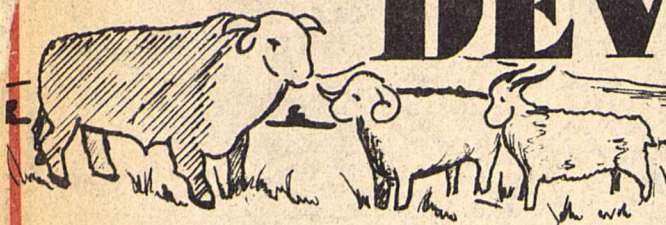


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Deer contest, dear prizes

by Bruce Kerbow

The results are in and the points are tallied and the winners of 1986 Big Buck are as official as we can get them, that is of course, if we can add right.

This was the first year that the Chamber of Commerce has sponsored a contest for out of town hunters as well as locals. It was somewhat of a success, depending on how you look at it. I was kind of disappointed in the number of entries from both out of town hunters and from the local people. We did make some mistakes and we will try and rectify those in future contests.

The total numbers entered in the contest was not quite as high as we would have liked and the entries in each category made some of them real easy to judge as there was only one entry in two of the categories, most points for out of town hunters and heaviest doe for local hunters.

There were nine entries in the overall best buck for the out of towners with Robert Myers of Weatherford winning with a deer taken on the Harrison Ranch. The deer had 17 points and spread of 19 1/2". The deer weighed 109 pounds and had base circumferences of 4 5/8 and 4 3/8". The deer scored a total of 300 1/2 total points.

To arrive at the total score, we took the number of 1" points and multiplied it by 5 and added the widest outside spread of the main beam times five plus the weight times one and the circumference of the right and left beam at the

smallest point between the bur and the first point.

This is the same scoring method used by Lionel Garza who runs the Muy Grande deer contest in Freer, Texas. The highest scoring deer ever in the Muy Grande contest scored 372 points and deer weighed 172 pounds so judging the horns only, this deer killed in Sutton County scored only 15 points behind the best ever registered in Freer and don't forget that Freer is in South, Texas. For winning the best overall buck category, Robert will receive a .270 Winchester.

In the heaviest doe category for out of town hunters, William Womack of Houston took a Handmade McKissack knife with a doe that weighed 72 pounds taken on the Rousselot Ranch on January 2.

In the widest spread category, Al Rogers of Normangee, Texas took a free shoulder mount with a 6 point buck which carried a spread of 21 5/8 inches. Rogers took the deer off the Pope Ranch on Dec. 12.

Terry Powell of Chapman, Texas walked away with the most points category. (He was the only entrant; for his efforts he will receive a bronze replica of the Benson Head, a deer which held the worlds record non-typical for some 80 years and was thought that it could never be beaten. The deer which merits this prize was a twelve point buck taken on the Shurley Ranch January 1.

In the local contest we only had two categories, best overall buck and heaviest doe. Olie Smith won the best overall buck with a buck he

took on his ranch which sported 13 points, a 21 1/4 inch spread weighed 100 pounds and had bases of 4 1/8 and 4 1/4. The total score was 299 1/2 points. Olie will receive a bronze of the #1 ranking Boone and Crockett Texas whitetail.

Kevin Snyder took the heaviest doe with a 72 pound specimen taken on the Black Ranch. Kevin wins a pair of binoculars. I say this with out much enthusiasm because Kevin was the only local hunter to register a doe.

Contestants were required to enter only one category with any one deer and the category had to be declared before any measurements would be taken. A 1.00 fee was required before registering. After going over our mistakes, we may have to change things a bit before next year and any an all suggestions would be appreciated.

We would like to thank Royce Miears and Ken Nelson who did most of the scoring and to the various merchants in town who supported the contest.

I think that we had a good hunting season and know that hunters pour a lot of money into our local economy and it could use a boost. We did weigh one buck (3 or 4 times) which was taken on the Bill Stewart ranch that dressed out at 149 pounds. I think that is the heaviest deer taken in this country in some time and shows that there are some healthy deer around.

Again thanks and if you have any ideas for next year get in touch with the Chamber and let us know.

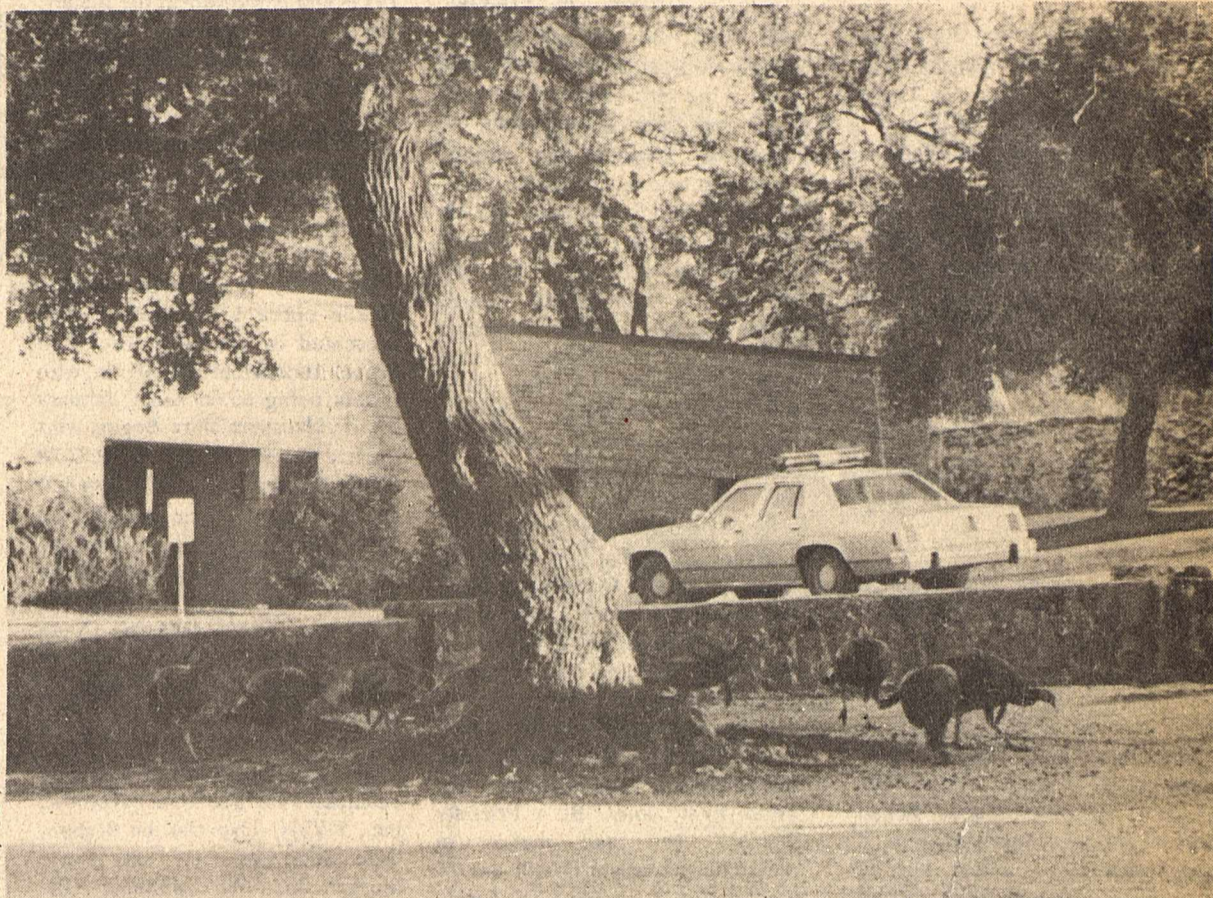


Photo by Clay Cates

Judging by their location, could this band of wandering turkeys be termed "jail birds"?

The birds spent quite sometime Monday morning roaming the area around the Courthouse.

Opera to be presented in Sonora

Tickets are still available for the Saturday, January 10 premiere performance of I PAGLIACCI, presented by Sonora Community Arts and Theatre in conjunction with the San Angelo based traveling opera company, OPERAWORKS, INC.

This classical and well-loved opera features some of the finest young performers in the professional opera world today.



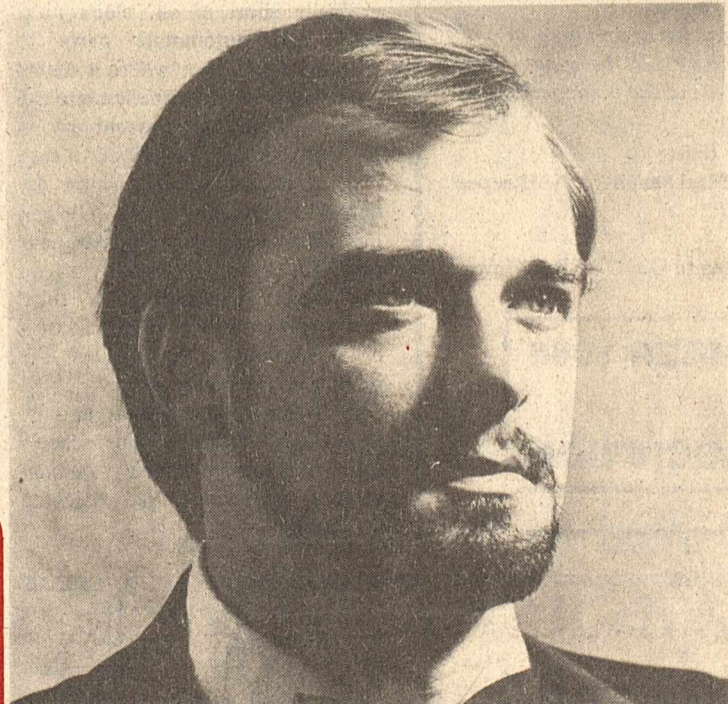
VALERIE YOVA

in voice performance and pedagogy.

David L. Maze (baritone), will be performing as Silvio in I PAGLIACCI. Mr. Maze is from Austin, Texas, and has been singing with the Central City Opera for the past three years.

The role of Beppe will be sung by Randolph Lacy (lyric tenor), who has performed with the Houston Grand Opera and the Houston Symphony. Mr. Lacy has also done numerous oratorio performances in the Houston area.

Tickets for I PAGLIACCI are \$5.00 each and may be purchased at either Tedford Jewelry, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, or The Devil's River News. Don't miss this exciting evening of Opera-Theatre in your own community. I PAGLIACCI, Saturday, January 10 at 8 p.m. in the new High School Auditorium!



DAVID L. MAZE

Under the stage direction of Paula N. Homer. Musical Director is David Brock and Producing Director is M. Caroline Canfield.

I PAGLIACCI is a staged and costumed production that features Valerie Yova (soprano) as Nedda, and Michael Fiacco (dramatic tenor) as Canio/Pagliacci. Ms. Yova has sung with Opera Theatre of New England, Boston Conservatories, the Minnesota Opera Institute, and was a national finalist for the Metropolitan Opera Regional Auditions.

Mr. Fiacco most recently sang on of the two tenor leads in the Santa Fe Opera World Premiere production of THE CONFIDENCE MAN. He has also sung with the Delaware Opera and the Virginia Opera.

Kimm David Julian (baritone), will be singing the role of the tormented Tonio. Mr. Julian has sung with the Des Moines Opera and recently finished his doctorate



RANDOLPH A. LACY

Board sets tax rate

The Sutton County Hospital District Board of Trustees met this past Monday night for the purpose of setting the tax rate for the Hospital District.

After discussion of revenue needed for operation of the facility as well as considering the 42 percent estimated decline in taxable value for 1987, the Board adopted a tax rate of ten cents per hundred dollar evaluation.

This tax will be retroactive for 1986. Tax statements will be received by Sutton County taxpayers within the next few days and

must be paid by February 1, 1987 to avoid penalties and interest. For those paying after February 1, interest and penalties will be added at the rate of seven percent for the first month plus an additional two percent per month thereafter.

In other related business, the Board entered into a contract with the Sutton County Appraisal District to bill and collect taxes owed the Hospital District.

The Sutton County Hospital District Board will meet next on January 12 at 7 p.m. in the Sutton County Courthouse Annex. Meet-

ing with the Board will be Charles Bailey, Vice-president of Legal Affairs for the Texas Hospital Association.

A general discussion is planned with Mr. Bailey answering questions relating to the takeover of the hospital by the elected board.

Mr. Bailey will also be providing information regarding indigent health care and how the formation of the Sutton County Hospital District will effect the taxpayers method of paying for indigent health care.

Briefly

SS Representative

Edwin Draughon, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his January visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse on Thursday, January 22nd, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Publicity Workshop

The Devil's River News will be conducting a Publicity Workshop on Monday, January 26 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room at Sutton County National Bank.

The Workshop will be conducted by Turk Tergliatera, publisher of the Del Rio News Herald and will be geared to accommodate the needs of all school, church and civic organizations.

We are conducting this workshop in an effort to help each organization by encouraging a steady flow of information within the community.

We cordially invite a representative of each organization and club to attend the workshop.

Committee on Aging to meet

The Sutton County Committee on Aging will meet on Tuesday, January 13, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Newly elected officers will take over their office at this meeting.

All members of the Committee are encouraged to attend.

Medical dates in Sonora

Chiropractor: all day, Friday, January 16.
Podiatrist: Call 658-4020 for an appointment.
Optician: Thursday afternoon, January 8.

Tamale Sale at St. Ann's

St. Ann's Catholic Church will be having a Tamale Sale on January 11 at the Parish Hall. Tamales will be 3.50 per dozen and may be picked up starting at 9 a.m.

Call 387-2278 to place your order.

Merchants to meet Jan. 12

The Sonora Merchants Association will hold their 1st meeting of the new year on Monday, January 12 at 30 p.m. in the meeting room of the First National Bank Annex.

All business owners or managers are invited to attend.

Western Union in Sonora

The services in Sonora continue to grow. The latest and most welcomed service is a Western Union office. The office is located in the Sonora Bus Station. For additional information, call 387-2804.

Notes from the Chamber

by Dede Doran

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce has announced the winners of the 1986 Big Buck Contest. A big thank you goes to all who entered.

The Best Overall Buck was won by Mr. Robert C. Myers of Weatherford, Texas. Mr. Myers wins the Remington 700 ADL .270 rifle.

The Buck with the Widest Spread was won by Mr. Al Rogers of Normangee, Texas. He wins a shoulder mount by Frontier Taxidermy.

Mr. Terry Powell was the winner of the Most Points division. The prize in this division is a Dr. Taylor Bronze.

William Womack from Houston was the winner of the McKissack Knife in the Heaviest Doe Division.

In the Sutton County Division, Olie Smith was the winner of the Overall Best Buck and Kevin Snyder was the winner of the Heaviest Doe.

Congratulations to all our winners! In town winners can come by the Chamber office at 706 SW Crockett for their prizes. Thank you for making 1986 a successful hunting season.

Congratulations to Sonora Broncos Mike Fullen and Lance Wallace on being chosen for the Class 3A All-West Texas football team. We are really proud of you!

Well, the New Year is really starting off with a bang! The Adopt-A-Highway Program began on January 1 for Sutton County. If your organization would like to participate in this program, please let me know. As Sutton County Chairman for the Keep Texas Beautiful program, I would like to see as many organizations as possible in this program. So far we

have the Girl Scouts, the Jr. 4-H Club, the Sr. 4-H Club, and a 4-H Food Group in the program. The signs will go up very soon designating the organizations that is Adopting a certain part of the highway. It will be their responsibility to keep this area clean. I know we have many organizations in Sonora who would benefit from this program. Call me today!

The Sutton County 4-H Show will begin this weekend, January 10, with the Carcass Show (live) and the Goat Show. Go out and support these young people. The 4-H Club is one of the very best organizations that a young person can belong to.

It teaches responsibility, caring, leadership, and much, much, more. The Sheep and Rabbit Show will be on Friday, January 16 beginning at 2:30 in the afternoon. Then the Bar-B-Que, Auction, and Awards will begin at 11:30 on Saturday, January 17. It is very important that each of us continue to show these young people how much we believe in them. See you at the 4-H Barn on these dates!

Remember to let me know if you have any event that you would like me to put on the Community Sign. Sometimes I am not aware of an event or it slips my mind. Don't hesitate to call and remind me. I would appreciate it.

In my newsletter from the Texas Tourist Council this month, they reminded us to remind you to "See Texas First" and "Be a Friendly Texan!" Not bad mottos to remember! Tourism is still one of the biggest businesses in Texas. Sonora can capitalize on this, and we have in 1986. Let's move forward in 1987 and see tourism become a very valuable industry for Sonora. My new Visitors Guide will

be out soon and should really help the visitors to Sonora find the items they need. Come by my office soon for a copy. I intend to place them in the motels and restaurants around town for the visitor to use.

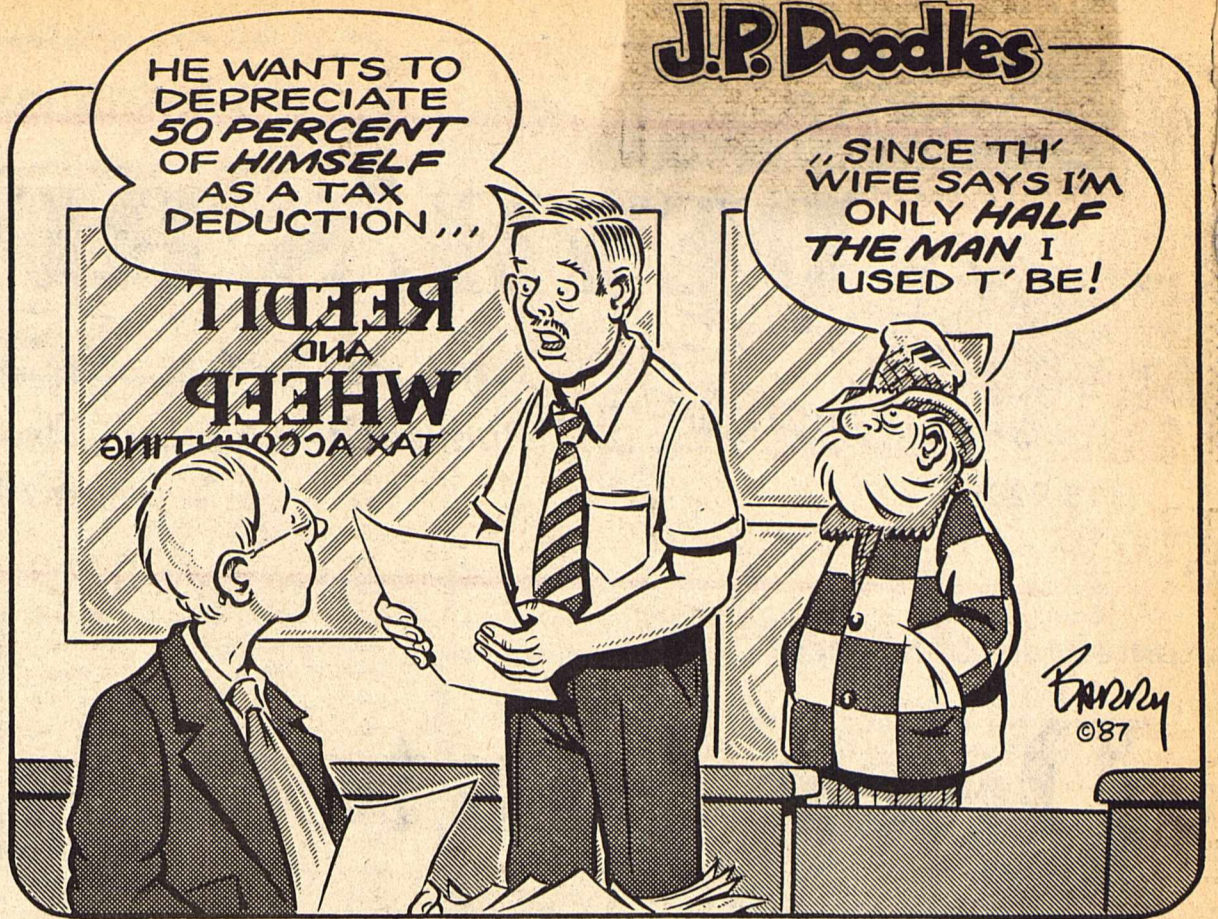
Did you know the highway department publishes all of the state's official travel literature...and distributes it free through our 12 Texas Tourist Bureaus and by mail? Call (512) 463-8585, the travel information desk in Austin, if you would like any of this information. Also, *Texas Highways* magazine is just \$10.00 per year subscription. This is a lovely magazine showing many of the great places to visit in Texas and is well worth the money. Write *Texas Highways*, P.O. Box 5016, Austin, Texas 78763-9988 for more information.

Landowners: Don't forget to get me that 1987 Hunting Lease information before January 31, 1987. I will keep reminding you!

Remember these dates: January 10-The opera *I Pagliacci* will be presented in Sonora at the High School Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. with tickets being \$5.00 each; January 10-4-H Livestock Show Begins with the live Carcass Class and the Goat Show; January 16-2:30 p.m. the 4-H Livestock Show continues with the Sheep and Rabbit Show; January 17-4-H Livestock Show Auction and Awards following a Bar-B-Que at 11:30 a.m.; January 24-The Sheep Dog Trials at the Sutton County Park. Fun for all and no admission charged.

Also remember our five members businesses for this week: Kerbow, Inc., KVRN, Live Oak 66 Station, Lone Star Gas Co., and Doyle Morgan Ins. We appreciate the support each of you gives the Sonora Chamber of Commerce.

See you next week!



Publisher's Comment

One thing which will be missing from the pages of the Devil's River News for the next few weeks will be "From the Over the Hill Gang," Doris Cahill's column from the Nursing Home.

Doris, who has been having extensive dental work done, says she needs a rest for a short time. While we can appreciate Doris' need for a "break" we also know her column will be sorely missed in its absence.

We also owe Doris an apology since, by an oversight on our part, her name has not appeared on her column the past several weeks.

We are starting the new year with a most welcome addition. We have just become the proud possessors of a "desk top publishing network." (This amounts to several Apple computers and a laser printer.)

The equipment came to us strictly because of necessity. We swear there's a name scratched on the side of our old equipment that reads "Gutenberg." Each week, for sometime, we have prayed to be blessed with enough spit and baling wire to hold things together for another week.

Now that we have this new equipment, we only have one simple task-learn to use it.

You see small children on TV using computers to

accomplish a myriad of functions. It's so easy, right? Sure, for those small children. Have you ever seen an over forty slightly crazy broad who has trouble adjusting the color on her TV set try to learn to use a computer? Believe me, it's not a pretty sight.

I'm up to my eyeballs in terminology and it doesn't mean the same anymore. I've worked enough crossword puzzles to know that *icon* is synonymous with *idol*. Now, when I sit down to this machine, I'm told to choose one.

Cut and paste I learned to do well over twenty years ago-with an Xacto knife (I have scars to attest to my learning process) and a bottle of rubber cement. No more - I do it with the aid of a "mouse" from a "window" I select and pull down from a "menu".

The "menu" doesn't have the price of a hamburger, the "window" doesn't have to be washed and the "mouse" is safe. I've only set one mouse trap in my life, the mouse got away and I was delighted because I didn't have to feel guilty about its little family.

Seriously, we are very proud of our new equipment and the range of its capabilities. We are excited about the improvements which it will bring about in the paper. We are also pleased to be working for a company which recognizes our needs in order to better serve you.

And if I tell you I drove my caterpillar to work, think nothing of it-it's all new terminology.

Where are we going?

T. Driskell

It is a legitimate question. We complain about the lack of a nuclear arms agreement. We complain about the SDI (Star Wars) development costs. We never stop to ask, "Would Russia adhere to a total ban on nuclear arms, if such an agreement existed?" Can we have a nuclear ban without a functional missile defense?" The obvious answer is an emphatic "NO" to both questions. There is another

facet; without nuclear weapons, we must match Russian manpower--150 to 200 divisions--your sons and mine. Regardless of what the demonstrators say, we cannot afford a total ban on nuclear weapons without SDI which works, and we cannot afford it then from manpower considerations. We must retain tactical "nukes."

The so called experts writing about tomorrows opportunities say that service industries will prosper. If service is going to be our

major improvement area, against the background of our indigenous raw materials, where is the money coming from to buy the manufactured products to be serviced? The conclusion is that we are going to leave our descendants a "third world" country. It is evident that we must abandon our ideas of free trade policy; or our labor's cost of production must become competitive on the world market. The wages of the "chinese coolie" make such competition an absurdity--so obviously free trade has to go the way of the dodo bird-to extinction.

The administration boosts a strong military, then contradicts itself by failing to provide enough protection to national industries to allow sustained logistical support for its employment. In the event of military deployment we would be critically short of oil, electronics, steel and automobile parts to mention a few. Somewhere it seems a monkey-wrench has fallen into the gearing of our logical machinery, in any case our logic has slipped a cog.

As individuals, we would be declared bankrupt if we followed our national approach to paying our bills. The deficit is another rung on the ladder descending to third world status; either we get rid of it or it ultimately gets rid of the buying power of our money.

A trillion dollar budget and no new taxes? Obviously our schools for years have decidedly demonstrated deficiency in teaching arithmetic.

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imagine my disgust when I had to reel in my well placed cast and row the boat over to the bank so she could untangle the mess she had gotten herself into. As I was repositioning the boat for maximum access to the bank she made a cast that finally made it into the water. I was struggling to get the boat into

position when she hollered, "I got one". Boy, was I mad. Well, I picked up my intensity and was really determined to get even. I drew back and let fly a beautiful cast which landed back up in a little pocket along the bank. I was anxiously awaiting the strike that I

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HEALTHCARE

by M. Scott Gilmore
Hospital Administrator

Spreading Colds

Colds are spread when the viruses are passed on to the mucus membrane of other people. Research suggests that most colds are "caught" with the hands, not through the air. A person with a cold sheds millions of the viruses and can easily leave a trail of them on whatever, or whomever, he touches. They then can be picked up by shaking hands or touching any infected object. Rubbing the eyes or nose then causes the viruses to be introduced onto the mucus membranes. Cold viruses can also be spread by kissing, sharing eating

utensils, and inhaling droplets in the air from sneezing and coughing. These modes of transmission, however, seem less important than hand-to-hand contamination.

A vaccine against the common cold may never exist, mainly because there are so many viruses that cause the condition. In a normally healthy person, a cold may last only a few days. It may be more serious in the very young, the elderly, or people with chronic disease. Treatment for these patients may be required. The Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital is located at 308 Hudspeth, providing personalized attention and quality medical services close to home. Pediatric, obstetrical, and geriatric care also available. Open 24 hours a day. Tel. 387-2521.

People in their sixties average fewer than one cold a year because they have become immune to most cold viruses.

Letters to the Editor

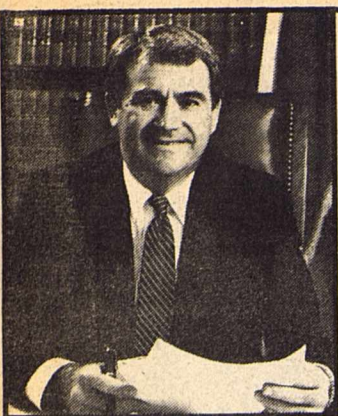
Letter to the Editor

A.C. and I would like to take the opportunity to thank Rosa Norie Dr. Pollard and the Sonora Fire Department for all the efforts forth on our behalf last Sunday evening.

Thanks to all of them, a small fire which broke out behind our garage did very little damage.

We also found out that not only does our fire department put fire, they check back periodically afterwards to make sure everything is okay.

Thanking all again
A.C. and Reba Hud



CONSUMER ALERT

by
Jim Mattox
Attorney General

How To Lose Weight Not Money

Many people make New Year's resolutions to lose weight and get into shape. If you are one of those trying to firm your figure, you may be considering joining a health spa.

ASK QUESTIONS

Texas has many fine health spas and fitness centers. But numerous consumers have found that they joined the wrong one when the spa they joined closed after only a few months. So, it is important to check the reputation of the spa's parent company. • How long have they been in business? • Do they have unresolved consumer complaints at the local Better Business Bureau or at my Consumer Protection Division? If the answers to these questions are unsatisfactory, you should look for another place to exercise.

CHECK IT OUT

If you decide to join a health spa or club, be sure to visit the facilities several times before buying your membership. Go by at the time of day you are most likely to use the spa. Note whether your preferred hours coincide with peak times. If so, you will want to see whether the club is crowded. If it is, you might find it difficult to use the equipment or pool.

It is generally not a good idea to buy a "lifetime" membership. Many consumers have found that the lifetime referred to was that of the spa—not the lifetime of the member.

Of course, no one would admit that upon selling the membership, but that's how it sometimes works out.

You should pick a club that's convenient to your home and/or office. My Consumer Protection personnel tell me that people are much less likely to use a spa if they have to drive a long distance.

Talk to people who are already members of a number of convenient spas. See if they are satisfied before joining. Specifically, ask your friends and other members what they think of the club's maintenance and personnel.

Find out exactly what your membership includes before signing a contract. If the salesperson promises something to you that is not written into the contract, get that promise in writing. Verbal promises are worth very little when a written contract is involved.

Finally, if you have any health problems, check with your doctor about what kinds of exercise are best for you before joining a spa.

FOR MORE HELP

If you need more help or information on this or other consumer problems, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection Office (in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen, and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.



Social Security News

Report shows SSA is in good shape

Social Security's 1986 annual report to the Congress makes good reading for those interested in the soundness of the Social Security system. The report shows a large surplus in the trust funds, steady progress in administrative initiatives and implementing legislative mandates, and systems improvements that signal dramatic technological changes for the future.

The report is required by law as a means of updating Congress on the status of the Social Security system. It covers aspects of Social Security, including program, administrative, and legislation.

The report shows that in fiscal year 1986 income to the retirement, survivors, and disability trust funds is expected to exceed outgo by \$13 billion. Current estimates show that the program will be able to pay benefits on time well into the next century under all of the sets of actuarial assumptions on which estimates are made.

The report indicated that administrative costs as a percent of income to the trust funds was only 1.2 percent in 1985. Processing time for retirement and survivors claims has been reduced from 23 days in September 1984 to 20 days in September 1985 and for SSI claims for the aged from 16 days in September 1984 to 11 days in September 1985.

The agency reports that it has implemented the main provisions of the Social Security Disability

Benefits Reform Act of 1984 (P.L. 98-460). The law was designed to restore uniformity and public confidence in the disability program. In general, the new program sets rules that can be consistently applied by all disability decision-makers. Medical improvement must have occurred, and the disability beneficiary must be able to work before benefits can be terminated.

A new modernized claims system was initiated in district offices in 1985 and expanded to 18 pilot offices in 1986. The new system features desk terminals that give direct access to records in the main computers in the Baltimore headquarters. It will be able to provide immediate status of claims, control claims workloads, and accelerate claims processing. All offices are expected to have the new capabilities by the end of 1988.

The modernized claims system is a part of the systems modernization plan, a comprehensive effort to improve the agency's data processing capability to a state-of-the-art level and keep it there. Started in 1982, the plan has prevented a potential systems failure caused by antiquated computers and inadequate software and positioned the system for transition to a modern data processing operation. The agency is currently attempting to perform operations in a state-of-the-art environment, according to the annual report.

AIDS victims may qualify for benefits

Some people may not be aware that a person with acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) may qualify for disability benefits under Social Security programs. Applications for benefits may be made at any Social Security office by phone, mail, or in person.

Disability benefits may be paid under both Social Security and the supplemental security income (SSI) program. Social Security disability benefits can be paid only if the person has worked long enough and recently enough under Social Security. But, SSI payments are made to people with little income and few resources even though they may not have worked under Social Security.

Disability benefits under both programs are paid to people unable to work because of a physical or mental condition that prevents them from working for a year or more or that is expected to result in

death.

AIDS generally leads to a total breakdown of the body's immune system that so far has proven irreversible. An intensive research effort is underway to develop an effective treatment of the disease.

A person who has been diagnosed as having AIDS should apply for benefits immediately. There is a waiting period of 5 full months before benefits may begin.

For more information, contact the San Angelo Social Security Office located at 2214 Sherwood Way. The telephone number is 949-4608.



The largest jigsaw puzzle ever made was one 3,404 feet square with 13,296 pieces assembled in New York in 1983.



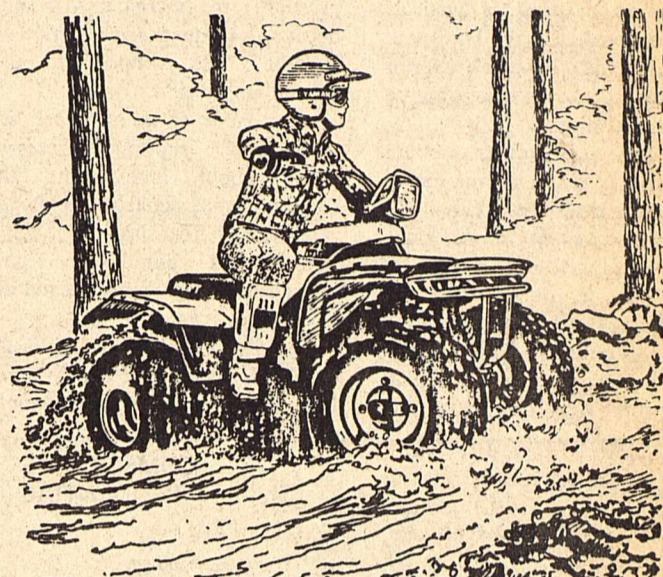
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Around Town

by Hazel McClelland

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore over the holidays were their sons and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore, Jr. and Rachel of Pasadena, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bob Moore and John Carter of La Vernie, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jones spent several days Christmas in Tyler visiting their daughter.

Visiting Mrs. Pauline Thompson over the holidays were her son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Pat Thompson of Lubbock and her daughter Mrs. Anita Stokes and daughter, Susan and Robin.

Mrs. Vivian Crites spent several days in Uvalde visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ted Letsinger.

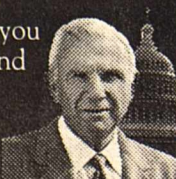
Mrs. Clay Mitchell and daughter Sarah were here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Wanda Van Hoozer.

I had a good New Years Day. Mrs. Lena Belle Ross had a delicious dinner and eight of us enjoyed it and being together, those present were: Mrs. Mary Barrow, Miss Jo Ann Gardner, Mrs. Faye McClelland, Mrs. Guila Vicars, Mrs. Gwen Wardlaw, Mrs. Elizabeth Cusenbary, Mrs. Hazel McClelland and Mrs. Ruth Shurley.

Visiting Mrs. Gwen Wardlaw this week are daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stallworth Ward and Susann from Houston.

Mrs. Matt Shannon and daughter Megan have returned home to Amarillo after visiting her family.

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Dr. Gus Eckhart and son of San Angelo were here New Years Day visiting, Mrs. Mary Barrow and Miss Jo Ann Gardner and going hunting on their ranch.

Our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Trainer on the death of her father.

Mr. Norris McCarty spent Christmas holidays in San Saba visiting his family.

Mrs. James Morris and son Jimmy were in San Angelo last Friday visiting Mrs. Lossie Kelly.

Mrs. Betty Jo Cooper and daughter Leslie of New Orleans visited Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Neville over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Rodney Davis spent several days here visiting relatives and friends last week.

Our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt on the death of her father.

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- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 2 teaspoons grated orange peel

Drain pineapple. Combine flour, sugar, salt and baking powder. Combine eggs, milk and butter. Stir in pineapple, nuts and orange peel. Make well in center of dry ingredients; add liquid ingredients. Stir just until moistened. Spoon into greased muffin tins. Bake in 400°F oven 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 16 muffins.

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Start planning tax reform strategies

With the 1986 tax reform bill now signed into law, individuals need to start doing some serious thinking and planning regarding tax strategies before the year draws to a close.

"Since many provisions of the new tax bill became effective on Jan. 1, 1987, individuals need to become familiar with the tax consequences of the legislation and consider certain actions before Dec. 31," points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga, and economist and attorney with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Individuals need to take advantage of the new tax code and to capitalize on existing as well as future tax breaks," says Hayenga. He recommends visiting a broker or accountant as soon as possible to look at tax strategies.

According to Hayenga, certain steps should be taken in conjunction with the new tax situation:

--Defer income: Since tax rates will be dropping to either 15 or 28 percent, try to defer as much income as possible until next year so you will be taxed at lower rates. But don't defer income if you plan to use income averaging since this

is the last year that method will be available.

--Establish a 401[k]: This is a salary reduction plan to which you can contribute up to \$30,000 during 1986. That amount drops to only \$7,000 a year starting in 1987.

--Review your portfolio: Sell stocks now to take advantage of the favorable long-term capital gains rate, particularly if you feel they won't move up much in price.

--Seek high dividend investments: Select securities that offer high dividends since dividends and capital gains will be taxed the same under the new law. Many investors believe there will be more corporate pressure to increase dividends because long-term appreciation will become less important than immediate income.

--Stay clear of investments with immediately reportable income: Think about investments that should offer a sizeable payoff next year--U.S. Treasuries, Savings Bonds and annuities. Again, income next year will be taxed at a lower rate.

--Increase deductions for this year: Increasing your deductions in 1986 will offer a greater tax benefit.

The cost of items still deductible in 1987 will increase from a tax-savings standpoint. Currently a \$1 deduction at the maximum tax rate of 50 percent provides a 50-cent tax savings. That same deduction will provide only a 28-cent savings in the future. However, be cautious about prepaying on you home mortgage. Once paid, the money can't be borrowed back for other uses.

--Buy big ticket items now: Buy items such as cars and boats before Jan. 1 when the sales tax deduction disappears. Also, pay for investment advice and tax preparations before the end of the year so that those costs can still be deducted from your 1986 taxable income.

--Take a close look at tax shelters: Tax shelters, set up to generate big losses in their early years, have been hard hit by tax reform. Under the old law, these losses could be used to offset income from salary, stocks and bonds. Beginning in 1987, tax shelters will be considered passive investments and any losses they generate can be applied only to offset losses from other passive investments. Look for reliable shelters that make economic sense

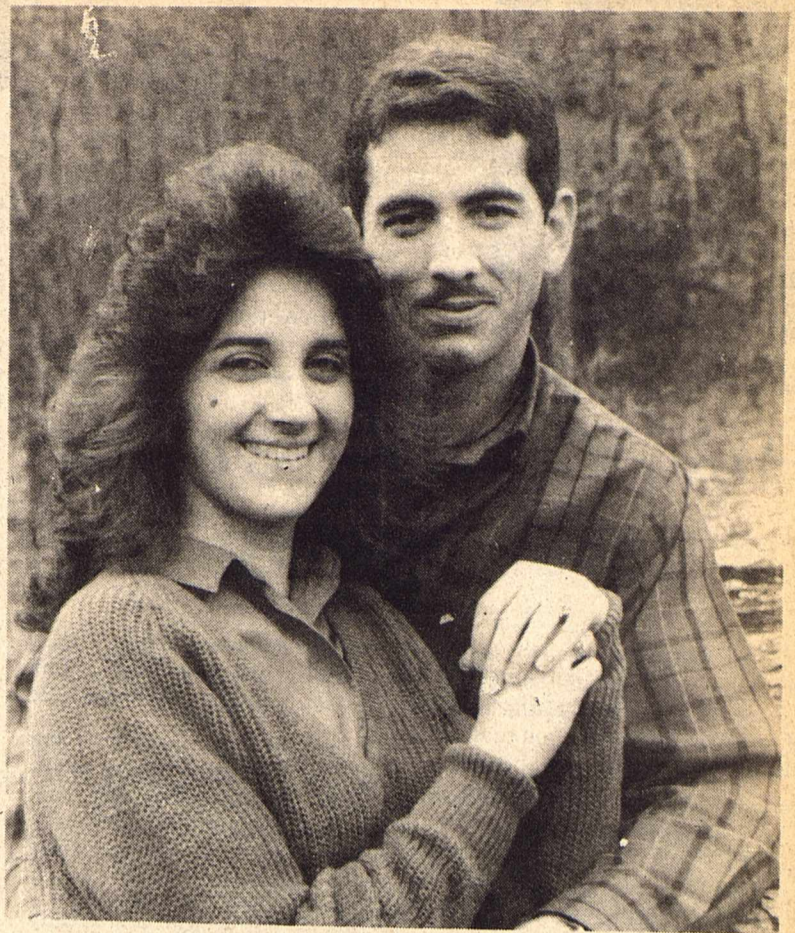
and dispose of investments that do not generate passive income.

--Consider municipal bonds: Municipal bonds and bond funds offer tax exempt earnings and good yields; they are one of the few legitimate tax shelters left.

--Take another look at children's accounts: When transferring assets to children, select those that will mature either when the child is more than 14 years of age or when the money is needed for college or some other specific reason.

--Don't toss out the IRA: Keep your IRA, even if it doesn't qualify for the tax deduction. An IRA is still a tax-free investment; furthermore, a penalty must be paid on early withdrawals.

--Remember the alternative minimum tax: This tax is computed in high income returns when the initial computation indicates there is no tax liability. If this tax exceeds the regular tax, then it may pay to delay deductions until next year since the alternative minimum tax rate will increase from 20 percent in 1986 to 28 percent in 1987.



CARLA RENEE PEACE & SAMUEL JAMES DUNN

Peace & Dunn to unite

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson R. Peace of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carla Renee to Samuel James Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel O. Dunn of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, formerly of Sonora, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Peace of Proctor, Oklahoma and the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Choate, of Westville, Oklahoma. The prospective groom is the grandson of the late Oscar Dunn of Del Rio, Texas, the late Mrs. Grace Strickland of Boerne, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Parks of Wilburton, Oklahoma.

The couple plan a 7:30 p.m. wedding on February 14, in the Crescent Valley Baptist Church, located between Tahlequah and Fort Gibson.

The bride-elect, a 1983 graduate of Tahlequah High School, is employed with Hopkins Motor Co., Inc., in Tahlequah.

The prospective groom, a 1982

graduate of Fort Gibson High School, is employed with United Parcel Service and is a Second Lieutenant in the Oklahoma Army National Guard.

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The scandal of particularity

Rev. Kent L. Kepler, First United Methodist Church Read Mark 6:1-6

This passage from Mark tells of the rejection of Jesus by his home-town people in Nazareth, in a saying that does not appear in the rest of the Gospels. "What good can come out of Nazareth?" He is being rejected by the people of Nazareth because they know him too well. They probably thought, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hand? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us? And they took offense at him."

What is the offense? It is that we do not really expect God to act through those individuals that we know well, because we know all their weak points and foibles. We know some of the scandals in their family history, and few people don't have scandals in their backgrounds somewhere. You can almost guess the type of conversations that went on when Jesus taught in the synagogue. "What does Jesus know? How did he get to be such an expert? Why, my Isaac did better in his studies for Bar Mitzvah than Jesus did. And do you remember some of the stunts he pulled as a teenager? No man of God would ever have done such things." And

another would claim, Yes! And have done such things." And why should we, listen to a carpenter when it comes to studying the Bible? Who gave him any skill in studying Torah? We know his father taught him carpentry, and he's ok as a furniture maker. But religion? I'd rather go to the local rabbi." And another would pop up, "How can anyone from a family like that be important religiously? If I remember rightly, his parents weren't even married when he was born. No illegitimate person is going to tell me what God says."

So Jesus' hometown friends and neighbors greet his new role as teacher and healer with hostility and skepticism. They just didn't believe that God could work through someone like that. This has always been a stumbling block to anyone who brings a message from God. Their friends and neighbors nearly always react with the attitude, "God couldn't be using him, or her. The whole thing must be a fraud."

But God has always used particular people to carry his message. Many times they did not seem to have the necessary qualifications. Can you imagine the reaction of Saul's brothers when he goes out to look for straying donkeys and returns to tell them that he has been anointed King by Samuel? Take David. His older brothers were finer physical speci-

mens. But God chose the boy David.

What about Amos--a shepherd and orchard tender. The leaders of Israel were certainly skeptical of this foreigner's qualifications to speak for God. Or look at the men Jesus chose as his disciples. Tell me, would you have chosen such persons if you were going to win people? I would imagine there was much comment among their peers about those fisherman spouting religion. What about the gall of Jesus in choosing as a disciple a tax collector, one who actually worked for the hated Romans.

But God did choose to work through particular individuals throughout history, individuals who were quite human, with all the human faults and weaknesses we have. In every case you can imagine their friends looking with skepticism, "Who? Him? You've got to be kidding." God wasn't kidding. God chose to work through just such particular individuals, with all their faults, to speak and show his word of love. One of the glories of the Bible is that God chose such ordinary individuals as his messengers.

I find much comfort and consolation in realizing this. First of all it makes it plausible that God has used persons in my life to communicate his messages to me. And it is not out of the range of possibility that God could also use

me, with all of my imperfections, and bad habits, and weaknesses. If God could use some of the messengers described in the Bible, God could use me. Or YOU.

Go back to the book of Numbers, and read those interminable list of people with all their descendants. The reading is boring. But in it you see how God worked through particular, ordinary families, generation after generation, individuals after individual, doing ordinary tasks, but with God's help and inspiration, accomplishing extraordinary things.

Fred Craddock, one of the leading contemporary preachers, tells a story about his own life. For years, when his brothers and sisters wanted a good laugh, someone would call out for Fred to tell the story about his call to preach. He also commented that at any ordination ceremony, you could always tell the families of those being ordained. They were always the ones with the shocked looks on their faces.

Pick up your Bible and start reading. Look for those very ordinary persons who did extraordinary things for God. Then pick up your newspaper and see what ordinary people today are doing extraordinary things for God. Finally, pick up your life and see how God might be using you to do extraordinary things for him. And be grateful.

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Nuestro Pueblo

by Sharon Martinez

Marvin Rodriguez of Copperas Cove, visited Tino and Gloria Dominguez and family last week.

Enjoying the New Year festivities at the Victor E. Fuentes' were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Fuentes and Sophia, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Fuentes and Allison, all of Del Rio and Sam and Sylvia Gonzales of Pecos.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gamez and family last week were Mr. and Mrs. Ramiro Martinez and family of Austin, Mrs. Frances Reyna of Winters and Martin Herrera of Dallas.

Quick and speedy recovery greetings to Michael Galindo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arturo Galindo who has been ill recently.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lalo Gonzales last week were Edward Gonzales, Norma Ortiz, and Annabelle Gonzales of Austin and Joe and Irene Esquivel of Abilene.

Home for the holidays visiting Nora and Irene Dominguez were Matt and Rosemary Escalante and Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Dominguez and family all of San Angelo.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tiodoro R. Chavez were Juan and Marion Chavez of Phoenix, Arizona, and Mr. and Mrs. Noe Chavez and family of Corpus Christi.

Pete and Yvette Samaniego and Poky of San Jose, California visited Elvira Castaneda, Braulio Estrada and Anna Samaniego all of Sonora and Frank Castaneda of Del Rio for the holidays.

Maria Carrasco and Angie spent Christmas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Gomez and family of Ft. Worth. They enjoyed their stay.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Villanueva, Ricky Ray and Valerie for the holidays were Peter and Sherry Gomez and Emily of Lubbock, and Mike and JoAnn Villanueva of Grand Prairie. Valerie celebrated her birthday December 26 and her dad Henry celebrated his birthday December 27. A good time was had by all.

Efrain Torres of Lubbock visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Elpidio Torres and family for the holidays.

Belated anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Lozano who celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary December 24th. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weingart and family and Mrs. Lala Hernandez spent the Christmas holidays, visiting family in Dallas and Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Samaniego visited their son Homer in Austin for the holidays.

Daniel and Emma Trevino of Austin visited Mrs. Sofia Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Abelino Sanchez Jr. and Eric this holiday season.

Adelita Smalling, Jessica and Rena enjoyed the company of Barbara Poloeca, Jennifer and Rudy of San Antonio during the holidays.

Visiting Pedro and Lydia Galindo for the holidays were Nora, Mary Sue and Letty Galindo, George Reyes and Manuel Juarez all of Austin and Jimmie and Gracie Galindo of Houston.

Edna Gandar, Cynthia and Lee of San Angelo visited Mr. and Mrs. Claudio Flores and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Perez and family for the holidays.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hermilio Ramirez were Ernesto and Yolanda Ramirez and Josephine of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Hernandez and family of Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony B. Martinez spent several days visiting Albert and Mary Jo Sepeda of Austin recently.

Margaret Trevino of Grand Prairie visited her aunt Linda Sanchez for a week.

Johnny and Viola Solis and Adelita Smalling hosted a breakfast brunch after the New Years dance.

Guests were Pete and Yvette Samaniego of San Jose, Calif., Manuel and Theresa Flores from Houston, Irene Arredondo, Turney Friess, Joe and Maura Weingart, Frank and Lilia Gallegos, Ramiro and Rosita Perez, Delia Samaniego,

Arturo and Carmina Trevino, Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Perez Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Arturo Galindo, Dora Noriega, Ralph Gonzales Jr., Bernardo Solis Jr., Ruben Mesa, and Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Ramirez.

Menudo was fixed by Mrs. Felicitia Solis and other goodies were served.

Belated birthday greetings to my Compadre Armando Noriega who celebrated his 70th birthday January 3rd.

Elaine Martinez celebrated her 12th birthday January 5th. Pizza and birthday cake galore! Best Wishes Elaine!

I enjoyed a surprise holiday visit from my sister Shawnee and brother-in-law Troy Knoch of Vivian, La. Surprises are the best! See ya, Sharon

"High IQ Club" announces scholarship essay contest

March 1, 1987 is the deadline for the 1987 scholarship essay contest which has been announced by the Permian Basin chapter of Mensa, the "High IQ Club", and the Mensa Education & Research Foundation. Awards of \$1,000, \$500, \$200, and \$200 will be made in each of Mensa's nine regions, including the Permian Basin area. Nationally, two special awards will be given: The Rita Levine Memorial Scholarship will award \$600 to a woman returning to school after an absence of seven or more years. The Howard M. Turney Financial Aid Program will provide \$1,000 for study or career in engineering, mathematics, medicine, or the physical sciences, and requires that the recipient score in the top 2 percent of the general population on a standard IQ test.

It is not necessary to be a member of Mensa to apply for the scholarships. Awards are unrestricted as to age, race, sex (except for the Levine Award), level of post-secondary education, and financial status. The sole require-

ment for a regional award is that the applicant be enrolled, for the year following the award, in a degree program in an accredited American institution of post-secondary education. The contest is open to high school seniors and above.

The awards will be made on the basis of an essay of less than 550 words which describes the applicant's career, vocational, academic, or goal direction. The application should describe a career direction toward which the scholarship is to provide aid.

For further information concerning this scholarship contest and to obtain application forms, contact the Scholarship Chairman, 3213 W. Kansas Ave., Midland, Texas 79701. A stamped, self-addressed envelope MUST accompany requests for applications.

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Lighter Side

(Con't. from pg. 2.)

knew was coming. Here it came and she said, "I can't get his hook out of his mouth". Again I had been interrupted on my way to the throne. I missed the fish and had to stop and let the poor fish off of her hook before I could fish some more. Boy, was I hot but I couldn't let her see I was.

It was a plot to get me rattled and I was not going to let her succeed. I calmly let fly another beautiful cast. This one was so good that I couldn't believe it myself. I knew that once again we would be even after I retrieved this one. I let the lure sit just a second and gave it a little jerk, one came up and slapped it so I let it sit a little longer. I knew that I had this one when all of a sudden, "Get my hat, it fell in the river." As my lure sat in the river I reached over the side of the boat and grabbed her hat. While I was grabbing her hat a big bass hit my lure. Had I been watching I would have caught him, but instead I was stooping over the side of the boat straining to get her dumb hat. Another one had gotten away.

Meanwhile, she threw her lure about ten feet away from the boat.

Ha, Ha, I thought to myself, serves you right for interrupting my fishing. Well, what do you know, she caught a fish on a cast that my 18 month old daughter could have done better on. Two to nothing. I was reaching my limit. This had to stop. She had caught two nice bass and I had barely got my lure good and wet. My confidence in myself needed a lift so I went to fishing with renewed vigor. I was really beating the brush but without much result.

In the meantime, she had gotten her lure hung on my earlobe, in the pocket on my shirt, and three times in the mouths of three different bass.

Five to nothing, I didn't worry too much because I knew that I always had a strong finish. I started changing baits every third cast to find one that was to good for her to beat. She was using an old Midge-Oreno with all the paint chipped off of it. But since I was the expert in the family I knew that the more colors and the fancier the bait, the better the odds. Well, while I was changing baits so often she was making about three casts to my one. I thought to myself that it wasn't the number of cast but the quality. I had her beat terribly in the quality category. I figured if she caught one fish for every thirty casts that I should catch one for every ten since mine were so much better placed than hers were, I was really on today with my casts, they were going just exactly where I had wanted them to. She wasn't having much luck, her's were going in the right direction but always a little bit too far so I spent most of the day paddling around chasing her hung-up lures. I was going for one that was hung in the cottonwood when she gave a might jerk and her splat the limb and all hit me right up side the head. The lure bounced off of my head and into the water. No sooner had it hit the water than a two pounder hit the lure.

Six to nothing, I kept my wits, I wasn't going to give up. I didn't get mad yet because I thought she would get lined out and fish like me, professional style. I placed a cast back in a little slew and Wham! a big ol' bass busted it and I gave it a jerk. Missed him. I started my retrieve when Wham! he hit it

again. Again I jerked. Missed him again. I brought the lure the rest of the way in and looked at it very closely, not a hook on the blasted thing. While I was changing lures, guess who caught another fish? She bounced the lure off of a big rock, hung it on some weeds, wrapped her line around the end of her pole, gave it a jerk and freed it from the that mess and caught one that weighed about four pounds.

Well, I was about to give up since she had caught seven and I hadn't even gotten one close to the boat but being a professional I knew that I couldn't give up yet. I let fly one of

my patented cast and was feeling rather proud about the placement when I heard her say, "I got my lure hung on the back of my shirt."

Again, I had to stop and untangle her mess. While I was busy cutting the hooks from her backside a big bass hit my lure. I looked up from what I was doing and reached for my rod. My knife slipped and gashed my thumb. Now I finally had an excuse, I couldn't cast with a cut thumb. I told her to wait until my thumb healed and I would really beat her bad the next time, but after this trip I just don't know if there will be a next time.

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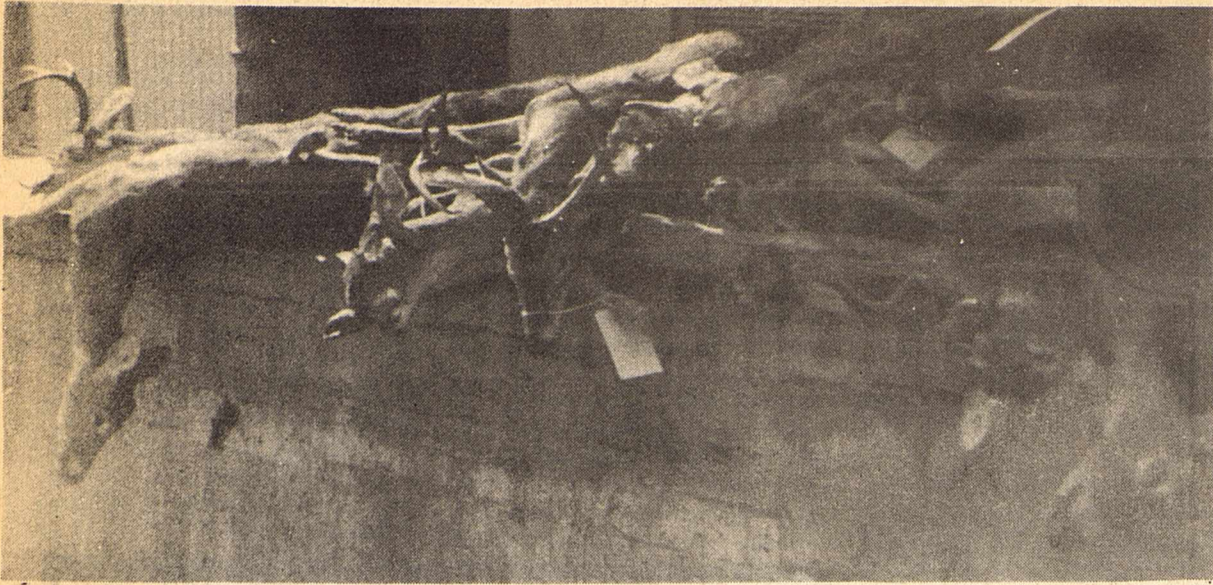
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Whitetail Lore

by Ray Bronk

Whitetail family tree

This column will attempt to place the Whitetail Deer, as precisely as possible, in its particular niche in the animal kingdom.

Ancestors of the deer have been on the North American continent ever since they evolved during the Miocene period, about twenty-five million years ago. These ancestors continued to evolve into deer as we know them, in the Pliocene era, about thirteen million years ago. They finally split into two separate species about a million years ago, during the Pleistocene period. These species are now recognized as the Whitetail Deer *Odocoileus virginianus* and the Mule Deer *Odocoileus hemionus*.

The mule deer is found in Texas, in much smaller numbers compared to the whitetail, about 200,000. During 1985-86, about 5,000 were harvested.

The whitetail is classified scientifically in the phylum *Chordata*, because it has a backbone.

It is also found in the sub-phylum *Vertebrata*, because it has a brain enclosed in a skull or cranium, and has a segmented spinal column.

The Whitetail Deer is of the class *Mammalia*, (a mammal.) Mammals are defined as any vertebrate of the class *Mammalia* that feeds its young with milk from the female mammary glands, is warm-blooded, has a four-chambered heart, hair on its body, and that gives live birth to its young.

The whitetail is hoofed, so it belongs in the division *Ungulata* (a former collective category), or mammals with hoofs. Thus, the whitetail is separated from mammals with claws or nails, and those without claws, nails, or hoofs.

Because the whitetail possesses two hooves, it is placed in the order *Artiodactyla*, or Even-toed Hoofed

Ones. It shares this order with the Bovine Beasts and Oxen, Pronghorn, and Peccary.

All deer belong to the large family *Cervidae*, (from the Latin *cervus*, a stag). *Cervidae* have branching horns or antlers, even though some antlers are merely upright spikes.

The whitetail is of a group or sub-family of medium to small, light-bodied deer, distinct from all other members of the family *Cervidae*. These two groups of species in North America are the White-tailed deer, and the Mule deer. The other species live in Central and South America. All these species are known to science as *Odocoileus*, the *koilus*, hollow, *odo*, toothed ones.

World-wide, there are thirty known subspecies of whitetail deer, with seventeen found north of the Mexican border.

The whitetail is represented in Georgia by four subspecies. They are the Virginia subspecies, *O. v. virginianus*. The Florida whitetail subspecies, *O. v. seminolus*, a few of the Florida coast subspecies, *O. v. osceola*, and the Blackbeard Island subspecies, *O. v. nigribarbis*, found on the costal islands of Blackbeard and Sapelo.

Texas has the Texas whitetail, *O. v. texanus*, in large numbers. It also has the Kansas whitetail, *O. v. macrourus*, and small populations of the Carmen Mountains whitetail, *O. v. carminis*, and the Avery Island whitetail, *O. v. mcilhennyi*.

The Key deer of the Florida keys is the smallest deer north of the border and is named *O. v. clavium*. The largest whitetail, found in the northwestern United States and Canada, is *O. v. borealis*. The Virginia whitetail (found in great numbers in Georgia,) is the original

whitetail, whose fossil was used for naming the "type species." The Dakota whitetail is quite large, is found in the states and Canadian provinces surrounding the Dakotas, and is named *O. v. dacotensis*. This subspecies is responsible for even more trophy antlers than the *borealis* subspecies. The Northwest whitetail inhabits the northwestern United States and the southwestern Canadian provinces, and has the name of *O. v. ochrourus*. The Columbian whitetail is a protected subspecies, not now hunted because it is on the endangered animal list. Its name is *O. v. leucurus*. The Coues (pronounced "cows,") or Arizona whitetail, *O. v. couesi*, is found in Arizona, New Mexico, and the Mexican states which these states border.

The Bull's Island whitetail, *O. v. taurinsulae*, is found only on Bull's Island, South Carolina. The Hunting Island whitetail, *O. v. venatorius*, is another island-bound subspecies, found only on Hunting Island, South Carolina. The other island-bound South Carolina deer in the Hilton Head Island whitetail, *O. v. hiltonensis*, found only on that island.

The Florida whitetail is found throughout the Everglades, (in Georgia, in the southeast corner.) The Florida Coastal whitetail subspecies (only a few are found in lower coastal Georgia,) is usually found in the Florida panhandle, southern Alabama, and Mississippi.

This information about the whitetail has been detailed and extensive. It is interesting to see where the whitetail stands in the animal kingdom, and the ways in which it has evolved throughout the varied terrain and weather conditions in the U.S.

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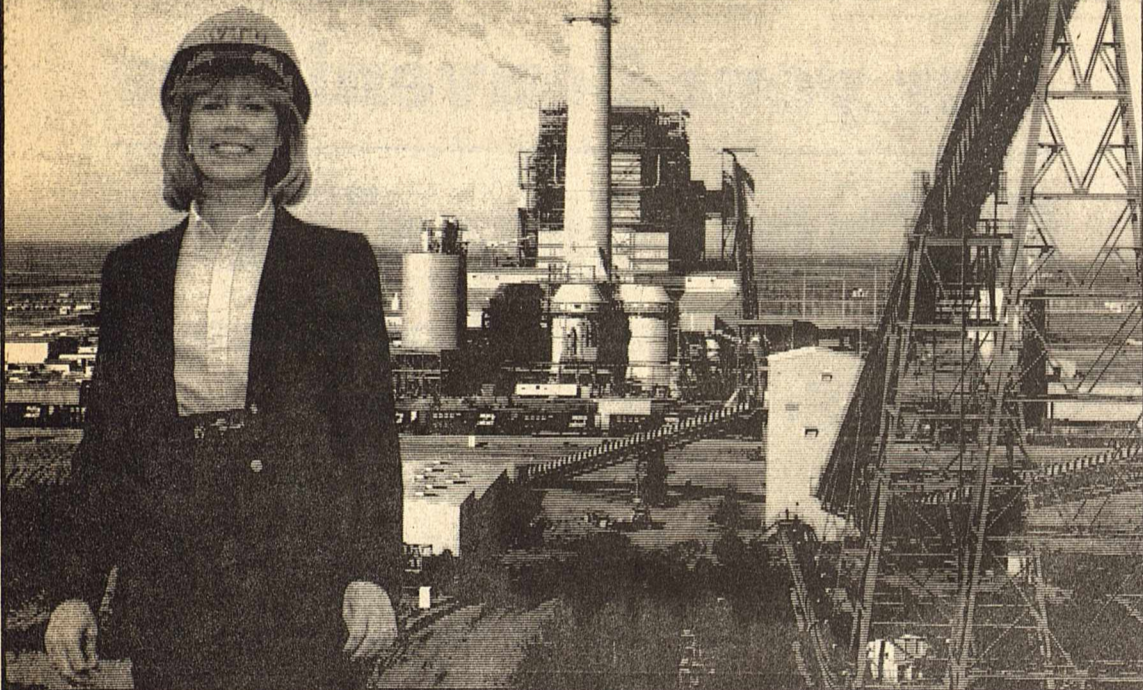
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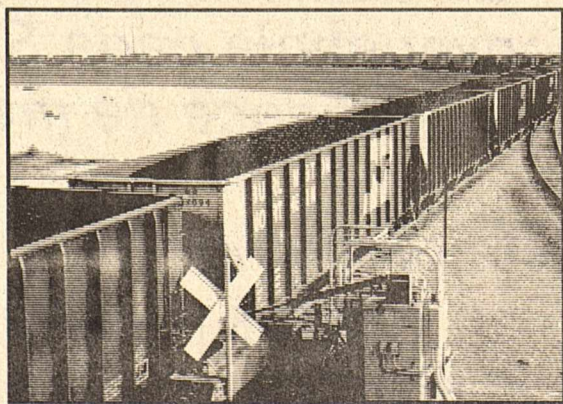
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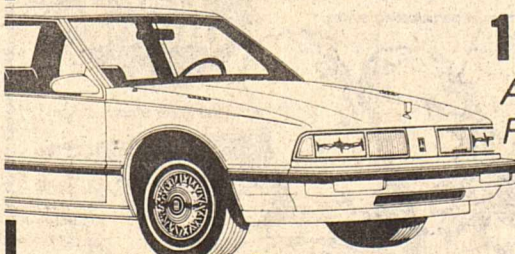
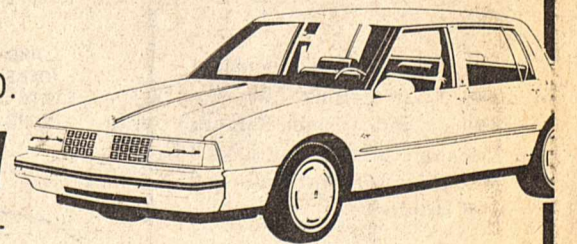
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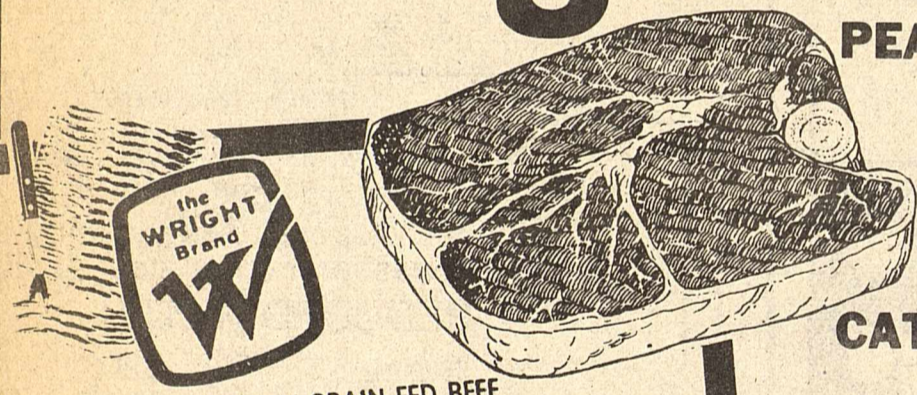
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