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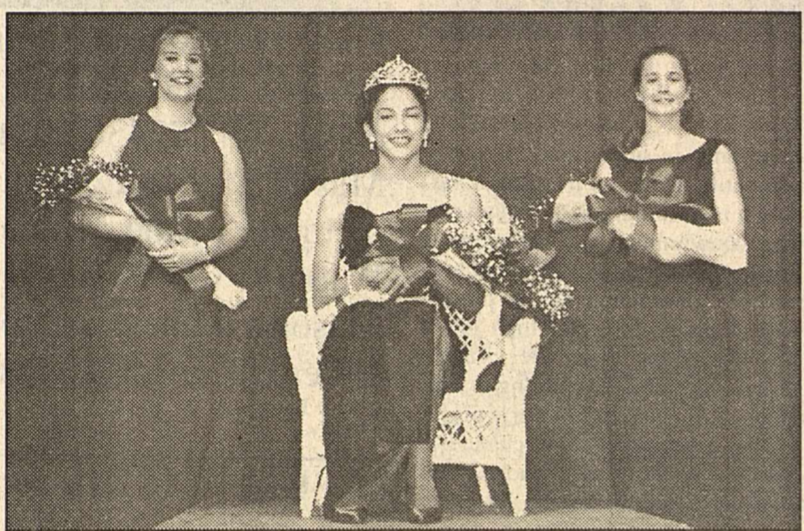
1999 Lions Club Queen Crowned



1999 Queen Candidates and their Escorts

The Sonora Downtown and Westside Lions Club held its Annual Ladies Night and Queen's Contest on Monday, January 18, 1999 at the Sonora High School. This year's candidates were:

Juniors -
Sarah Ball escorted by Isaac Ramos
Kara Eaton escorted by Jared Percifull
Cindy Jones escorted by Graham Bloodworth
Kim Marshall escorted by Ernie Perez
Seniors -
Stacey Becknell escorted by Dustin Dillard
Daisy Mireles escorted by Kino Marines
Brenda O'Iden escorted by Michael Castilleja
Kari Purvis escorted by Anthony Renfro
Liza Ramirez escorted by Sonny Lozano.
The reigning 1998



1999 Lions Club Queen, Daisy Mireles, with her court, Kari Purvis and Sarah Ball.

Lions Club Queen Kristen Hardgrave was escorted by Tanner Fields.

Directors of this year's event were Alvis Johnson and Mike Healy. Master of Ceremonies was Dr.

Lonnie Pollard.

The 2nd runner up for 1999 Lions Club Queen was Sarah Ball; 1st runner up was Kari Purvis; Daisy Mireles was crowned the 1999 Lions Club Queen.



Unlock My Heart Sweetheart

If you're looking for a great gift idea for your valentine then let the Sonora Merchants Association help. With 13 different participating merchants you're sure to find something to please your Valentine. To make your shopping experience even more interesting, the Sonora Merchants Association is offering a special contest. Participating merchants will have a locked heart inside their store, if you purchase

\$20.00 or more worth of merchandise you will get a chance to unlock the heart. If your lucky enough to pick the right key, you will win one of several prizes, ranging from fudge to flowers, to a dinner for two.

You can find the locked hearts at any of the following Sonora Merchants: image apparel, Vallree's Bright Spot, B&C Department

Store, Lisa's Flowers & Gifts, Business Basics, Westerman Drug, Petal Pushers, Ol' Sonora Trading Co./Merle Norman, Busy Bee Department Store, The Devil's River News, Tropical Sun and West Texas Utilities.

The Sonora Merchants Association hopes you have fun with this promotion and thanks you for shopping Sonora first.

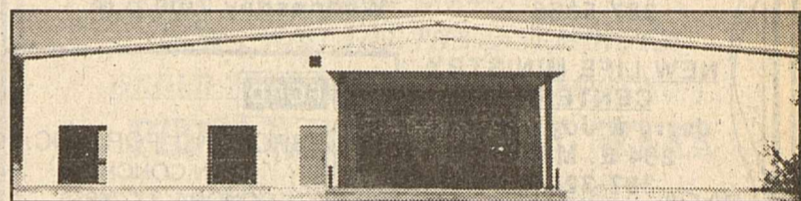
New 4-H Civic Center to Honor Cauthorns

The 4-H Building Committee has announced that the Conference Room in the new building will be named the "John and Mildred Cauthorn Conference Room."

The Cauthorn Trust set up by John and Mildred has done so much for Sonora and Sutton County that many people do not realize. The Building Committee wanted to insure that their many contributions are recognized now and for years to come.

The Conference Room will accommodate up to 15 people and will be furnished with a conference table and comfortable seating. It will be available for any group or organization for committee meetings, director meetings, etc.

The new building will have a variety of rooms for any user. The large area is about 9600 square feet and can be divided into three separate rooms or combinations among



4-H Civic Center

the three. The smallest meeting area, besides the conference room, is about 1800 square feet. Each area is individually lighted and air conditioned.

The kitchen is 800 square feet with an outside entrance and can be closed off from the meeting areas. Air conditioning for the kitchen is separate from all other areas.

An addition to the "Clint Langford Memorial Building" will add 2400 square feet making this building a total of 7200 square feet. The primary use of this building will

be to house livestock for shows and sales, but it can be used for a multitude of activities. The two buildings will be connected by covered walkways.

Construction has been slower than expected, but hopefully will be completed in the near future. When a final completion date can be determined, the Building Committee will begin taking reservations for use of the new facility. Reservations will be made through the Sutton County Extension Agents' office which will be moved to the new building.

Local Livestock Show Exceeds Expectations

County Extension Agent Preston Faris reported "that the recent Sutton County Junior Livestock Show exceeded all expectations for quality. Considering the local economic problems and the limited space available for conducting the show this year everything went extremely well. The sale was excellent as people and businesses once again turned out to support this youth development effort." A big thanks is extended to everyone who helped to make the show such a huge success: Sergio Gutierrez for voluntarily cooking all of the meat for the sale, the moms who provided the deserts, all of the award donors, and most of all the buyers and supporters who turned out to honor the youth for a job well done.

Results of week two of the show are as follows: Grand Champion Angora Goat- Chance Armke with a Registered Yearling Buck which was also named the Champion Registered Goat of the Show. The Reserve Champion Angora Goat of the show was exhibited by Landon Brockman with an aged registered doe which was also the Reserve Champion Angora goat of the show. The Champion Commercial Angora Doe was exhibited by Landon Brockman and the Reserve Champion Commercial Angora Doe was exhibited by Allison Benson. The Champion Swine entry was exhibited by Koda Armke and the Reserve Champion by Bo Amber Gentry.

Results of the Commercial Angora class placings are: **Class 20 Doe Kids**- 1st Allison Benson, 2nd Landon Brockman, 3rd Heather Lawson, 4th Ryan Hardgrave, 5th Jared Percifull, 6th Shane Benson, 7th Jacob Perciful, 8th Chelsea Seaton, 9th Ashley Brockman, 10th Joseph Perciful, 11th Ryan Hardgrave,

12th Josh Payton, 13th Brian Payton, 15th Tyler Seaton, 16th Wilson Wallace, 17th Warren Wallace, 18th Hunter Rushing, 19th Hillary Rushing, and 20th Steely Ingham; **Class 21 Yearling Does**- 1st Ashley Brockman, 2nd Koda Armke, 3rd Landon Brockman; **Class 22 Aged Doe**- 1st Landon Brockman, 2nd Ashley Brockman.

Class Placings in the Registered Show were: **Class 25 Buck Kids**- 1st & 18th Landon Brockman, 2nd Hunter Rushing, 3rd & 4th Ashley Brockman, 5th Brian Payton, 6th & 13th Emily Earwood, 7th & 11th Josh Payton, 8th Wilson Wallace, 9th & 15th Justyn Gray, 10th & 19th Allison Benson, 12th Graham Bloodworth, 14th Hillary Rushing, 16th Thomas Bloodworth, 17th Warren Wallace and 20th Heather

Lawson; **Class 26 Yearling Bucks**- 1st Chance Armke, 2nd Ashley Brockman, 3rd Landon Brockman, 4th & 5th Emily Earwood; **Class 27 Aged Bucks**- 1st and 2nd Landon Brockman; **Class 28 Doe Kids**- 1st & 4th Ashley Brockman, 2nd & 14th Allison Benson, 3rd Hunter Rushing, 5th Wilson Wallace, 6th Hillary Rushing, 7th Brian Payton, 8th Chelsea Seaton, 9th and 20th Emily Earwood, 10th Landon Brockman, 11th Graham Bloodworth, 12th and 13th Laura Martin, 15th Jacob West, 16th Warren Wallace, 17th Jason West, 18th Thomas Bloodworth, 19th Tyler Seaton, and 21st Josh Payton; **Class 29 Yearling Does**- 1st Landon Brockman, 2nd Ashley Brockman, 3rd Koda Armke, 4th Graham Bloodworth, 5th Allison Benson, 6th & 7th Allison Benson, and

8th Hilton Bloodworth; **Class 30 Aged Doe**- 1st Landon Brockman, 2nd Thomas Bloodworth, 3rd Ashley Brockman, 4th Allison Benson, and 5th Justyn Gray.

Results of the Market Swine Division: **Light Weight**- 1st Kate Higdon, 2nd Harrison Chevalier, 3rd Brad Mogford, 4th Skeeter Gentry, 5th Brandy Neff, 6th Allison Higdon, and 7th Madelon Higdon; **Middle Weight**- 1st Koda Armke, 2nd Brea Hughes, 3rd Keija Valkonen, 4th Jena Teasley, 5th Breg Hughes and 6th Desirae Morriss Boldt; **Heavy Weight**- 1st Bo Amber Gentry, 2nd Chance Armke, 3rd Morgan Hobbs, 4th Hilton Bloodworth, 5th Thomas Bloodworth, and 6th Beau Hughes.

See Stockshow page 7



All the time and hard work paid off for this group of local students who took home the ribbons and trophies in last week-end's Livestock Show. All the kids that participated did a great job and should be proud of their efforts.



Landon Brockman displays his Grand Champion Ribbon won in the Commercial Angora Doe category and Shane Benson displays the Reserve Champion Ribbon won in the same category

1999 Girl Scout Cookie Sale

Submitted by Marci Ralph

The Thin Mints are coming! The Thin Mints are coming! After a year of not being able to get those most delicious of all cookies, it is once again Girl Scout Cookie time. The Girl Scouts of El Camino Girl Scout Council began taking orders on January 15, 1999.

Expect a Girl Scout to appear on your doorstep or to ask for your order at church, school or the grocery store. For just \$3.00 a box you can enjoy your fill of Thin Mints, Carmel deLites, Peanut Butter Patties, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Shortbreads and Five World Cinnamons with Sugar. You might want to try the Lemon Pastry Cremes if you want a reduced fat variety, and don't forget to try the new Upside-Down Frosted Oatmeal Cookie- the frosting is on the bottom! Cookies will be delivered beginning February 12, 1999 and continue to be on sale until March 7, 1999.



GIRL SCOUTS

Good taste is just the beginning of what you are buying when you purchase a box of Girl Scout cookies. The cookie sale helps girls learn important skills related to handling money, goal setting, teamwork, meeting the public and more. A portion of the funds go to pay for the cookie and expenses related to providing Girl Scout services to girls and volunteers in the El Camino Girl Scout Council. Girls earn accumulative incentives and Cookie Dough. The troop also receives a portion of the revenue so girls have an opportunity to learn to make decisions about how it is spent.

The cookie sale is an important

fund-raiser and has become an American tradition that millions of people look forward to every year. When you buy Girl Scout cookies you are doing a good deed by supporting the Girl Scouts and all the great things they do for the community. For more information, contact the Council office at 915-655-8961/1-800-688-2845 or call one of our local troop leaders: Mickey Schaefer at 387-2006 or 387-2549, Monica McGee at 387-3969, Regina Burris at 387-2222, or Lise Miller at 387- 6369. Watch for Cookie booth sales at local businesses in February!

Sonora Church Directory

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Rick Sanchez
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Tim Dobbs, Minister
304 N. Water
387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
Rev. Paul Cornelius, Assoc. Pastor
404 E Oak
387-2951

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. Ted W. Harris
404 E Poplar
387-2955

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor
201 N Water
387-2466

JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS
St. Ann's Street
387-3600

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Huffman
417 E 2nd St.
387-5366

NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER
Jerry & Joy Wood
204 E. Main
387-3241

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN
Lewis Allen, Pastor
319 E Mulberry
387-2616

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Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock

PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED
Randy Greenwood
Pastor
509 Amistad
387-5266

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Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
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387-2278

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Anniversary



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**LITTLE DRIBBLERS PRACTICE SCHEDULE CHANGED!
PRACTICES WILL FOLLOW SAME SCHEDULE AS LAST WEEK**
5-6 GIRLS • 9:00 A.M.
3-4 GIRLS • 10:30 A.M.
3-4 BOYS • 12:30 P.M.
5-6 BOYS • 2:00 P.M.

Letter to the Editor

There are two coaches I would like to recognize, for having played all the players on the teams last Friday night. In a junior varsity contest, both Coach Bruce Hirt of Sonora and the coach from Forsan allowed every young man to participate, after all, isn't that what sports are for? How many young people sit on the bench game after game. Never seeing any court time? Many Adults tell me stories of how they were the ones who never got to play, and that memory has never left them. The same holds true for football and other sports. How can players possibly improve when they never get to play? I can understand that the better players will play longer, and be the starters, but everyone can contribute. My own son got a lot of playing time, but I would gladly see him play less if it meant another boy got to play. Winning is not everything! Especially in junior high levels of competition, and on into junior varsity, it is so important to play everyone. Down the road, when these boys are on varsity, the team will benefit from having lots of players with experience, rather than just a few. And think about the valuable lessons in character-building that go along with athletics. Every player on the team deserves a chance to play. So to these two coaches, and coaches everywhere who let every team member participate, thank you!

Kathy Hardgrave

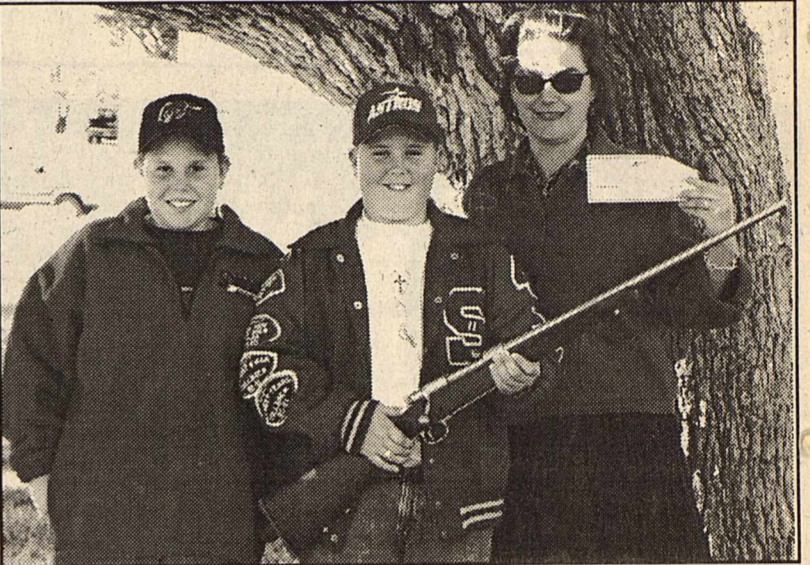
Cards of Thanks

The Sonora High School Class of 1981 would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who helped make the raffle to benefit Mason Surber Educational Fund a huge success. The raffle raised \$2,436.00 which surpassed our goal of \$1000.00. Winner of the 270 Winchester was Garrett Watkins who graciously gave the gun to Mason Surber.
Thank You,
Class of 1981

The Rex Surber family would like to extend their appreciation to the Graduating Class of 1981 and to those individuals who helped in contributing scholarship fund for Mason.

It is true that we have sustained a shock and a great loss by his passing. We believe the greatest tribute to him is through his greatest love, his son. You have all touched our hearts through your acts of kindness and immense generosity. We are eternally grateful for your hard work and love. When the pain seems unbearable and words are hard to find, friendships are so important to us.

Respectfully,
The Rex Surber Family



Fran Pennington, representing the Class of 1981 presents Mason Surber (center) with a check for \$2436.00 that was raised in the Mason Surber Educational Fund Raffle. Also, pictured is the winner of the raffle, Garrett Watkins, who donated the gun back to Mason. Mason said he plans to use the money to attend either UT or LSU where he wants to play baseball.

Golf Club Says Thank You

The Sonora High School boys and girls golf teams would like to say "Thank You" to all the people who played and contributed to the success of the "1999 Polar Bear Golf Benefit". Thank you to KHOS Radio and Devil's River News for doing our advertising. Thank you to the businesses who donated prizes. Pizza Hut, Rosie's Cafe, Creek Swabbing, Tropical Sun, Sutton County Steakhouse, LaMexicana, Dairy Queen, Alco, Palmour Roofing and the Video Store. Thank you to the Sonora Golf Club for waiving the green fees and for your tremendous support.
1999 SHS Golf Teams

Dining Out Directory

Dairy Queen
134 N. Hwy 277
387-2118

Food Center Deli
600 S. Crockett Ave.
387-5616

La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy. 277
387-3401

Los Jarritos
605 S Crockett
387-2838

Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Rosie's Cafe
207 Glasscock Av.
387-5552

Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd.
387-3833

Town & Country Subway
610 S. Crockett
387-6181

Town & Country-Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169

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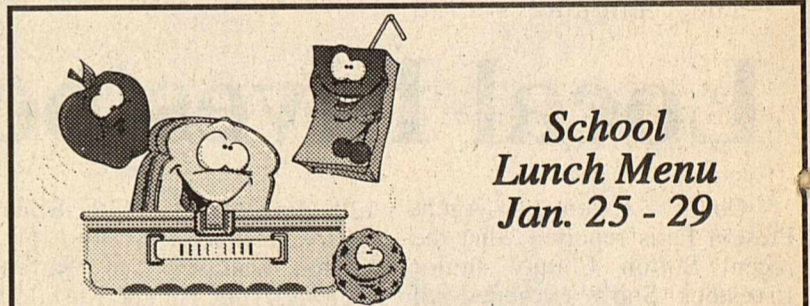
Senior Center News

January 22-BINGO!
January 25- BINGO!
January 27- Blood Sugar checks.
January 28-Chinese New Year!

Senior Center Menu

January 22- Fried fish, hominy, broccoli, corn muffin, bread pudding w/raisins.
January 25- Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, broccoli, salad, crackers, jello w/fruit.
January 26- Spaghetti w/meat sauce, zucchini, garlic bread, juice, white cake w/caramel icing.
January 27- Barbeque pork chops, blackeyed peas, turnip greens, cornbread, fruit salad.
January 28- Baked ham, candied yams, green beans, rolls, carrot raisin salad, jello w/fruit.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 noon. \$1.75 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 from all others.



School Lunch Menu Jan. 25 - 29

Breakfast
Mon.-French toast, syrup, fruit
Tues.-Cheese Toast, juice, fruit
Wed.-Sweet rolls, fruit, juice
Thurs.-Biscuits, gravy & jelly, fruit
Fri.-Egg & bacon burritos, juice
Milk and cereal offered with all breakfast

Lunch
Mon.-Pizza, celery & carrot sticks, ranch dressing, cookies
Tues.-Macaroni & beef, green beans, jello & fruit, corn bread
Wed.-Tacos, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, beans, jello
Thurs.-Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, green beans, fruit
Fri.-Cheeseburger, tator tots, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, pudding

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Concho Valley RC&D grant writing
II Workshop at the Crockett County
Extension Building.

January 30
Annual Fling Ding Club Dance

The Community Calendar
Sutton County National Bank
207 Hwy 277 N

Calendar

Feb. 4
Financial Aid Meeting for
'99 Graduating Senior Parents
6:30 p.m. @ High School

Feb. 15
Elementary PTA Meeting
6:30 p.m. @ Elementary Auditorium

Feb. 20
PTA Leadership Training

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Ask the Historical Society



1902 fire. Looking down from Courthouse you can clearly see the First National Bank building wall and vault, only structures left standing on the block.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

Q. Someone told me that a fire had destroyed half of Main St. at one time. Do you have any information on this?

A. There were several fires that caused major damage to Main St. We will concentrate on the worst one in 1902.

Since we do not have a copy of the 1902 article in our files we will refer to the San Angelo Standard of Saturday, September 13, 1902. We are very fortunate that Mike Murphy and his brother Pat in San Angelo exchanged stories regularly and we have a written account.

DISASTROUS FIRE VISITS SONORA ENTIRE BUSINESS BLOCK WIPED OUT BY FLAMES TOTAL LOSS \$100,000

The fire originated in Mayfield's Mercantile Company Store and 12 Business Houses, including the Bank, and One Residence Were Destroyed.

A most disastrous fire swept over the little city of Sonora at an early hour yesterday morning, and as a result, one of the chief business blocks in the city is now a heap of wreck and ruin. The total loss to property is estimated all the way from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The fire originated from an unknown cause in the store rooms of the Mayfield Mercantile Co., and was first dis-

covered at 5:30 A.M. An alarm was immediately turned in and the fire boys responded as quickly as possible, but the flames were under such headway and the north wind blowing such a gale, that the entire block was wiped out.

The principal losses are as follows: Mayfield Mercantile Co., loss in stock between \$25,000 and \$30,000, insurance \$18,000. E. R. Jackson loss in building, occupied by Mayfield's, \$5,000. First National Bank of Sonora, loss of office and fixtures, \$5,000. Insurance \$2,000. The Maud S. Saloon, owned by Geo. W. Morris loss \$4,000. No insurance. W. W. Berry barber shop, owned by Geo. W. Morris, total loss. Ranch Saloon owned by A. J. Swearingen loss, \$8,000. No insurance. Mrs. Ben Keenon, restaurant, loss \$200. George Kirkland loss of building occupied by Mrs. Keenon \$500. R. W. Hill, butcher shop. Loss about \$150. A. N. Galey, loss on building occupied by Mr. Hill \$200. J. F. Cannaday, boot and shoe shop. Total loss. Mrs. James restaurant. Loss \$200. A. N. Galey, fancy groceries. Loss \$300. George S. Allison loss of building occupied by J. F. Cannaday. Ms. James and A. N. Galey \$4,000. Blacksmith shop owned by G. S. Allison, loss \$200

on building and \$300 in stock. San Angelo Telephone, phones and other fixtures, \$150. A. A. DeBerry estate loss on residence \$600 John I. Word, loss on household goods \$200.

The DeBerry residence which was occupied by Mr. Word was situated 800 yards south of the burning block and was set on fire by flying embers blown there either by the high north wind or sent flying through the air by the explosion of some coal oil tanks in the Mayfield building.

This explosion was terrific, and when it occurred; many of the firemen and bystanders were thrown to the ground, and window glasses for blocks around were shattered to pieces.

All the glasses in the Sutton County Court House were broken and the glass fronts in some of the buildings across the street, including that of E. F. VanderStucken Co. were blown in.

The boys made a noble fight to save the block, but fate was against them. The fire was under such headway when the first alarm was given, and the wind was blowing so hard, that no company in the state could have checked the flames any sooner.

A number of citizens were slightly injured in the fight, among

them T. D. Newell, proprietor of Sonora Water Works, who was struck and knocked down with a ladder carried by an enthusiastic fireman. Guy Yankee who was also thrown to the ground and received a severe cut over the eye.

It was 8:30 yesterday morning when the fight was finished and the fire boys withdrew for breakfast, having battled fiercely for 3 hours against the flames.

THE WORK OF REBUILDING

The block will be rebuilt of stone at the earliest possible time; the different businessmen having decided on that within 30 minutes after the fire.

The First National Bank will erect a beautiful stone building on the corner where the Mayfield Store stood.

The San Angelo Telephone Co. secured an office immediately after the fire in the E. F. VanderStucken Co. establishment, and were able to resume business without interruption.

E. R. Jackson, president of the First National Bank, was in San Angelo yesterday morning, when the news of the fire reached here. He immediately telephoned to officials of the bank and learned that the vault passed through the flames intact. Mr. Jackson said that business will be resumed within 3 days.

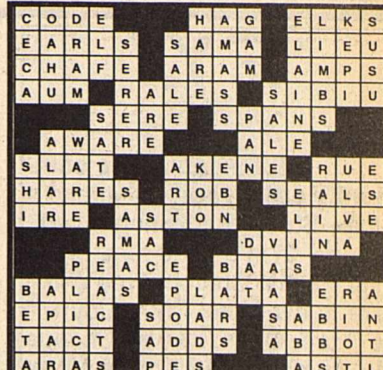
In the Devil's River News of September 20, 1902 we find there was a victim of the fire:

J. W. Keene Died at the Decker Hotel, Sonora, Texas, Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1902. James W. Keene, aged 35 years. The direct cause of his death was pneumonia and congestion of the stomach brought on by exposure and injuries received on the morning of the fire, Friday, Sept. 12.

Since there were several fires on Main Street, if this isn't the one you wanted let me know and I will print the other fires at a later time.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton Co. history, send them to Ask the Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net You may call me at 915-387-2855 or drop questions off at the Devil's River News office on Main St.

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COA Says Thank You

The Sutton County Committee on Aging hosted its annual Christmas Party for the Senior Citizens on December 18, 1998, at the Sutton County Senior Center.

Participation by the following contributed to the enjoyment and success of the event: Glenda Alvites, Milton Cavaness, Hershel and Jeanne Davenport, Alda and Robert (Beto) Duran, Oscar and Elodia Galindo, Rosia Galindo, Iris Garza, Mary Lou Gilly, C. M. Guerra, Vernon and Jean Humphreys, Jack and Gloria Kerbow, Benny and Luan King, Maria Lejah, Olivia Longoria, Juanita Mesa, Amelia Ramos, Lucy Ramos, Johnny and Pauline

Ringgold, Brigitte Rogers, Vicky Romero, Celia Salazar, Pete Samaniego, Lura Sawyer and her friend Diane Malone from Anchorage, Alaska, J.C. and Loma Surber, Arturo and Carmina Trevino and Lee Roy and Beverly Valliant.

A special thank you goes to Sysco, Linda Love, Sutton County Steak House and the Village Market (Food Center). Without these participants this event would not be so successful.

It was very nice to have the Mayor of our town, JoAnn Hernandez, and her husband at our festivities and we appreciate her taking time out of her busy schedule to attend.

We thank, once again, the Old Tyme Band for their great music and their willingness to always contribute their talents for the enjoyment of the community.

A special Christmas gift was given to the Senior Citizens of Sutton County when COG allowed the Thunderbird and its driver Glenda Alvites to provide the transportation to and from the Sutton County Senior Center for the party.

It is always a pleasure for the Sutton County Committee on Aging to entertain and recognize our Senior Citizens. The purpose of this organization is to promote further the interests of the Senior Citizens for Sutton County.

Foster Grandparent Program Offered in Sutton County

Submitted by Cheri Roberts

The Foster Grandparent Program of the Concho Valley Council of Governments is looking for persons 60 years of age and older who are interesting in serving 20 hours per week at the Sonora Elementary School or Head Start Program. Eligible volunteers will receive a \$2.55 hourly TAX-FREE stipend, mileage reimbursement, a yearly physical examina-

tion, a daily hot meal and accident/liability insurance. This program will not affect social security, disability, medicare, medicaid, VA or any other benefits a Foster Grandparent Volunteer may receive. "It's As Easy As A-B-C" to help a child learn to read! To receive more information on the program, contact the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at 800-728-2592.

St. John's, Sonora, Distributes Mission Endowment Funds

The Vestry and Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church met Thursday, January 14, to divide the income from the Mission Endowment Fund, sometimes referred to as the Vander Stucken fund. Mr. Roy Dudley of Everen Securities presented the members with a report of the activities of the fund and a bottom line figure of \$136,120.00 to distribute.

In keeping with the terms of the original grant, half the money is designated for specific funds. The Vestry voted to honor those directives as closely as possible. The rest of the fund was divided among the nineteen entities who requested grants.

With less money and more requests than in previous years, the Vestry had to make some hard decisions. However, in the end all who requested a grant got some, if not all, of what was asked. Checks will be cut and mailed as soon as possible.

Gifts were given to the following organizations in these amounts:

St. John's Mission Endowment Fund

1999 GRANTS

Available Funds: \$136,120.00
Granted:
Contingency Fund: 10%: \$13,612.00

Presiding Bishop's Fund: 15%: \$20,000

Heifer Project International 15%: \$20,000

Rector's Discretionary Fund 5%: \$7,000

Christian Education 5%: \$6,000

Healthy Families, San Angelo: \$10,000

West Texas Boys Ranch: \$10,000

Concho Valley Home for Girls: \$10,000

Sutton Co. Child Prot. S.B.: \$5,000

ELKS, Sonora: \$11,000

Our Little Roses: \$3,000

Mexican Border Christian Minis.: \$1,000

Down Home Ranch: \$1,000

The Rev. Richard Speer, Uganda: \$1,000

Tri-Co. Christian Serv. Cntr.: \$1,000

St. Paul's, San Antonio: \$2,000

Christian Cupboard, Guadalupe Co.: \$3,000

St. Paul's, Brownsville: \$3,000

St. Jude's Ranch: \$1,000

Episcopal Theological Seminary, Austin: \$1,000

Uganda Children: \$1,000

Good Samaritan Center, San Antonio: \$2,000

St. Michael's, San Antonio: \$2,000

Live Oak Outreach, Inc.: \$2,000.

F.Y.I

All Ladies in the community are invited to attend a Bible Study beginning Wed., January 27th at 9:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church. Free childcare is available. The study will be "Lord, Only You Can Change Me" by Kay Arthur. This is a light Bible study open to all ladies with any or no Bible knowledge. The study will be held weekly - come prepared for fellowship, new friends and learning more about God. For more information call Linda Savell at 387-2592.

The Sonora Elementary PTA will hold its next meeting on Monday, Feb. 15, 1999. The entertainment for the evening will be a talent show held by grades 3 - 5.

Financial Aid Meeting for '99 graduating Senior par-

ents. Feb. 4, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. at the High School with an ASU representative. For more information call Dawn Traylor at 387-6533.

Texas Dept of Health will be holding an Immunization Clinic at 1005 Eaton on Saturday, January 23, 1999 from 9:30-12 & 1:30 - 3:30. For more information call 387-5720 or 387-2234.

Attention Parents attending the Fling Ding: New Hope Baptist youth group will be providing sitters as needed the night of January 30, 1999. If you will be needing a sitter please call the following numbers in advance: 650-6035 during the day for 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or 387-2780 after 5:00 p.m.

The Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby will be held at the High School Commons Area on Saturday, January 23rd from 8 - 5.

The San Angelo Symphony Guild presents that 1999 Symphony Gala "A Golden Greek Odyssey" honoring the 50th Anniversary of the San Angelo Symphony and their journey into the next 50 years. Friday, January 29, 1999 at the San Angelo Convention Center. Cocktails start at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Silent Auction. At 7:00 p.m. the Senior Symphony Belle Presentation; 7:30p.m. is dinner prepared by the River Club, Pops Tables Dinner Auction and dancing with music by the Ron Lawrence Octet. Black Tie optional. Tickets \$50.00 per person, \$100.00 per couple. For reservation contact Vickie Foreman at (915)944-1887.

Lillian Hudspeth Nursing Home & Hospital Auxiliary meets 2nd Monday of every month at 12:00 p.m. at the Sutton Co. Steakhouse. New members welcome.

Almost... But Not Exactly

Sonora was "almost" visited by a big time celebrity last week. Almost Willie, who claims to be the #1 Willie Nelson impersonator in the country, was traveling through town on his way to a gig in Arizona and decided to stop and have some lunch and wash some clothes. While visiting at some of the local businesses Almost Willie ended up securing himself a gig at Los Jarritos for the evening of January 14th.

Almost Willie wasn't always a Willie Nelson look-alike, he didn't start the act until 1985 when he won a Halloween costume party. Prior to the party "Willie" was Tom Bradshaw, a car salesman. Before selling cars Bradshaw was a funeral director for 14 years and county coroner for 4 years after that.

It has now been 12 years that Bradshaw has been performing gigs as Almost Willie and has traveled all over including the Virgin Islands, Billy Bob's, the Nashville Plaza and many, many more interesting places. The Almost Willie



Almost Willie stopped in Sonora long enough to buy some Wranglers from B&C Dept. store and pose for a picture with Eloisa.

Show is a 60 minute event that includes lots of Willie Nelson favorites. If you missed the Almost Willie show in Sonora you most surely missed a most interesting evening because Almost Willie is "On the Road Again!"

Sutton County Hospital District Meeting

The regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, January 11, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Hospital. The following Directors were present: Alvis Johnson, Jr.-President, Virginia Epps, Lewis Allen, Claire Richards, Paul Chevalier and Sherrill Dannheim. Also present were Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser, Sutton County Appraisal District, residents and employees of the District, Joe Hendrus, Administrator, and Kathy Knight, Board Secretary.

Dr. Johnson called the meeting to order. Upon motion by Virginia Epps, seconded by Paul Chevalier, the Board approved the regular meeting minutes of December 14, 1998, as written.

Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser, for the Sutton County Appraisal District, reported to the Board that 35 1/2% of the 1998 taxes had been collected as of December 31, 1998. Ms. Friess also reported that she had talked with the mineral appraiser regarding the mineral values. Ms. Friess reported that gas pricing is down 20% and the reserves are being depleted. The economy does not look good for 1999 and Ms. Friess advised she wanted the District to be aware of these issues so when it comes time to start on the budget the District will be aware of the situation.

Lewis Allen made the motion to approve the Medical Staff's appointment of Dr. Charles R. Pajestka as Chief of Staff for 1999. Claire Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claire Richards made the motion to approve the Medical

Staff's re-appointments to the Medical Staff. Paul Chevalier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hendrus presented the Lab Compliance program. Mr. Hendrus advised the Board that a compliance program has to be in place for compliance. Lewis Allen made the motion to approve the Compliance program. Virginia Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hendrus advised the Board that the CLIA inspection was held on December 28 & 29, 1998. Mr. Hendrus advised that there were several minor deficiencies. The plan of correction was written while the inspector was here and no follow up visit will be held. Mr. Hendrus advised that these will be corrected immediately and before the 29th of March.

Mr. Hendrus advised that the Finance Committee had met on Monday, January 4th, and had gone over a policy for guidelines for the salary scale. The Committee had made some changes to the Salary Scale policy for the approval of the Board. Discussion was held in depth regarding salaries and the need for Administration to have a policy. Discussion was held regarding the salary scale that was budgeted versus amending the salary scale. Discussion was held regarding Administration giving Department Heads a salary increase higher than the scale without first going before the Board. Claire Richards made the motion to approve the Salary scale policy. Lewis Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried with one Director opposing the motion.

Mr. Hendrus advised that there were three areas of adjustment in the Hospital that the Finance Committee had looked at. Mr.

Hendrus advised that these three positions were topped out and there was no room for growth in the future. Mr. Hendrus advised that the new scale was kept at the 15 cent increments per year. Discussion was held in depth regarding the revised scale, with one area being adjusted for the 15 cent increments. Lewis Allen made the motion to approve the revised areas of the salary scale. Sherrill Dannheim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hendrus presented the information for the Sutton County Hospital District for entering into the negotiating stage of participating in the Critical Access Hospital Program. Discussion was held regarding the benefits implementing this program would do to help our Facility. Claire Richards made the motion to approve the District entering into the negotiating stage of the Critical Access Hospital program. Sherrill Dannheim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Quarterly Quality Assurance report will be given next month.

Virginia Epps advised the Board that she had attended the Medical Staff meeting on December 30, 1998. Mrs. Epps advised that the Pharmacy Policy and Procedure manual had been presented for annual review and update. Mrs. Epps reported that Dr. Pajestka had been reappointed as Chief of Staff for 1999. Mrs. Epps reported that the CLIA survey of the lab had been completed.

Mr. Hendrus presented the Year End reports from all departments for them to read at their discretion.

Kathy Knight reported that David Wallace had recovered a large debt owed to the Nursing Facility for several years, and had donated his fee, for collecting the debt, to the facility. The Board expressed their appreciation for the donation and will follow up with a letter to Mr. Wallace from them.

Dr. Johnson advised that he had had a call from Danny Curtis, Environmental Supervisor, that the heating unit in the Nursing Facility had gone out during the severe cold weather. Mr. Curtis had to purchase several space heaters to warm the rooms on the end of the building where the heating unit had gone out. Dr. Johnson advised that he had given the OK to get the new unit ordered which was \$11,500. The Corporate Board advised they would reimburse the District for the

cost of the unit.

Mr. Hendrus gave the financial report for November, 1998. The Hospital showed an operating loss of \$78,120 with the net income of \$108,866 which is due to large tax amounts being paid early this year. The Nursing Home showed a loss of \$27,982. The Nursing Facility is \$5,239.15 under budget for the year.

Upon motion by Sherrill Dannheim, seconded by Paul Chevalier, the Board approved the December, 1998, expenditures.

Linda Love, Auxiliary President, addressed the Board advising them of the various projects they have going for 1999. Mrs. Love advised that they would like to include the Board, Physicians, and members to help make the Game night a bigger success. A volunteer program will begin in the Nursing Facility this week with the members doing various projects, such as Story Time, with the residents in the Facility. Mrs. Love asked the Board if they would help in naming the volunteer program and the Auxiliary will submit names for them to pick from. The Board commended Mrs. Love for her actions as President of the Auxiliary and what an asset to the Community she is.

Lewis Allen addressed the Board as a representative of the Rural Community Health System. They are trying to get funding through legislature to continue with this program. Mr. Allen handed out pledge cards to be filled out and mailed in for the support of the RCHS.

With no further business, Sherrill Dannheim made the motion to adjourn. Claire Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Deadline For Print is Monday at 5:00 p.m.

Jill and Trey Taylor of Arlington, Tx. are proud to announce the arrival of their son Charles Andrew Taylor IV. He was born Friday, January 15, 1999 12:33 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs. 14 ozs. and was 21" long. The proud Grandparents are Shirley and Joe Carothers of Santa Fe, Tx and Butch and Cleone Taylor of Sonora, Tx.

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It's Never Too Late To Say Thank You

TO THE COMMUNITY OF SONORA: Momma used to say that it's never too late to say "Thank You," so even though Christmas is almost a month behind us, it is still an appropriate time for the Ministerial Alliance to express its gratitude to everyone who participated in the annual Christmas Food Basket program. This year, 110 boxes of food were distributed to families/individuals in Sonora. Cub Scout Pack 19 and students at Sonora Middle School collected canned goods and non-perishable items. Literally hundreds of Sutton County folks contributed cash or food items. The staff at Town & Country Village Market were most helpful in ordering bulk food items. Will Allen and Nathan Favila helped organize food for boxing. Some Boy Scouts of Troop 19 and some members of Young Believers of Good Shepherd Church helped box the food. Kristin Keel and the Sonora High School Student Council, and youth group members of St. Ann's Church and New Hope Church distributed boxes. Ruth Ramos, Noemi Samaniego, Yvette Guerrero, Adelita Alvarez, Ben Solis, Juanita Mesa, Brigitte Rogers and Delia Samaniego helped identify persons who needed a food basket. It is a marvelous thing to live in a community that takes care of its own through the lean times, as the winter of '98 was for so many in Sonora. May God Bless us all in 1999. Lewis Allen, Treasurer Sonora Ministerial Alliance

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Basketball



Junior High Girls Basketball

1-11-99:
The 7th grade "A" Lady Colts "A" team played very well against the Lady Cubs. They were determined to play their best against a team that had defeated them twice. Leading scorers were Dainah Hernandez-6, Tamika Marshall-6, Brea Hughes-4, Paola Garcia-3, Laura Word-2, Isabel Ibarra-2 and Elizabeth Elliott-2. Other team members are Jessica Cavness, Kelly Kearney and Cady Taylor. The score was Sonora 25 and Ozona 20.

1-11-99:
The 7th grade Lady Colts "B" team were playing an experienced Ozona team. Defensively the Lady Colts showed a lot of hustle. Leading scorers were Susanna

Street-2, Kate Higdon-2 and Nikki Samaniego-1. Other team members are Denevra Gloria, April Flores, Michelle Weingart, Amy Vandivere, Perla Perez, Evangelina Martinez, Danielle Galindo and Ruby Galindo. The score was Sonora 5 and Ozona 10.

1-11-99:
The 8th grade Lady Colts "A" team played a great offensive game. Defensively they held the Lady Cubs to 23 points. Leading scorers were Morgan Hobbs-23, Koda Armke-4, Ashley Parker-4, Amanda Sanchez-2 and Kara Hard-2. The Lady Colts next game will be Monday against Big Lake. The score was Sonora 35 and Ozona 23.

Catching Up With The Broncos

12-18-98:
Sonora Varsity boys played Marble Falls on December 18. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-12, Isaac Ramos-4, David Mayer-4 and Ernie Perez-1. The score was Sonora 21 and Marble Falls 45.

12-21-98:
Sonora Varsity boys played Pecos on December 21. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-13, Ernie Perez-6, David Mayer-5, Russell Dempsey-4, Riley Crain-4, Isaac Ramos-4, Edgar Gonzalez-2 and Anthony Renfro-2. The score was Sonora 40 and Pecos 44.

12-28-98:
Sonora Varsity played Andrews in the Brownwood Tournament on December 28. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-23, Russell Dempsey-14, Anthony Renfro-9, Isaac Ramos-7 and Riley Crain-6. The score was Sonora 59 and Jim Ned 70.

12-29-98:
Varsity boys played Brownwood in the Brownwood Tournament on December 29. The leading scorers were Russell Dempsey-13, Anthony Luna-9, Ernie Perez-7, Isaac Ramos-6, Anthony Renfro-5, Riley Crain-4, David Mayer-3, Ryan Cramer-2 and Edgar Gonzalez-1. The score was Sonora 50 and Brownwood 60.

1-2-99:
The Varsity boys played Pecos. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-18, Anthony Renfro-10, Isaac Ramos-7, Ernie Perez-6, David Mayer-4, Edgar Gonzalez-2 and Riley Crain-2. The score was Sonora 49 and Pecos 56.

1-5-99:
Varsity boys played Grape Creek. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-22, Isaac Ramos-15, Russell Dempsey-5, David Mayer-4, James Elliott-4, Anthony Renfro-3, Riley Crain-2 and Ernie Perez-1. This was a great win late in the game! The score was Sonora 56 and Grape Creek 52.

1-9-99:
The Sonora Varsity Boys played Wimberley on January 9. This was another great win late in the game against a very sound 3-A team! The

leading scorers were Anthony Luna-26, Isaac Ramos-14, Anthony Renfro-6, Ernie Perez-6, Russell Dempsey-4, Edgar Gonzalez-2, Riley Crain-2 and David Mayer-2. The score was Sonora 62 and Wimberley 57.

1-12-99:
The Varsity Boys played Clyde on January 12. This was a tough game against a 3-A power house team. The leading scorers were Anthony Luna-12, Riley Crain-8, James Elliott-6, Anthony Renfro-7, Isaac Ramos-6 and Bryce Williams-2. The score was Sonora 41 and Clyde 62.

1-15-99:
The Varsity boys played Forsan. A great first game and team effort to begin District with. The leading scorers were Isaac Ramos-14, Russell Dempsey-14, Ernie Perez-10, Anthony Renfro-8, Riley Crain-8, David Mayer-4, Anthony Luna-4, Edgar Gonzalez-3, Bryce Williams-2 and James Elliott-2. The score was Sonora 69 and Forsan 45.

Lady Bronco J.V. Basketball

1-12-99: Sonora vs. Ozona J.V.

The Lady Broncos went to Ozona for their second District 2-2A game of the season and found themselves facing a tenaciously quick group of girls. Ozona's full-court press created too many turnovers for the Lady Broncos to overcome and it gave the Lady Lions too many easy scoring opportunities. The Lady Broncos began to gain control of the game in the second half but too much damage had already been done. Scorers: Veronica Velez-12, Lindsey Bowers-10, Daisha Henson-8, Stephanie Hard-3, Desiree Gonzales-3, Shalayne Hobbs-3, Heather Lawson-1 and Kacci Levellen-1. Score: Sonora 41 and Ozona 51.

**SEASON RECORD: 9-8
DISTRICT RECORD: 1-1
1-15-99: Sonora vs. Forsan J.V.**

After suffering through a frustrating loss on Tuesday to Ozona, the Lady Broncos rebounded back by defeating the Forsan Lady Buffalos 28 to 20. Team defense was the key to this win with the Lady Broncos garnering 14 steals and causing 7 more turnovers while turning the ball over only 14 times. Scorers: Desiree Gonzales-8, Veronica Velez-5, Shalayne Hobbs-4, Stephanie Hard-3, Lorena Lopez-3, Lindsey Bowers-2 and Daisha Henson-2. Score: Sonora 28 and Forsan 20.

SCHEDULE: Tuesday 1-19-99 Wall (Here) 5:00 p.m. and Friday 1-22-99 at Eldorado 5:00 p.m.

**SEASON RECORD: 10-8
DISTRICT RECORD: 2-1
GO LADY BRONCOS!!!**

Lady Bronco Basketball



Japha Word looks for someone to pass the ball to in hopes of taking it to the basket.

Tuesday, January 12, 1999

Eleven girls walked onto the court in Ozona Tuesday night. And after a two hour stalemate with a basketball legend, which ended in a heartbreaking three point loss. Eleven young ladies left the court with poise and grace, tired and disappointed but proud.

The Lady Broncos didn't play their best game, there were mistakes, but they hustled all the way. Early in the game Ozona pulled out to a six point lead and after a quick steal in the backcourt it looked like they might run away from the Lady Broncos. Then the Lady Bronco defense tightened forcing the Lady Lions to turn the ball over, giving the Lady Broncos the boost they needed to get back in the game. From that point on it was a see saw battle, neither team could hold a lead for long.

The first quarter ended with Ozona up by 2, but the Lady Broncos offense scored 18 points in the second quarter for a 30 all tie at the half. The third quarter was a defensive battle and both teams scored 9, for another tie.

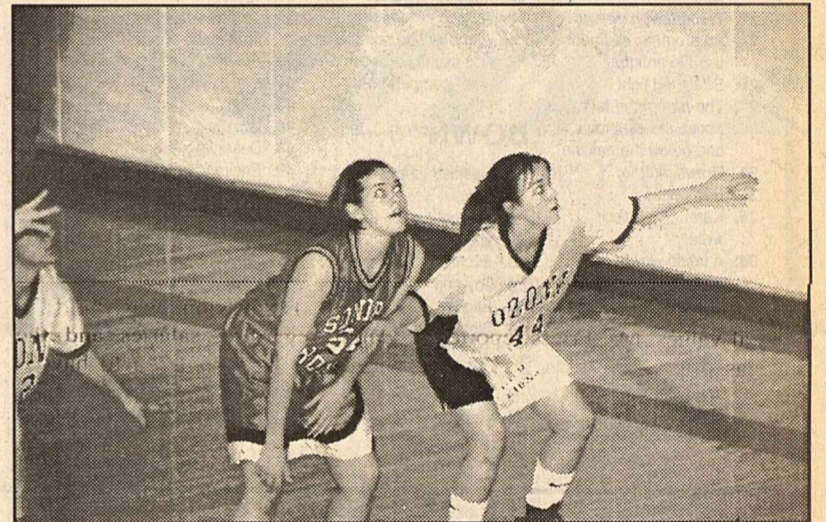
The Lady Lions figured to have an advantage in the fourth quarter with all their playoff experience. But the Lady Broncos would not be intimidated. In the final seconds the Lady Bronco press forced Ozona to turn the ball over and the Lady Broncos cut the lead to 1 with 7 seconds on the clock. Ozona felt the pressure again trying to get the ball in bounds but Kara Eaton alertly intercepted the pass and got a shot up. The ball bounced off the rim and Japha Word took the rebound deep under the basket, with time running out and Lady Lions all over her, Japha took a shot which was partially blocked. Ozona picked up the rebound and the Lady Broncos were forced to foul to stop the clock but Ozona converted both freethrows to preserve the 3 point

victory 55 to 52.

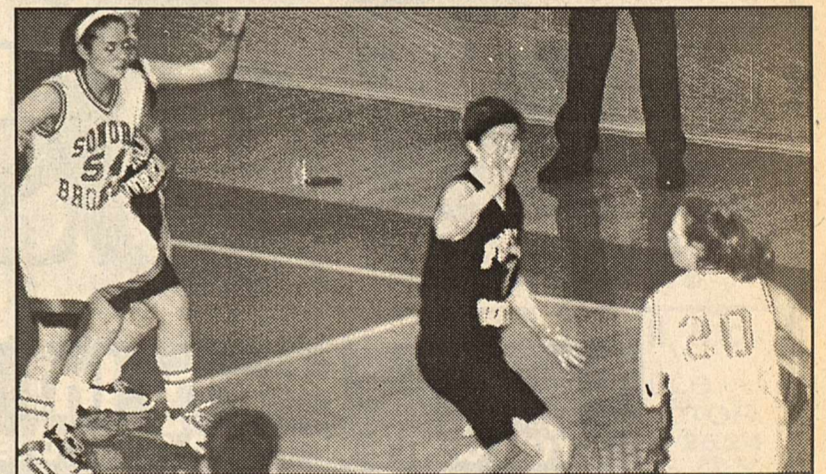
This game marks a step in the development of the Lady Broncos. They proved that they could play at a high level, under extreme pressure, in a hostile gym. A few skills that could be very important later. Scoring: Cindy Jones-18, Japha Word-10, Kim Marshall-9, Kara Eaton-6, Daisy Mireles-5 and Stacy Fox-4.

Friday, January 15, 1999

The Forsan Lady Buffalos came to town Friday and caught the Lady Broncos flat. The Lady Broncos struggled all night, trailing



Dana Duhon waits for the rebound against Ozona!



Marisha Henson moves with the ball, while Dana Duhon keeps a Forsan player covered.

Go Broncos!!



The Sonora Broncos started the District race right by beating Forsan on January 15, 1999.



1998 - 99 SONORA BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Sonora Colts
Jan. 28 - 29 - 30 Wall Tournament
7 & 8 Girls & Boys There TBA

9th Grade
Jan. 25 - Wall Here 7:30

Bronco Junior Varsity
Jan. 25 - Junction There 5:00
Jan. 29 - Ozona Here 5:00

Varsity
Jan. 25 - Junction There 8:00
Jan. 29 - Ozona Here 8:00

Lady Broncos Junior Varsity
Jan. 26 - Junction There 5:00
Jan. 29 Ozona Here 5:00

Varsity
Jan. 26 Junction There 6:30
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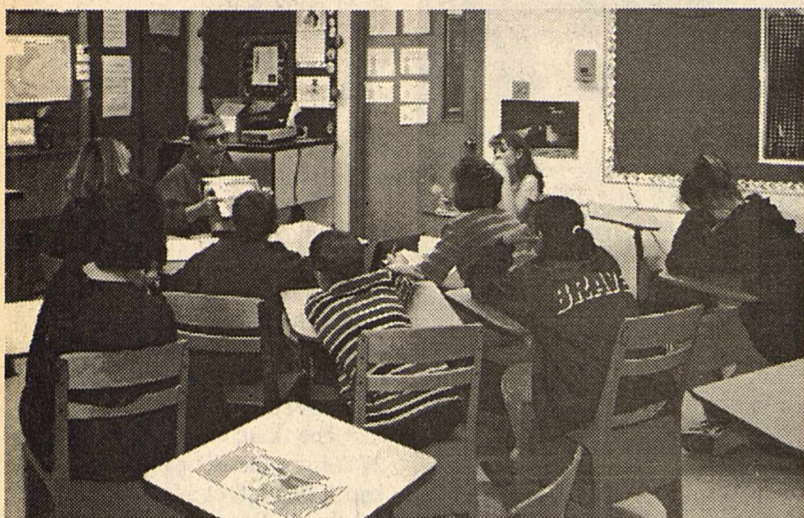
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Sonora Middle School "Taking A Field Trip Through the 1980's"

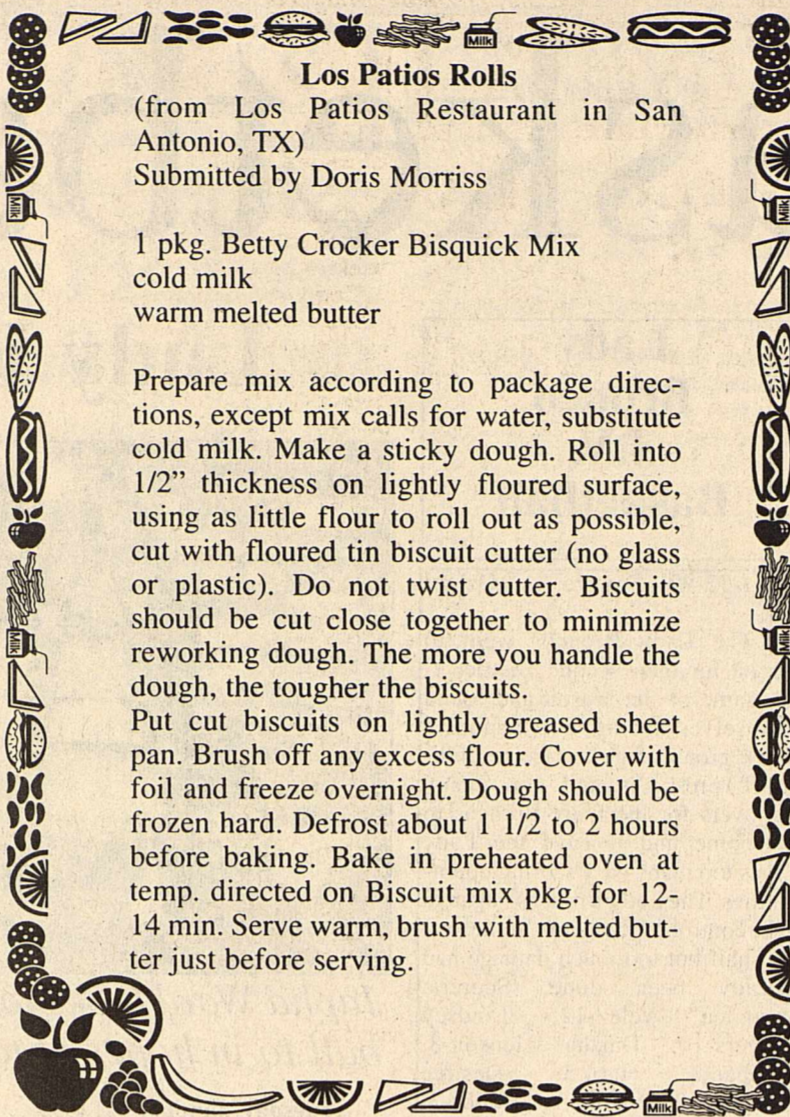
The Gifted/Talented class at Sonora Middle School is "Taking A Field Trip Through the 1980's." The curriculum unit was developed by the U.S. Postal Service. The students will research and study thirty major events during the 1980's and vote on fifteen that will be made into commemorative stamps by the Postal Service representing the 1980's decade.

The group will start a stamp collection so please save any unusual stamps you may get and bring them by the Middle School office.

The class is working on a project to create commemorative stamps that will be representative of major events in all of Sutton County's history. Their stamps will be on display at the post office.



JoAnn Palmer and GT class researching Sutton County history



Los Patios Rolls
(from Los Patios Restaurant in San Antonio, TX)
Submitted by Doris Morriss

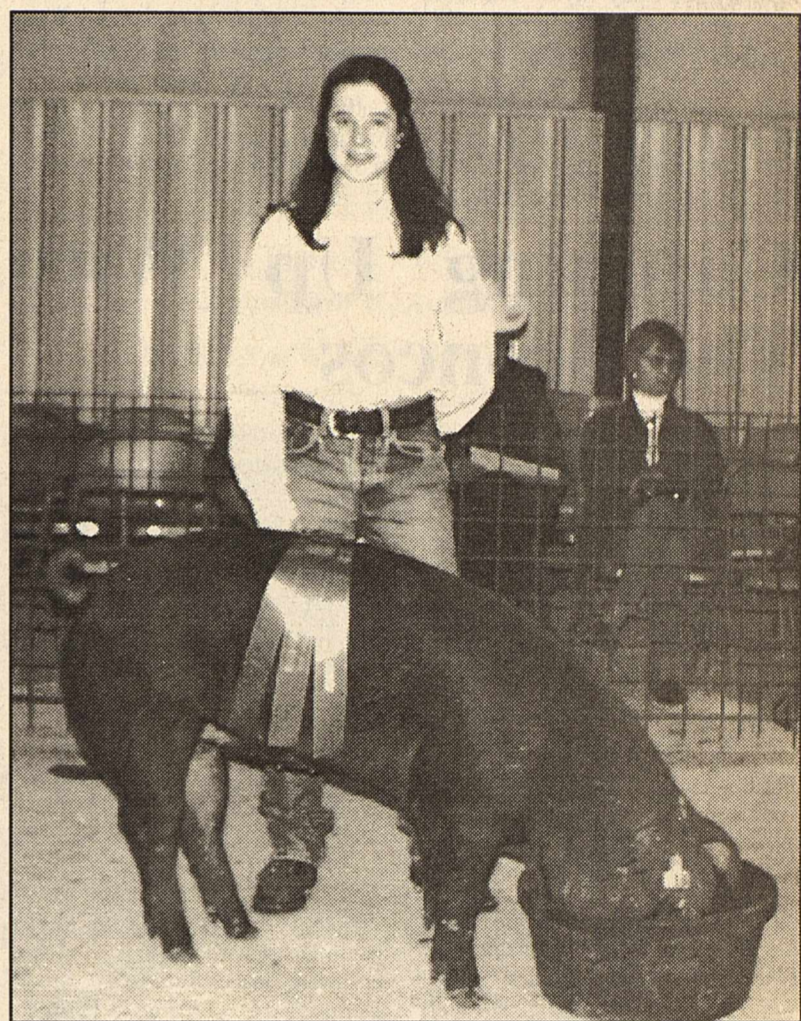
1 pkg. Betty Crocker Bisquick Mix
cold milk
warm melted butter

Prepare mix according to package directions, except mix calls for water, substitute cold milk. Make a sticky dough. Roll into 1/2" thickness on lightly floured surface, using as little flour to roll out as possible, cut with floured tin biscuit cutter (no glass or plastic). Do not twist cutter. Biscuits should be cut close together to minimize reworking dough. The more you handle the dough, the tougher the biscuits.

Put cut biscuits on lightly greased sheet pan. Brush off any excess flour. Cover with foil and freeze overnight. Dough should be frozen hard. Defrost about 1 1/2 to 2 hours before baking. Bake in preheated oven at temp. directed on Biscuit mix pkg. for 12-14 min. Serve warm, brush with melted butter just before serving.



Chance Armke exhibited the Champion Registered Angora Goat and the Reserve Champion Angora Goat was exhibited by Landon Brockman



Koda Armke exhibited the Grand Champion Swine.

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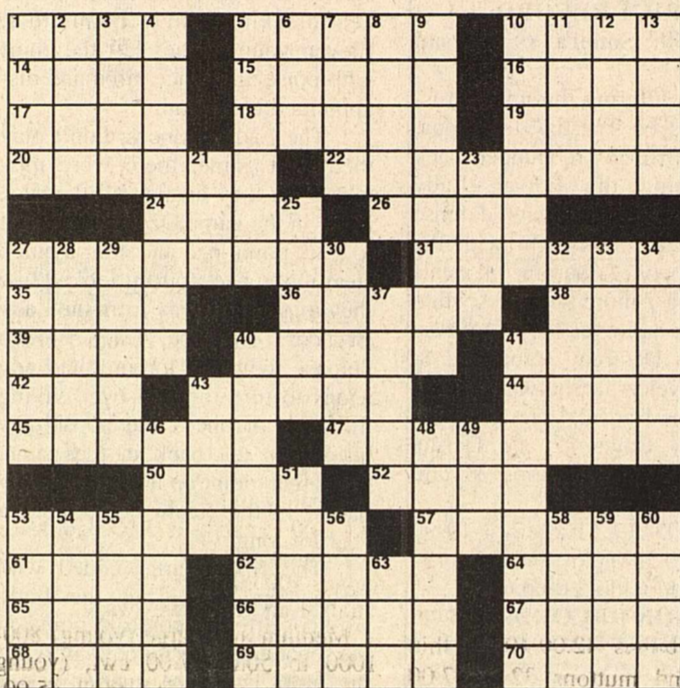
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5. American Standard Code for Information Interchange: abbr.
10. Hyperbolic cosecant: abbr.
14. Phil ____, former CIA
15. Cause to lose courage
16. Away from wind
17. Be in a huff
18. Gore plant
19. Frogs' residences, with "lily"
20. A salt of any halogen acid
22. Wood-eating insects
24. An aromatic ointment used in antiquity
26. Stretched tight
27. The part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline
31. Draws over
35. Bird genus
36. Karel ____, Czech writer
38. A fabric woven from goat and camel hair
39. Unique
40. Mackerels
41. Organic compound
42. Dined
43. West German town
44. Not one
45. Pertaining to the skin

DOWN

1. Hashish: shortened form
2. Largest known toad species
3. Exchange for money
4. Toy dog
5. Stick to
6. Sigma Alpha Epsilon
7. My Life With The Thrill Kill
8. Cove
9. Repeats
10. Per ____, each

11. Narrow strip
12. Give over; surrender possession
13. Rudolph ____, war criminal
21. Dash, in Morse code
23. Fog
25. Cyprinids
27. Capacitance unit
28. Speak
29. More unique
30. "Who ____, to cross my path?"
32. Slender boat with pointed ends
33. Black
34. Clearances
37. Type of white bear that lives in the cold
40. Speed
41. In a way, honored
43. Oasis (Arabic)
46. Groaned
48. Deservingness
49. Environmental Protection Agency
51. Coal formation
53. Unit of measurement for paper
54. Italian island
55. Prakrit language
56. Truth or
58. A way to stay in one place
59. James ____, American steam engineer
60. Seized
63. ____, de plume

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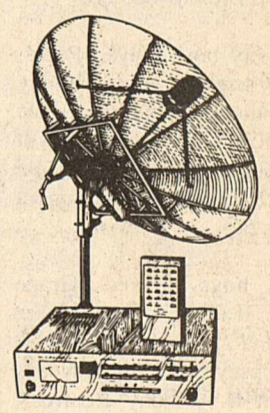


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Bonilla Questions INS Border Patrol Cuts - Demands Answers



U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla (R-TX) today demanded INS Commissioner Doris Meissner refute reports that INS field office budgets are being irresponsibly cut, threatening the lives and property of border residents.

Recent news reports, confirmed by senior INS field officers, indicate that money to be used in the field is not making it out of Washington. Instead, the INS is proposing a virtual shutdown of field operations, with some office activities facing up to a 90% budget reduction.

The Appropriations Committee, on which Bonilla sits, provided the INS with a \$198 million increase over last year's budget. The new funding covered expenses associated with hiring 1,000 new Border Patrol agents and new equipment and technology. The Appropriations Committee has consistently focused on providing the INS with additional resources in the field, not in Washington.

INS analysts have concluded that under this proposal, crime rates and narcotics smuggling will rise and bandits will re-establish themselves along the borders.

"This proposal is nothing less than a green light to drug smugglers and other criminals to cross the border, terrorize U.S. citizens and loot their property," Bonilla said. "It is criminal that any federal agency would support such a policy - especially when their budget has doubled."

Bonilla called for the INS to refute these allegations. He is demanding an immediate explanation from the INS as to how the money Congress appropriated for INS field offices is being spent.

"American citizens deserve safe borders," Bonilla said. "Such cuts would be criminally negligent. They would seriously compromise the safety and security of border residents."

Stockshow

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Showmanship winners for the show were: **Senior Angora Goats**- 1st Graham Bloodworth, 2nd Koda Armke, 3rd Thomas Bloodworth, 4th Landon Brockman and 5th Chance Armke; **Junior Angora Goats**- 1st Chelsea Seaton, 2nd Shane Benson, 3rd Justyn Gray, 4th Hilton Bloodworth, and 5th Emily Earwood; **Senior Meat Goats**- 1st Ashley Bible, 2nd Kendra Jones, 3rd Brad Mogford, and 4th Sarah Ball; **Junior Meat Goats**- 1st Brandy Neff, 2nd Chelsea Seaton, 3rd Courtney Caruthers and 4th Mandy Brister; **Senior Swine**- 1st Breg Hughes, 2nd Chance Armke, and 3rd Thomas Bloodworth; **Junior Swine**- 1st Brea Hughes, 2nd Jena Teasley and 3rd Brandy Neff; **Senior Lamb**- 1st Anthony Renfro; **Junior Lamb**- Brandon West.

AGRIBUSINESS

Combs to Recognize Agriculture Pioneers at TDA Family Land Heritage Ceremony

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will recognize 102 farm and ranch honorees at the Texas Department of Agriculture's annual Family Land Heritage ceremony Friday, Jan. 22. The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Auditorium on the University of Texas campus in Austin.

"Today's success in Texas agriculture is the result of years of dedication by the hard-working families recognized by the Family Land Heritage Program," Combs said.

During the Jan. 22 ceremony, farms and ranches in 68 counties will receive Family Land Heritage certificates. Mason County and Reagan County have the most honorees this year, with seven

qualified applicants each. The Ingram Ranch, founded in 1838 in Bastrop County, is the oldest property being recognized this year.

Cast members of the Fort Griffin Fandangle, a historic musical production from Albany, Texas, will perform at the honors ceremony. Commissioner Combs will also speak at the event.

The 1998 Family Land Heritage Honorees for Sutton and surrounding counties are:

- Sutton:** Bloodworth Brothers Halbert Ranches Kimble: Allen Ranch I Allen Ranch II W.E. Allen Ranch Mason: Brandenberger Homestead Ranch Hofmann/Hoerster Ranch Hofmann/Lehmberg Ranch Hofmann/Moneyhon Ranch Leon Kothmann Ranch Mill Creek Ranch West Pasture Ranch

Junction Livestock Auction

1/18/99
 Sheep and Goats: 6,000 Week Ago: 5,273 Year Ago: 5,979
 Compared to last week: Few feeder lambs 5.00-6.00 higher. Slaughter lambs 1.00-2.00 higher. Slaughter ewes and bucks steady to 2.00 lower. Spanish kids steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter nannies and muttons steady, billies 2.00 lower. Slaughter Angora kids 3.00-5.00 higher; nannies, muttons and billies steady. Supply included around 8 percent sheep including near 100 lambs.

Stock and Feeder Sheep: Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1: Few 60-85 lbs 70.00-83.00 CWT. Barbados: Bucks 65.00-125.00 per head.
Slaughter Sheep: Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3: 100-125 lbs 67.50-71.50. Slaughter Ewes: Good 2-3: 35.00-42.50; Bucks 35.00-43.00 CWT. Barbados: Ewes 55-100 lb 30.00-40.00; lambs 40-65 lb 55.00-65.00; bucks 65-95 lb 45.00-50.00 CWT.
 Stock and Feeder Goats: Spanish Goats: Nannies 54.00-62.00 CWT; half Boer 55.00-75.00 per head. Angora Goats: Few 50-65 lb yearlings 49.00-55.00 CWT.
Slaughter Goats: Spanish Goats: Choice and Prime: 15-35 lb kids 75.00-80.00; Good 68.00-75.00; Choice and Prime 35-65 lbs 78.00-81.00; Good

70.00-78.00. Nannies: 75-100 lb fat nannies 49.00-57.00. Billies and Muttons: Fat 70-105 lb muttons 66.00-82.00; 70-125 lb billies 63.00-74.50 CWT. Angora Goats: Choice and Prime: 35-70 lbs 67.50-78.50; fat nannies 36.00-45.50; 85-110 lb muttons and billies 42.00-49.00; thin nannies and muttons 32.00-37.00 CWT.
 Source: Texas Dept of Ag Market News-USDA Market

Producers Livestock Auction Co.

1/15/99
 Close and Weekly: Cattle and Calf Auction: Estimated Receipts for today: 1850; Estimated for the week: 6100; Last week: 4200; Last Year: 5021.
 Compared with last week, feeder steers and heifers firm to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls steady. Stock cows and pairs moderately higher. Trading fairly active, demand good. Quality average to attractive. Supply included 60 percent calves, 15 percent stock cows and pairs, 15 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 10 percent yearlings.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 90.00-100.00; 400-500 lb 80.00-90.00, few 90.00-92.50; 500-600 lb 70.00-80.00, few 81.00-87.00, couple sets 89.00-90.00; 600-700 lb 64.00-72.00, set 73.25; 700-850 lb 63.00-69.00.

Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 90.00-100.00; 300-400 lb 80.00-90.00; 400-500 lb 68.00-80.00; 500-600 lb 63.00-70.00; 600-700 lb 58.00-64.50; 700-900 lb 55.00-63.50.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 200-300 lb 80.00-86.00; 300-400 lb 74.00-84.00; 400-500 lb 70.00-80.25; 500-600 lb 62.00-72.50, set 73.50; 600-700 lb 61.50-69.50; 700-800 lb 61.00-65.50.

Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 70.00-80.00; 300-400 lb 62.00-74.00; 400-500 lb 61.00-70.00; 500-700 lb 55.00-62.00; 700-800 lb 54.00-60.00.

Slaughter Cows: Percent Lean
 Brkrs 75-80% 1100-1400 lb 33.00-36.00.
 Boners 80-85% 850-1250 lb 31.00-37.50.
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Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1400-2200 lb 42.00-46.00; low dressing 1100-1600 lbs 34.00-43.00. Pregnancy Tested Stock Cows and Heifers: All sold by the head.

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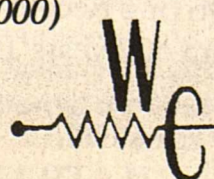
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