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Keller takes top honors in 44th Annual Junior Livestock Show

Excitement filled the Clint Langford Memorial 4-H Center Saturday as the first weekend of the 44th Annual Sutton County Junior Livestock Show kicked off. Approximately forty 4-H and FFA members exhibited Commercial Angora Goats, Registered Angora Goats and Live Carcass Lambs.

Taking top honors in the Registered Angora Goat Category including both grand and reserve champion was Shane Keller, son of Dr. and Mrs. Mike Keller. The Champion and Reserve Champion goats, bred by Keller, were both kids.

Bonner Walsh, son of Maggie Davis and David Walsh, exhibited the Champion Commercial Angora Goat. The goat, which was bred by Bonner, was a buck kid. Taking Reserve Champion honors, with a yearling doe bred by Joe David Ross, was T.J. Thorp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thorp.

Twenty-eight 4-H and FFA members exhibited Live Carcass Finewool Lambs and Live Carcass Crossbred Lambs. Judging these 2 classes were Mr. Jerry Swift of Eldorado and Mr. Dale Brandenberger of Junction. According to Mr. Preston Faris, Sutton County Extension Agent-Agriculture, the judges were pleased with the uniformity of the lambs. Mr. Faris commented that the lambs were much closer to the ideal degree of finish than in previous years. Ten lambs from each class



Shane Keller (left) took top honors Saturday with both grand and reserve champion.

will be slaughtered and the carcasses will be placed based on the formula two times carcass rank plus one times live rank. The exhibitors of the Champion and Reserve Finewool and Crossbred carcasses will receive trophies next Saturday.

Mr. Dale Brandenberger, of Junction, Texas, served as the Angora goat judge. His work was cut out for him Saturday as he had 139 goats in 15 classes to select from. In reference to the goat show, Extension Agent Preston Faris stated, "I was especially pleased with the quality and uniformity of the goats. It indicates an improvement in the

overall program." The winners of the Champion and Reserve Champion Commercial and Registered Goats will also receive trophies Saturday.

Events next Saturday, January 12, will conclude the 1990 Sutton County Junior Livestock Show. The Market Lamb Show begins at 9:00 a.m., although the arrival deadline for lambs is 7:00 p.m. Friday. A barbecue supper will be furnished at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and will be followed by the auction at 6:30. The presentations of awards at 8:00 p.m. will be the culmination of the 1991 Jr. Livestock Show.

Houston Headwear-An entrepreneurial success story

Do you think Houston Headwear is some little shop that sells cowboy hats? Well if so, you are in for a big surprise!

Houston Headwear was formed in January 1988 in Houston, Texas by Arnold Felts and his wife Pam Powers Felts. Mr. Felts became interested in the idea of screen-printing caps, as well as offering them with embroidered emblems and direct embroidery, because he had a friend associated with the business. Originally Houston Headwear created designed caps for major companies interested in them for promotional reasons, and later T-shirts and jackets were added to their line.

In the summer of 1988 they moved their business to Sonora and opened up a store at 304 S.E. Crockett. The Felts continued to offer promotional items for companies and included direct mail order and telephone sales. Later on they completely took over the merchandising for Bad Company Rodeo. Mrs. Felts, who primarily manages the business, stated that the Bad Company Rodeo Collection is their speciality although mohair caps are a hot item. Houston Headwear offers caps, T-Shirts, jackets and bags from this line at all Bad Co. Rodeos.

At present, Houston Headwear is mailing out colored direct mail order brochures all over the U.S., in Canada and overseas. They feature the Bad Co. Rodeo Collection and their own custom logos. Mrs. Felts indicated that 30,000 retail brochures were mailed prior to Christmas.

This past summer, Houston Headwear began offering men's and western wear stores the Bad Co. Rodeo line and custom logos at wholesale cost. They have offered their items to 6500 men's and western wear stores across the nation. In January, the company will show their specialties to store's at the two largest clothing markets in the U.S. This week they will be in Denver, Colorado and the following in Dallas, Texas. During these markets, they will also show Ol' Sonora Trading Co.'s line of mohair coats and blankets for them.

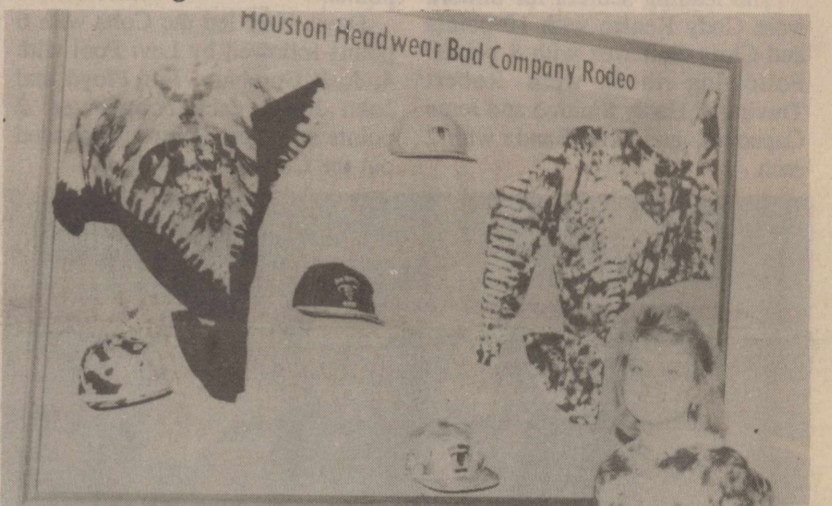
According to Mrs. Felts, mohair hats are a popular item for the business. They sell these to wool houses locally, as well as in other towns in the area, in an effort to promote mohair. In Sonora, the mohair hats are available at Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. and Ol' Sonora Trading Co. The Bad Co.

Rodeo Collection may also be purchased at The Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

Locally, Houston Headwear has had a good response and interest in its promotional items. For Sonora's centennial they screen-printed a T-shirt design for Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

Nine people are employed by Houston Headwear, four of those work in Sonora. Lorrie Dwyer, Jo Wilkinson, Linda Duzik and Sarah Patton are all a part of the local team. The business also employs four salesmen in Texas and in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Felts have plans to meet with an exporter next week in Dallas in an effort to further expand their overseas market. Houston Headwear's primary goal is to make the Bad Co. Rodeo Collection more accessible overseas and across the nation.



Houston Headwear employee, Linda Duzik, shows a display of Bad Co. Rodeo designs.

At a glance

Class ring from Colorado school found at Jr. High. Call 387-5719 to identify

The Sutton County Historical Society has two books on sale. The Story of Sonora and Sutton County and Sutton County Marriage records 1890-1940. The Historical Society is also in need of volunteers. If you would be interested in volunteering your time, call 387-5144.

The Sutton County Jr. Livestock Show will conclude Saturday with the Market Lamb Show beginning at 9:00 a.m. There will be a Bar-B-Que supper at 6:00 and the auction will begin at 6:30. The awards will follow at 8:00 p.m.

Students at the Middle School will be signing up sponsors for the Math-a-thon until Jan. 17. The students are seeking sponsors for 3, 4 or 5¢ for each problem with 200 problems total. This program strengthens the students math skills while benefitting other children who are not as lucky in their battle against cancer. For more information, call Donna Hill at 387-5669.

Channel One: A new innovation in learning

Channel One, a twelve minute daily news-and-information program carefully designed to make the news relevant to the concerns and studies of teenagers, is now being viewed by students at Sonora Jr. High. On Friday the program was not being aired at the high school due to the network having difficulty installing the satellite dish on their roof.

According to Smith Neal, Jr. High Principal, the Sonora School System is extremely fortunate to be

"I Like it and have learned a lot watching it."

Stevie Tackel receiving this revolutionary new concept in classroom educational tools as this program has primarily focused on much larger schools.

The Whittle Education Network consists of three programs, one of them being the Channel One program, and is available to schools at no cost. It is operated by Whittle Communication L.P., of Knoxville, Tennessee, an educational publisher for twenty years. The financial support of the program comes from two minutes of advertising which increases the time of the overall program to fourteen minutes.

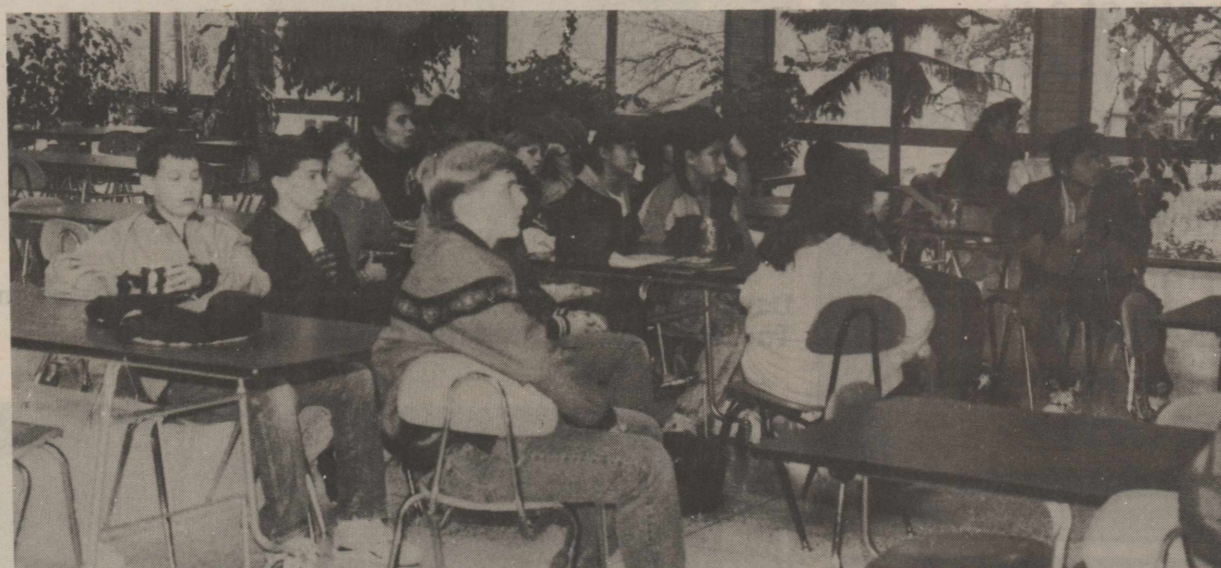
At present, the Sonora Jr. High is focusing on the Channel One program. However they will have the option of recording the Classroom Channel. It is designed as an enrichment tool to help teachers supplement existing curriculum and as a cornerstone for new studies. The Educators' Channel will also be available to

"It's interesting and something I need to know because it involves what's going on in the world."

Adrian Mata

"Interesting because we learn about what's happening; learn stuff about other kids that have interesting things in their school."

Amber Barnes



These students appeared to be captivated by the school's new satellite program Monday morning.

the school system in the future. It is a program service designed to enhance the professional development of middle and high school teachers, and provides info on teaching techniques, current classroom strategies, and updates on trends and research.

This Satellite delivers the Educational Network to schools and all equipment needed to view the three programs is provided. The

program is received prior to 6:00 a.m. each morning the children are

will initially be aired, is up to Jerry Hopkins, high school principal. At present, the network has provided thirteen monitors for use in the high school and if additional ones are needed, the school district will have to pay for them. They were also given two VCR's which will be able to receive the channel and play back information to students. All the equipment provided by the network, including internal wiring of the entire system, is maintained free of charge.

Channel One programming is designed to address five specific educational goals: They are: To enhance cultural literacy, to

Noted journalists William S. Rukeysner, Editor in Chief of Whittle communications, and Cynthia Samuels, executive producer of Channel One, lead the news team for Channel One. Mr. Rukeysner stated, "Only Channel One reports every story from a teenage perspective and adds the context and background necessary to link news events to students lives and studies. It's a breakthrough that excites students and helps teachers teach." In January 1991 Channel One will include a five-part series. It will include: New Years Resolutions; Starting Over; Your Five Senses; Making Sense; Government' Who's in Charge

Here; Current Events; In the News; and Education: Future school. On Friday, the theme was "Breaking the Ice" and conveyed to students that now is the time to make new friends and get involved. It also suggested that meeting others, learning to communicate, and setting goals help people attain the most from life.

The program used an example of a cotillion for disadvantaged teens to get its points across.

"Interesting, helping me keep up with current events."

Prissy Castilleja The Persian Gulf crisis is updated on every broadcast including the one aired Friday. An update on the college football rankings was also discussed. The program is not strictly news as in one part of the broadcast reporters asked several teenagers what was on their minds. Answers varied from drug use, sleep, cafeteria food, college applications and grades.

Channel One, being designed for teenagers is upbeat, changes subjects quickly to maintain each student's attention and features young people broadcasting. It also appeals to minorities.

Marcus Montez

8th grade Lady Colts defeat Wall Hawks

The 8th grade girls met with plenty of action in Wall Monday evening when they faced the Lady Hawks. This equally strong team gave them a hard fought and exciting game as the first half stayed even with each team trading equal points in the first quarter 6-6 and in the second quarter 12-12.

As the 3rd quarter began, each team once again began trading points but the Lady Colts managed to pull away by one point at the

end of the 3rd quarter. In the fourth quarter each team traded the lead and when all was said and done, the Lady Colts were able to hold off the Lady Hawks, winning 23-22.

Candie Sessoms and Sara Reston led the scoring with 6 points each. Vicky Richardson contributed 4 followed by Beth Covington with 3 points. Katy Burge and Sara Gonzales had 2 points each. The girls attribute their win to playing hard and good defense.

7th grade girls defeated by Lady Hawks

The Lady Colt 7th grade travelled to Wall Hawk country Monday night to challenge a worthy opponent. As the first quarter began each team carefully scouted their opponent trying to find a weak spot. However, at the end of the first quarter the teams were tied at 4 points each.

As the second quarter continued, each team worked hard and as the clock came to a halt the Lady Colts were leading 8-6.

The second half was a different story as the Lady Hawks came out

shooting. The Lady Colts were out gunned 20-12 in the second half losing by a score of 30-20. The girls played well but feel they need to work heartily on their shooting.

Melissa Hearn lead the Lady Colts with 6 points. Elaine Ortiz and Lilly Trevino followed with 4 points, and scoring 2 points each were Becca Chalk, Megan Meyer and Betty Samaniego.

7th grade Colts fall to Hawks 17-26

In a hard fought 7th grade boys basketball game on Monday evening the Sonora Colts fell short at the final buzzer to Wall 17-26. The Colts had a slow start but as the evening went on, they showed some good moves. The 1st half was a battle of defense as it ended with Sonora behind by 4 points 7-11.

The Colts came out fired up in the 3rd quarter as they shot 3 baskets to pull ahead of Wall 13-11. Wall and Sonora see-sawed back and forth for a few points and at the end of the 3rd the score stood Sonora 15, Wall 13. The 4th quarter however belonged strictly to Wall as they rolled over the Colts to mount a final unanswered 7 points.

Davis Hale led the Colts with 6 points followed by Levi Pool with 4, Josh Burnham, Jeff Floyd and John Jones each contributed 2 points and Kurt Dempsey rounded out the Colts points with 1.

8th grade Colts suffer loss to Wall 39-30

The Sonora Colts 8th grade boys faced Wall on Monday January 7, in the Colt gym. The 8th graders looked sharp as they played well during the 1st half. At the end of the 1st quarter the Colts were only down by 2, 8-10 and end of the second quarter were still only behind by 2, 18-20.

The Wall boys came out ready to play the second half as they shot ahead of the Colts 33-26 in the 3rd quarter.

Taking advantage of turnovers by the Colts the Hawks soared to a 39-30 victory over Sonora.

The leading scorers for Sonora were Cody Renfro with 10 points and Chris Guitierrez with 8 points. Following them were Robert Trevino 4, Hadly Smith 3 and Jesse Capuchina and Trini Banda with 2 each.

Lady Broncos knock out Crane Ladybirds 52-41 in overtime

Excitement filled the Sonora High School Gym Tuesday night as the Crane Varsity girls rolled into town. The Ladybirds came ready to play as at the end of the first quarter they led 13-12 in the first quarter over the Lady Broncos. The second quarter stayed relatively even as the clock ran out to show the Lady Broncos still trailing 21-25.

As the 3rd quarter began, there was a smell in the air of gun powder as the Lady Broncos came out shooting. Not only did they make up the small deficit they took to the locker room, but by the time the smoke had cleared they led 38-35.

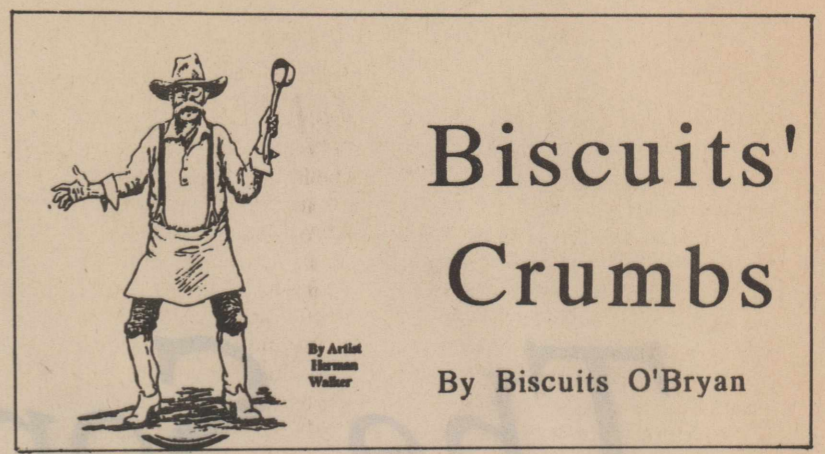
In the 4th quarter the Ladybirds came back strong but the Lady Broncos held their own. Both teams looked great as they battled back and forth for the lead. With 48 seconds left, the score was tied 50-50 and you could hear the student bleachers come alive with the steady rhythm of "We are the Champions." Unfortunately the Lady Broncos lost the ball and Crane drove hard. As they took the shot and missed the Ladybirds managed to draw a foul with no time left. After both foul shots

were missed, the teams faced overtime.

Each coach had quick team meetings with their girls and planned careful strategies. Three minutes were then put on the clock and each team played conservatively as they each got a chance to score only to pass the ball quickly back and forth. The Ladybirds took a shot and missed but drew a foul.

Completing only one of the two throws, the ball was no in the Lady Broncos hands. They drove down the court and fired, missing, they fired again only to draw a foul. However the Lady Broncos had been great from the free throw line and this was no exception. Both shots were good and the Lady Broncos managed to hold the Ladybirds off for the final few seconds winning 52-51. This game puts the Lady Broncos in 1st place in district 6-AAA for now.

Contributing with 20 points was Dana Evans, followed by Amy Reston with 8 and Yvonne Mata with 7. Three Lady Broncos, Tana Churchill, Monica Gonzalez, and Susen McCleery scored 4 points each. Cenisa also contributed with 1 point.



Biscuits' Crumbs

By Biscuits O'Bryan

But I Wasn't Talkin' About Myself!

Have you ever wondered why there seems to be so many dad-burned characters put here in this part of the world (West Texas)? We sure do seem to have more than our fair share. Just set yourself down and consider how many characters you know (I ain't usin' the word "character" in a bad sense, necessarily, just as a way of pointin' to folks who kind of stand out from ordinary people). I'll lay you 8 to 5 that you can name quite a few (to yourself, of course, 'cause I sure don't want to get you in trouble with your neighbors). I reckon one of my favorite things to tell somebody who has to do somethin' hard, unpleasant, or borin' is, "It builds character," and I can almost always follow it up with, "See, it worked! You're a character."

I've met quit a variety of characters in my day. I remember one ol' feller whose name I won't call who wa a hangin'-on prospector down near Terlingua, livin' a hermit's life way out in the middle of nowhere, 'cause he was sure the cinnabar minin' would come back some day and he wanted to be there and ready when it did. I cooked for an outfit down there once and this ol' man would show up ever evenin' just about supper time, knowin' I'd invite him to set and eat a bite. He was quite a hand at puttin' away a plate of beans and beef, 'though he never ever touched my biscuits (not that there was a thing wrong with my biscuits), 'cause he said that they was made with white flour, and in order to make white flour, they took all the vitamins (his pronunciation) out then put all the vitamins back in and it wa "pizun." So he always brung along his own bread made with flour form Mexico, but he never offered me or the boys even a taste. But that ol' man could tell some stories about growin' up in the Indian Territory, and how he once rode his bicycle

out to warn a Chief that the Territorial Rangers was about to come after him, and how he had invented color photography. But he did take me to his house and show me how hey used to get mercury from the cinnabar back in the old days, and he showed me all the big ol' bottles (he called 'em "flasks") of mercury he had settin' around. He was quite a story-teller.

Once, I met Evans Means when I was workin' on the 96 ranch out of Van Horn. I know lots of stories about Evans, but he still has lots of kinfolks around, so I'd better just keep 'em to myself. But once, when we had a big bunch of deer hunters that I was cookin' for, Evans came down to the camp to see how they was doin'. I asked him if he cared to set down for a bowl of stew, but he said he'd just finished his dinner. But then he 'lowed as how he hadn't had no dessert and he could stand a bite of somethin' sweet. I didn't have nothin' but a big can of ribbon cane syrup one of the Louisiana hunters had brought, but Evans said that'd do fine. Now he wasn't a very big feller, probably wouldn't go 140 pounds with his long Johns soakin' wet, but he set right there and ate a whole big loaf of white bread and syrup without ever lookin' back.

But Evans Means wasn't one to take and never give, so a while later, he showed up again with a big pot of chile con queso. Now Evans was as white as any gringo ever way, cause I seen him stretch once and seen his wrist poke out from under his long Johns, but he could've easily been took for a Mexican 'cause his face was so browned by the sun, and I think his tongue and taste buds was considerable more Mexican than white, 'cause he could sure "hable espanol muy buena," and he could eat coals straight out of the campfire, or at least it seemed that way, 'cause he joined us in eatin' that queso, and he put it away by the spoonful. Now I ain't no slouch when it comes to eatin' fiery foods, but a dollop of that stuff on

a plate of beans was more'n enough to make me drink water without nothin' in it, and it come near killin' a yankee deer hunter, who couldn't talk for a couple of days after one bite of that stuff. It must of been made with green chile petines in equal amounts to the cheese, 'cause it's take the thorns of a cholla cactus.

Here's my receet for:
Chili con Queso
Chop up a big onion (I use the yellor ones, 'cause they're cheap). In a cast iron skillet, cook the onion in 3 Tablespoons of butter 'til the onion's soft and clear (Don't let it brown). Toll in 2 cloves of finely chopped garlic (Don't use powder)Then stir in 2 cans of Rotel (that's a mixture of tomatoes and green chiles, for you foreigners out there). Chunk up half a pound of Velveta cheese and half a pound of either longhorn/Monterrey Jack blend and toss it in the skillet. Keep the heat nice and low and let the cheese melt.
Serve with tortilla chips (tostados) that you fried up yourself.

Now if you've got a tender mouth or you're worried about them you're feedin' this to, cut back on the Rotel, but it won't be near as good ar as character buildin'.

Speakin' of characters, in the very best sense of the word, I reckon the most outstandin' character I ever met was Tom Blassingame, the cowboy who worked at his trade right up to the moment he died at the age of 92. Tom (he, like most cowhands, never liked to be called Mister) was a quiet man who lived and died doin' what he liked best, but he was always ready to teach anyone who wanted to learn, or to share the wealth of knowledge and lore he had acquired through the years. Tom died about a year ago, and I'd like to share a poem I wrote in his memory.

To a Friend I wish I'd known (In Memory of Tom Blassingame)

You rode out early one December morn,
A day no different from most you had lived,
And those were many, spanning ninety years.
Your mount was young, one you had broke yourself.
The day was more like spring than mid-winter,
And you were just yourself.
Somewhere along the way you heard God speak.
He gently called you home from years of toil.
You had no doubt at all whose voice it was.
You calmly left your young steed,
Easily swinging foot to meet the ground.
"And now I lay me down to go to sleep."
When horse without its rider wandered in
We knew, but hoped against hope,
Mostly praying that you weren't hurt.
You lay so easy, not a trace of pain
Showed on your face,
For you had only done what was natural.
There's not a one of us who doesn't wish
That we could go that way,
Or who doesn't give thanks that you did.
But your going left a space that can't be filled,
Good memories,
Examples by a life well-lived.
I only met you once. That was enough
To know I wish I'd known you better,
Longer. But I know enough to see
You left the world a better place
Just by your quiet being who you were.
Thanks, Lord, for a friend I wish I'd known.

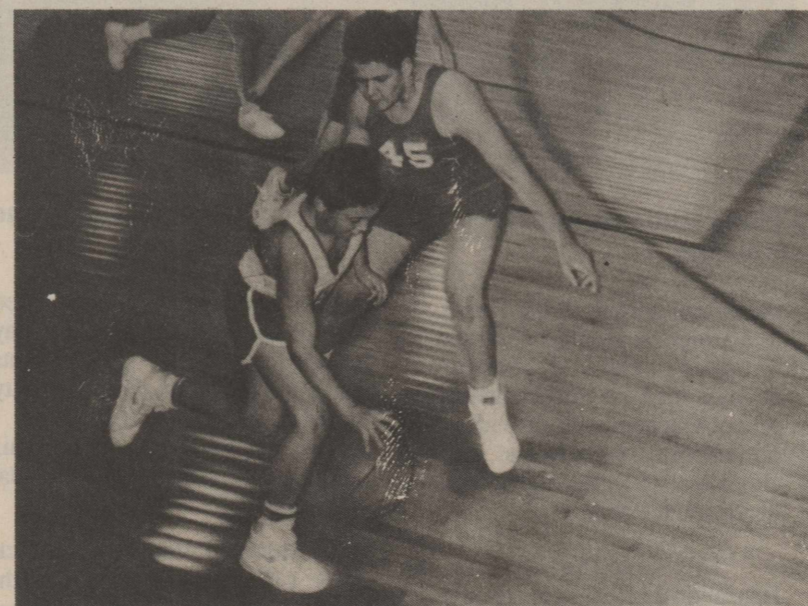
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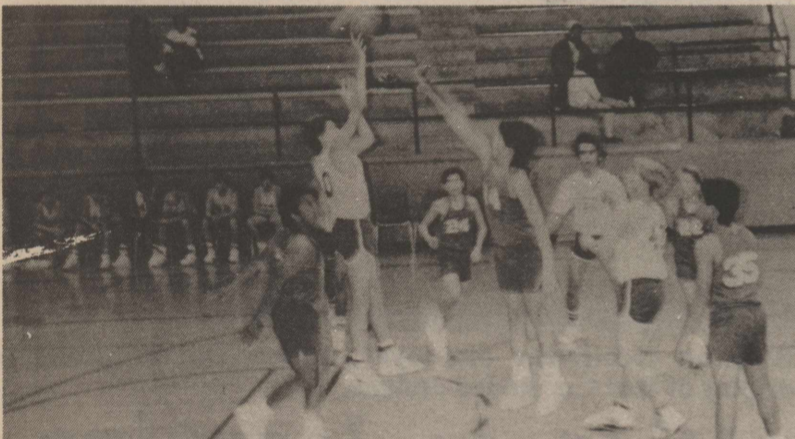
Coach Dukes plans strategy with the Lady Broncos during overtime time-out.



Dana Evans makes 2 points for the Lady Broncos in Tuesdays match up with the Crane Ladybirds.



John Zook charges down the court in Monday nights game against the Wall Hawks.



8th grade boys battle back but fall short in Monday's game against the Hawks.

Have Camera will travel!

If you know of a newsworthy event call the Sonora Observer and we will be glad to cover it. If you have information on a local event then bring it by the Observer office at 114 W. Concho or call 387-5719.

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CWDT preparing for fifth season Harris to head ASCS; panel reappointed

As we greet this fresh new year and the challenges that lay ahead, so also does the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater. Many Changes will be taking place during this season of the CWDT as it undergoes a complete restructuring. The changes in the organization have become necessary to keep up with the growth of the once small program.

The CWDT began in 1987 when several people from the community felt the town would benefit from attracting tourist while also providing entertainment for local residents. At that time the small group set four main objectives: to create some type of event that

would bring people to Sonora; to enhance the economy of Sonora; to share Sonora's rich history; and to create something to enrich the Centennial Celebration in 1990.

Since that time 78 shows have been produced with a total attendance of 7,564 over the previous four seasons. The total attendance during this last year was 2,447 and out of that 1,858 were from outside of Sutton County. The Dinner Theater has recirculated an estimated \$50,000 back into the Sonora economy over the last four years. Many Sonora business have also benefitted an immeasurable amount from the increase of

tourists attending the shows.

A steering committee has now been formed to set the stage for the upcoming fifth season. Members of this committee are Jim Fish, Patti Strauch, Monte Jones, Seco Mayfield, Maxine Locklin, Preston Love and John and Molly Zimmerman. This committee's function will be that of creating a

plan for restructuring the theater. One suggestion in the restructuring has been that of inviting guest hosts to do the shows. If you have a suggestion or would be interested in volunteering to help in the Dinner Theater this summer please contact one of the above members.

WASHINGTON--Jerry D. Harris, a cotton and grain sorghum farmer in Dawson and Gaines Counties, has been named to a sixth term as chairman of the Texas Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee, U.L. Senator Phil Gramm has announced.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter also named Mrs. Hope Huffman of McGregor to her second one-year term on the panel and reappointed veteran ASCS committee members Dale Hunt of Garwood, D.V. Guerra Jr. of Edinburg, and Keith Spears of Vernon.

"These five leaders bring a wealth of practical background in agriculture to ASCS. Jerry Harris has established an impressive record, combining years of experience as both a family farmer and a federal program administrator," the senator said. "Hope Huffman, Dale Hunt, D.V. Guerra, and Keith Spears all have done remarkable work in helping to lead the ASCS and I am pleased

that they have agreed to continue their service to Texas and America."

Harris is active in cotton ginning, warehousing and marketing, as well as operating a 7,000-acre family farm and continuing service on the Board of Governors of Lubbock Christian University.

Also, he is a member of the National Cotton Council, the Lamesa Cotton Growers, the Texas Food and Fiber Protein Commission and the Texas Cotton Ginners.

Mrs. Huffman raises row crops, grain and beef stocker cattle in McLennan and Coryell Counties. She is a member of the Texas Farm Bureau's Labor Advisory Committee and is active in both the McLennan County Farm Bureau and the Waco Chamber of Commerce's Agricultural Committee.

Hunt is a recognized national leader in the rice industry. He has served on the National Commission on Agricultural Trade and Export

Policy and as president of the Texas Rice Research Foundation.

Guerra, active in soil and water conservation in South Texas, is an expert in livestock production. He has served on the Governor's Task Force on Rural Development and Texas A&M University to promote agricultural interests. He was named "Man of the Year in Agriculture" by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association.

Spears is a leader in the wheat industry. He has served as vice chairman of the Texas Wheat Producers Board and as a member of the U.S. Wheat Associates Board.

The five-member panel oversees activities of the ASCS organization throughout Texas, including administration of federal farm programs in Texas.

Texas ASCS employs a staff of 1,400 and supervises the distribution of more than \$1.5 billion in federal farm program benefits to the farmers and ranchers of Texas every year.



Twenty eight 4-H and FFA members exhibited Saturday during the Sutton County Jr. Livestock Show. Pictured are Bonner Walsh, Ben Taylor, Traci Hightower and Brandi Bible.



For those of you who don't know, the Bright Spot has moved and you can now find Sharon and Rhonda at 214 1/2 Main St.



People believe if you sprinkle salt on the tail of a bird, you will have good luck.

The Sutton County Game Dinner Association would like to Thank everyone who helped make the 1990 Game Dinner such a success. Listed below are some of the many people who contributed their time.

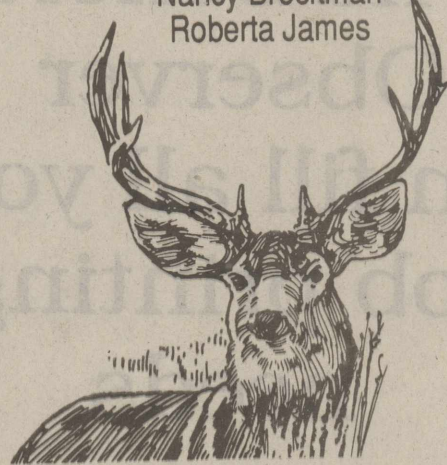
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Sam Odom, Jr.

Senior Center News

Happy new year from all of us at the Senior Center! We won't spend much time dwelling on past events because we hope to have an equally full and rewarding time in 1991. We cannot go forward without recognizing some of the fabulous volunteers and contributors who helped us get through 1990.

Volunteers who deliver meals-- Pat Street, Bea Black, Lou Faulks, Lura Sawyer, Nell Wallace, Vivian Crites, Dorothy Baker, Karen Voight and Nellie Moore.

Volunteers who assist with center activities-- Mandy Turk, Sheila Castro, Lydia Galindo, Pedro Chavez, Nacho Calderon, Melvin Glasscock, Wilma Patrick, Boy Scout Troop 19, G.A.'s & R.A.'s, Tiger Cubs, Girl Scouts, 2 Zeteo, Jr. High Poetry Readers, Church Youth Nativity Program, Mary Lou Gilly, Lura Sawyer, Sue Moore, Robert Duran, Smith Neal, Jeanne Davenport, Bill Hazelton, Eddie Sawyer, Casey Thorp, Jericho Thorp, Steve Thorp, Claire Thorp, Lynn Womac, Scott Gilmore, Johnny Ringgold and all of the Old Tyme Country Band, Charlotte Wilson, John Zimmerman and the High School Chorale, Marlene Evans, Jo-Ann Palmer, Ramona Noriega and Lou Faulks.

Folks who support the Center-- Monte Yantis, Marcelina Sanchez, Mandy Turk, Marie Aldwell, Joseph & Mabel VanderStucken, Lewis Allen, Nelda Mayfield, Sutton County Bank, First National Bank, Scott Gilmore, Agnes Mooney, Lolabeth Jones, Carol's Merle Norman, Sugar & Spice, Janes Floral & Gifts, Flowers by Irene, A&C Beauty Salon, Thorp's Laun-Dry, PM Office Supply, Location Builders, Carl Teaff, Devil's River News, the John & Mildred Cauthorn Estate, Carol & Seco Mayfield. Please accept my apology if I forgot anyone or any organization. We are lucky to have such a variety of people and groups that we can turn to for assistance.

Special Thanks and recognition to all members of the Sutton County Committee on Aging!-- This fine group of people are always available to assist us physically and through their various fund raising activities. They also lend a great deal of moral support to the Center director and offer much needed advice. Thanks to each of you.

Thanks to all Senior Center participants! Everyone who joins in any Center activity is a supporter and contributor. We are here to serve and help Senior Citizens, but I feel the tables are often turned! We seem to reap the benefits of love and respect from everyone who joins us here. Humor and a zest for living abound in the Senior Citizens of Sonora and Sutton County.

Commodities will be distributed on Jan. 9th. Everyone who is able is encouraged to come and sign up before Jan. 9th! We had a pitiful turnout for the sign-up day (12-31-90). We will be extremely bogged down if everyone waits until the 9th to sign up for 1991. This program is available to all low

income families. This program does not discriminate due to sex, creed, age, handicap, race or ethnic origin.

Staff Spotlight--Terry Kinard is our van driver and valued assistant here at the Senior Center. She has been working with the Senior Citizens of Sonora and Sutton County since 1974. She was among a group of people who met in churches twice monthly and then in the old Elliott School to meet the needs of older residents. Terry was a founding member of the Sutton County Committee on Aging in 1979. She and Jeanne Davenport staged a bake sale to raise the filing fee for the first Articles of Incorporation.

In 1985 Terry was hired by the City of Sonora as a full time van driver for the Sutton County Senior Center. She has been employed here ever since.

Terry was married for 29 years to Bobby Kinard who passed away in Oct. of 1985. She has two children. Pat is married to Vance Luckie and between them, they have five children, Jimmy, Shane, Jeremy, Will, and Jinny. Mike Kinnard and his wife Melissa have two children, Chris & Becky.

Terry is a member of the West Side Lions, Child Abuse Protective Services, and the First Baptist Church. She has taught Sunday School for over twenty years. Her hobbies include painting, reading, sewing, being with and helping other people.

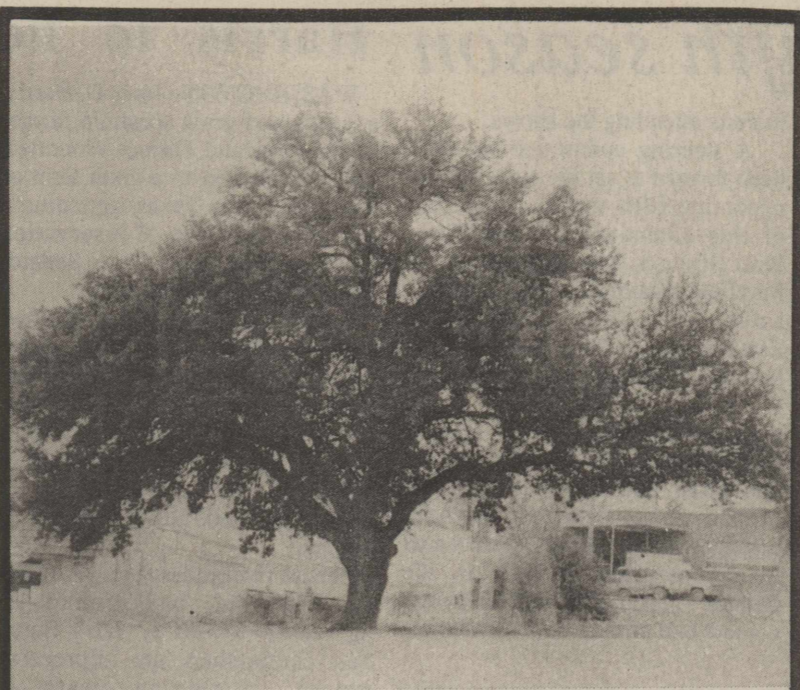
Next month we will feature another member of our staff.

The eyes have it!--Dr. Thomas Ayers, Elsa Delgado and the other fine staff of the Eye Institute of San Antonio will be here on Jan. 10th from 11:00 until 3:00. This month they will offer free eye screening, glucose and cholesterol testing to anyone aged 60 or over. We encourage everyone to come to the Center and be tested. Call us at 387-3941 or 387-5657 if you have any questions.

Over there!--We have received three beautiful cards or letters from some of our Servicemen and women who received cards from all of us here at the Senior Center. The letters are posted on our bulletin board along with our list of names & addresses. If you know of anyone serving in any branch of the service please call or come by to give us their name & address. We would like to continue to send our love, support & encouragement to all our service personnel who have ties to Sonora.

Blood Pressure Clinic--Maria Carrasco, R.N. & Dorothy Jimenez with the Texas Dept. of Health will be here at 11:30 Jan. 9th to check our blood pressure & weight. 1991 could be the year you resolve to maintain a healthier lifestyle. This is an easy way to monitor your progress. Join us for exercises at 9:30 then stay to check your progress!

AARP Program--Medi-Gap Insurance is the topic of our next slide-tape presentation from AARP. We have really enjoyed all the programs sent to us by this outfit of advocates for aging Americans. Join us at 12:30 on Jan. 25th.



Moan, Groan, Creak

Moan, groan, creak! Oh yes, that's me making all that noise. If you were my age you would too.

You look at me and wonder how long have you been here? What have you seen?

Oh if only I could answer, the stories I could tell.

Young people love to hear stories of cowboys and indians and the cavalry. I seen 'em all, yup, even them buffalo soldiers from up Ft. McKavett way.

Their scouts and hunters come down here; the hunting was good even back when I was young.

Adams, Miers, Merck, Callahan, Potter and all that early bunch of Sonorans, I used to see them every day. I watched them build this town. I sure did.

I've seen two fires level parts of Main St. in my time and a few floods, before they built the dams, came right above to me. But I'm still here!

I've seen horse races and horseless carriages. Back in the old days pigs ran around town, great snake control but the ladies got tired of havin' to watch where they walked. Now the only pigs I see are the ones throwin' trash around town. They wouldn't have done that in the old days when Hutch was around. Now there was a man got your attention.

Yup those were the days.

Oh I saw them put electricity up on Eaton Hill. Boy them first lights looked pretty sparklin' in ole John Eaton's house. Of course, I saw them gas lights in the courthouse before that and in the beginning ladies and gents dancin' by lantern and candle light.

Oh yes I saw it all!

I've seen a little town started in tents grow and prosper. I've seen it go through depression, recession and it's sons going off to war. I see the memorials erected to those who fought to keep us free. Not to many stop to look at them now days. I wonder if they care anymore.

Yup Sonora I seen it all. I sure do wish more people cared and would try to preserve your history. If not like me it will someday go up in smoke, never to be seen again.

Here come that wind again! I'll just stand here and hope you don't all forget. Sure wish I could tell you--moan, groan, creak.

Signed--The Oldest Oak Tree on Courthouse Square

by Jo-Ann Palmer

Sonora Masons nearing 100th Anniversary

The Masonic Lodge in Sonora, originally founded by F.M. Drake in Wentworth, Texas, July 11, 1891, will be celebrating its Centennial this year. This fraternity is still going strong after 100 years of continuous support to the community. Locally the Masons provide two scholarships each year to students wishing to further their education. The Texas Masonic bodies contribute over 1.5 million dollars a day to charitable organizations. Local members are proud to be a part of the worthwhile projects.

Upon losing the election in November 1890 to become the County Seat of Sutton County, the people began leaving the community of Wentworth and homes were either torn down or moved away. In September of 1891 the Masonic Lodge was moved from Wentworth to Sonora by teams of horses. Huge wooden wheels and big long posts (similar to the size of tree trunks) were used to accomplish this amazing feat. The building was then placed approximately fifty feet behind the site the lodge is on today.

The first meeting of the Masonic Lodge in Sonora was held October 10, 1891. At that time, the building was owned jointly by Sonora I.S.D. and the Masonic Lodge.

The downstairs was used as an

overflow area when the school needed it. However, in July 1904, the Masons did the cornerstone laying for the rock school, and at that time, they bought the school board's interest and the land the Masonic Lodge sits on. In the 1930's the original building was torn down and the present building was erected.

Currently the Masonic Lodge in Sonora consists of 126 members. They have monthly meetings in the lodge located at 302 S.W. Water Ave. Erecting a U.S. Flag as well as a Texas flag in front of the building is one activity the Masons have planned to celebrate their Centennial.

Officers are: Thomas Adkins, Worshipful Master; Tommy Valliant, Senior Warden; Pat Campbell, Jr. Warden; Eddie McReynolds, Sr. Deacon; Jim Harrington, Jr. Deacon; Jody Luttrell, Treasurer; and Lester Rainer, Secretary. Officers are installed during an open meeting in June.

Volunteers are needed to help research newspaper articles for information about the local Masonic Lodge. If you can spare a few minutes to assist in the research needed to help the Masons celebrate their 100th year, please call 387-5144.

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City encourages proper use of trash dumpsters

Dead animal carcasses including deer can create a health hazard when thrown into trash dumpsters according to James McLaughlin, Director of Public Works for the City of Sonora. Mr. McLaughlin oversees the water, sewer and garbage departments for the city.

When dead animal carcasses are not disposed of properly, this creates additional work and trouble for city employees. In cases where disposal is necessary, the Animal Control Officer is available to assist or carcasses can be taken to the landfill where there is a designated disposal site.

Citizens can be fined for tossing deer carcasses and such into trash dumpsters. Cases in which an identifying tag is visible or the violator is known should be reported to the Sonora Police Department.

Quite often tree limbs, grass cuttings and boards are also discarded in trash dumpsters. This

can also be a problem for the City of Sonora as these items can cause damage to the garbage trucks. To help minimize this problem, the city offers free pick up of bagged grass cuttings, tree limbs (no longer than 6 feet and not weighing over 100 pounds) and boards on Fridays. Each residence is allowed one load a week and must call the City Hall by Thursday. If a call is received on Friday, it will be the next Friday before the discarded items can be hauled off. Another stipulation of the free service is that the preparation work is done by the property owner because of the owner hires someone to trim limbs, cut grass, etc. the City of Sonora will not be responsible for clean-up.

Please remember the trash dumpsters are for the disposal of household trash only. Following this guideline, will help alleviate health hazards as well as minimize risks to garbage trucks.

Shootouts in Sutton County to be compiled by Historical Society

Shootouts in Sutton County is currently being compiled by the Sutton County Historical Society. This historical book of gunfights in Sonora will include only actual documented events. The information for the book is being extracted from early issues of the Devils River News, San Angelo Standard Times and court records.

The historical book will begin with the Adams/Miers gunfight and will most likely conclude with the Halbert/Green shootout in the 1930's. It will include the Harris/McNeil incident which occurred in 1921. This particular gunfight was between two young lovers and the girl's mother, father and brother. The young girl was killed during the tragic event and later her lover committed suicide. His body was found the next day.

The Sutton County Historical Society also has plans of covering the Will Carver gunfight and raids on ranches by Mexican groups.

Preserving the history of Sutton County for future generations is the primary focus of the Sutton County Historical Society. However, this is only possible with the support of the community. At present, volunteers are desperately needed to

help with continued research. The sales of this book as well as the two completed ones, *Sutton County Marriage Records 1890-1940* and *The Story of Sonora and Sutton County 1889-1890*, are extremely crucial. Proceeds from the books are needed to make major repairs to the Mier's Museum as well as for continued research.

Since the Mier's Museum is over 100 years old, it is in need of a foundation. At the time the house was built, foundations were not used to support structures. The use of heavy equipment in the area, general deterioration as well as the bad hail storm last year has contributed to structural and superficial problems.

Patricia Johnson and Jo-Ann Palmer are primarily doing the research for *Shootouts in Sutton County*. Their goal is to have the book completed by Sutton County Days. If you are available to contribute some of your valuable time to help preserve the history of Sutton County, or know of a particular gunfight you would like to see published, please send a note to the Sutton County Historical Society at Box 885 or give them a call at 387-5144.

Students compete for All-State Band/Choir

On Saturday, January 5, two Sonora High School Students competed in separate competitions for a place in the All-State Band and Choir. Catherine Kepler competed in Austin with students from Bryan, College Station, Houston and other cities for a place in the All-State Band. In order to compete in area competition Ms. Kepler had to qualify through the region and place significantly high in that competition.

Carmen Burch competed in Bryan, Texas for a position in the All-State Choir. Ms. Burch also competed with students from Austin, Bryan, College Station,

Houston and other cities. Carmen had to place in the top six in this region in order to advance to the competition.

Though neither young lady qualified for the state organizations, they both placed well in the competitions. The Texas All-State Choir, and Orchestra are all part of the Texas Music Educators Association. These organizations are made up of the "best of the best" from throughout the Texas schools. T.M.E.A. is sponsored each year as a learning experience for the music teacher as well as the student.

Congratulations to both of these students on a job well done!



Catherine Kepler



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Macaroni & Cheese
Cookie
Milk
Friday:
Steakfingers w/Gravy
Corn
Orange
Roll
Milk
Tuesday:
Tacos
Lettuce & Tomato
Peas
Prune Bars
Milk
Wednesday:
Grilled Turkey & Cheese Sandwich
French Fries
Vegetable Pasta
Raspberry Tarts
Milk
Thursday:
McRibs on Bun
Cheesy Potatoes
Applesauce
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Senior Center Menu

Thursday:
Pork Roast w/Gravy
Sweet Peas
Buttered Cabbage
Cornbread
Fruit Cups w/ Topping
Friday:
Baked Turkey Ham
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Coleslaw w/dressing
Raspberry Cobbler
Monday:
Hamburger Pattie w/cheese, Potato Salad
Tomato, Lettuce, Pickles and Onions
Hamburger Bun
Chocolate Pudding
Tuesday:
Oven Fried Chicken
Red Beans
Chopped Spinach
Cornbread
Lemon Squares
Wednesday:
Meat Sauce w/cheese
Lasagna noodles
Green peas
Garlic toast
Tossed Salad w/dressing
Oatmeal Cake
Thursday:
Fried Catfish w/Tarter Sauce, Herbed Potatoes
Carrots
Corn Muffins
Lime Rice Swirl

Ice & snow--not a pleasant sight for most West Texans

by Susan Crowder

Ice and snow may be good for those ski resorts and all but let's face it, we West Texans flat don't care for it. Maybe our children do, but that's about the extent of it.

Early in the morning during freezing weather, you'll notice someone you don't recognize going down the road in a vehicle you think you do recognize. It's bound to be your local rancher friend headed out to break ice in the water troughs so his livestock can drink. Quite frankly, it's hard to determine the identity of a person when all you can see is a mouth, nose and two eyes. Thank goodness the goats and cattle rely on their recognition of the rancher's vehicles and know its time to feed and water, because they certainly won't know who he is. And why do they come running anyway? If I saw someone dressed in a manner I couldn't recognize, axe in hand, moving at an extremely quick pace across the pasture, I would run in the opposite direction regardless of how hungry or thirsty I might be.

I have never heard one rancher indicate he or she had any appreciation for freezing weather and having grown up in this area and in a ranching family, I feel like I am qualified to come to that conclusion. Although freezing weather is the worst time for livestock to be born it seems that's always when it happens. Do you think intercom systems are exclusively for mothers with babies who need to be listened in on while mom is busy? Well think again. Some ranchers use them when their goats are kidding especially during the bitter cold. Inevitably on those freezing nights, one, two or three nannies will start bleating and the

rancher will have to drag out of bed, probably during the wee hours of the morning and race to the barn. Hopefully the birth will not be a complicated one and baby or babies can be brought in quickly to dry off. However, the kid will need to nurse soon after, so its back out into the bitter cold night to make the nanny nurse its kid. If you

know how hard-headed some old nannies can be, you'll know they probably won't cooperate especially when it's cold. It's every rancher's luck that these minor problems are made major due to weather conditions so I guess it's understandable for ranchers not to appreciate freezing weather.

Along with ranchers, I'm sure men who work for the Highway Department have no room in their day for ice. I mean this is West Texas, and if they wanted snowy, icy roads, they would live somewhere up north. They have better things to do than sand all those slick bridges to help prevent accidents which probably will occur anyway since most of us have very little experience driving on icy roads. Now as children, playing in sand may have been fun, but I'm relatively sure this is not what they consider to be a good time as adults.

So what about oilfield workers, do they like snow or ice? I will inform you with a clear conscience, they most definitely do not. Primarily because those who have to work with compressors know that compressors are especially cranky during freezing temperatures. They love to go down at two or three in the morning just when their operator is in a warm bed

sleeping soundly.

When the telephone rings, the operator already knows its time to go to work. So he, like the rancher, puts on all that garb and heads out. Once he gets to the designated working area, chances are slim to none that the compressor will cooperate and most likely will need to be babied all night long.

As the operators are coming in at the crack of dawn, most ranchers will be heading out to break ice. So if your out at that time of morning, your guess is as good as mine as to who's who. They all drive light-colored trucks, only have mouth, eyes and nose visible, so you just have to look at how the truck is equipped to figure it out.

By the way have you ever seen a West Texas drive in the ice or snow? Most won't even attempt it and those who have to, had rather be shot. If there is a quarter of an inch of snow on the ground, driving is considered to be treacherous around here. And you'll notice no one will take on that small incline near the post office. If there were a dangerous chemical spill in the area, there would be more traffic than on an icy day.

I'm just glad all those people up north don't have the problems we West Texans have with ice, because they would want to move to West Texas where we so seldom have to put up with it. Judging from the reaction to ice around here, I'm relatively sure they won't need to worry about us crowding in on them. After all, Northerners and ski resort owners may have an appreciation for ice and snow, but we West Texans flat don't care for it.

Business News

Republic Supply is proud to announce recent changes in staff. Kent Brown, previous store manager is now district manager out of Odessa, managing six stores. Bill Cornett formerly with Union Supply in San Angelo has been named new store manager. Mr. Cornett will be moving to Sonora within the month.

Marsha Lockstedt has been promoted to field sales in Sonora, while Gail Daniels was recently hired as office clerk. Also named as field salesman is Dennis Nance.



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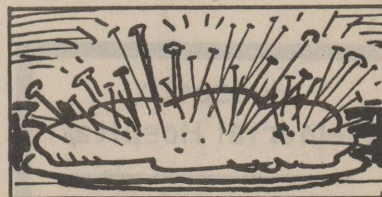
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Police Reports

12/31 At 1:30 p.m. report of a pickup pulling a 65 foot mobile home on Martin Street is checked out that the party involved has obtained proper permits from the City.

12/31 At 1:45 p.m. female reports that she has locked her keys inside her vehicle and need assistance from an officer.

1/1 12:17 a.m. Clerk at Circle K reports gasoline theft of \$38.03.

1/1 At 12:25 a.m. report of a fight in progress at local bar.

1/1 At 12:45 a.m. report of loud music near rodeo arena.

1/1 At 12:45 a.m. fight in progress near area of Hillside and Hightower Avenue.

1/1 8:30 a.m. keys locked in Dodge pickup on Orient Avenue.

1/1 9:45 a.m. keys locked in vehicle on Poplar Street.

1/2 At 10:39 a.m. traffic accident reported on Hwy 277 North in front of Mr. D's.

1/3 At 8:25 a.m. theft, from Sonora Ford Sales. Three 16" Ford Pickup Wheel Covers valued at over two hundred dollars reported by Deloyce Eaton, owner.

1/3 At 3:40 p.m. a female Rock Avenue resident reports that her ex-husband and his wife are harassing her by telephone calls and obscene gestures.

1/4 9:22 a.m. report of a suspicious brown van at the bank parking lot.

1/4 At 10:10 p.m. the clerk at Shot's #5 reports a gasoline drive off. Amount of theft \$13.38.

1/6 At 3:35 p.m. the clerk at Town & Country #2 reports that a blue van failed to pay for \$15.28 worth of gasoline.

1/6 At 3:45 p.m. a Calle Real Street resident reports a family problem and request an Officer.

1/6 At 4:55 p.m. a Criminal Mischief report is filed after two doors on the utility room at the U-Wash-It are found to have been pried open.

1/7 12 midnight report of a fight in progress at the bar.

1/7 At 1:25 a.m. a very young boy called in to report that his father was hitting his mother with a belt.

1/7 At 8:51 a.m. report of a minor traffic accident on Sinaloa Central.

1/8 12:57 a.m. female reports that the boiler alarm is going off at the Jr. High.

1/8 Same caller reports the alarm going off again at school.

1/8 8:15 a.m. keys locked in vehicle in the 200 block of Poplar.

1/8 9:30 a.m. keys locked in a small Dodge pickup at the Food Center.

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