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Borden County Does It Again



D'LYNN LLOYD, CARLA JONES, M'LYS, and A'LISE LLOYD perform for the 1979 Heart Fund Talent Show.

Musicians, amateur as well as professional gathered in the high school auditorium in Gail last Saturday, February 17. The volunteers from all walks of life, displayed their talents in a crusade to make money for the Heart Association. Once again Borden County surpassed its goal and brought in over \$2100.00. Last year the talent show netted \$1216.21.

brought in \$100.00 for the fund for just yodeling.. He also proved to be "mean" on the drums and sang "Let me call You Sweetheart" with Carla Jones- a combination of two terrific voices.

Also performing in order of the program were: Dub Everett, piano; Jim Burkett, guitar; Frank Herridge, guit-

ar; Joe Gilmore, guitar, Buddy Telchik, guitar; and O.D. Jackson, guitar. They played "Sweet Georgia Brown", "Take These Chains" "I'll Fly Away" and "Down Yonder". Tammy Telchik, pianist, played "Furdeleise" and "Blue Danube". The Three Burketts, a family group consisting of father and daughters- Jim Burkett, guitarist; Carol, clarinet; and Glynda, pianist with the popular tune, "Misty". Chuck Canon, vocalist, sang the new popular song- "Three Times A Lady". Doug Nehring came through again with his smooth harmonica and guitar playing (both at the same time.) His tunes including "Shanando" pulled many heart strings. Bringing in many requests were Sherry Vaughn and Kristi Stone, 9 and 10 years of age respectively, with their version of "Two Doors Down". They were accompanied on the piano by voice and piano teacher, Mrs. Sally Wilson. The Arguments, Brent Rhoton, guitar, Heather McPhaul, tamborine and Becky Miller were accompanied by Jacquelin McPhaul on the tamborine and Glynda Burkett on the piano. The Arguments played "Its

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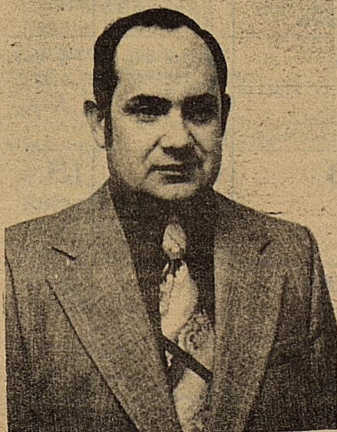
1979 Borden County Stock Show Is Here!!!!

(Animals weigh in February 22)

STOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

Barrow Show	Friday, 1:00 p.m.
Lamb Show	Friday, 4:00 p.m.
Steer Show	Saturday, 9:00 a.m.
Barbecue Dinner	Saturday Noon

Williams Files



KENNETH WILLIAMS

The Annual Talent Show was dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Billy (Dotty) Wills who passed away recently. This was the second such talent show for the county and has proved to be a good benefit. Besides the funds received from the show, a lamb was donated by Ben Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Murphy, to be auctioned off and the profit being donated to the Heart Association in memory of Dotty. The lamb was purchased by Tammy Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller for the sum of \$200.00.

Once again the talented Rich Anderson was Master-of-Ceremonies. Who would guess that the rough and rugged cowman could sing and yodel. He

Kenneth Williams, whose term on the Board of Trustees of Borden County Schools expires April 7, has filed for re-election. At present, he is serving as Vice-President of the Board. He and his wife Mary Lynn have four children attending school in Borden County. Karen attends Borden High School, Keith and Kirby are students of Borden Junior High and Kelli attends Borden Elementary School.

Other candidates who have filed are incumbent-T.L. Griffin, Bob Dyess and Pat Porter. Mr. Griffin has held a seat on the board since 1967 and Mr. Williams since 1970.



Borden County Extension Agent, SAM FIELD, his wife DONNA and son JIM ED.

Borden County School News

Off Season Programs Begin

Utilizing six new Mach I weight training units and a newly remodeled weight room, the Borden High athletes and physical education students have begun a program designed to improve strength and agility.

The old boys dressing room

on the north end of the old gym has been remodeled. All of the lockers, toilets, and showers were removed, new lights installed, walls painted and carpet put on the floor. This is one of the best weight training rooms around for a school our size.

At this time, the boys are using the weight room on Mondays and Wednesdays and the girls on Tuesdays and Thursdays. On the alternate days, the track and tennis teams work on their skills.

The coaches feel that this off season program will improve all areas of the athletic

programs at Borden as well as give physical education students a chance to improve also.

The off season program is by no means intended to replace or take away from any of the spring sports. This program will compliment the track and tennis programs by giving the strength needed to compete in both of these sports.

School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees for the Borden County Independent School District met in a regular meeting on February 19, 1979. All members were present for the meeting. After routine business of minutes and bills, the election judges and clerks were approved. The school calendar was also approved as recommended by the Superintendent. Beginning date for students will be September 4, 1979 and the ending date for students will be May 29, 1980.

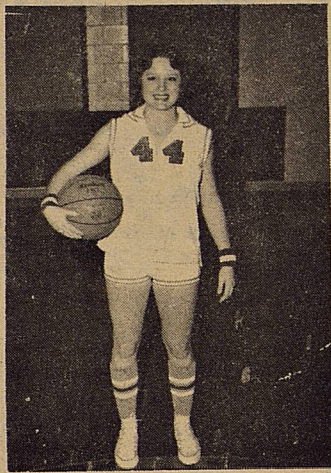
Contracts for Mickey McMeans, high school principal, and Ben Jarrett, elementary principal, were extended for one year. The contracts are two-year contracts and extend through the 1980-1981 school year. Both principals were commended for a job well done.

Superintendent James McLeroy gave a year-to-date financial report. The attendance was reported at 208. Bids were opened for the purpose of constructing one tennis court and sidewalks for the front of the new building. Bids were as follows:

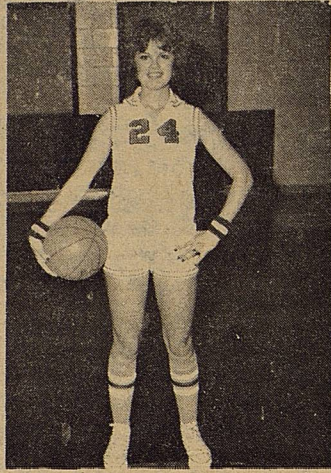
- Cope Sand & Gravel of Lamesa \$14,546.35
- Wendell Campbell of Big Spring \$18,648.00
- Richard Brown of Big Spring \$22,000.00

The contract was awarded to Cope Sand and Gravel of Lamesa.

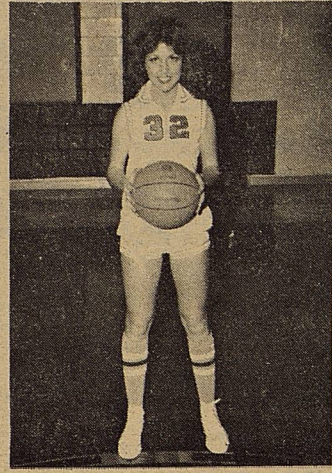
Among other business of the Board, the Superintendent was authorized to have the gym floor in the old gym repaired and also to purchase a new stock trailer.



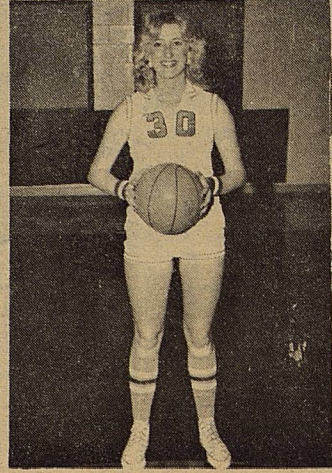
PENNY THOMPSON



LISA McLEROY



RHESA WOLF



VICKIE JONES

Senior Girls Play Last Game For BHS

The Borden Varsity Girls ended their basketball season last week 23-6 with a district record of 7-3.

The leading scorer for the Coyotes was Talley Griffin with 298 points. Talley made 38 out of 66 freethrows for a 58% average. Talley also made 130 field goals out of 292 tries for a 45% average.

Jana Edwards grabbed the title of Leading Rebounder for the team for an average of 7.6 per game.

Other records for the girls were as follows:

- 883 Rebounds 30.4
- 497 Steals 17.1
- 544 Turnovers 18.8
- 1361 Points Scored 46.9

967 Points gave up 33.3
Free Throws - 248 out of 486 for 51%
Field Goals- 558 out of 1402 for 40%

Senior leaders for the Borden Coyote Girls Basketball team this year were:

Penny Thompson- made a total of 151 points, averaging 5.2 per game. Also had 68 rebounds, averaging 2.3 per game.

Lisa McLeroy- made a total of 47 points, with an average of 1.6 per game. She also had 57 rebounds, aver-

aging 1.9 per game.

Vickie Jones- scored 127 points averaging 4.4 per game. She also grabbed 67 rebounds for an average of 2.3 per game.

Rhesa Wolf- scored 3 points with an average of .10 per game. She also grabbed 10 rebounds for an average of .34 per game.

injured ankle and Craig Peterson missed 6 full games and most of 2 more due to a severe ankle sprain.

Some of the outstanding performances for the season were Most points by team- 88, Borden, Snyder Junior Varsity; most points by individual- 33

Although not all of these girls started, they contributed their part to help have a winning season. Sometimes the leadership of a young ball club can be a heavy load. A coach has to know when to push, when to be sympathetic, and when to scold; especially when certain goals that were set long ago could not be reached. These four senior girls have my highest praise for a job well done.

/s/ Coach Larry Steele

Craig Peterson, Borden vs Whiteface; least points by opponents-37 by O'Donnell and Wellman; most steals in one game- Perry Smith-8, Borden vs Ira.

The following are the final status for the Coyotes:

Boys Finish Season

The Borden Coyotes Boys Basketball team finished their season with a 14-13 win-loss record for 1978-79. The highlight of the season for the Coyotes had to be their outstanding performance in winning the championship at the O'Donnell Tournament. Other great performances included last second wins over O'Donnell and Sundown. Also some of the best games played did not always end up with Coyote victories, for example Greenwood and Sands. The Coyotes played great ball control in losing to Greenwood 53-42 and to Sands 58-48.

The Coyotes were plagued by injuries and illness all season, but managed to use good bench strength to their advantage. Blane Dyess played the first month of the season with an

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Borden County School News

Spring Sports Begin

With the completion of the basketball season, the Borden coaches have traded their basketballs and sweat bands for stop watches and spiked shoes. The boys have had a few days workouts which have consisted mainly of timing in 40, 60 and 100 yard sprints as well as some agility course timing. The girls will begin their workouts this week.

The first track meet of the season will be at Meadow on March 2 (Junior High) and at Meadow March 3 (High School.) Other high school track meets this season are March 9 at Dawson, March 16 Borden Relays, March 24-Lady Jay Relays at Jayton (Girls Only) and KC Relays at Klondike on March 30. The district track meet for girls will be April 5 at Wellman and the boys district meet will be at Klondike on April 19.

As of this date the only tennis matches scheduled are the district matches. The High School girls district matches will be on March 27 and the High School boys district matches will be on April 17. The Junior High tennis teams will play their district matches on April 9 and 10.

/s/ Coach Maxwell



PENNYE THOMPSON-
Counting Stamps.

Stamp Project

This year's stamp project went real well. A total of 13,836 stamps were collected from the high school classes and people in the community. Winners of this project were the Juniors with a total of 5979! They will be honored with a coke party later on. Second was the sophomores with 3933, next the seniors with 2828 and the freshmen with 1096. Everyone did a great job.

These stamps are sent to Norway to a tuberculin hospital for children. They are sold and the money is used to buy things for the hospital.

We encourage anyone who would like to save to do so. Get in touch with any F.H.A. member and they will pick up your stamps. We appreciate any help we can get. Thanks and everyone did a great job. Penny Thompson, senior member of the Executive Council was chairman of the project.

/s/ Mayme McLaury-Reporter



Mayme McLaury, Carla Jones, Penny Thompson, Karen Williams, and Rhesa Wolf are preparing for Valentine project.

FHA Valentine Project

One project of the Gail Future Homemakers of America is the Valentine project. This project is designed to provide the young children in the specific homes, in which our project chairman chooses, with a chance to exchange valentines with friends. These valentines are much more important to these children than they are to children in happy homes. They give these children a chance to actually own something of their very own, which is something that they don't have very often.

Each year around Valentine's Day, the F.H.A. members bring 1 or 2 unopened boxes of valentines to be taken to the children. This year the F.H.A. members gathered their valentines and put them with a small box of candy hearts and special valentine signed by each of the members. Each member took a valentine and wrote a note, message, saying etc. and signed their name and address. These personal valentines were to show the children that each of the members really care, to make each gift more personal, and to encourage them to write to the members.

This year the girls chose to visit The Children's Home of Lubbock and Buckners Children's Home. Rhesa Wolf-President; Karen Williams-Vice-President; Carla Jones-Pianist, Penny Thompson-Exec. Council Member, and project Chairman- Mayme McLaury- Reporter, delivered the valentines to the homes. Mrs. Don Jones took the girls to the homes.

At Buckners, they met Pam Elliot, who showed them some of the rooms and offices, which are newly built, and then the members went downstairs to the activity room. This room is equipped with pool table, air hockey, and a skating rink. There were about 15-18 children skating and playing their hearts out, it was a real site. We were asked to skate with the children while we visited and got to know them. We were really outclassed on the

skates! The children really got to know us-they spent half the time picking us up off the floor!!! We really enjoyed playing with the children and getting to know them. We are waiting to hear from them, they promised to write. This was a super experience for all who sent and we plan to visit again soon.

At the Children's Home of Lubbock, Lynn Harms was

called away unexpectedly and we weren't able to meet the children there. But we did play basketball with some of the older kids which was a lot of fun. They are surprisingly good for their age! We also visited a cottage where the children live. It was a modest home with 6-7 bedrooms shared by the kids. Kids of different ages and both boys and girls (just like a family) live in a home with a man and wife as their houseparents. These kids are very proud of their homes to want us to see them. We enjoyed being with these kids and are sorry we didn't get to meet the younger ones.

Those of us who went are looking forward to going again next year and we hope that some of the other members will have a chance to go also. This was such a great experience for us. We especially appreciate Mrs. Jones' assistance on this project.

/s/ Mayme McLaury-Reporter

TRACK MEETS

The first track meet will be March 2 in Meadow, for Jr. High Boys and Girls.

The high school track meet is March 3 at Meadow for Boys and Girls.

School Meals

Breakfast Lunch

February 26-March 3, 1979

MONDAY
Enchilada Casserole
Mexican Bean Salad
Fruit
Cookies
Milk
Salad Bar

TUESDAY
Pinto Beans & Beef
Potato Rounds
Fruit Salad
Cornbread
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Tacos with Cheese
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Buttered Corn
Fruit Cocktail Cake
Milk
Salad Bar

THURSDAY
Hamburgers
French Fries
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Cake with Butter Icing
Milk

FRIDAY
Lasagna
Buttered Green Beans
Peach Half
Hot Bread
Milk
Salad Bar

SATURDAY
Corn Dogs
Cheese Sticks
Baked Beans
Fruit Salad
Milk

MONDAY
Cereal
Fruit Juice
Milk

TUESDAY
Hot Cakes
Fruit Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Cherry Turnovers
Fruit Juice
Milk

THURSDAY
Hot Biscuits
Bacon
Applesauce
Milk

FRIDAY
Cinnamon Rolls
Fruit Juice
Milk

SATURDAY
Cereal
Fruit Juice
Milk

Reminder

There will be a school day Saturday, March 3rd. to make up for those of the days missed because of bad weather.

Talent Show

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So Easy To Fall In Love" and "That'll Be The Day," while Heather sang. James McLeroy, Chairman of the Borden Heart Association, by request (Brent Murphy and Billy Wills offered \$10.00 each to hear him play 1 tune on the harmonica. If he played 2 they wanted their money back) played "Turkey in The Straw". An unusual duet, Carla Jones and cousin D'Lynn Lloyd sang "Sing" and were joined by A'Lise and M'lys to sing "A Doe a Deer". Heather McPhaul was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson on the piano as she sang "You've Been Talking In Your Sleep." Scot Underwood from Luther sang "Ebony Eyes" as Brent Rhoton, Becky Miller and Glynda Burkett accompanied. The same trio accompanied Marquita Mennix as she sang "If You Love Me Let Me Know". Gena McLeroy then sang "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue" and her sister, Lisa sang "I Heard You Talking In Your Sleep". Together they sang "I did it My Way." Vanette Everett of Snyder then played a beautiful piece on the piano. We appreciate these people who live in other towns yet still show interest in Borden County like Vanette, Scot, Dub and Bennie and Rhonda Jones. Marguita and Mary Mennix joined Frank Herr-

idge in singing "Love Letters In the Sand", "Whispering Hope", and "Faded Love" and "Holding Things Together." (You got the feeling you were in Hoyle Nix's Stampede on a Saturday night with the class of singing). Rhonda and Benny Jones played and sang two hymnals after which Bennie sang "Little Brown Building". Buster Taylor and Larry Smith, the county comedians appeared to have really come up in the music world with Buster on his guitar and Larry on his mandelin playing "Down Yonder" and "Waltz Across Texas" when someone offered \$10.00 to expose them. Behind the curtain was Frank Herridge and Joe Gilmore, the real musicians.

Thanks were expressed to Cathy McEntyre, Regional Director of the Heart Association; Mickie Gomez, Volunteer for Ector County Heart Association for being on hand to check blood pressure for anyone interested. Also thanks were expressed to Mr. Jim Burkett, and Buddy Telchik, as program chairmen; Jim Parker, sound director; and James McLeroy, Heart Association Chairman for Borden County, also to Rich Anderson for being such a good sport and arm-twister, and also to those who donated to the good cause.

What's Hap-nin

Eddie Simer was in Temple this past week at Scott & White having test.

Corky Ogden's mother, Mrs. Lucy Ogden of the Midway community has been hospitalized in Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa after suffering a light stroke.

Jean Taylor remains in Cowper Hospital in Big Spring, at this time but is recuperating nicely and expects to be released later in the week.

Mr. and Mr. R. G. Ogden of San Angelo were week-end visitors of the Corky Ogdens.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Bishop are all smiles this week as they have a new granddaughter.

Penny, Mike, & Kim Maxwell spent the weekend in Copperas Cove visiting Penny's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Stacy.

Dana Westbrook, a 1977, graduate of Borden High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Westbrook, was awarded a Jean Saunders Scholarship Award in the field of Home Economics a Parents Day Luncheon Saturday February 17, on the campus of Abilene Christian University, Abilene Texas.

Dana was among several students who were honored for outstanding accomplishments

in various fields of study and activity at A.C.U. The parents were also honored at the luncheon.

The event was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Ross Westbrook and Sid Westbrook of Gail.

Plains News

Garland and Eva Doyle spent a few days with Larry, Lyndy, Lorrie, Leigh, and Leddy. They were there to attend the district Jr. High basketball tournament to be held over the week-end, but the tournament had to be post-poned due to the icy road conditions.

Lyndy and Lorrie are on the Jr. High basketball team of the Boles Home School, which won their district. However they did get to play one game, and won it. The Boles Home School is located three miles from Quinlan, Texas.

Oscar and Buleah Telchik spent the week-end in Abilene with her sister, the Barron Wellborns. Oscar and Buleah were also guests at a luncheon honoring outstanding students of Abilene Christian University.

Their grand daughter, La Rhea Pepper, was among the honored students. La Rhea's

husband, Terry, his parents and brother, Jack and Daphne of Riverton, Wyoming, and Jackie of ACU also attended.

Community Workday Held

Friends of Bill and Georgia Williams got together for a "workday" on the Williams farm February 13.

Twenty-nine tractors and one airplane were there to shred staks, chisel, break, put down treflan, and list the land. The land is now in top shape and ready for planting. The women brought food for the noon meal, which was served in Norman Ledbetter's farm shop.

Those helping Bill for the day were Garland Ludecke, Jarrell Edwards, Oscar Telchik, Weldon Cooley, Dan Turner, Juan Benavidez, Bill Ludecke, John Ragan, Harlin Williams, Leonard Isaacs, Nolan Jones, Alfonso Benavidez, Steve Hess, Mike Billingsley, Matt Farmer, Isaac Ledbetter, Bany Hancock, Rube Smith, Bob Ludecke, Alvin Bradshaw, Pat and Randy Hensley, Shorty Farmer, Kenneth Williams, Frank Currey, Dennis McHenry, Steve Stephens, Juventino Balaque, Paul Portales, Leo Stewart, Herman and Norman Ledbetter. From the Draw Community there were V. O., Noel, and Vinson Caswell, Cecil Kizer, Gus Sherrill, Shorty Williams, Eli Vickers, Brant Williams, Roby Rios, J. C. Durham, Slick Williams, Alex Renteria, Jr., Bobby Mack Furlow, Gerald Huffaker, and Boyd Barnes. Also Gae Ludecke, Juanda Hancock, Stella Cooley, Jo Hensley, Buleah Telchik, Candy Billingsley, Eva Doyle, Waldine Martin, Hettie Ledbetter, Nancy Edwards, Christeen Ledbetter, Barbara Farmer, Sadie Ludecke, Ouida Turner, Alda Staggs, Marie Ragan, Nita Bradshaw, Dot Smith, Nellie Williams, Wilma Currey, Carolyn Stephens, Pam Hess, Liz Ledbetter Musgrove, Donell Hensley, Drucilla Kizer, Fern Barnes, Mary V. Sherrill, Brenda Furlow, and Katherine Stephens.

Elton and Wilma Thorpe of Lamesa used their plane Mr. & Mrs. Benny White of Key brought their water tanks and helped with the flagging of the plane. Wayland Taylor Inc. made two trouble calls to the farm.

The day went along very smoothly except for a few mishaps. John Ragan's tractor had a back tire to blow out. Dan Turner's tractor blew off a hydraulic hose. Due to troubles, Leo Stewart had to take the tractor he was driving to O'Donnell for repairs. The muffler on Bob Ludecke's tractor gave a little trouble. All in all it turned out to be a great day.


Correction

The article on the Hall-Parks Wedding Shower should have read--Teresa Yearwood, sister of the bride, registered guests.




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JOE GILMORE takes time out for a free blood pressure check taken by CATHY McENTYRE and MICKIE GOMEZ.



FRAN BENNETT, MARY MENNIX, DOROTHY BROWN, and BONNIE SNEED (not pictured) take pledges at the Heart Fund Saturday night.



BIRTHS



Mr. and Mrs. Brant Williams of O'Donnell are the parents of Jason Brant who was born Saturday, Feb. 10 at 4:35 p.m. at Malone-Hogan Hospital in Big Spring.

Jason weighed 8 pounds and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Cooper of Lamesa and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams of O'Donnell.

Mr. & Mrs. James Bishop of Snyder have a new daughter, Elizabeth Ann. Elizabeth Ann weighed 6lb loz and was born Friday, February 16 at 8:30 a.m. in Big Spring at Malone-Hogan Hospital. She has two older brothers, Marc and Michael.

The proud Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Houston Bishop of Gail.

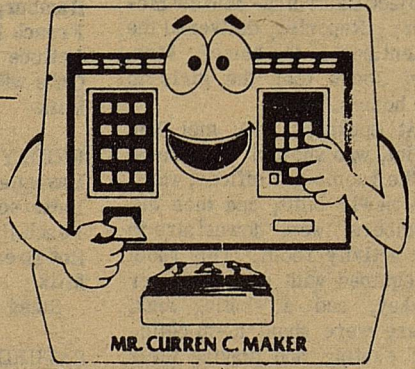


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Jerre's Gottings

I think I've got it! You know there is that conflict over illegal aliens? I prefer to call them willing worker aliens.-- But anyway, there is also now developing a real need for Mexico's oil and gas. Well, here's the solution. Let's let every Mexican in who is big enough to roll or float a barrel of oil. The farmer or rancher who hire Pedro will have to pay him OPEC prices for his barrel. Pedro can keep the obscene part of the profit and return the cost of production plus a peso or two to PEMEX. Hole!--Pedro has a good paying job, the employer has a willing worker plus oil for his machinery, Mexico has its return on its investment, and everyone should be muy contento.

But I suppose that is too simplistic for US. We have to do everything the hard way and end up with the short end of the big stick as a result. In fact, we are so slow at catching on to situations that it is no wonder James Earl (who speaks Spanish) jetted south of the border. He had to go hear for himself what the Mexican government has in mind. You see, rumor has it that that fella who is Ambassador to Mexico neither speaks nor understands Spanish--and doesn't really like Mexican people. Some diplomacy huh? Anyway James Earl wasn't getting any poop out of that Embassy. Since he's down there, I hope he takes a good look at PEMEX and will understand what a nation faced with shortages can do.

In 1973 when the Oil Embargo went into effect, Mexico was producing only 500,000 barrels of oil per day. That amounted to one-half of their need. The United States on

the other hand was producing over 9 million barrels per day. That was over 70% of our need--and it was (is) the cheapest energy in the world. Well, you know what happened suddenly OPEC prices jumped from \$3 to \$12 per barrel--now it is in the range of \$24. Boy--that put a strain on the budget both here and in Mexico. But we responded by fixing the prices of domestic oil which resulted in every company being unable to look for new reserves - simply not economical. So in 1977, only 8 million barrels of oil were produced by US.

But south of US it was no Mexican stand-off. You just think they wait until manana while dozing under their sombreros. PEMEX knew there was black gold to be found--they got busy and found it. Their daily production doubled. They not only are self sufficient now, but are exporting oil to Japan and Spain. They are as busy as Mexican jumping beans. But they aren't too willing to sell to US cause we haven't been to supportive of them.

So James E. has gone a-wooning. Wouldn't it be wonderful if he should stop off in Texas on his way back to make believe land and woo us? We could be self sufficient too if our President offered to pay competitive prices for our production. We could double our reserves too, had we the encouragement of a sympathetic government. A government who was willing to unfetter the energy industry would be the winner in the long run. But instead Big Brother has stuffed US all under the sombrero of lack of incentive. While we siesta, Mexico will fiesta.



BECKY MILLER, breaking a few sound barriers with her drums.



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HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO

1979 HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO AGAIN BREAKS ALL RECORDS!

Houston--January 25, 1979-- Breaking records seems to be a tradition at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and, according to show officials, it's happened again. The world's largest livestock show has grown even bigger. 23 4-H members and 9 FFA members from Borden County will be participating in the 1979 Houston Livestock Show.

More than 27,800 livestock entries are expected for the show, February 21 through March 4, an all time record for the show. Of these, more than 15,000 (64%) are from junior exhibitors, 4-H and FFA boys and girls from all over the state. In 1978, the Show had 23,739 entries.

For the thousands of professional livestock exhibitors from throughout the United States and for the junior exhibitors, the Houston Show is the culmination of a year's hard work of preparing their animals for the toughest of show ring competition.

Their hard work can reap big rewards at Houston. This year, open show and junior exhibitors will be competing for more than half a million dollars in prize monies and pre-

mium auction prices above market value.

For more than three-quarters of a million spectators, the exhibitors are center-stage in a two-week long entertainment extravaganza that begins when Houston, the fastest growing city in the nation, takes a step backwards in time and returns to the days of the western frontier.


The livestock show begins a week earlier with open show competition on February 21. Professional breeders and ranch owners from some 35 states will bring in the best in breeding stock to compete in breeding beef, dairy, swine, poultry, sheep, Angora goat and rabbit shows.

Junior show exhibitors take over the 22.3 acre livestock exposition facility for the second week of the livestock show, with junior judging beginning on March 1. Each exhibitor knows he is up against the best in livestock, with much riding on the decision of the most experienced livestock judges in the nation.

Borden County 4-H exhibitor's, supervised by Extension Agent, Sam Field, are as follows:

- Kim Wills
- Micheal Murphy
- Becky Miller
- Tammy Miller
- Gena McLeroy
- Lisa McLeroy
- Ty Wills
- Troyce Wolf
- Roxie Wolf
- Rhesa Wolf
- Keith Willaims
- Glynda Burkett
- Mickey Burkett
- Kirby Williams
- Kelly Williams
- Karen Williams
- Scott Jones
- Kathy York
- Dana Gray
- Keith Martin
- Jeffery Martin
- Kristi Stone

- Gail FFA exhibitor's, supervised by Vocational Agricultural Teacher, Bob Bagley, are as follows:
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 - Van Lee York, Jr.
 - Ben Murphy
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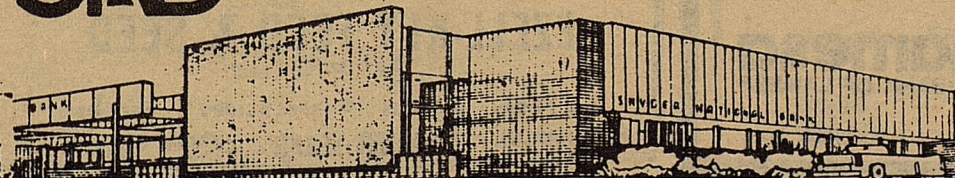
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Top Salesman - Billy Wills Gail	Champion Finewool - Van York, Gail
Showmanship Trophies (Elem. Jr., High School) - Jack Cummins Dairy Queen, Snyder	Reserve Champion Steer - Malcomb Harp Ins., Lamesa
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Carol is 1978 graduate of Borden High School. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burkett.

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Old Men Try It Again

An outsider basketball team consisting of several Borden County men competed in the Loop Outsiders Basketball Tournament this past Saturday. The team finished second in the eight team tourney. The Borden County team beat the Lubbock Fire Fighters in the first game 58-45 behind Randy Roemisch's 15 point effort and good rebounding by 6'7" Val Stephens and good shooting by Mike Cope and Perry Smith. The crowd was brought to its feet by a remarkable ball handling and shooting exhibition by the nimble Larry Smith!! In the second game Borden County defeated C & O Irrigation by the score of 80-42. Again Randy Roemisch led with 14 points, the same number as Mike Cope, followed by Lynn Maxwell with 12. Larry "Tiny" Steele provided lots of excitement with his ball hawking defensive play and driving, twisting lay ups. In the final game against Mr. BB's of Lamesa the Borden County team discovered its better to be young than experienced sometimes. After playing 2 games in 4 hours the B. C. bunch had to play a team consisting of former Lamesa ball players, most of whom played on the most recent Golden Tornado state championship team. After being tied 28-28 at the half the B.C. team finally lost 61-54. Toward the end the desire was there, but the body had already gone home!

All in all it was a real fun time, and a chance to tell everybody how good we all used to be!

Members of the team from Gail were: Randy Roemisch, Larry Steele, Lynn Maxwell, Perry Smith, Larry Smith, Eurdist Rinehart and Steve Hillhouse. From Knott: Kynn Maxwell and Kelly Gaskin and from Klondike: Mike Cope and Val Stephens.

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News
By JERRY STONE

PROGRAM SIGN-UP PERIOD
The sign-up period for filing an intention to participate in the 1979 Wheat, Feed grain, and Cotton program began February 15, and will run through April 30, 1979.

Participation in the program is on a voluntary basis. However, producers must file an intention to participate during the above period in order to be eligible for program benefits such as disaster payments, deficiency payments, and price support loans.

Set aside requirements are:
(1) Wheat & Barley

A required 20% of the 1979 acreage planted for harvest as grain.
(2) Grain Sorg. & Corn: A required 10% of the 1979 planted acreage. An additional voluntary diversion of 10% is also offered. The voluntary diversion acreage will draw payment of \$1.00 times the farm yield times the acreage diverted.

(3) Cotton: None

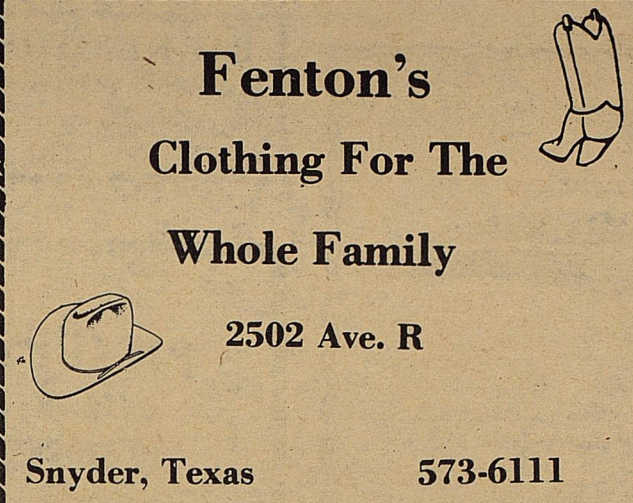
NORMAL CROP ACREAGE (NCA) & YIELD NOTICES
All producers on farms in the county with cropland, should receive an ASCS-476, Notice of Established Yields and Normal Crop Acreage, in the near future. The yield and NCA will apply to all crops planted on your farm in 1979. Any producer on the farm may request the County Committee to reconsider any entry on the form, ASCS-476, which he believes is incorrect or inequitable. The request must be in writing and mailed or delivered to the county office within 15 days of the mailing date shown.

1979 AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ACP)
The Borden County ACP Program has been approved and applications may be filed for cost share assistance on needed conservation practices, through Monday March 5, 1979. Control of competitive shrubs (Brush Control) practices are scheduled to become a component of practice SL-2. Applications for Brush Control cannot be taken until we receive final approval from the State Office.

Practices available at the present time are:

- SL-1 Permanent Vegetative cover Establishment.
- SL-2 Permanent Vegetative Cover Improvement
- SL-4 Terrace Systems (Standard & Parallel)
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IMPORTANT CHANGE - Any practice which is started prior to the County Committee approval of the application is not eligible for cost-share assistance. Producers having Great Plains Contracts with the Soil Conservation Service will not be eligible for assistance under the 1979 ACP Program.

All Applications will be given fair and equal evaluation by the County Committee and will not be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

CERTIFICATION

May 1, 1979 has been established as the final certification date for small grain acreage. (wheat, barley, oats, & rye) July 1, 1979 will be the final certification date for spring seeded crop acreage. (cotton grain sorghum, corn, sun flowers, soy beans, etc.)

In the past few years farmers have become negligent in certifying their crop acreage. However, for 1979, an erroneous certification will result in the loss of all program benefits and payments on the farm, so please make every effort to determine the correct acreage before certifying.

MEASUREMENT SERVICE
If for any reason you cannot correctly determine your acreage, measurement service is available from the ASCS office. You are required to pay the cost of this service.

COTTON YIELDS
Please bring in your 1978 cotton production as soon as possible.


SBA LOANS
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Guest Editorial

On October 26, 1642 in a basement room in Buckingham Palace, a historic meeting occurred which would affect the fate of generations unborn, the palace mice held a convention to decide what to do about the cat that had been diameting their ranks. Finally a brilliant proposal was made to put a bell on the cat so they could hear him coming. With a squeak of acclamation, the assembled delegates passed the motion unanimously, and the minor details were entrusted to a committee. One small detail remained---who shall bell the cat?

It's about time that we "belled a few cats" in this country and there's no better place to start than here in our own state.

Everyone has heard of proposition 13 in California and what fear it put into the hearts of the politicians because it limited what they would have to spend. It put some shackles on run-a-way state spending in California.

Through the initiative process citizens in twenty-six states can now put on the ballot referendum issues like California's property tax limitation, Proposition 13. But Not Texas.

We need this control on spending and taxation. This is in keeping with how Texans have felt about government every since we became a Republic and then a state in the union. Controls were written into the Texas Constitution to put shackles on government, because the people who fought for Texas were well aware of what government could become and they wanted no part of it.

The legislature may be hesitant to give the people this power but this is natural. Any official, once elected, is always hesitant to give up any power that he has over the people who elected him. Take a good look toward Washington D.C. and you can see what un-shackled power can do to a nation. Just as an aside, 22 state legislatures have passed resolu-

tions calling for a new U.S. Constitutional Convention--the first since 1787-- to pass an amendment requiring a balanced federal budget. This has sure made the politicians scream.

Gov. Clements proposed a "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" during his campaign. This means he is in favor of Texans being given the right of initiative and Referendum. To implement this the office of the Governor has requested that Borden County send in 100 signatures in favor of this right.

During the stock show, Barbara and I will be asking the citizens of Borden County to sign a petition asking the Legislature to pass Initiative and Referendum this session. We need 100,000 signatures on petition in Texas in order to do this. We are asking Borden County to do their part in "belling the cat."

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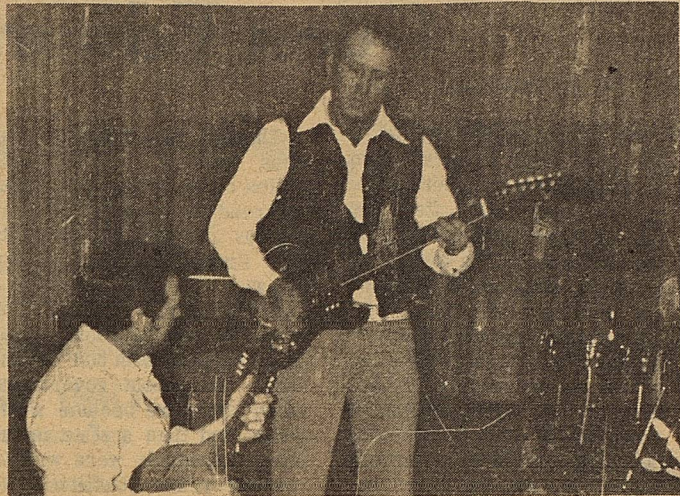
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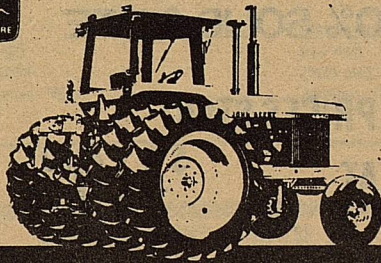
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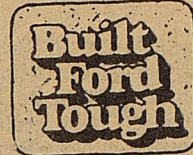
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