around the U.S. on a motorcycle, had trouble with his cycle on the interstate near your town. He pushed it into town and stopped at a filling station there for help. The very kind man who was working there not only helped him fix the bike and gave him gas (for Charles was short on money) but also took him home with him, fed him and gave him a place to sleep for the night.

Our son is home now from his odyssey. This is only one of the many stories of his adventures, but to me it is one of the miracles. I am sorry that he did not get his benefactor's name, for I would like to write to him directly.

We are Christians and I feel that God answered our prayers for our son through a man in your town. Please express our appreciation to him through a column in your paper. I shall forever have a warm spot in my heart for your town and this unknown gentleman.

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Worship 7:00 p.m.
WMU Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.

Hope Luthern Church
John E. Hafermann, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Adult Inquirer's Class 6 p.m.
Saturday Confirmation Instruction 9 a.m.

First Assembly of God
Rev. Ned Smith, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Eve. Serv. 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian
The Rev. Jim Miles
Sunday: Church School 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship 10:45 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Inquirer's Class 7:30 p.m. (Session and Diaconate meet at 7:30 on the 3rd Wed. of each month)

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The new arrival is the nephew of Mrs. Steve Thorp of Sonora.

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Nina and Clint Langford received a plaque from John Payne, regional director of the American Heart Association in a meeting Monday night. The Langfords were chairmen of the recent fund raising drive and were, along with their fellow workers, responsible for collecting almost \$4500 to fight heart disease. The award is the Heart and Torch, the highest award a local division can receive from the Heart Association. It is given only to chapters setting new records in fund drives.



Officers of the local Heart Association look over information on the 911 emergency phone service being considered by the association locally. Pictured left is Paul Jones, vice president of the Texas Affiliate of the Heart Association of San Antonio, who presented the group with an informative talk regarding the emergency line when they met Monday night. Officers pictured are the Rev. Jim Miles, President; Tom Metzger, secretary; and Harold Miller, vice president. Marie Aldwell serves as treasurer of the organization.

Happy Birthday

- Saturday, May 5
 - Dr. J.F. Howell, Jr.
 - Boyd Lovelace
 - John Ed Nevill
 - Mrs. Jim Baldwin
 - Carey Draper
 - Devonna Mitchell
 - Sharon Ellison
- Sunday, May 6
 - Wesley Sawyer
 - Kim Jolly
 - Mrs. Cliff Trainer
- Monday, May 7
 - Karen Harrell
 - Joe West Hill
 - Scott Jacoby
- Tuesday, May 8
 - Nicky Don Nicholas
 - Mrs. Tom White
 - Leroy Chavarria
 - Lisa Lynn Glasscock
- Wednesday, May 9
 - Mrs. Sam Adams
 - John Mittel
 - Jim Baldwin
 - Bonnie Garmon

Los Compadres Hosted Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Claudio Flores were hostesses at a dinner party of the Los Compadres Club Saturday. The dinner was held at the Commercial Restaurant and Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, Italian beans, corn on the cob, tossed salad, chili verde, tea and lemon pie was served. Members and guests

attending were Messrs. Lopez, Francisco Salazar, Isael Perez, Ermilo Perez, Oscar Perez, Mrs. Freddy Gandar of San Angelo and Mrs. Raymond Virgen of Seaside, California.



A faucet with its nozzle bent downward is called a bibcock.

Garden Club Sets Installation

The Sutton County Garden Club will hold its installation dinner this Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Joe David Ross. Officers for the 1979-80 year are Diana Trainer, president;

Ruthie Cahill, vice president; Diane Keller, secretary; and Sandy Elliott, treasurer.

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Susan Dunnam, bride-elect of Terry Wallace

Mrs. Goins Hosts Bunko Club at Her Home

Karen Goins was hostess to the Chaos Bunko Club. She served pie, sandwiches, dips, chips and drinks.

Bunko was won by Francis Pruitt; high, Karen Goins; second high, Mindy Holt; and Low, Brenda Edwards. Members attending

were Karen Goins, Kathy Hearn, Brenda Edwards and Karen Ogburn.

Guests of the club were LaRonna Decker, Carla Schafer, Mollie Hite, Janice Holt, Mindy Holt, Francis Pruitt, Beverly Walker and Ottonese Gentry.

Bronco Bits...

By Annabelle Gonzales
The boy's track team traveled to Lubbock for Regional Competition last week. A total of 7 boys qualified for Regional. In the field events Wayne McLaughlin placed third in the shot put and fourth in the discus and Cody Savell placed fifth in the long jump. In running events Enrique Sanchez placed fifth in the 880 yard dash and Juan Mendoza placed seventh. Eddie Favila placed seventh in both the 220 yard dash and the 100 yard dash.

The girl's track team traveled to Waco last weekend to compete in the State Qualifiers meet. Marche Lane placed seventh in the 800 meter, her personal best time of the season, 2:33. The mile relay dash composed of Rosa Noriega, Annabelle Gonzales, Jessica Robledo and Paula Friess also ran their best time of the season. The girl's will travel to Austin this week to compete in the State Meet to be held on May 4 and 5.

The All Sports Banquet was held Monday night at 7:30 at the 4-H barn. Due to the cancellation of the speaker each varsity athletic group performed its own skit. The skits were either humorous or serious. The awards presentation however was the highlight for the evening. Billy Bob Galbreath received the Nathans award, Cody Savell received the All-Around Athlete award, Pam Powers received the Ruth Shurley award, Pat Street received the free throwing award and the high point basketball award.

The Mighty Bronco Band will travel to Sandy Lake Friday to participate in the Sandy Lake Band Festival. The band will also spend some time at Six Flags.

Thought for the Week: "The biggest liar in the world is They Say..."

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33 Inducted Into NHS

Thirty-three members of the senior, junior and sophomore classes of Sonora High School were inducted into the National Honor Society in candle-light ceremonies held Tuesday at the high school auditorium.

Members of the National Honor Society were in charge of the impressive ceremony and high school principal Don Jones presented awards to new members along with his congratulations.

Two special awards were given this year. These awards went to two

educators of Sonora High School who members of the NHS felt have contributed the most to high school students. These outstanding teacher awards went to Bob Snodgrass and was presented to him by his son, Chase, a member of the Society, and to Coach Donald Patton.

Special recognition was also given to three members from the freshman, sophomore and junior class for being top academic achievers. Recognized from the freshman class were Gina Thompson, Kathy Poloczek

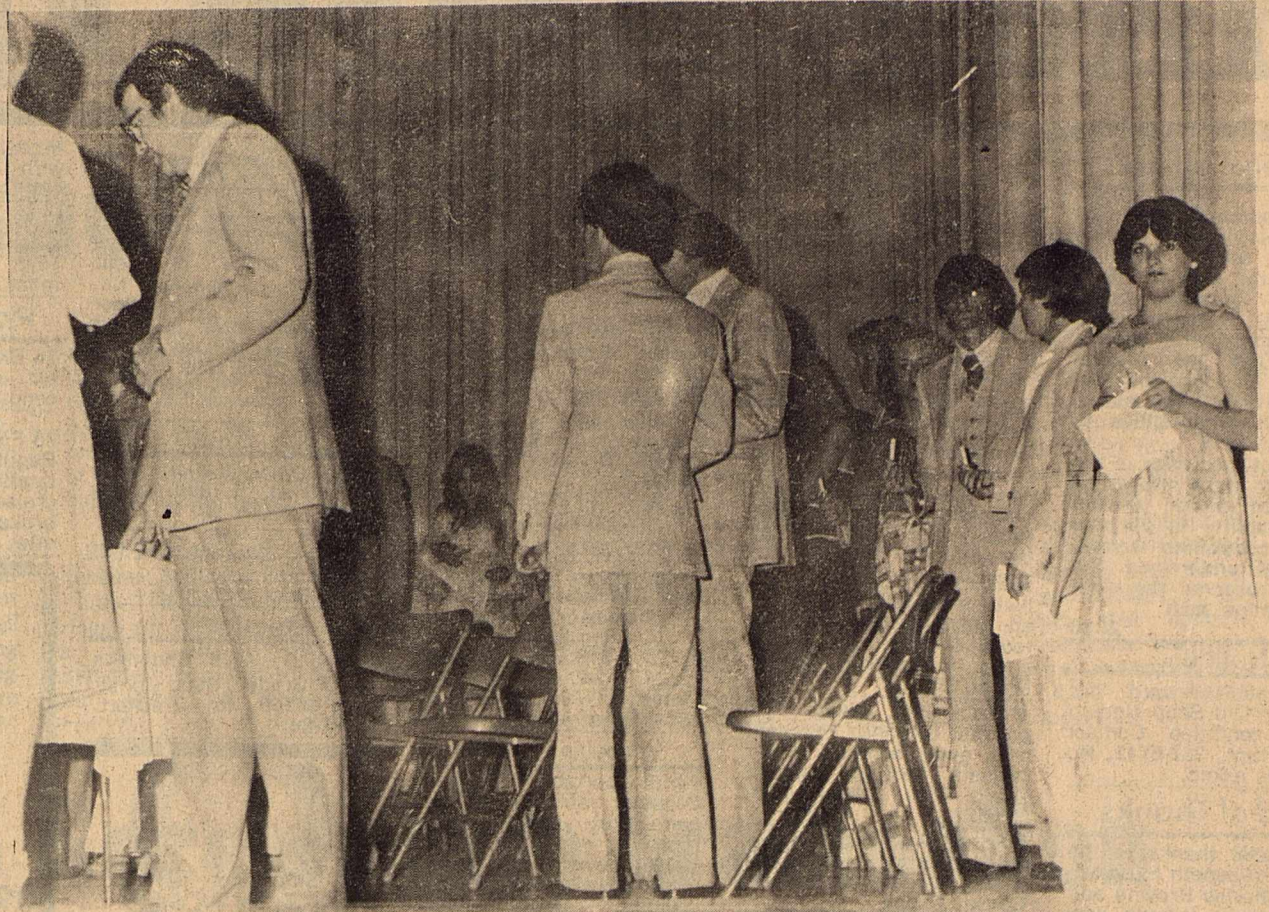
and Rick Powers. From the sophomore class was Lee Burch, Kandis Carta and Marche Lane. Those from the junior class were Debbie Perez, Stephanie Short and Jamie Condra.

Inducted into the National Honor Society from the senior class were Becky Boyd, Tony Hooper, Preston Love, Pam Powers and Gregg Tedford.

Juniors were Rae Ann Bible, Jamie Condra, Emily Elliott, Sheila Doucett, Peter Gomez, Maria Gonzales, Carla Lee, Karina Malicoat, Lee Renfro, Raquel Salazar and

Enrique Sanchez, Jr. From the sophomore class was Lee Burch, Kandis Carta, Leticia Chavez, Kevin DeBorde, Lydia DeHoyas, Paula Friess, Annabelle Gonzales, Jo Ann Guerra, Diana Harding, Kari Marche Lane, David Martin, Lynn Nadrchal, Maria Navarette, Kathy Nelson, Yolanda Reyna and Valerie Tedford.

According to school officials this sophomore class holds the honor of having the most students inducted into the NHS at any one time.



Members of the Sonora High School National Honor Society take a few minutes to visit following ceremonies held Tuesday. Some members of the senior class being inducted at the ceremony are pictured at the right. They

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Each girl entering the contest will need a sponsor, either a local business, friend or family member who will pay the \$30 entry fee.

This contest is for girls between the ages of three and 17. There will be three categories: 3-6 years of age, "Miss La Petite"; 7-12 years of age, "Our Little Miss"; and 13 to 17 years of age, "Ideal Miss". A talent presentation will be required by those entering the two older groups.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Maryane Gilley, 3842 High Meadow, San Angelo, Texas, phone 949-1293.

Collections Underway for Martin Family

Collections for the Billy Martin family are being taken at Sonora Wool and Mohair Company.

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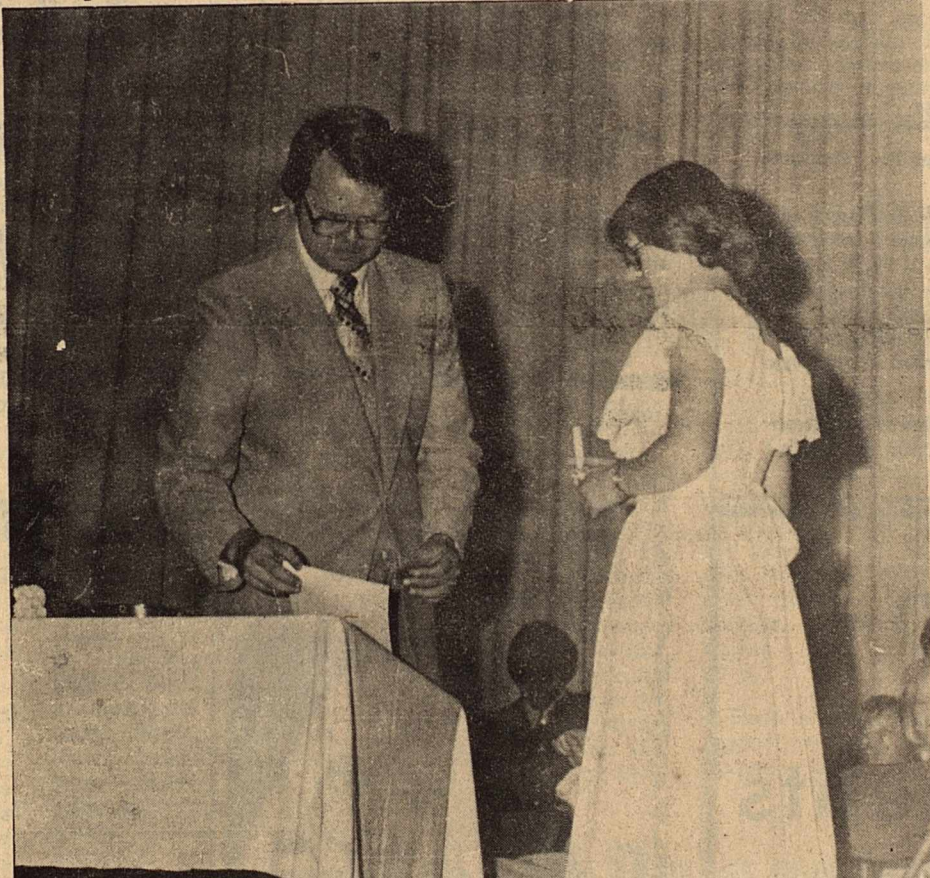
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High School Principal Don Jones presented new initiatee Karl Hill with a certificate in honor of her acceptance into the National Honor Society. Miss Hill was one of 33 new members inducted into the society in ceremonies held Tuesday morning.

Fireman's News...

By Joe Luttrell
A fire was reported April 9 around 7:45 p.m., at the new radar station site. It turned out to be a gas flare east of there. Units 30, 40, 60 and 70 responded with 23 men on the trucks.

with 14 men on the trucks. Another false alarm was turned in April 19 at 7 p.m., on the Fort McKavett highway. Units 30, 40, 60 and 70 responded with 19 manning the trucks.

Units 30, 40 and 70 answered that call with 13 men.

A house on the Vestel Askew ranch was reported burning April 29 at 7:30 p.m., Units 30, 40 and 70 and two tank trucks answered the call. 21 men responded.

On April 11 at 5:30 p.m., a motor home was reported on fire 26 miles east on IH 10. Units 30, 40, 60 and 70 answered the call with 21 men manning the trucks.

A trash fire at Brown Electric was answered April 26 at 3 a.m. Units 20, 30, 40 and 70 responded with 18 men on the trucks.

On April 14 at 9 p.m., a fire was reported on the James Hunt headquarters ranch. Firemen were unable to locate after four units answered the call

The city dump was reported on fire at 4:45 p.m., April 27. Units 30, 40 and 70 responded with 13 men on the trucks.

Another call on April 27 at 10 p.m., reported the city dump burning again.

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It is not the policy of the District to make awards on low price alone; quality and suitability to purpose are the controlling factors. It being understood the District reserves the right to determine such.

Notice

\$100 cash reward for return of Old Shop sign in useable condition. Contact James Hunt, 387-3142. No questions asked.

Card of Thanks

Our special thanks to the staff at Hudspeth Hospital, to Dr. Charles Browne and to the many friends who were so thoughtful during my stay in the hospital. Mrs. Ada Gauthorn Mae Ward

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our thanks to everyone who sent flowers and brought food. A special thanks to Dr. Browne and the nurses who took care of our mother through her sickness. Also a special thanks to David Edens, pastor and choir director of the Church of Christ. There is just too many who helped our mother to name them all, but God bless you each and everyone.

Chris & Doris Pharis

Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks to the many friends who called, visited, sent flowers and cards during my recent stay in the hospital. A special thanks to members of the Gleaners Sunday School Class for all the food and to Bro. Hancock. Your prayers were greatly appreciated.

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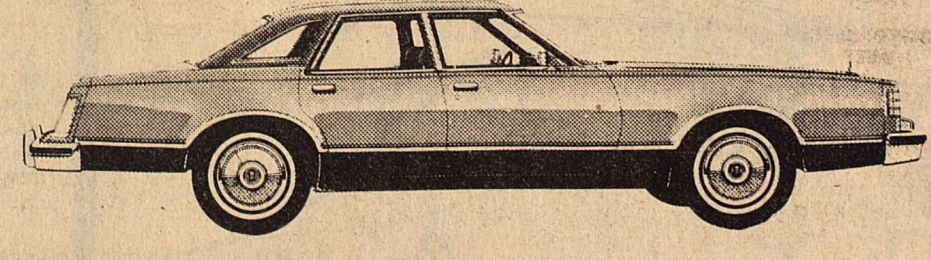
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Sutton County Ranch News

2,4,5-T Users Lose Another Round To EPA

Users of 2,4,5-T have lost another round to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, but there's no sign of anyone throwing in the towel. An old saw has it that it's not the size of the dog in the fight but the size of the fight in the dog.

A late February announcement by EPA suspended T usage on forests, rights-of-way and improve pasture. Native range and rice crop usage is still

allowed. The most recent EPA victory came April 12 in federal court at Flint, Mich. U.S. District Judge James Harvey ruled against Dow Chemical Co. and 20 other plaintiffs who sought an injunction against the EPA suspension.

Judge Havey, in his 20 page opinion, concluded that EPA had congressional authority to issue such a suspension and that his court lacked

the clout to overrule the agency. He added, however, that he himself would not have ordered the suspension had he been in EPA's shoes.

Harvey apparently found the "evidence" EPA used to support its suspension questionable. Most scientists outside the agency seem to agree.

That "evidence" was based primarily on a study of hospital records covering miscarriages in a

limited region of Western Oregon. In one press statement alone announcing the suspension, EPA used the terms "remarkably high", "dramatic peak" and "alarming correlation" to describe an apparent summertime increase in miscarriages there. The agency blamed that increase on forest spraying with 2,4,5-T during the preceding spring months. Growing numbers of scientists have pointed out that, first, the

increase is much smaller than EPA has indicated to the public and, second, there is no evidence that 2,4,5-T is any more responsible than hundreds of other environmental or behavioral factors.

EPA expressed the increase in terms of an "index" based on miscarriages per 1000 live births, a trick that's easily defended but which has the effect of blowing everything out of propor-

tion. It's like translating "one-half" into "500 one-thousandths". The "index" showed an average level of 130 miscarriages per 1000 live births, but the actual month in question averaged only four miscarriages! It all boils down to the fact that EPA's "dramatic peak" reflects an increase of 1.4 miscarriages over the year-round monthly average!

Critics of the study add that even this tiny increase

can be blamed as easily on the area's summer vacation trade as on 2,4,5-T spraying. They claim EPA has manufactured a "trumped up" charge against 2,4,5-T to appease increasingly vocal and abusive environmental extremists and fear-mongers.

Again, brush spraying on rangeland is so far exempt from the suspension order, and Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers'

Association remains hopeful that it will remain in exempt at least through this year's brush spraying season. TS&GRA is also confident that, if common sense and justice are still a part of the American system, scientific fact and rational thinking will triumph over the political machinations of EPA before that agency does irreparable damage to the vital industries to which 2,4,5-T has become so important.

Cooperation Is Key To Screwworm Eradication

Rancher cooperation in herd management practices still hold the key to success in the screwworm eradication program for Texas this spring, reminds Clint Langford county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System.

Recent widespread rains over much of the state--and warmer spring temperatures--could provide an ideal environment for the spread of screwworm cases, he reminds.

To date in 1979, six screwworm cases have been confirmed at the U.S.

Department of Agriculture's Screwworm Laboratory. While Hidalgo and Starr Counties--in the Rio Grande Valley--each have one confirmed case, individual cases also have been confirmed in Jim Wells and Kinney Counties, situated much to the west of the traditional problem areas. Medina County recorded its second case on April 23, with both cases originating in navels of new-born calves. Last year, Medina County did not record its first case until July, records show.

Clint said that the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service field staff, along with field testing units of the Texas

Animal Health Commission, are conducting trapping activities to determine location and movement of native fertile wild flies and sterile female flies, in an effort to monitor potential problem

areas. Results of the trapping programs will be made available to livestock producers and related industry representatives to aid them in planning herd management practices. The new Aricruz strain

of flies is progressing well, and results of the fly distributions also are being monitored. Tests with marked flies help to determine dispersion of the flies after boxed release in the field,

Langford said. Screwworm eradication program officials also are using insecticide treated pellets this year in selected counties, along with the sterile fly releases. Livestock producers,

Clint reminded, can still aid the screwworm eradication program by continuing the "basic three" practices of examining their herds on a regular basis, collecting samples

of any larvae found in wounds and sending the samples to the Mission Lab for identification; and treating the wound to reduce host sites for the screwworm fly.

Fall Webworms Can Be Controlled

Fall webworms will be showing up soon on trees, particularly pecan trees, in Sutton County.

Large numbers of larvae (worms) can damage trees by completely stripping the leaves, explains Clint Langford county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Larvae group together and spin silken nest within which the feed for four to five weeks. Heavy infestations can defoliate trees and leave large unsightly webs throughout the tree.

Fall webworm moths emerge in early spring. They have a wingspan of about one-and-one-half inch and are delicate milky white in color. Some have their forewings peppered with small black dots.

Female moths lay from 500 to 800 eggs each. These are light-green to yellowish in color and are globe-shaped. The eggs are deposited in masses underneath leaves, usually

near the tip of a branch. Egg masses are covered with hairs from the female's body, giving them a fuzzy appearance.

In 7 to 10 days the eggs hatch into small yellowish or greenish larvae. Young larvae have two rows of dark tubercles along the back and long hairs sparsely covering the body. Full-grown larvae are about one-and-one-half inch long and vary in color from pale green to yellow. They have a broad dark stripe down the back and are covered with long whitish hairs.

Full-grown larvae seek out a shelter in which to pupate (move from larva to adult stage). Pupae may be found under bark, in cracks and crevices, or under debris. They are about three-fourths inch long, reddish brown in color and encased in a scanty cocoon of long hairs.

There are usually three to four generations of fall webworms along the Gulf Coast of Texas and Mexico, with pupae of the last generation going into diapause (hibernation) for

the winter. Light infestation of fall webworms may be controlled by pruning out affected terminals while larvae are small and

burning or crushing them. Heavy infestations may be controlled with malathion, carbaryl (Sevin) or zolone. For best results apply insecticide when larvae are

small. Always read the label carefully before using a pesticide and follow all directions, cautions the county agent.

Farmers and Ranchers To Receive Crop and Livestock Questionnaires

During late May and June, many Texas farmers and ranchers will receive a crop or livestock questionnaire from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Services or will be personally interviewed by the Service's field staff. The information gathered through the questionnaires and interviews provides the basis for determining the acreage devoted to the various crops and midyear livestock numbers for the state of Texas and for each

county. Crop and livestock reports provide a dependable, unbiased picture of Texas' most important industry--agriculture. The estimates in these reports are tools to help farmers and ranchers work out their planting, breeding, feeding, storing, producing and marketing plans.

Farm organizations and legislatures use them in planning programs. The

estimates are also used in establishing the various government program acreage and payment levels to farmers for the state and county.

Extension economists and private farm and ranch management consultants use them as a basis for advising farmers and ranchers.

Exporters use them in planning and promoting the sale of agricultural products abroad. Prompt and accurate

completion of the survey forms provides for more reliable estimates and helps to reduce survey costs.

All individual farm and ranch information is kept confidential, and only state and county summaries become part of the final published estimate.

This is a cooperative effort of the USDA's Economics, Statistics, and Cooperatives Service and the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Local Delegation Attends Ceremony

A Sutton County delegation attended the District 13 Branding Ceremony at Texas A&M University Wednesday, April 24. Beef cattle committees and historical societies from the 254 counties in Texas assisted the Texas A&M University staff in selecting the brands that are being burned in to the oak walls of the Robert J. Kleberg Jr. Animal and Food Sciences Center stairway. Brands registered to the following rancher or ranches were placed on the

Sutton County board: S.E. McKnight, J.N. Ross, Sol Mayer, J.D. Wallace, G.W. Stewart, Robert Halbert, W.A. Miers, P.E. Adams, George Brockman, Libb Wallace, Juno Ranch Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bray of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace, Bill Stewart, Ralph Mayer, Joe Will Ross, Drew Wallace and County Agent and Mrs. Clint Langford participated in the branding

ceremonies with the delegates from the other eighteen counties in district 13. Two hundred and fifty people participated in the branding activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bray hosted the Sutton County group and Mrs. Earl Rudder at a luncheon in the Rudder Tower on Wednesday.

Glen Fisher's Wool and Mohair Report

The mohair market remains firm with demand very erratic. The South African Sale last week was firm to slightly easier on adult with kid and yearling up slightly. They have another sale this week on Basuto hair and then another the following week on May 8th.

We sold the rest of our yearling at \$6.75, \$6.40 and \$6.10. This leaves us with about 30,000 pounds of kid hair.

A small sale was held last Wednesday in Eldora-

do with fine adult hair at \$6.10 and \$6.15 and kid and yearling at \$7.83 and \$6.75 respectively. Then Friday in Uvalde one line of adult sold at \$6.00 with the remainder not selling.

Wool is remaining steady with prices being about 15% above year ago levels for both 8 months and 12 months wool. A sale in Ozona Thursday on 8 months and 12 months produced prices from high 90's to \$1.25 on the top lot of 12 months.

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Texas Gains 62 Gas, 25 Oil Discoveries

Texas operators reported 62 gas and 25 oil discoveries during the April 1-15, 1979 period, the Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division announced recently.

In the year-earlier period, 29 gas and 21 oil discoveries were filed with the state's energy regulatory agency.

Through the first three and one-half months of 1979, Texas operators

have reported 424 gas and 132 oil discoveries, against 280 gas and 134 oil discoveries in the year-earlier period. Successful exploratory and field completions in three and one-half months of 1979 total 2,235 oil and 1,724 gas, against 2,342 oil and 1,529 gas completions in

the same period last year.

Gas discoveries in the first half of April 1979 included 28 in deep South Texas, eight in the Refugio area, seven in Southeast Texas, five in the San Angelo area, four in West Central Texas, three in East Texas, two each in the San Antonio,

Midland and Panhandle areas, and one in the Lubbock area.

Oil discoveries included eight in Southeast Texas, four each in the Refugio and Midland areas, two each in deep South Texas, Lubbock and Panhandle regions, and one each in the Refugio, East Texas

and San Angelo areas.

In the April 1-15 period, operators reported 121 exploratory and field tests wound up as dry holes.

New applications for permits to drill oil and gas tests totaled 750 in the first half of April, compared with 833 in the same period of 1978.

Applications to drill, deepen, plug back and for service wells in the April 1-15 period amounted to 902 against 891 a year earlier.

Operators filed 212 amended applications to drill. A year earlier they submitted 208 amended requests.

There have been 5,162 applications to drill new oil and gas tests this year, against 5,572 in the same period of 1978. Applications to drill, deepen, plugback and for service wells so far this year total 6,124, against 6,683 in the first three and a half months of 1978.

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Coastal States Offer Settlements

Coastal States Gas Corporation and its subsidiary Coastal States Gas Producing Company has reported their offering of settlement and percentage interests in securities and gas search trusts has been extended to April 30, 1979.

The offering, which was made by a prospectus dated February 14, 1979, is directed to customers of

Coastal's Lo-Vaca Gathering Company unit in connection with a plan for settlement of disputes involving Lo-Vaca. It was scheduled to expire on April 20.

The Company said completion of the settlement has taken longer than expected because of delays in receiving certain clearances and approvals. The Texas Railroad Com-

mission announced that on Thursday, April 19, 1979 it heard oral arguments in the separate proceedings initiated with respect to two of Lo-Vaca Gathering Company's reseller cus-

tomers, Lone Star Gas Company and Amoco Gas Company. These customers seek authorization to flow-through to their fixed-price contract customers increased costs of gas

purchased from Lo-Vaca at rates established by the Commission.

The Company added that it may be necessary to further extend the offering to Lo-Vaca's customers by

amending the current registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company further said it cannot predict when or if settlement will occur.

Lo-Vaca Instructed In Disputes

Coastal States Gas Corporation reported April 23 that the Texas Railroad Commission has issued instructions to its staff to prepare final orders in two cases involving customers of Coastal's Lo-Vaca Gathering Company unit.

The orders could influence the proposed plan for settlement of disputes involving Lo-Vaca.

The Commission's instructions direct the staff to prepare final orders for review by the Commission on Friday, April 27, which will permit Lone Star Gas Company, a division of Enserch Corporation, and Amoco Gas Company, a unit of Standard Oil Company of Indiana, to flow-through to certain of their customers increases in their gas costs which

could result from a final rate order for Lo-Vaca. The Lo-Vaca rate order is part of the proposed settlement plan.

The Railroad Commission, in an order issued in August, 1978, found that the settlement is in the public interest, but reserved for separate findings the flow-through of costs requested by Lone Star

and Amoco.

Coastal pointed out that several important steps remain to be completed before the settlement plan can be implemented, including final resolution of the issues involved in the Lone Star and Amoco proceedings. The Company said it still cannot predict when or if the settlement will occur.

Supreme Court Affirms Decision

The Supreme Court of Delaware has affirmed a lower court decision that Coastal States Gas Corporation's convertible preferred stocks are not entitled to participate in a spin-off dividend scheduled to be paid on the company's common stock in connection with a proposed settlement of disputes involving Coastal's Lo-

Vaca Gathering Company unit.

The lawsuit was filed last year as a class action by holders of Coastal's convertible preferred stock. A Delaware court of chancery rendered its decision in the matter last November.

The Delaware Supreme Court's decision is the last

step in the appeal process. The only remaining recourse of the appellants is a motion for rehearing. Attorneys for Coastal are of the opinion any such motion would be successful.

Coastal said holders of the preferred stock can still participate in the spin-off dividend, if and

when it is declared, by converting their shares to common stock before the record date for the dividend which has not yet been set. The company said it will notify preferred stockholders of the record date if the dividend is declared, so that those who wish to convert will be able to do so.

Purchases Amount to \$9.1 Million

Mitchell Energy Acquires Interest

Mitchell Energy & Development has purchased working interests in 346 oil and gas well and related property for \$9.1 million, George P. Mitchell, chairman and president, reported today.

Most of the acquired

interests are in wells operated by Mitchell Energy, primarily in North Texas.

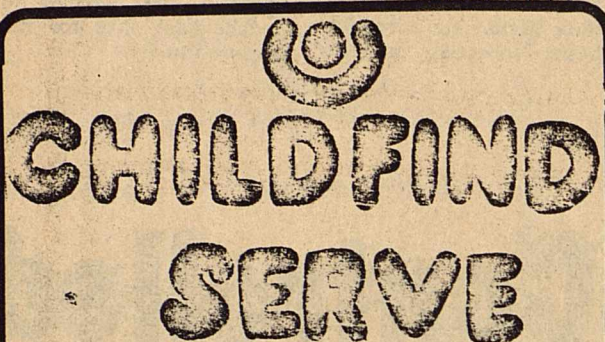
Largest of the purchases was \$3 million paid to a private corporation for interests ranging up to

6.25 percent in 265 wells in which Mitchell Energy already was the majority owner. The wells are located in Texas, Louisiana and Canada.

The other acquisitions included \$2 million paid for a 100 per cent interest in 19 oil wells in the Alba area of Wood County, Texas, and a total of \$4.1

million paid to several firms for various interests in 62 wells and 62,000 net acres of undeveloped leases in other areas of Texas and in Colorado.

Mitchell Energy & Development Corp., a large independent, currently has an interest in approximately 1,800 productive gas and oil wells.



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Lane, Hillary Hunt, Rosa Noriega, Mary Hanna, Paula Fries and Denise Neal. Bottom row [l to r] are Tony Hooper, Steve Alley, Valerie Tedford, Beth Bartz, Annabelle Gonzales, Eddie Favila, Tonya Evans and Pam Powers. Gregg Tedford also qualified for regional in golf and is not pictured.

Varsity Boys Place In Regional Meet

Seven members of the boy's Bronco Varsity Track team travelled to Lubbock last Thursday to participate in the regional meet. Those qualifying for regional competition were Wayne McLaughlin in the shot put and discus; Enrique Sanchez and Juan Mendoza in the 880; Rodolfo Ramos in the mile; Eddie Favila in the 100 and 200 yard dash; Ed Hanna in the 440 yard dash; and Cody Savell in the long jump, high jump and pole vault.

McLaughlin placed 4th in discus and third in the shot; Sanchez was 5th; Mendoza, 7th; Ramos, tenth; Favila was seventh in both of his events; and Savell placed fifth in the long jump.

Hanna did not qualify for the finals in his event. Only those placing first and second at regional are qualified as state contenders.

Hospital News

Patients receiving treatment at Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital during the period from Tuesday, April 24 thru Monday, April 30 include the following:

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Jady Webster Builds A Better Mouse Trap

(Editor's note: The following is a reprint from The Lewisville Daily Leader, submitted by Birl Davis.) Literally, Jady Webster is finding out the truth in that old adage of commercial enterprise, although his is not really a mousetrap. Webster, the owner of Jady's Shamrock on South Mill Street, is in the process of marketing what may turn out to be a revolutionary improvement in the craft of wide game trapping.

His invention is an electronic snare, and it is the product of a lifetime of trapping and his concern for unnecessary cruelty to animals caused by trapping with conventional steel jaw traps, he said.

"I'm 59 and I've been trapping all my life. I was raised in Oklahoma and East Texas and back during the Depression days you did anything you could to make a dollar," he recounted. However, trapping apparently did not die with the return of more profitable times.

Mike Russell, Lewisville High School agriculture teacher and marketing agent for Webster's invention, described the wide-spread activity in trapping still going on. "There are 20 million fur trappers in North America. In 1976-77 there were 944,263 pelts taken in the U.S., and last year that was probably a third bigger, don't you think Jady?" he asked the older man, who nodded.

Although to many it is a hobby, Webster offered some bottom line figures that indicate why trapping is still widespread, even in the Lewisville area. "Your average racoon pelt this year is worth from \$24-35; gray fox is worth \$30-40; red fox is \$50 and above; and a bobcat pelt is worth \$160 or more. And this is for green pelts. All you do is skin them and put them in the freezer until the next time the buyer comes around," he said.

Although all his life he used steel jaw traps, the idea of a better trap was seldom off his mind, Webster said. "I'd find a leg or something where an animal has been trapped, chewed his leg off, and then crawled off to die. I worried several years about these animals going off and dying somewhere from blood poisoning. The more I thought about it, the more it bothered me," he said.

The trick was to figure out a way to secure the animal without causing it unnecessary pain or damaging the pelt until the trapper could arrive and check the trap. With a steel jaw trap, stepping on a center pressure plate would snap shut the heavy, toothed jaws on the animal's leg.

Webster, after a long process of trial and error, developed his invention so the animal would not actually be trapped, but would snare itself by stepping on an electric pressure plate. A wire snare is placed over the switch, and the dirt is sprinkled over it and bait placed just behind it in the blind so that the animal will be led past the switch. The snare loop is attached to a spring-loaded arm, which Webster said can be as far as 30 feet away.

When the trigger is touched by as little as four ounces of pressure, a solenoid on the trap mechanism moves a plunger, which in turn releases the arm. As it snaps vertically, the loop is pulled tight and the animal is caught. A clip on the snare prevents the loop from loosening until the trapper removes it by hand.

The trap is powered by a 12-volt battery and is not affected by moisture or cold like steel traps are. Another improvement over the old way of trapping is that nothing can be caught in it that is too large to fit in the loop.

With steel jaws, there is always the danger of a horse, cow or child accidentally stepping on the pressure plate and injuring itself in the trap.

"This is not only good for trapping wild animals,

but also a housewife can use it to get rid of skunks or anything else that has been getting under the house. You can even catch squirrels with it," he said.

Unlike conventional traps Webster explained that there is also a second triggering mechanism, accomplished by attaching the snare loop to the bait itself. "This way, you almost can't miss," he said.

"Another advantage of this is that a 7-year-old boy can set it without any danger of it closing on him, like a steel trap. And I've done that before," he said, rubbing his wrist.

"I've caught bobcat, coons, ringtails (cats), fox, skunks, possums and even beavers on Denton Creek. Yeah, there are even beavers around here, although they're not very good," he said.

"I caught one old coon in my snare that got so mad at one of these things, he sat there and chewed it all to pieces before I finally got there," Webster said laughing.

He conceded that the snare does sometimes kill the animal if it is caught around the neck. "I've had some kill themselves. I caught one coyote that did, then I caught another one around the neck and it didn't."

"But there's no completely humane way to catch a wild animal. It's going to fight as long as it can, and this is the most humane way I could find to catch the animal and still preserve its pelt for the trapper," Webster said.

A U.S. patent has been approved on his invention, and Webster said the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and several big companies have expressed an interest in his electronic snare. He said he would also like for it to be inspected by the Humane Society, and hopefully even endorsed by them.

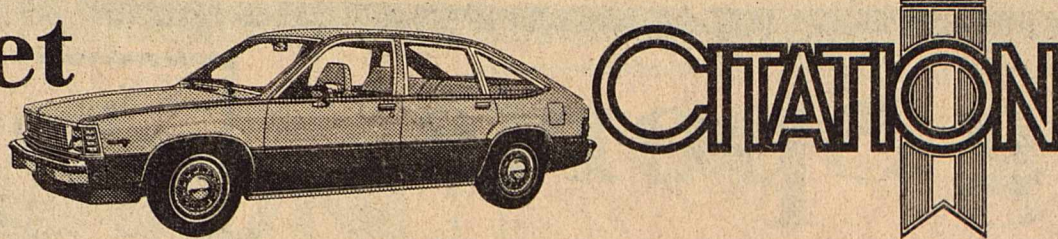
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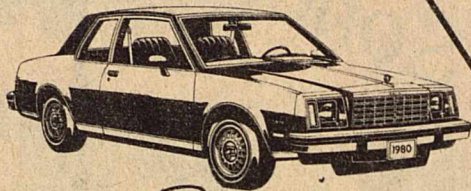


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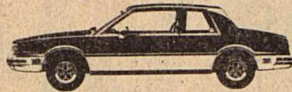
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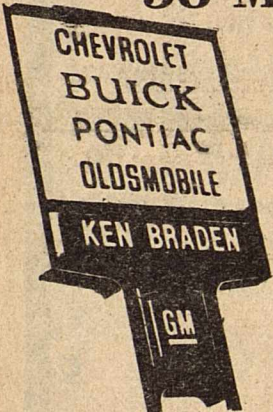
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Winning high at 42 play was Ms. Blackman; 84, Ms. West, and low, Ms. Cearley.

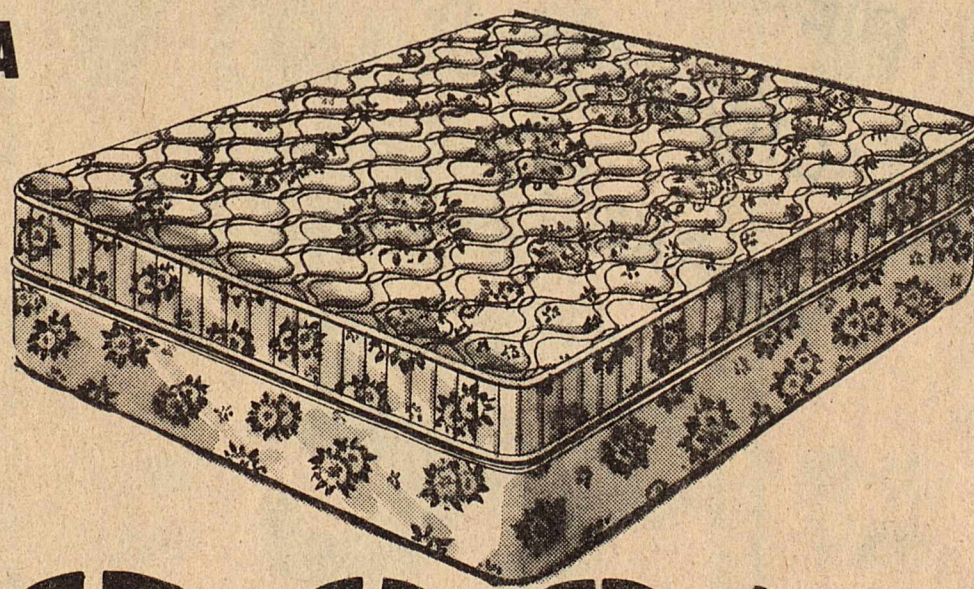
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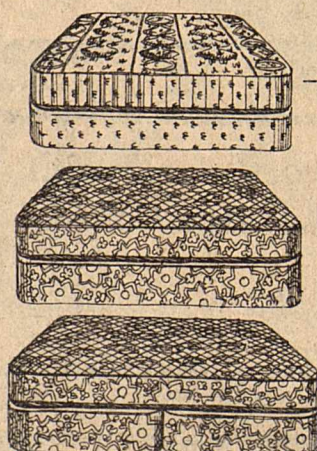
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