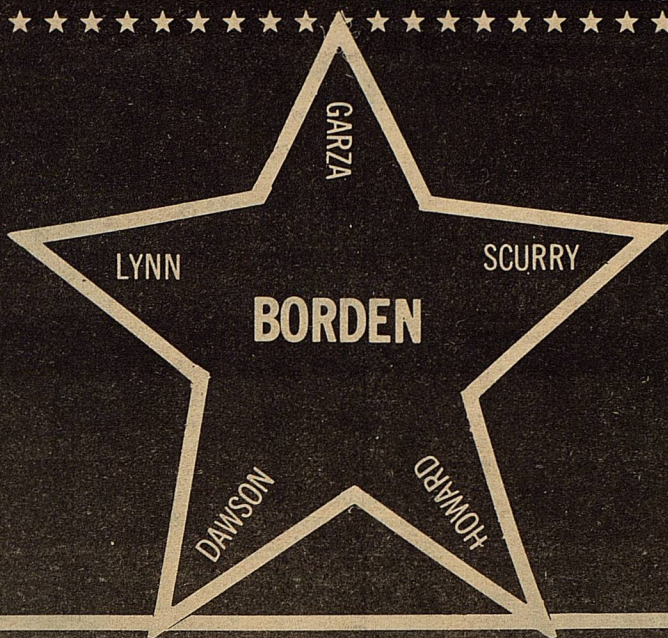


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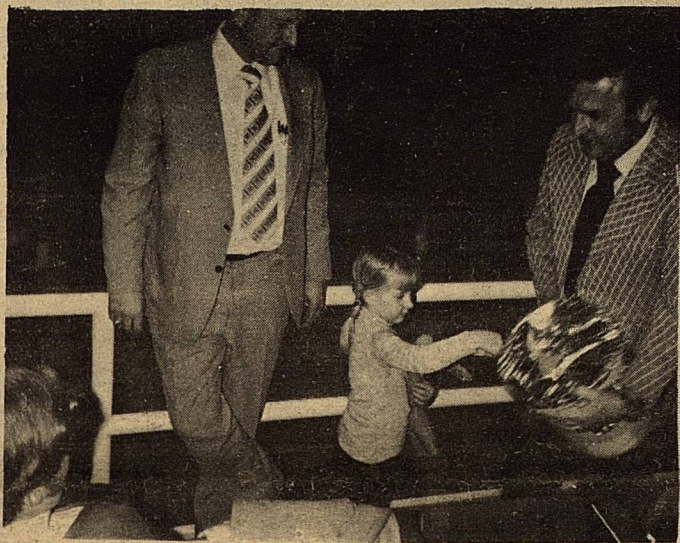
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MISS GRASSHOPPER UNDERWOOD carefully drew the winning name for the Remington gun. Looking on are JAMES McLEROY and MICKEY McMEANS, officers of the Gail Lions Club.

## Lions Reach Goal

The Gail Lions Club concluded another worth-while project last Friday night. The club has been selling chances on a Remington shotgun for the last two months to help the Guy Turner family obtain an electric lift to aid in the care of their daughter, Suzanne Turner of Fluvanna.

The last chances were put into the bucket minutes before

the drawing during the half of the Borden vs Dawson basketball game Friday night. The winner of the Remington gun was Lonny Ferguson, Route 1, Ackerly. Lonny is a sophomore student at Klondike High School.

The Gail Lions Club would like to thank everyone who participated in this worthwhile project and making it a big success.

## Griffin Files



T. L. GRIFFIN

Incumbent T.L. Griffin is the third candidate to file for a place on the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District. He has served on the Board since April 1967 and has served as Vice-President from 1969 until April 1978. The Griffins have 3 children, Lane and Gay, who are out of school, and Talley, a sophomore in Borden High School.

The terms expire on April 7 for T.L. Griffin and Kenneth Williams. Other candidates who have filed are Bob Dyess and Pat Porter.

## Farm Economic Situation Cloudy

Inflation and a mild recession are several of the road blocks facing farmers and ranchers in 1979, says a marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Carl Anderson expects overall economic growth to slow to 2 percent or less in 1979, down from nearly 4 percent in 1978. "This will bring on a mild recession during mid-year. The economic slowdown will likely curtail buying of higher priced cuts of red meats and will encourage the use of ground beef, meat substitutes and poultry," he contends. "Mill use of cotton may also decline.

"Inflation and the high cost of energy will continue to hamper economic growth in the United States and will especially keep agricultural producers in an economic bind," believes Anderson. "The President's wage and price standards are not expected to be effective unless they are bolstered by considerable economic restraints by monetary authorities and in government spending.

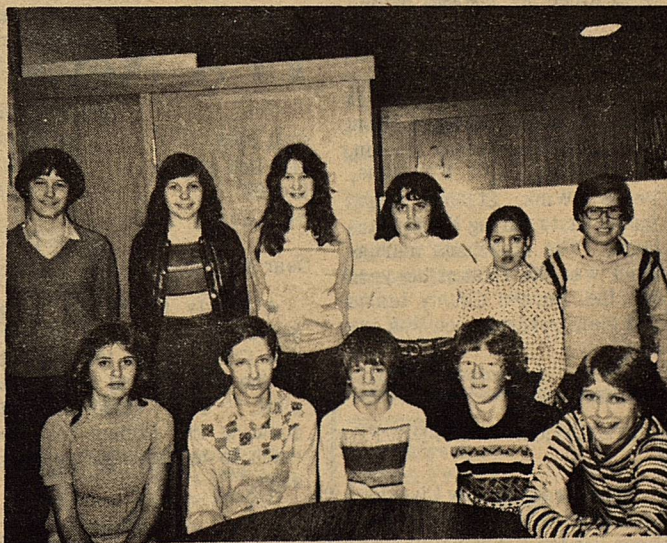
"Effects of a high rate of inflation are particularly severe on agriculture," emphasizes the economist. "It aggravates the cost-price squeeze by increasing production costs but not necessarily farm prices. The result is lower incomes and a risky financial environment. At the same time, farmers and ranchers are faced with rising costs of living such as higher bills for utilities, pickup trucks, housing, clothing, fuel and medical costs just like other businessmen and wage earners."

Anderson expects sagging productivity, deficit federal government spending and cumbersome federal regulations to fuel inflation. A sizeable trade deficit will also contribute to economic instability. With limited petroleum resources and



ACHIEVING THE BETA ACHIEVEMENT IN HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 3rd six weeks were: Left to right-back row: Carla Jones, Mayme McLaury, Karen Williams, Heather McPhaul, Rhesa Wolf, Vickie Jones and Ben Murphy. Front row-left to right: Jana Edwards, Lisa McLeroy, Gena McLeroy, Glynda Burkett, Brent Rhoton, and Sid Westbrook.

## Highest Honors At Borden Schools



ELEMENTARY & JR. HIGH STUDENTS ACHIEVING THE BETA ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE 3rd six weeks were: Back Row- Left to right: Kelly Williams, Roxie Wolf, Tanya Hollis, Dana Gray, Cathy York and Bric Turner. Front row- Left to Right: Stephanie Stephens, Keith Williams, Kevin Telchik, Doug Love and Jennifer Wilson. Absent were Tammy Miller and Samantha Porter.

# Borden County School News



HONOR ROLL FOR HIGH SCHOOL were Left to right-back row: Troyce Wolf, Glen Gray, Perry Smith, Bart McMeans, Becky Miller, Jana Edwards, Kay Copeland, and Ty Wills. Absent was Danny Holmes.



BORDEN COUNTY DEBATE TEAMS- Left to right- Vickie Jones-Glynda Burkett, Janna Love- Brent Rhoton. Coach and sponsor is Mrs. Ed Huddleston.

## Debate Team Ties For Second

The Borden County Debate Teams of Janna Love, Glynda Burkett, Brent Rhoton and Vickie Jones tied with Kermit High School for second place in the Monahans Invitational Forensic Tournament, Saturday, January 27. After five rounds of competition among twenty debate teams, the three teams were tied with four wins and one lose. Placing was then determined by speaker points with Kermit amassing 252; Love and Burkett, 249; and Rhoton and Jones, 247.

Borden County competed with teams from Midland, Fort Stockton, Van Horn, Rankin, Alpine, Crane, Monahans, Pecos, Wink, Stanton and Buena Vista during the tournament. The Monahans tournament was the first of the year for the Borden County teams and their performance was exemplary.

Several students will participate in debate, poetry, prose, informative and persuasive at Texas Tech, February 9-10, in preparation for the district literary meet April 2-4.

The team members and sponsors wish to thank all who have so faithfully supported these participants.

Mrs. Ed Huddleston is sponsor and coach for the debate teams. She was accompanied by Mr. Ed Huddleston who is a law student at Texas Tech.

The Borden County Livestock Association shearing date has been set for February 10. Please contact Mr. Bob Bagley if you have 4-H or F.F.A. lambs to be sheared. Also, in conjunction with the shearing, a showmanship clinic has been set by County Agent, Randy Upshaw. Contact him if you are interested in the clinic.

The Borden County Independent School District would like to announce that recent revised regulations changed the maximum charge for reduced-price lunches from \$ .20 to \$ .10, effective February 1, 1979. The maximum charge for a reduced - price breakfast remains at \$ .10.

Parents may apply for free or reduced-price meals for their children at anytime during the year by contacting the school office.

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## FFA News

Gail FFA  
Mr. Bob Bagley  
Box 95  
Gail, Texas 79738

Dear Mr. Bagley:

A hearty thanks for your generosity (and those of Borden County) to the patients of the Big Spring State Hospital. Your generosity in donating the clothes has done much to brighten our patients' days.

On behalf of the patients, staff and Volunteer Services Council, we want to say we hope your new year will be richly blessed.

W.A. Moore, Jr. Chairman  
Volunteer Services Council

Shirley Shroyer, Coordinator  
Volunteer Services

## New Hours

### For Library

The Learning Resource Center (Library) at Borden County Schools maintains a cordial invitation to all people of the County to feel free to use the facilities of this department.

The new hours are from 8:15 A.M. - 3:25 P.M.

## Varsity

### Boys

## Beat Loop

THE Borden County varsity boys defeated Loop's Longhorns by a narrow margin of 60-55 in overtime Tuesday.

Blane Dyess made 25 points which is the highest he has scored in one ballgame -all season. Perry Smith scored 17; Bart McMeans, 8; Ben Murphy, 4; Jym Rinehart, 4; Travis Rinehart, 2.  
/s/ David Smith

## School Lunch

## Revision

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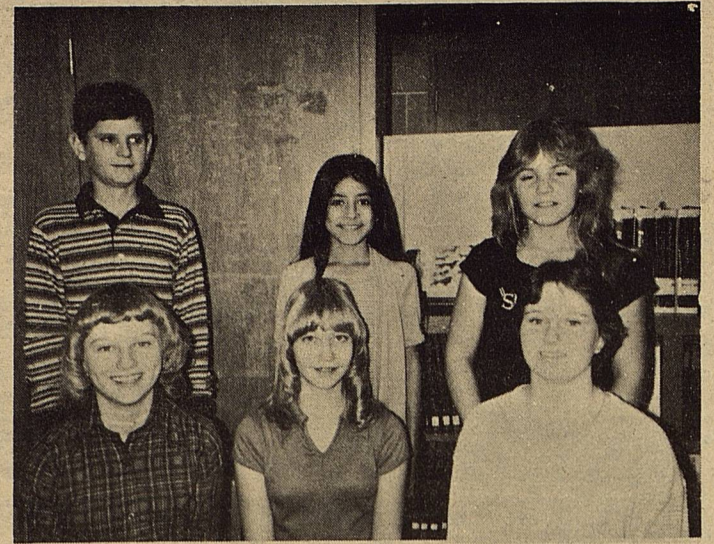
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HONOR ROLL FOR ELEM. AND JR. HIGH were: Left to right- back row: Keith Martin, Cindy Balague, and Becky Massingill. Front row Left to right: Kim Wills, Misty Merritt, and Kelley Richardson.

## High School Honors

The following named High School students, grades 5-12 have achieved academic honors for the third six-weeks.

### Beta Achievement

These students have achieved an academic evaluation of 90 or above in each subject.

Vickie Jones 12  
Lisa McLeroy 12  
Brent Rhoton 12  
Sid Westbrook 12  
Rhesa Wolf 12  
Glynda Burkett 11  
Carla Jones 11  
Mayme McLaury 11  
Ben Murphy 11  
Karen Williams 11  
Jana Edwards 10  
Heather McPhaul 10  
Tammy Telchik 10  
Gena McLeroy 9

### Honor Roll

These students have achieved an academic average of 90, with no evaluation less than 85 in a subject.

Perry Smith 12  
Janna Love 11  
Troyce Wolf 11  
Danny Holmes 10  
Bart McMeans 10  
Becky Miller 10  
Kay Copeland 9  
Ty Wills 9  
Glen Gray 9

Attendance:

3rd Six Weeks-1978-79

Membership---70

Average Daily Attendance-66.23

Percent Attendance---94.43%

## Elementary-

## Junior High Honors

The following named Elementary and Junior High students grades 5-8, have achieved academic honors for the third six-weeks:

### Beta Achievement

These students have achieved an academic evaluation of 90 or above in each subject.

Doug Love 8  
Stephanie Stephens 8  
Kevin Telchik 8  
Keith Williams 8  
Jennifer Wilson 8  
Tammy Miller 7  
Kelly Williams 7  
Roxie Wolf 7  
Tanya Hollis 6  
Samantha Porter 6  
Dana Gray 5  
Cathy York 5  
Tric Turner 5

### Honor Roll

These students have achieved an academic average of 90, with no evaluation less than 85 in a subject.

Kelley Richardson 8  
Keith Martin 7  
Misty Merritt 7  
Kim Wills 7  
Becky Massingill 6  
Cindy Balague 5

# Borden County School News



COMPETE IN U.I.L. COMPETITION IN VOICE AND (OR) PIANO. Left to right- Lisa McLeroy, Suzanne Walker, Gena McLeroy, and Karen Williams from high school.

(Karen is studying piano under Mrs. Max Leach of Lamasa.) Gena and Lisa McLeroy are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James McLeroy of Gail. Gena's vocal was "Little Lamb, Who Made The?" and her piano piece was "Sonatine Op. 36, No. 1" by Clementi. Lisa's vocal was the "First Primrose."

Junior high students played at a piano festival in Big Spring Saturday. Competing from Gail were Stephanie and Tanya Hollis. Stephanie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stephens of the plains played "Sonatina" by Beethoven. Tanya, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eston Hollis of Gail Route, Big Spring played "Sonatina Op. 36, No. 1" by Clementi.

All of these students received very high scores.

## Borden vs Dawson

The Borden varsity boys lost to the Dawson Dragons 49-60 Friday.

Perry Smith led the scorers with 23 points; Blane Dyess, 11; Travis Rinehart, 7; Ben Murphy, 6; and Keil Williams, 2.

Coach Lyn Maxwell stated, "I was very disappointed in our effort. We played well at times, but it seems we just couldn't put it together when we needed it."

/s/ David Smith



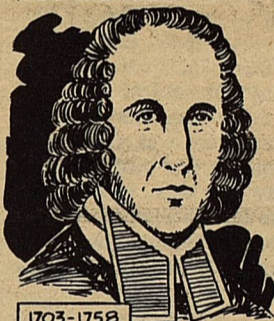
COMPETING IN U.I.L. COMPETITION IN PIANO WERE Stephanie Stephens and Tanya Hollis from junior high school.

## Participate In U.I.L. Competition

Several Borden County Piano students, under direction of piano and voice teacher, Mrs. Chesley Wilson, participated in U.I.L. competition in Midland Saturday, January 27.

Participants were Suzanne Walker, Karen Williams, Gena McLeroy, and Lisa McLeroy. Suzanne is the daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dyess of the plains. Her vocal solo was "The First Primrose" by Greig. Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams, also of the plains community. Karen's vocal was also "The First Primrose" by Grieg. She also played a Kabalevsky Prelude on the piano.



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**JONATHAN EDWARDS**  
EARLY AMERICAN CLERGYMAN AND PHILOSOPHER, WROTE IDEAS THAT CAME TO HIM WHILE RIDING HORSEBACK, THEN PINNED THE SLIPS OF PAPER ON HIS COAT!

## Parents-School Should Work Together

III of a series  
By Julie M. Dappen,  
Ranger Staff Writer-Wyoming

Mrs. Daphne Minter, past kindergarten teacher and present Riverton High School home economics teacher advises that some behavior characteristics may be completely different for students at home than they are at school, or vice versa.

She said she had one child who really started acting aggressive in school. His behavior became so bad that she wrote a note to the mother, who came to school and said, "The child you described simply isn't mine."

"Some children are model kids at home and then they come to school and let out their frustrations. Others can't cope with a home problem, but then come to school and are considerate, polite, just perfect."

Minter said she thinks it's a lot easier for parents to get involved with their children's school at the grade school level. But then when they reach that junior high or high school age, parents often back out of the picture. "The parents begin to feel like they don't really have a right to be involving themselves. They feel like they might not belong there," Minter said.

"They do have the right. They come and say they don't like where their kid is headed, but they don't know what to do.

They say they aren't even sure if they should be here (the school)," she said.

Parents should be there, according to Minter.

They should go to a teacher the child respects, if possible, she said.

And what happens if the child doesn't respect any teachers. Well, according to Minter, the root of that problem probably lies at the parents' feet as well. She said parents shouldn't put down the school in front of their children. The students must learn to respect the institution, she said.

Often, she said, parents will feel like they're helping their child when they take their side against the school, but the end result, according to Minter, is "If my parents don't respect the school, then why should I?"

Teachers can make mistakes and they do. Parents can make mistakes and they do, too. The answer is compromise, cooperation and common courtesy, according to Minter.

## School Meals

### Breakfast

### Lunch

February 5-9, 1979

MONDAY  
Cereal  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

TUESDAY  
Toast  
Sausage  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

WEDNESDAY  
Pancakes  
Fruit  
Milk

THURSDAY  
Cereal  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

FRIDAY  
Muffins  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

MONDAY  
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce  
Carrot Sticks  
Green Beans  
Pineapple Slices  
Hot Breas Bread  
Milk  
Salad Bar

TUESDAY  
Western Burgers  
Tator Tots  
Peach Half  
Milk

WEDNESDAY  
Pork Steak  
Mashed Potatoes  
English Peas  
Jello  
Hot Rolls  
Milk  
Salad Bar

THURSDAY  
Hamburgers  
French Fries  
Lettuce & Tomatoes  
Cookies  
Milk

FRIDAY  
Chopped Turkey & Gravy  
Cranberry Sauce  
Candied Sweet Potatoes  
Hot Bread  
Milk  
Salad Bar



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11	12 LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	13	14 FFA-FHA Meetings ST. VALENTINE'S DAY	15 Electronic Short Course 7:30 p.m.	16 6:30 p.m. H.S. Basketball Boys & Girls *Loop - Here	17 Heart Fund Program 7:30 p.m.		
18	19 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	20	21	22 End 2nd Quarter TRADITIONAL WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	23	24 Borden County Stock Show		
25	26	27	28					

# What's Hap-nin

It's nice to have Eurdist, Lesa, and Amber Rinehart home again. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Guess who is having a Birthday coming up soon? Who else besides our Borden Star editor, Barbara, I couldn't remember how many???

Mr. Pete Ware, father of Patsy Underwood, underwent surgery last week in Houston. Mr. Ware is reported to be doing fine and expects to be released the last part of the week.

Vickie and Earnest Kiker were weekend visitors of the Doyle Newtons and attended the basketball game Friday night.

Mervin and Lola Swinney have moved to Snyder where Mervin will be working for the State Highway Department. We will miss you'll, our loss is Snyder's gain!

Lay and Rhonda Copeland were seen at the basketball game Friday night visiting with Borden County friends and relatives.

Rich and Barbara Anderson and friends from Big Spring are vacationing in Switzerland this week. Boy, some people can just go anywhere!

JoJo Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Barnes had an emergency appendectomy Saturday morning. JoJo is resting comfortably and will be released later in the week hoping to return to school next week. JoJo is a 1st grade student at Borden Elementary.

Jake and Sybil Holmes are moving from Plano, Texas and will be making their new home in Temple, Texas. Jake is a former County Extension Agent for Borden County.

Brent Shafer had the misfortune of a dump truck accident early Monday morning due to icy road conditions. Brent is in the Cogdell hospital in Snyder with what is believed to be minor injuries.

Mrs. Cricket Vaughn underwent test in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock last week. Cricket is resting comfortably at home now.

Mrs. Sue Smith is recovering from surgery in the Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa and expects to be released later in the week.

Mrs. Margie Bishop was in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock the first part of the week having test. We wish you good reports, Margie!

Mrs. Dottie Wills has been hospitalized in Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa, where she is undergoing test. Dottie our prayers are with you and we hope to have you back home as soon as possible.

Buddy Sharp was taken to Medical Arts Hospital last Thursday afternoon by Borden County Ambulance after suffering an apparent heart attack. Buddy remains in Medical Arts at this time in guarded condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dawson Staggs of Hobbs, New Mexico visited his parents Bill and Alda Staggs.

Ralph and Waldeen Martin's guest over the week-end was their daughter, Jo Ann of Wellington, Texas. Jo Ann teaches reading, spelling, typing and Home Economics in the public school system in Quail, Texas.

Kenneth and Mary Lynn Williams have returned from a vacation in Hawaii and I don't know of a better time to have been there.

Bany and Juanda Hancock have returned from Angel Fire, New Mexico. (Angel Fire is near Red River. Juanda said that it was very beautiful in that locale.) Accompanying them and enjoying a few days of skiing were Sue, Joe, and Melissa. Juanda also stated that she and Bany were going to wait until next year before attempting to ski. Juanda, you won't be any younger in 1980. You should have tried it this year. They also spent some time in Burkburnet with Sandra, Ricky, and Mandy.

Lisa Ludecke was a year older January 27th... a belated Happy Birthday to Lisa.

Making a trip to Lovington, New Mexico, Friday, were Bob Ludecke, Alvin, Bryan, and Joe Bradshaw.

Dan and Ouida Turner spent several days in El Salvador, during the January cold weather.

Bill and May Stephens and C.C. and Florence Nunnally attended the 28th annual Kiwanis Pancake Supper in Lamesa, January 27th.

Tracy Dempsey received a cracked bone in her little finger of her left hand one day last week during basketball practice.

## For Sale

Early American style, Howard, spinet piano for sale. In excellent condition. If interested, call (915) 856-4742 after 4:00 P.M.

Attending the U.I.L. Piano Auditions in Big Spring Saturday were Carolyn and Steve Stephens. Stephanie was one of the participants and received a rating of 1. John spent the day with Carolyn's sister, the Gene Cross Family.

Garland and Eva Doyle visited with Jessie B and O.D. Jackson Saturday afternoon.

Frank and Wilma Currey's grandchildren, Bryan and Danisha Barnes of Lubbock spent the week-end with them.

Spending the week-end with Pat and Jo Hensley were their children Lesa of Texas Tech and Rusty and his family of Midland.

Stella Cooley, Frank and Wilma Currey, and Garland Doyle are recuperating from surgery. All are doing nicely.

Visiting Bob, Gae, and Lisa Ludecke Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Oliver of Hamlin and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Chisum of Lubbock.

Congratulations to the Girl's Basketball Team on their win over Dawson.



Mr. and Mrs. James E. Smith, Jr. are the new parents of a son. Jay and Kathryn welcomed Jay Lon on January 21, 1979. He weighed 5 lbs 14 oz and is 21 inches long. Jeselaine Lois, who is two years old was very happy to have the new baby. Grandparents are Mrs. Bess Smith, and the late Bun Smith, of Borden County and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. "Jake" Holmes of Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hare are the proud parents of an 8 lb. 3 oz. baby boy. He was born January 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Post Hospital. He has been named Jonathan Lee.

## Cancer Society Meeting

There will be a Cancer Crusade Meeting, February 5, at 5:00 p.m. in the new conference room of Borden High School. Maggie Wilson, District Supervisor will present the program.

## Parent's Club

The Borden County Elementary Parent's Club will meet Thursday, February 8, at 2:30. Mrs. McMeans and the 3rd grade class will present the program. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Open Letter

### Terrible Mistake

To The Dallas News:

When your honorable government announces it will sever diplomatic relations with the Republic of China and yield to the pressure of the Communists, it is actually tantamount to tolling the death bell of the free world. Your decision has not only done serious damage to the Republic of China but also produced a tremendous adverse impact upon the entire free, democratic world.

Does your basic national spirit of respecting duty still exist? Are "human rights," to which for 200 years you particularly have been devoted, still in existence? The present unrighteous action that your government has committed would discourage free-

dom-loving and democratic fighters all over the world. The near-sighted behavior of seeking for self-interest and betraying allies weakens the confidence of your friends in your reliability. Is the United States so changeable?

In my impression, the honorable American people are sensible and wise. I am sure that the wrong conduct of the extermination of human rights is not your will. Thus, dear friends, don't be a silent crowd any more.

Please tell your government and senators that it is a terrible mistake that President Carter has made, and it's never too late to make a correction.

WU FAR CHUANG  
Taiwan, Republic of China

## Card Of Thanks

We would like to tell everyone what a wonderful treat the get-together for our "farewell" party was. We really feel honored that you could take the time from your busy, busy schedules to come and wish us the best of luck. I hope you all know how very special the Borden County communities and people mean to us—we shall never forget any

of you and we'll try to come back and visit every time we get the chance. Thanks so much to the folks who planned and decorated and for the refreshments - and especially thank you for the Borden County commemorative medallions, and (pick-up). We will always cherish them.

Till we meet again,  
Much love,  
Randy, Dinah & Brian Upshaw



DOCK HOWELL

## Celebrates 87th Birthday

He was born January 31, 1892 in Lampass, Texas to Wade and Lula Howell. He was the oldest of three children, two boys and a girl. His sister died in 1977.

They moved to Borden County in 1902 and Dock went to school in the one room school house located east of Gail. They left Gail in 1904 to move to Dawson County where they farmed and where he grew up.

Dock served in France in World War One from 1919 to 1921. He then went to Oklahoma where he met and married Miss Lena Mae McGuire on December 7, 1921 in Tuelo, Oklahoma.

Dock brought his new bride back to Dawson County to live

and raise a family (4 boys and 5 girls). They lost one daughter in infancy.

They moved to O'Donnell in 1932 where he went into cement work. He did a lot of work around the Borden County school and court house. He remained in cement work until he retired in 1976 to return to Borden County.

Dock Howell celebrated his 87th birthday last Sunday 28th at his home, here in Gail. Even though his birthday was not until January 31, a celebration was in order for his party was attended by approximately 50 friends and neighbors.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dock Howell of Gail; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Howell, Hobbs, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Don Howell & family, Odessa, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Howell, Hobbs, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Crutcher & family, Hobbs, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bickly & family, Hobbs, New Mexico; Mrs. Liz Williams, Hobbs, NM; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Owens, Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith & Chip, Gail; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Flood, Odessa, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Marty Flood, Odessa, Texas; Miss Dixie Flood, Odessa; Mr. Tommy Hunter, Odessa; Mrs. Nita Slaughter, Kermit; Mrs. Ophia Gross, Andrews; Mr. Ronnie Parkhouse, Reese Air Base; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herridge & family, Gail; Mrs. Joan Lee & family, Odessa; Mr. Bryon Howell & friend, David, Odessa; and Mr. Sonny Smith, Big Spring.

# Jer's Gottings

Well, I'll tell you one thing. The State of the Union address was no different that 90% of the current TV shows--dull as dishwater. And most of them are in the same vernacular. James Earle, the president, didn't sound much different from Jimmy the candidate. Just a bunch of platitudes and a lot of rhetoric.

But there were a few interesting statements made. He grinned and said that net farm income was up a whopping 25% in 1978. Do you farmers believe that? If it's true, I'd like to know why y'all are parading your tractors around in hopes of a fairer shake.

Then he grinned again and told US that seven million new jobs had been created. Now I know that and I think it is wonderful that the employment rate is up. But James Earle didn't tell US that the gross national product is down did he? You know what happens--more people working for higher wages producing less goods and services brings higher prices and more inflation. James Earle is concerned about inflation tho. He said so--"We must stop government growth and cut our spending habits". Hooray - hooray - whistle-clap-- stomp. But wait a minute-- did he tell US that 50,000 of those newly created jobs are in Washington--stop government growth--? Another grin--he wants to enact a sun (set) law. I think that is wonderful and I suggest the Energy Dept. be the first to slip behind the horizons. It has served it's purpose, if it ever had one-- it failed --and now it is time to go. Costing that bloated department would place 20,000 people into the public sector and off the federal payroll. I betcha if James Earle is serious and intends to have a complete housecleaning of obsolete bureaucracies, he just may turn up several blue three cornered hatted folks tucked in the dusty dust--still doing their job.

Grin again--"We've won new respect with our action in Panama--Africa--Asia", etc. ad nauseum. That's really worth a grin but not by US. The Communists yes, but US no. I came across an interesting letter to an editor the other day. The wise fellow was advising all allies, non-communist friends of US to quickly turn Red. Thereby assuring them selves perpetual support from US. I hope he sent copies to IAN Smith and the good man governing Taiwan.

James Earle kinda straightened himself up, looked serious and began to give his pitch for SALTII. 'Course he acted as if it is a fait accompli once he signs the document. My ear to the ground tells me that he may have a fight on his hands--that the new Congress isn't quite so pliable as the old. We hope not but we'll see.

The President got the usual amount of applause but one thing disturbed me. The longest and loudest round came when he insisted that ERA be ratified. Now that made me shudder - - hopefully the good guys were snoozing and just came up clapping.

All in all the New Foundation program was quite unrealistic. If you lasted thru it, you would think all is rosy and grins. But we all know different. James E. didn't mention the mess he's put the energy industry in - - swept that under the rug nicely. He did hope to deregulate the truckers. Ironic - - regulates the gasoline that runs the deregulated trucks. He really kissed off Iran by failing to mention that poor country. Nor did he mention that the House must now vote on the "enabling" part of the Panama Canal Treaty.

Sifting it all thru, the State of the Union speech mixed up to be an anti-inflation and SALT II bli(n)tz. James Earle sure nuff sounded like ole Jimmy----hawkish and tight as Dick's hat band.

## Texas Tech Day

Lubbock-- An event-packed day in the life of a college student is in store for high school students and others participating in the 1979 annual Texas Tech University Day, March 2.

University Day plans include a look at academic and student assistance programs, a tour of the campus, visits with advisers and, to top off the experience, a swimming and dance party at the Texas Tech Aquatic Center.

Traditionally about 1,500 students from high schools and junior colleges throughout the state use University Day to take an in-depth look at Texas Tech programs and facilities.

While 41 percent of Texas Tech's 22,500 students list the Lubbock area as "home," 16.5 percent, or 3,427, come from the Dallas-Fort Worth area. More than 1,000 come from Houston and a similar number from the Midland-Odessa area. San Antonio, Amarillo and El Paso areas each send more than 500 students to Texas Tech. From each of the Austin, Waco- Temple - Belton and the Wichita Falls area more than 250 students are enrolled.

The day is arranged to give an overall view of collegiate life in general and the Texas Tech University experience in particular. Visitors need not be planning to enroll at Texas Tech to participate. There are no fees.

In addition to conferring with advisers in any of the university's six undergraduate schools, participants can talk with experts in counseling, financial aids, sports, student organizations including fraternities and sororities, the honors program, military organizations and other specialized areas.

For the first time this year high school and junior college counselors are invited to a luncheon and meeting designed to serve their particular interests.

University Day begins with registration in the University Center Courtyard, starting at 8:45 a.m. It ends at 10:30 p.m. at the swimming pool.

John Edwards, admissions officer, is coordinating events.

"While there are formal programs planned," Edwards said, "informality is stressed. For fun there will be movies, swimming, dancing and the tours. Ample time is provided for students to browse and visit with Tech students, professors, and staff."

The student also has time to seek advice from whatever college or colleges interest him or her. Students can visit departments of their choosing and attend special programs offered in each of the colleges.

"University Day is an important step in the life of college-bound students," he said. "It gives them an opportunity to 'get their feet wet,' sample a feeling of college life and to feel more at home when they eventually enroll in a university."

For more information, students can contact Edwards through the Office of Admissions and Records, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409, (806) 742-3661.



The word "cheerful" is said to come from the Latin *cara*, meaning "face."

## Curl Becomes Dean Tech Agricultural Sciences



DR. SAMUEL E. CURL

Dr. Samuel E. Curl will be the fifth dean of the Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences, President Cecil Mackey announced today.

Currently president of Phillips University in Enid, Okla., Curl will assume his new position with Texas Tech on July 1. He will head the only U.S. non-land grant college of agriculture granting the doctoral degree.

The new dean was on the faculty and staff of Texas Tech from 1961-1976 and rose from an instructor's position to that of associate vice president for academic affairs. He has been Phillips' president since July of '76.

A native of Tolar, Texas, Curl attended Tarleton State College and was granted the B.S. degree by Sam Houston State University, M.S. by the University of Missouri and Ph. D. by Texas A&M University.

"We are pleased that Dr. Curl has accepted this important appointment within our university," President Mackey commented. "He knows well the importance of agriculture to West Texas and the vital role of the College of Agriculture at Texas Tech. He has an impressive record at Texas Tech, particularly in the area of agricultural research, which he directed for several years. His record as an administrator is outstanding. I am confident he will provide strong leadership for our academic programs while

working closely with the Texas agricultural community."

"Sam Curl is one of the Southwest's finest young administrators," Dr. Charles S. Hardwick, Tech vice president for Academic Affairs, remarked of the 41-year-old new dean.

Curl holds membership in the American Society of Animal Science, Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Xi, both honorary organizations. He is listed in "American Men and Women of Science," "Outstanding Educators of America" and "Who's Who in the South and Southwest," among others.

Formerly an active member and deacon of the First Christian Church of Lubbock, he is married to the former Betty Doris Savage, and they have three daughters, Jane Ellen, 13, Julia Kathleen, 11, and Karen Elizabeth, 6.

Curl is co-author of two books and author of numerous articles dealing with various facets of agricultural research.

When contacted in Enid today, Curl said, "While I've enjoyed immensely the opportunity to serve as president of Phillips for three years and am especially gratified by the amount of progress which has been made in this institution, my family and I look forward with great anticipation to our return to Texas Tech and Lubbock and the many challenges and opportunities afforded by the deanship of the College of Agricultural Sciences. The College has a tremendous faculty and staff, and I am deeply honored to have been selected to serve as its leader."

The college was one of the first divisions when Texas Tech opened its doors in 1925 with neither enough classrooms nor laboratories for the unexpected large enrollment.

The College of Agricultural Sciences has grown to an enrollment of more than 1,300 with excellent on-campus facilities, one of the largest research facilities of its kind at the Killgore Beef Cattle Center at the Texas Tech Center at Amarillo and one of the most complete agricultural field laboratories, called the Lubbock County Field Laboratory, on a 983-acre tract near New Deal, Texas.

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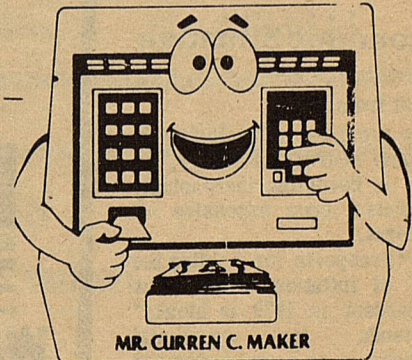
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# Ezell Named Chairman



AUSTIN--State Rep. Mike Ezzell (D) of Snyder has been named as Chairman of the Health Services Committee and has also been appointed to a position on the Higher Education and House Administration House committees by Speaker of the House Bill Clayton.

Clayton said Rep. Ezzell would serve in these capacities during the next two years of the 66th Legislature.

Rep. Ezzell, a businessman and minister by profession, is serving his third term in the House. Last session, he served on the Health and Welfare, House Administration, and Judiciary committees.

The nine-member Health Services Committee has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the protection of public health, mental health and mental retardation, mental illness, and the regulation of nursing homes. The committee also has jurisdiction over the Texas Department of Health Resources, the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Texas Health Facilities Commission, and the Texas Commission on Alcoholism.

The eleven-member Higher Education Committee has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to education beyond high school and all the colleges and universities of the State of Texas. This committee also has jurisdiction over the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System and the boards of regents of the several colleges and universities of the state.

The nine-member House Administration Committee has jurisdiction over the administrative procedures involving the operation of the House of Representatives and its employees, the general House Fund, all property, and the assignment of office space. The committee also has jurisdiction over all admissions to the floor during sessions of the House, radio and TV broadcasting of the House while in session, electronic recording of all proceedings, and all witnesses appearing before the House or a committee of the House.

## Economic Situation

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slow progress in developing alternate sources of energy, the U.S. is becoming increasingly dependent upon expensive oil imports.

"Prospects for holding the rate of inflation below about 8 percent in 1979 is bleak," contends the economist "There is no easy answer nor quick solution to controlling inflation without a number of undesirable short-term side effects such as high interest rates and increasing unemployment."

One person can sue another person or any business-- regardless of what legal form the business operates under.

Or, he/she can sue a man in business for himself, a partnership, or a large corporation. Small Claims Court hearings are informal, and since no formal pleadings are required, legal counsel is not necessary.

The justice of the peace renders judgement unless a jury is requested by either party.

Each litigant or party to the dispute must speak for himself. There are no complicated legal papers to file.

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## Rural Residents Often Wide Open To Vandals

People living in "low crime" rural areas may often leave themselves wide open to vandalism.

Because they are fortunate enough to have a low crime rate in the area, many rural residents do not take the simple precautions of locking their cars, barns and storage sheds.

There have been many reports of costly chemicals being taken from unlocked storage areas, for example. Not only are chemicals costly to replace, but they may not always be available for replacement.

A recent survey showed that gasoline is the favorite target for thieves in rural areas. Follow-up studies revealed that 67 percent of the affected gas tanks were not locked. Neither were 61 percent of the automobiles, 92 percent of the farm equipment, 93 percent of the barns or 81 percent of tool sheds hit by vandals.

The reason thieves find so many unlocked treasures is simple, an Extension specialist says. Surveys show that rural residents generally feel secure and safe in their neighborhoods. They are not wor-

ried about protecting personal property, so they just don't take simple precautions to stifle burglaries.

Further, it has been determined that less than one-half of all rural burglaries are reported to law enforcement officials.

There is a saying to the effect that locks only keep honest men honest. That would seem reason enough to employ simple safety precautions. Farmers are cautious about all other farm operations. Why not extend that caution to cover supplies?

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## Ambulance News

We have not been so lucky the past two weeks, Jessie B. Jackson was carried to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, Buddy Sharp was carried to Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa with a heart attack and Brent Shaffer was carried to Cogdell Hospital in Snyder from a dump truck accident.

Memorials since last publication:

Bob, Gae, and Lisa Ludecke in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Furlow

/s/ Fran Bennett

## WTC Sets Swim Course For Women

A swimming course for women will be offered at Western Texas College in Community Services classes starting Monday and Wednesday.

The class which begins Monday will meet on Mondays through March 12, while the Wednesday class will meet through March 14. Carol Darby will be instructor and students will pay fees of \$25 each.

Starting time for both classes will be 5:30 p.m., and each class is to be limited to 10 students.

Persons wishing to reserve space in either class are to call the Community Services office at 573-8511, extension 240.

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