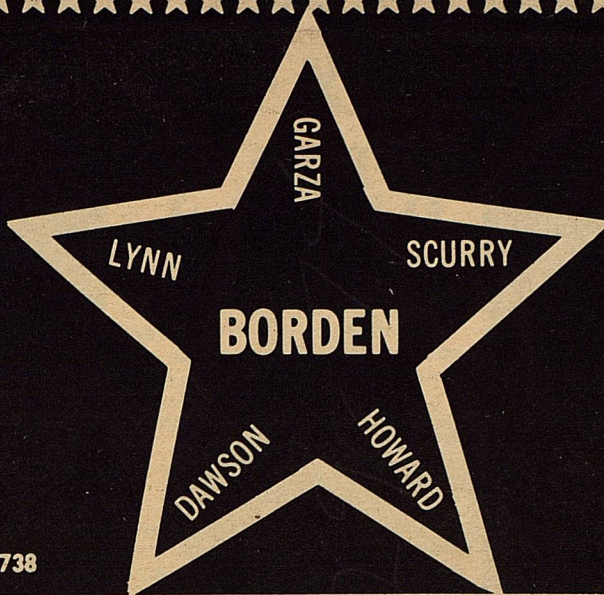


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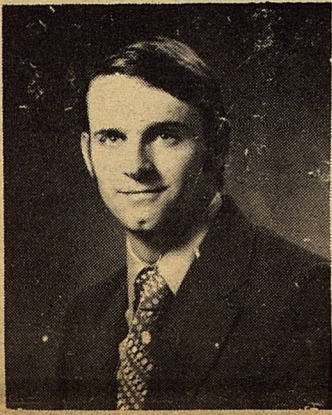
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## Receives Masters



JAMES E. (JAY) SMITH, JR., a 1968 graduate of Borden High received his Masters Degree in Agricultural Economics from Texas A&M University on May 11, 1974. JAMES is the son of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES E. SMITH and the Grandson of MRS. BEULAH ORSON. He is currently employed as Agricultural representative with the Corpus Christi State National Bank.

## Rising Star?

(This article was taken from the Dallas Times Herald and written by Bronson Havard)

It often happens, after election night, that political analysts look about for bright, rising political stars.

In a state as big and important as Texas, a leader of unusual stature is sought--one who almost seems predestined for leadership.

Lyndon Johnson became such a man after his 1948 victory over Gov. Coke Stevenson for the U.S. Senate, John B. Connally, too, became the political wonderboy.

We've had a score of young men come into Texas politics who generated a great deal of speculation about their political future.

But after this spring's election night, the one young man to talk about is Kent Hance of Lubbock.

Hance handily defeated veteran State Sen. H.J. (Doc) Blanchard in his first attempt to win a public office.

The Blanchard upset has sent new political winds whistling

across the South Plains.

Unfortunately for West Texas, Sen. Blanchard had lost his strength in the Texas Senate. He was passed over by Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby for key committee chairmanships.

But as if by some strange breeding, West Texas always manages to keep its political clout in Texas despite its geographic isolation.

West Texas has kept its Congressman George Mahon who chairs the powerful U.S. House Appropriations Committee, and West Texas has had its governor, Preston Smith, its Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr and its influential legislators.

In this year's Democratic Party primary voters gave the nod to Kent Hance, a talented lawyer, teacher and charismatic leader with plenty of potential in Texas politics.

A prominent young Dallas lawyer, Robert E. Wood joined Hance's well-organized and enthusiastic staff during the campaign.

Wood heralds Hance as a coming politician.

"Hance is straightforward, open, and highly knowledgeable on any issue. He doesn't possess the politicians' fear of disagreeing with you," Wood said.

Wood described Hance as a person who attracts people across philosophical and political barriers.

"He attracts people who believe in him as a leader," Wood remarked. "The key to his victory over an incumbent with established support is that Hance wasn't afraid to go on the offensive."

Hance, even though he has won his first nomination, to public office, is no stranger to politics.

At Texas Tech University where he was a student body leader and at the University of Texas Law School where he was student president, Hance has impressed others with his independence, political honesty and leadership.

He has become a successful lawyer in Lubbock and the youngest regent at West Texas State University. He has built his reputation as a hard worker on any community need.

"A lot of people said why don't you run for other offices first, for the city council or House of Representatives," Hance told this columnist about his senatorial race decision.

"But I decided I didn't have time to run for every office."

So at 31 years old, Kent Hance sets his sights on the Texas Senate and we can only wonder what is beyond

## Editorial

Negativism -- what ever happened to thinking positively?

On this Memorial Day I can't help but think of the wars we have been through and the lives lost in defense of America. And yet what do we hear but what is WRONG with America. I still feel there is enough RIGHT about it to fight for.

The latest target of the Faultfinders is the National Anthem. Rather than being a hymn of loyalty, they say, it is more like a 'national disaster and a public disgrace'. The negatives run like this; The tune isn't even an American creation. The words are an Ode to war, not peace. Hardly any one knows them anyway. It's almost impossible to sing. Etc., etc.,

My rebuttal; The tune is probably of English origin and what could be more fitting than to have this as a reminder of why our hard fought Freedom is so precious.

Taken out of context as the fault finders do, such words as 'the rockets red glare' and 'bombs bursting in air' don't quite speak of peace but then sing on-- "oh say can you see that Star Spangled Banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave"--doesn't that pen Frances Scott Key's message pretty succinctly, giving the feeling of pride and strength that, despite adversity, the flag still waves?

It is obvious that the faultfinders have not read the second verse. It speaks of freedom and peace and 'In God is our trust!' This isn't quite their thing. Read it.

Granted, the octave and a half of the National Anthem is hard to sing--but doesn't that make it more beautiful when you hear it done by a trained voice? So the ballad is older than America and picked up from another land--so it wasn't given legal status as the National Anthem by Congress until 1931--who cares? There are few Americans not brought to their feet, head bared and hand at his heart and may a tear in an eye when the Star Spangled Banner is heard

# Vote

## Halt Foreign Beef

Members of the Texas Cattle Feeders Assn. resolved to ask President Nixon to reimpose restraint levels on fresh, chilled and frozen beef to prevent the dumping of foreign beef into the U.S.

The import restrictions, which would be made in conformity with the Meat Import Act of 1964, would help assure future domestic supplies for consumers. Members of the TCFA were urged to wire or write their Congressmen, asking for support of this action, and the American National Cattlemen's Assn. and other beef associations were also asked to join in efforts to obtain beef import restraints.

The TCFA resolution, announced by the board of directors May 9 at the Amarillo Hilton Inn, described the conditions in the industry which prompted the official import restraint request. 'They are; Meat Import Act of 1964 gives the President authority to limit meat imports, after special consideration of 'The economic well-being of the domestic livestock industry; the President has lifted all' restrictions, apparently to increase meat supplies and, thus, reduce retail

prices to consumers; Beef cattle numbers have increased to the extent that current supplies are more than adequate to satisfy domestic demand; Japan, Canada, and Common Market Countries have either placed an embargo on beef imports or raised tariffs leaving the U.S. as the only market open to unlimited imports of beef; and U.S. cattle feeders have suffered losses from \$100-\$200 per head or over one billion dollars in total during the past eight months, which threatens the future of the industry and jeopardizes beef supplies in the years to come.

## Summer Staff

The Borden Star announces their summer publishing staff. Carolyn Bennett (Mrs. Kenny Bennett) will assume the editorship with Kem Lockhart acting as assistant editor and typesetter.

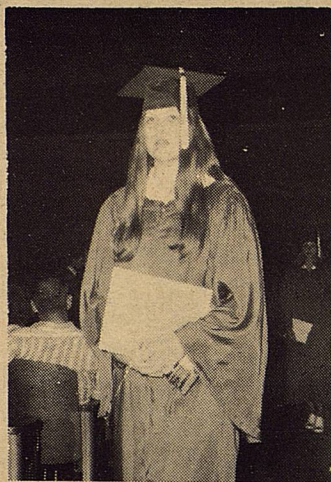
Please contact either Carolyn or Kem concerning any 'happenings this summer'. Deadline for news will be by 5:00 P.M. on Monday of each week.

The regular staff, Barbara York, Clara Walker, and Barbara Anderson will be on vacation during June, July, and most of August.



New President of WEST TEXAS BOYS RANCH is GENE NEWMAN, San Angelo cattle feeder and rancher. He was elected at the annual board meeting last Saturday at the Boys Ranch Headquarters. Other officers elected at the meeting include BUCK OWENS, first vice president; JIM PRATHER, Post; and DON WEINACHT, Balmorhea, second vice president; LON SLAUGHTER, San Angelo, secretary; and CAL SUGG, San Angelo, treasurer. All are well known ranchers in the area.

# Borden County School News



JANICE DAVIS  
VALEDICTORIAN



JOE HANCOCK  
SALUATORIAN

## Commencement Exercises

Ushers Lisa Ludecke, Catherine Jackson, John Anderson, and Junior Olivarez led the nineteen candidates for graduation down the aisle as Mrs. Van Kountz played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" March. Thus began the Borden County High School Commencement Exercises for 1974.

The auditorium was crowded with family and friends of the graduating class for this occasion on Thursday May 23, at 8:00 p.m.

The audience stood as Melisa Taylor gave the Invocation. This was followed by the Salutatorian Address delivered by Joe Hancock. Joe has maintained a 91.79 average through four yrs. of high school and is also class president. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hancock of the Plains Community.

Max Jones read the Class History, followed by Frank Farmer and Rhonda Patterson reading the Class Prophecy and Class Will respectively.

Janice Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Davis then gave the Valedictory Address. Janice class secretary, holds a grade average of 93.79.

Prior to the introduction of the guest speaker, the graduates and audience were entertained with special music by Mrs. Emmett Hataway and Mr. Ben Miller.

Mr. James McLeroy, then introduced Dr. C.L. Kay, an outstanding speaker. Dr. Kay is a strong advocate of our American system of private enterprise and has delivered nearly 4,000 addresses on the religious, historical and moral values that have contributed to our economic well-being.

Having received his masters degree at Eastern New Mexico University and a LL.L D. Degree from Oklahoma Christian College, Dr. Kay was appointed Assistant President of Lubbock Christian College in 1966. Here he was instrumental in founding the Center for Business and Economic Education.

The 1974 graduates heard a dynamic address delivered by a dynamic American. Dr. Kay reminded the Seniors of their heritage as Americans and told them that you cannot expect Freedom unless you are willing to accept the responsibility of being free.

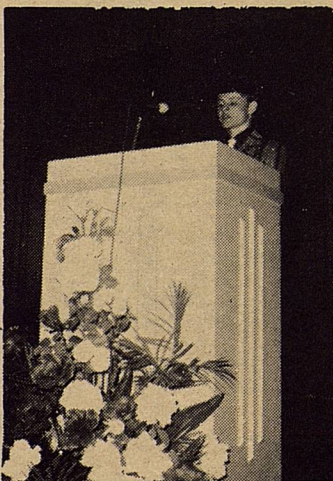
High School Principal, Mr. Mickey McMeans, presented the graduating class for diplomas. The presentation was made by Mr. J.R. Anderson, School Board President, and Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent.

Following the Benediction by Doug Isaacs, the graduates recessed as Mrs. Kountz resumed playing "Pomp and Circumstance".

The 1974 class officers are: President, Joe Hancock, Vice-President, Clay Copeland, Secretary, Janice Davis, Treasurer, Rhonda Patterson, and Reporter, Jo Ann Martin. Class sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parker.

## Notice

FOR THOSE STUDENTS WHO HAVE ORDERED ANNUALS, THEY ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.



PATRICK TOOMBS  
VALEDICTORIAN  
JR. HIGH



RICHARD LONG  
SALUATORIAN  
JR. HIGH

## Awards Presented

Three high school students received the Beta Achievement Award for achieving an academic evaluation of 90 or over each six weeks period with no grade below 90 for the year. These students are Rhonda Patterson, Janice Davis and Jim McLeroy.

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Receiving perfect attendance Awards for the school year 1973-74 in high school were Jimmy Gray-12th grade, Doug Isaacs-12th grade, Kem Lockhart-11th grade, and Tommy Patterson and Dana Westbrook from the 9th. grade. Thirty-two high school students received a Regular Attendance Award for missing not more than 5 days of school this year.

### F.F.A. AWARDS

F.F.A. Foundations Awards were received by John Anderson and Jim McLeroy for achieving their Lone Star Farmer Degree.

The following students received certificates awards for their achievements in F.F.A. during the school year 1973-74; Creighton Taylor-Star Chapter Award; Bob McLeroy-Star Green Hand; D.M. Parks-Beef Cattle Award; Jim McLeroy-Swine Production Award; Rex Cox-Sheep Production Award; Joe Hancock-Top Livestock Judge Award; Ben Thompson-Dairy Judging; Philena Farmer-Home Improvements Award; Joe Zant-Crop Judging Award; Audry Brummett-Agriculture - Mechanics Award and The Farm and Home Electronics Award; Max Jones-Farm Safety Award; Clifton Smith-Public Speaking; Garland Williams-Soil and Water Management Award Eddie Parks-Fish and Wildlife Management Award; and Philip Boyd - Outdoor Recreation Award

### SPECIAL MUSIC AWARD

Catherine Jackson received the Special Music Award for her achievement in receiving Division I rating in the University Interscholastic League Ensemble contest.

### U.L.L. AWARDS

Kem Lockhart received an award for his achievements in Typing and in Poetry Interpretation; Janice Davis for achievements in Shorthand; Teddy Cooley for Persuasive Speaking; Clifton Smith - Informative Speaking; Jim McLeroy, Monte Smith, Catherine Jackson and Dana Westbrook in Debate.

### RECEIVE SENIOR RINGS

The following Junior students have qualified and received their Senior rings: Lisa Ludecke, Jim McLeroy, Garland Williams, Barbara Brown, Linda Gass, Clifton Smith, Monte Smith, Rita Cornett, Junior Olivarez, John Anderson, Catherine Jackson, and Kem Lockhart.

### TEACHERS AWARD

The Texas State Teachers Past President's Award was presented to Coach Van Kountz for his service at state conventions and other meetings. Coach Kountz has served this past year as president of the Borden County Teachers Association.



HIGH HONORS: Back row: Janice Davis, Jim McLeroy, Rhonda dPatterson, Carla Jones, Richard Long, Partrick Toombs, Glynda Burkett. Front Row: Mohica Dyess, Deborah Kountz, Tammy Telchik, Lisa McLeroy, and Karen Williams.



MAX JONES and JO ANN MARTIN receive Good Citizenship awards.

### CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Each year the faculty of Borden County I.S.D. selects a senior boy and girl to receive Good Citizenship Awards. This year Jo Ann Martin received the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award and Max Jones received the Good Citizenship Award given by the school. These students are selected for their dependability, leadership, service and patriotism.

### VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUATORIAN AWARDS.

Patrick Toombs received a certificate of award for Valedictorian of the eighth grade class and Richard Long received a certificate of award for Salutatorian of the eighth grade class.

### HIGHEST GRADE AVERAGE IN HIGH SCHOOL

Kem Lockhart received the academic award of achieving the highest grade average for the year. Kem received a 94.9.

### BETA ACHIEVEMENT

Students making the Beta Achievement in the Second Semester were Janice Davis, 12th; Rhonda Patterson, 12th; Catherine Jackson, 11th; Melisa Ludecke, 11th; Jim McLeroy, 11th; Philena Farmer, 10th; Deidre Tucker, 10th; Sue Hancock, 9th; Dana Westbrook, 9th. Students receiving Beta Achievements honors in the 6th. six weeks of 1973-74 are Janice Davis, 12th; Rex Cox, 12th.; Frank Farmer, 12th.;

Rhonda Patterson, 12th; Rita Cornett, 11th; Catherine Jackson 11th; Lisa Ludecke, 11th; Jim McLeroy, 11th; Clifton Smith, 11th; Philena Farmer, 10th.; Debbie Herring, 10th; Donelle Jones, 10th; Deidre Tucker, 10th; Sue Hancock, 9th.

Students on the Honor Roll at the close of the 6th Six weeks were Melisa Taylor, 12th; Kem Lockhart, 11th; Monte Smith, 11th; Randy Hagins, 10th; Ben Thompson, 9th; Dana Westbrook, 9th.

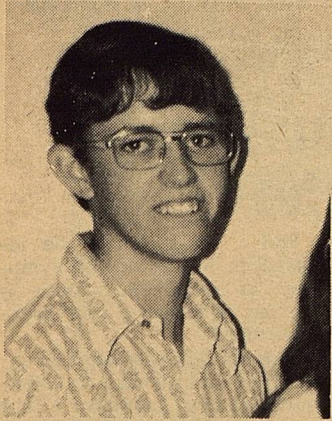
## Enrollment

Seventy students were enrolled in Borden County High School in the ninth through twelfth grades. These included twenty students in the ninth grade; fifteen in the tenth grade; sixteen in the eleventh grade; nineteen in the twelfth grade.

The average daily attendance the 6th. six weeks was 63.65. The average Daily attendance for the year in high school was 64.33 with a percentage of attendance of 95.04.

Don't envy the rich; they miss one of life's biggest thrills--- paying the final installment.

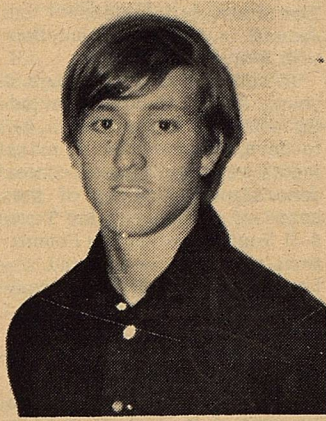
## Football Captains



CLIFTON SMITH



JUNIOR OLIVAREZ



MONTE SMITH

## Jr. High Awards

At the annual Awards Assembly held at Borden County Independent School District, the following awards were given:

### HIGHEST GRADE AVERAGE

Tammy Telchik received the highest grade average (95.94) for grade 5; Carla Jones received the highest grade average (98.47) for grade 6; Lisa McLeroy received the highest grade average (95.54) for grade 7; and Patrick Toombs received the highest grade average for grade 8 (95.94).

### HIGH HONORS

Students on the High Honors list received bracelets for their achievements. These students achieved academic evaluations of 90 or above in each subject for the 1973-74 school year. These students are Monica Dyess, Debra Kountz and Tammy Telchik from grade 5; Glynda Burkett, Carla Jones, and Karen Williams from grade 6; Lisa McLeroy from grade 7; Richard Long, and Patrick Toombs from grade 8.

### HONOR ROLL

Two students received the Honor roll award with an academic average of 90, with no evaluation of less than 85 in a subject for the school year. These students are Talley Griffin and Brent Rhoton.

A gift was also chosen for Mrs. Long for acting as pianist for the program. Mrs. Rusty Yadon, class sponsor, received a silver gallery tray, engraved with the 24 names at the Awards Day Program on Thursday. This was given in appreciation of her guidance through Jr. High. Seated on the stage for the Exercises were; Michay McMeans, Mrs. Yadon, Ben Jarrett, James McLeroy, Miss Everett, and Rich Anderson.

## Jr. High Graduation

Friday, May 24th Borden County Junior High graduated 24 eighth graders. The Commencement was held in the Borden School auditorium at 8:00 p.m.

Entering the auditorium to the processional played by Mrs. Sid Long, the eight girls of the class carried a long stemmed red rose and the 16 boys wore a rose in their lapel. These were a gift

to the class.

As the audience stood, the invocation was presented by Gerardo Arreola. This was followed by the Welcome given by Lesa Hensley.

The Salutory Address was delivered by Richard Long. Richard has a grade average of 93.55 for his two years in Jr. High. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Long of Gail.

The audience, as well as the graduating class enjoyed the reading of the Class History, Class Will and Class Prophecy by Denise Currey, John Jackson and Kevva Tucker respectively.

Patrick Toombs, Valedictorian, then gave his address. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Toombs of Fluvanna, Patrick maintained a grade average of 95.94 for his two years.

Mr. Ben Jarrett, Elementary and Jr. High principal, presented the class for their diplomas. The Presentation of Diplomas was by Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent.

The Benediction was given by Tim Smith, followed by the Recessional by Mrs. Long.

Ushers for the 1974 Commencement Exercises were: Lisa McLeroy, Rhesa Wolf, Perry Smith, and Sid Westbrook.

The graduating class presented Miss Bennie Everett with a gift in appreciation of the fine special music she provided. Miss Everett, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dub Everett of Snyder.

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## Summer Plans

The eighth graders will soon be through with Junior High and they will have one summer to get ready for High School. Here is what the eighth graders will be doing this summer:

Martha Anderson plans to show horses and visit her sister in Still Water, Oklahoma.

Gerardo Arreola is planning to hoe for Garland Doyle and play tennis.

Carol Burkett plans to go to a

family reunion at Lake Brownweed.

Denise Curry plans to visit friends and do a little hoeing. Sylvia Espinoza plans to do some hoeing, swimming, and riding in O'Donnell.

Matt Farmer is going to plow for his dad.

Lesla Hensley plans to hoe, drive a tractor, and train a German Shepherd.

Johnny Jackson plans to ride a motorcycle and drive a tractor for his dad.

Ted Johnson plans to work for Frank Beaver riding and building.

Richard Long is going to work for his granddad.

Renee Sharp is going to babysit with her nephew and nieces. Randy Smith plans to hoe and drive a tractor for his dad. Tim Smith plans to play tennis and work.

Wendell Stroup is currently looking for a job. His phone is 399-4457.

Sam Stuteville plans to do some skinning and traveling.

Benny Taylor is currently looking for a job. His number is 856-4592.

Twila Telchick is going to her grandparents for some hoeing and swimming.

Patrick Toombs is going to drive a tractor for his dad and ride his motorcycle.

Kevva Tucker is going to cheerleader camp and to the All Star Game in Brownwood.

Marlon Vaughn plans to go to Possum Kingdom and swim.

Ramon Vidal plans to hoe for Bob Ludecke and play tennis.

Ty Zant is going to drive a tractor for his dad and ride his motorcycle.

Rita Baeza plans to visit relatives in Mexico.

Tony Benabideze is going to hoe; swim, and play tennis.

Eurdist Rinehart plans to ride, hunt and fish.

## "Impact" Project Makes Impression

The Gail Chapter of Future Homemakers began Impact in their club with a project by the sophomore class. In their home-making class the girls' brainstorm was a project to decorate the kindergarten classroom.

The classroom was an old teacherage with no equipment, except desks and a few blocks. The class began making covered shades, curtains, and valances for the front room. They made shades and valances for the playroom. They also painted the woodwork, put down corner-board, and made four bulletin boards for the children. They realized that the children had few educational toys so they

made beanbags, stuffed animals,

and painted cans with the letters of the alphabet on them. The children really enjoyed the toys. To finish the project the girls candy-striped the poles on the outside of the building and made a sign with big red and white letters placed on a board that had been varnished. The sign read 'Kindergarten' and now the girls know that it looks like a kindergarten. In analyzing and evaluating the project, the girls know that the project has left an impact on them, the school, the community and their F.H.A. Chapter.

Members of the class were Debbie Herring, Wanda Johnson, Bica Baeza, Mary Ledbetter, Donelle Jones, Debbie Little and Mrs. Shirley Kountz, F.H.A. Advisor. The chapter intends to Mr. McLeroy a hearty 'thank you' for allowing them to attempt this project. They also extend their thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Beverly Copeland, kindergarten teacher, for her cooperation throughout the project.

## Seniors Have Party

After 12 years of work and play, the Borden High School Seniors exercised their last rights as students on May 23. Following the graduation exercises, a reception was held in the cafeteria. Everyone was served punch and cookies. After the reception all the Seniors had a chance to relax at the Don Jones'. The parents gave the Seniors a party, and provided recreation. This included volleyball, pool, ping pong, and swimming. After several hours of games, the mothers prepared a delicious breakfast. The Seniors would like to thank the mothers and dads for giving us such a fantastic party. The Senior Class

## Jr. High Grads Honored

The parents of the 1974 Jr. High graduates hosted a party in honor of the class on Friday evening after the Commencement exercises.

The festivities were held at the lovely new home of Mr. and Mrs. B.W. Jackson.

The class enjoyed swimming, dancing and a weiner roast. Some, having received their annuals that day, also enjoyed having them signed by their classmates.

Special guests of the class were ushers, Lisa McLeroy, Rhesa Wolf, Sid Westbrook, and Perry Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jarrett, Mr. and Mrs. James McLeroy, and Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Yadon. Mrs. Yadon was the class sponsor. She had also served as their home room teacher in the 4th., 6th, and 7th. grades.

Parents attending were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stroup, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hensley, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Farmer, Mrs. Charles Vaughn, Mrs. Sid Long, Mrs. Doyle Currey, Mrs. Rich Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Jackson.

## Perfect Attendance

The following students received Perfect Attendance Awards: 8th. grade- Eurdist Rinehart; 7th. Lisa McLeroy; 5th. Debra Kountz, Bart McMeans, and Van York; 4th. Gina McLeroy, Mike Peterson, Chipper Smith, Lisa Smith; 3rd. Lyndy Doyle; 1st. Kirby Williams, and Mary Alvarez, and Francisco Arrendondo from Kindergarten.

Seventy-nine students in Elementary and Junior High received regular attendance awards.



MISS BENNIE EVERETT



MRS. KOUNTZ with F.H.A. students WANDA JOHNSON, MARY LEDBETTER, DEBBIE HERRING, DONELLE JONES, AND BICA BAEZA

# Jerre's Gottings

One million American Teenagers are illiterate. The department of Health Education and Welfare has discovered this fact after an extensive (and expensive) study of our kids. Funny thing is, they have been running this study concurrently with the demands which in large measure cause the illiteracy. Cross busing, for example, has done nothing to enrich education. This government enacted flip flop of kids has weakened education by bringing it down to the lowest level.

Teachers, parents and those who hire personnel can now say "I told you so". They have been sounding an alarm for years but government only turned a deaf and dumb ear. Many dedicated teachers have quit rather than become baby sitters. Conscientious parents have attempted to tutor on the side or send their young to private institutions which taught the Rs. Personnel men have been hard put to fill job vacancies with young people who could function literately.

Course HEW has reasons for this dilemma. The poor haven't the money for books and newspapers; therefore, their progeny are less apt to read. Hogwash! What about the illiterate whose library is filled with leather bound first editions? HEW fails to explain or even acknowledge that our marvelous "free" educational system has allowed rich and poor to glide to the tune of Graduation March without being able to read and write. The majority of the young enter first grade unable to read. But that's why they enter, I thought. Why then are they receiving a high school diploma 12 years later very little better off than when they started?

One reason is the social pass system. It's bad psychologically to hold back or fail a youngster who fails to meet the requirements for advancement they say. I wonder- is it really bad psychology to hold back the 4th grader rather than let him reach college age unable to compete literately. Seems to me a floundering adult is psychologically more handicapped than the held back fourth grader crammed in a little seat.

Course the Look-Say method produced a generation of non readers too. I have been confronted with this head on. Three young men who are taking their place as potential leaders of our community have recently been asked to write and read reports concerning a civic endeavor. Pity-ful. They are literately handicapped. And they are college graduates. You see the snow ball effect-graduate an illiterate-send him to college. That college must grind down to meet the capability of its students. The whole educational process becomes diluted. Ain't it a shame??

The name, "Winnipeg" - comes from the Cree Indian phrase, "win-nipiy," meaning, "murky water."

## Another Fine Texas Recipe

The following recipe for gourmet salt can be made cheaper than you can buy seasoned salt.

- GOURMET SALT**  
Blend together the following ingredients in a small bowl;  
1 1/2 cups salt  
2 tsps ground hyme  
2 tsps ground marjoram  
2 tsps garlic salt  
3 tsps paprika  
2 tsps curry powder  
4 tsps dry mustard  
1 tsp onion powder

This may be sifted together several times on waxed paper. The recipe yields 1 1/2 cups. Gourmat salt can be used to season vegetables, meats and it has no calories.

- CHIFFON DRESSING**  
2tbsps cornstarch  
2 tbsps sugar  
1 tsp dry mustard  
1/2 tsp gourmet salt  
1/2 cup water  
1 tsp vinegar  
3 tbsps oil or soft margarine  
2/3 cup buttermilk

Mix cornstarch, sugar, mustard and salt in a saucepan Stir in water and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly Remove from hear. Add vinegar and fat. Gradually stir in buttermilk until smooth and creamy. Do not cook after adding buttermilk.

Store in refrigerator to use as needed. Recipe makes 1 1/4 cups and has 20 calories per tablespoonful.

## 4-H Roundup Time

**COLLEGE STATION---**Exciting things happen during Roundup time in Texas, at least as far as some 1,800 4-H boys and girls are concerned.

4-H Roundup marks the occasion when district 4-H contest winners gather on the Texas A&M University campus to compete for top honors in some 30 different events. These range from livestock judging and public speaking to demonstrations on foods and nutrition and safety. Those who compete have been named winners in their respective counties and districts.

Texas 4-H Roundup, one of the oldest annual statewide 4-H

events in the nation, is slated for June 4-5, announces Dr. Don Stormer, state 4-H and youth leader for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the parent organization of 4-H. The State 4-H Food Show on June 4 is held in conjunction with Roundup.

In addition to the throngs of youth, some 600 adults, including county Extension agents, 4-H leaders, friends of 4-H, mass media representatives, contest donors and members of the board of directors of the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation, will also be on hand. Louis Austin of Dallas president of Texas Utilities Co., chairs the board.

Roundup activities will officially get under way with a general assembly at 5:30 p.m. on June 4 in J. Earl Rudder Center. Dean of Agriculture Dr. H.O. Kunkel will welcome the group. Special awards will be presented to 10 individuals, businesses and mass media representatives who have made outstanding contributions to 4-H. Winners of 10 \$4,000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarships will also be announced.

Twenty-five outstanding 4-H leaders (two from each of the 13 Extension Service districts except one) will be recognized at a luncheon on June 5.

Contest and demonstration winners will be recognized at a

Contest and demonstration winners and donors will be honored at a special recognition program that evening at 8 o'clock in the Rudder Center.

According to Stormer, 4-H Roundup is the highlight of the 4-H year

## Display Announced

K.T. Reddell announces the arrival of authentic Indian Jewelry from New Mexico.

The turquoise and silver pieces include watchbands, lighters, necklaces, Sauash Blossoms, rings bracelets, ear rings, hair clips, pins and s Bolo ties.

K.T. has a handsome display in his store and is selling the pieces on consignment for Bill Beard of Alamogordo, New Mexico.

The jewelry is very reasonably priced and K.T. asks that you drop in and browse. He says that it is selling well and suggests that you come in soon.



JOHNNY KITE WAS HONORED WITH A BIRTHDAY PARTY WEDNESDAY MAY 22. THE PARTY WAS HOSTED BY CHARLES VAUGHN, OPAL SMITH, FANNIE HAGINS, AND BETTY STROUP. JOHNNY'S BIRTHDAY IS JULY 8TH.

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## Last Day Busy With Mischief

**BIG SPRING---**The last day of school brought a seige of mischief that lasted on into the night last Wednesday. Streakers were out and the head shavers were busy. Shaving the head of incoming Freshman has been a tradition in Big Spring for a number of years but the streaking--well that's something new.

During the day Wednesday, two male streakers at the high school saw their plans go awry. They has planned to run through the school and out to cars waiting to pick them up.

One car drove off too soon and the other car had been locked by some adversaries, so the two streakers streaked a little bit longer than originally planned and became naked fugitives. They ended up conferring with the county juvenile officers.

Winchell's Doughnut Shop and the Holiday Inn saw streakers before the day was over.

A siege of incidents reported to police claimed that youths were in cars chasing down boys on foot. Both junior highs reported incidents where older youths were trying to nab junior high boys to shave their heads.

A group of high school girls were reported to be squirting hot water on girls at a car wash. Police checked and reported it was cold water.

Motorcyclists apparently went wild and were reported cutting across private property on Abilene Street and racing up and down Donley. One youth with "bushy hair and a black hat" was reported driving up and down FM 700 with a gun.

tick aalive link to asthma

Tick saliva may assist in the fight against human asthma according to Australian scientists.

The find is considered so significant that the Asthma Foundation of Queensland has provided immediate funds to appoint a research scientist and assistant, and to provide equipment to probe the discovery full-time.

The scientists say that the two most causative agents of asthma, and some other allergic diseases, are believed to be histamine and 'the slow reacting substance of anaphylaxis' (SRS -A).

SRS-A is known to be involved in producing the symptoms of asthma in humans by causing spasms of the bronchial tubes.

Histamine has been studied extensively and its chemical structure has been known for a long time. Because of this a large number of pharmaceutical preparations, known as antihistamines, are available.

The scientists are confident that if the tick samples prove identical with SRA-A gathered in extremely minute quantities from human lung tissue and blood from cats' paws., large amounts of the substance could be isolated.

Subsequent widespread studies of its structure could enable inhibitors to be developed, resulting in an ashhma cure.

## Exchange Vows

Miss Liz Price and Mr. Ted Yadon were married Friday May 17 in a small ceremony held in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Attending the ceremony were the bride's mother Mrs. Tom Price, and the groom's brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Yadon of Alpine.

Liz is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price of Ysleta and Ted is the son of a Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Yadon of Borden County.

Following a short wedding trip the newly weds visited in the home of his parents who were unable to attend the wedding. Liz and Ted spend Thursday and Friday of last week with the Yadons.

Ted is a 1970 graduate of Borden High and attends Sul Ross University. He plans to graduate in December.

## Local

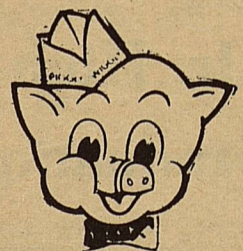
Mr and Mrs. Dick Keter and children Evelyn, Boyd and Loyd visited in the home of the Loyd Hollis in Snyder over the week. Mrs. Keter is the sister of Doris Rudd who also visited. The Keters are from Hico, Texas.

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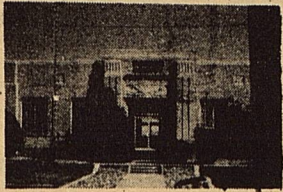


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### Court House Happenings



**Borden County**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
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BE IT REMEMBERED:

WHEREAS, On the 13th day of May, A.D. 1974, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas. All members of the Court being present and participating.

The following proceedings were had, to-wit:  
Mr. Royce Bevers, Manager, Poka-Lambro Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., appeared before the Court to discuss a blanket easement for the purpose of re-locating telephone lines in Gail. The location for the communications tower for the Sheriff's Department was discussed. It was agreed that the location on the Pearce Estate would not be accepted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones to pay current accounts in the amount of \$14,489.42. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ledbetter and carried unanimously.

The minutes of the April 22, 1974 meeting were read. Commissioner Don A. Jones made a motion to approve said minutes as read, motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter and approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones: that the Delinquent Tax Roll be approved and that the Tax Assessor-Collector send our notices and enclose a letter advising that suit would be filed if not paid. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

The next scheduled Court being May 27th and a legal Holiday, it was agreed to change the meeting date to Friday, May 24, 1974 at 10:00 A.M.

Commissioner Don A. Jones made a motion to adjourn, motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter. Motion carried.

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## Borden Co. Jr. Livestock Assoc.

The directors and officers of the Borden County Junior Livestock Association met in the Vocational Agriculture Building at Borden High School, May 14, to discuss and appoint committees for the Borden County Junior Rodeo. Rodeo dates are June 27-28-29. The following committee assignments were made:

- Stock Committee -- Roger Williams, Don Cox, Don Wills
- Bulls for Bucking Stock--J.R. Anderson
- Breakaway and ribbon calves--Don Cox
- Arena Director--Brent Murphy
- Bull Riding--Buster Taylor
- Barrel's--Corky Ogden
- Calf Roping--Rusty Yadon, Roy Lee Beaver
- Poles--Jim Smith
- Flags--Ray Herring
- Time Keeper--Mrs. Brent Murphy, Bob Dyess, Weldon Hancock
- Back Gate--Don Wills
- Untie Calves--FFA
- Announcer--J.R. Anderson
- Flag Man--Doyle Newton
- Front Gate & Unflack Bulls--Larry Smith, Borden Gray
- 2 Junior
- Concession Stand--Mrs. T.L. Griffin, Mrs. Rouse Patterson, Glenn Toombs, Charley Vaughn
- Arena - Grounds-- Ed Rinehart, Don Jones, Larry Smith

Clean up each morning after--All BCJLA members and Children (Clean up Sunday evening rather than Sunday morning)

- Bull Judges--Emmitt Hataway and Terry Voss
- Arrange for Ambulance-- Mrs. James E. Smith
- Arrange for Nurse--Buster Taylor
- Arrange for Doctor - Larry Smith
- Official and Parking--Norman Sneed
- Calf and Bull Feed--Roger Williams
- Water and Feed Troughs--Ralph Miller
- Feed and Water Stock--Ed Rinehart, Don Jones, Tooter Swan
- Rodeo Clerk--Secretary-- Mrs. Dorothy Browne
- Information Booth-- Mrs. W.O. Cox, Mrs. Rusty Yadon, Mrs. J.R. Anderson, Mrs. James E. Smith
- Gate Admission--Thurs. night- Max Zant
- Fri. night--Dan Turner
- Sat. night--E.L. Farmer
- The show starts at 8:00 p.m. so gate wen will want to be at the arena by 6:00 p.m.
- Anyone that cannot serve in the above committees, please contact Mr. Earnest Kiker, Borden County Agricultural Agent, or Mr. Sid Long, Vocational Agriculture Teacher.

## Boll Weevil Elimination

AUSTIN--The High Plains area has been designated as part of the first of none target zones in a national boll weevil elimination program, planned for full implementation in 1975.

The overall plan involves the elimination of the pest by properly integrating the use of various techniques that have already proved successful in controlling the insect.

This year, previous to the implementation of the program, growers are being urged to participate fully in a voluntary reproduction-diapause program.

"The work of the High Plains people in their already existing weevil control program has put them a long way ahead in preparing for the national eradication plan," Agriculture Commissioner John C. White said.

For the past 10 years, the High Plains Cotton Growers Association has each fall employed a diapause control program along and below the Caprock, geared to prevent the pest from going into hibernation and surviving the winter.

Some \$1 million has been spent yearly on the High Plains control program, with the aid of matching funds from the USDA and the Texas Department of Agriculture.

While money is collected from 27 counties for the program, 20 of those counties don't have a boll weevil problem at all payments as an insurance policy against infestation.

Estimated cost of the nationwide program is \$654 million for a ten-year period.

"Members of the High Plains Cotton Growers Association can be proud of their very successful program of containment," Commissioner White commented.

"If the thoroughness of the planned national elimination program along with local determination are any indications, we

tractant chemicals, the introduction of sterile weevils to suppress populations, and effective use of available insecticides.

Farming control techniques include fast harvesting and timely stalk destruction or plow-down soon after harvest to minimize the number of weevils that go into the physiological hibernation state called diapause.

Elimination of the boll weevil, aside from sharply reducing the cost of cotton production, would also be an environmental aid by dramatically cutting the amount of insecticides used nationally.

It is estimated that one third of the insecticides used on crops in the U.S. are used for control of boll weevils or for control of other insects that become a problem because of the destruction of the natural enemies that would otherwise keep infestations of these insect pests down.


After the program has succeeded in eliminating the pest from U.S. fields, a constant watch will be kept to contain the insect outside the border.

## Election Notice

The second Democratic Primary will be held in Borden County June 1, 1974.

Cast your vote in the same precinct as you did in the first Primary.

The polls will open at 8:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.



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BORDEN COUNTY COUNTY JUDGE BOX 156 GAIL TEXAS 79738		
(D) The news media have been advised that a copy of this report has been published in a local newspaper of general circulation. I have records documenting the contents of this report and they are open for public scrutiny at the County Courthouse		
(E) ASSURANCES (Refer to instruction E). I assure the Secretary of the Treasury that the non-discrimination and other statutory requirements listed in Part E of the instructions accompanying this report will be complied with by this recipient government with respect to the entitlement funds reported herein.		
Signature of Chief Executive Officer Glenn Toombs, County Judge Name & Title - Please Print 5-28-74		
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BY EARNEST KIKER  
COUNTY AGENT

## Notice of Meeting

There will be an Adult Leader and 4-H meeting on June 7 at 7:30 P.M. in the Sheriff posse Building in Gail. Mr. Ed Garnett 4-H and Youth Specialist for District 1 and 2 will bring the program.

Ed is a very experienced man in the 4-H and youth program. He will have a very educational program.

It is very important for all parents to attend this meeting. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies will be served.

## Youth Meeting

It is time to begin the 1974 4-H Horse Program. Plans are being made for an active horse program this year.

Some of the things that we will do are halter, reining, western pleasure, barrels and poles.

Be sure and attend the first Horse Project Meeting on June 4 (Tuesday Night) at 7:30 P.M.

We will elect officers and adult leaders for the horse program this year so be sure and be present.

## COTTON

Cotton planting for the State has reached 50 percent completion compared with 51 percent last year. Planting is making excellent progress on the High Plains where moisture is available. Planting moisture is short in a number of localities on both the High and Low Plains. Early planted stands on the High Plains have already emerged and are making good growth. In the southern half of the State, cotton is making excellent progress and much of the crop is squaring. Blooming is common in the Coastal Bend and Lower Rio Grande Valley. Early season boll weevils have caused some problems and spraying has been necessary in the southern half of the State.

## VACCINATE YOUNG CATTLE

All cattle under two years of age should be vaccinated for blackleg every year, advises Earnest Kiker, county agent for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Blackleg is a disease which is usually fatal to young cattle. The death or lameness of the best young calf in a herd often signals an outbreak of the disease. The most common sign that an animal has the disease is a swelling of the heavy muscles in the hip and shoulder. According to Earnest, blackleg has been around for a long time and seems to show up wherever cattle are raised. It is caused by bacteria which are usually ingested with feed. The infection ends up in the heavy muscles of the animal, where it causes great damage and forms large quantities of gas in the tissues. When pressure is applied to the affected area, the gas in the tissues makes a crackling sound, like paper being crumpled.

An animal which has died from blackleg has a characteristic posture. Because of the terrific swelling soon after death, the animal has its legs extended and stiff like a sawhorse.

Once animals are stricken with the disease, they usually die in 12 to 48 hours. The disease can be prevented by vaccination with bacterin made

from the organism which causes the disease. Since animals under two years of age are the ones usually affected, they are the ones which should be vaccinated.

Although annual vaccination means that some animals be vaccinated more than once, this will not hurt the animals and will keep resistance at a high level explains Earnest.

If there is an outbreak of blackleg on your farm, the best thing to do is to vaccinate all the young animals and hope you are getting ahead of the infection. You may continue to lose animals for about two weeks. After that much time has passed since vaccination, the animals are generally safe. However, an annual vaccination program for all cattle under two years of age will eliminate chances of an outbreak, contends Earnest.

## A I Clinic

COLLEGE STATION--Texas livestock producers will have an opportunity to attend one of 13 clinics on artificial insemination and pregnancy determination throughout the state during 1974.

The week-long clinics are a joint effort of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the American Breeders Service and provide actual field training in AI and pregnancy testing in addition to detailed information on managing the breeding herd.

According to John Beverly, animal reproduction specialist

for the Extension Service, information is also presented on disease prevention, selection of breeding animals, record keeping and nutrition requirements of breeding animals.

The clinic schedule is as follows: Mar. 11-15, Houston; Mar. 25-29; Waco; April 29-May 3, Beeville; May 20-24, Brownwood; June 10-14, Brenham; July 8-12, Nacogdoches; July (date to be set), Decatur; Oct. 7-11, San Antonio; Oct. 21-25, San Angelo, Nov. 4-8, South Plains (site to be set); Nov. 4-8 Mercedes; and Nov. 18-22, Athens.

In addition to Beverly, Extension Service live stock specialists involved in the clinics are Dr. Dennis Herd, Dr. Jerry Cowley, Dr. Delmar Davis, Dr. Randall Grooms, Dr. Leroy Hoermann, Dr. Steve Hammack, Dr. Dennis White and Dr. Tom Woodward.

Information on advance registration is available from John Quinn, Rt. 2, Box 250, La Grange 78945 (713/249-3033) or Jimmie Travis, Box 232, Weatherford (817/594-5711). County Extension agents also have details on the clinics.

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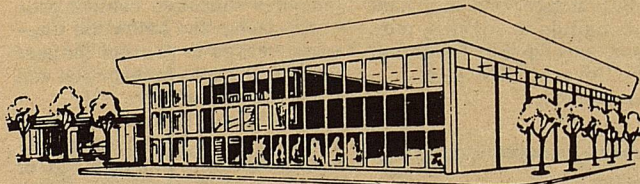
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# Cattle Growers Stand On Land

The following is a complete text of a statement presented to the subcommittee to the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee in Washington, D.C. April 26th by Charlie T. Lee, president, New Mexico Cattle Growers Assn. It reflects the position of the association regarding proposed land use legislation.

'My name is Charlie Lee, president of the New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association. I appear before you today in an attempt to briefly explain the position and the problems confronting the livestock industry and others, in my state, as it applies to proposed state and federal land use planning legislation.

With due consideration to the constitutional concept of private property rights, there has never been general opposition to the concept of land use planning. In agriculture, planning is a necessary fact of life. The controversy lies in the question: by what entity, to what degree, based upon what information and to what purpose?

The New Mexico Land Use Council was created by the 1973 Legislature to study land use problems, receive testimony and to develop appropriate legislation to be submitted to the legislature by February '74. The Council held lengthy hearings, receiving testimony from planning experts, agencies, industry, environmentalists and associations. It was felt by most that we as a state had accomplished many things and resolved many problems

that other states had been unable to cope with. Consequently, it came as a rude awakening when just prior to completion of the Council's study and convening of the legislature to have a ground swell of opposition from the citizenry, to implementation of any type of land use legislation. This opposition began to surface and be reflected through individual/legislators and ultimately council members themselves.

It appears there were two problem areas that none had considered: first . . . that administrators and elected heads of association understood the concept of land planning, but, had failed to communicate this same knowledge to their constituents adequately. The second . . . and in my opinion the most damaging mistake we made, was in the fact that only two of the Council's hearings were held outside of the state capital. By so doing, we failed to provide adequate opportunity for the average citizen to hearings.

Because of our failure and in an endeavor to salvage some of the work and effort expended by the Council and others, the legislature extended the life of the Council for another year, with the understanding that extensive hearings would be held state-wide.

With these experiences in mind, it seems mandatory that any legislation that would have such far reaching effects should be approached with caution. Comprehensive land use planning will involve to some degree, every citizen of the 50

states and to contemplate passage of any law without input and total understanding of the populace being sought, would be an arbitrary method of meeting this problem.

Considering the possibilities of crucial problems arising from acting without due deliberation on such an important piece of legislation, it could conceivably do more harm than good. Without popular support in all sections of our nation, land use planning could suffer an irreversible setback.


As an important example of the foregoing, the delegates of 16 western states, represented at the Western States Governors Conference on Agriculture, in Salt Lake City, April 16-19, charged with developing agriculture policy for these 16 western states, went on record as supporting a recommendation that Federal Land Use Planning hearings be held in the respective states.

I would urge this committee to reflect on these considerations, and hold land use planning hearings in each of the 50 states, before final development and passage of legislation of such major importance."

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**Ray Corley      Will Roy Jordan**  
**Wayne Crane**  
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Glenn Toombs wishes to express his sincere appreciation to each and every voter in the 63rd Legislative District who supported him in the May 4 Democratic Primary. Judge Toombs polled 46% of the District vote in that election.

Stay with a winner in the runoff June 1. Vote for experience and maturity. Vote for Judge Glenn Toombs, a state representative for ALL the people.

**EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT:**  
**VOTE JUNE 1**

If you will be absent on June 1, be sure to vote absentee.

Political Adv. Paid for by Ralph Miller, Campaign Chairman For Glenn Toombs for State Rep.

**Sincere Thanks**

## Cattle Production In Australia

Following is the first report from Gordon Van Vleck on an ANCA foreign trade survey which included visits to Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

Beef cattle represent the life-blood of the Australian economy. Most of their beef is exported, and the U.S. is the biggest customer. With Australia's large land mass (equal to our continental 48 states), large grazing area, and relatively few agricultural alternatives, cattle will remain important. The potential is their for further growth.

For a time, cattle numbers were increasing 15% a year, to the present total of 30 million head, but it is doubtful that Australia will attain its goal of 50 million by the early 1980's. For one thing, the current depressed market (the world market is largely based on the U.A. market) is discouraging expansion.

There are many very large cow-calf units. Management capabilities are good. Capital for expansion apparently is available. There is a good deal of cross-breeding, and overall they can compete from a breeding standpoint with the U.S. Because much of the area has a warm climate, there is a significant amount of Brahman blood. The warmer areas also have pest and other problems similar to those of the southeastern U.S.

There is a large amount of improved range land, with the land cleared of brush, plowed up, reseeded, and fertilized. Fertilizer is relatively cheap but has increased substantially in cost recently. There would seem to be a potential for more grain production, but the feeding industry still is relatively small. By far most of the cattle receive no grain or supplement, and they are marketed off grass.

The climate in this large country is varied. Much of the land is marginal for crops and cattle, and over-all production in these areas must be geared to the drier years. There has been good rainfall this year, but they are not expanding more than normal, partly because the next year may be dry again. In spite of a depressed market, the Australians say they will not hold cattle back; they say they must make room for the next crop.

Steers are marketed at an average age of 4 to 5 years, at a live weight of 1,400 lbs. with a yield of 52-54%. The cattle gain in the good season, and then slip back during dry weather each year. It was difficult to determine costs in terms of U.S. dollars. (Currently they are at a competitive disadvantage because of currency exchange rates--a in Australia.) Backed off from the market for their manufacturing beef in the U.S., they apparently receive about \$15 per hundredweight (or \$22.50 in U.S. dollars) live weight for their grass cattle. With costs continuing to mount, their producers also are losing money.

Although the current situation discourages the Australian cattle industry, it is apparent that, over both the short and long term, Australia will continue to be a significant competitor in the U.S. and world beef markets.

## Fishing News

A 56 -pound yellow catfish caught at Lake J.B. Thomas padded the fishing reports for last week. Carl Williams, 806 N. 17th, Lamesa, was the fortunate fisherman.

However, at Lake E.V. Spence, Clyde Hagen and Y.J. Sherrillo of Robert Lee, landed a yellow cat weighing 30 pounds and another 28 pounds.

At Lake Spence, black catches took a spurt, although there were still a number of sizeable strings of white bass. Crappie catches eased off, but channel cat were coming on stronger.

Here were some of the reports at Lake Spence:

Y.J.'s Marina--Owen Jackson, Odessa, two blacks at 2 1/2 pounds each; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cherry, Odessa, 50 white bass to 2 lbs.; Bill Schwager, Odessa, two blacks totalling 5 1/2 lbs.; Charles Barnes, Lubbock, Pat Crain, Sweetwater, 10 blacks to 6 lbs. and eight white bass to 3 lbs.; Rita Rocmond and Ray Raymond, Lubbock, four striped bass to four lbs., 44 white bass to 3 lbs.; Clyde Hagen and Y.J. Sherrill, Robert Lee, 30-lb. and 28-lb. and a pair of 4-lb. Robert Lee, 30-lb. and 28-lb. and a pair of 4-lb. yellow cats and two channel cats to 3 1/2 lbs.

Henry's Cafe--Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smith, Robert Lee, seven channel cat to 6 1/2 lbs., two stripers at 3 1/2 lbs.; George Pool, Lubbock, 30 white bass, one striper 4 1/2 lbs.; Richard Pendergrass, Weatherford, 30 white bass and a 5-lb. striper; Mr. Niper, Lubbock, 25 white

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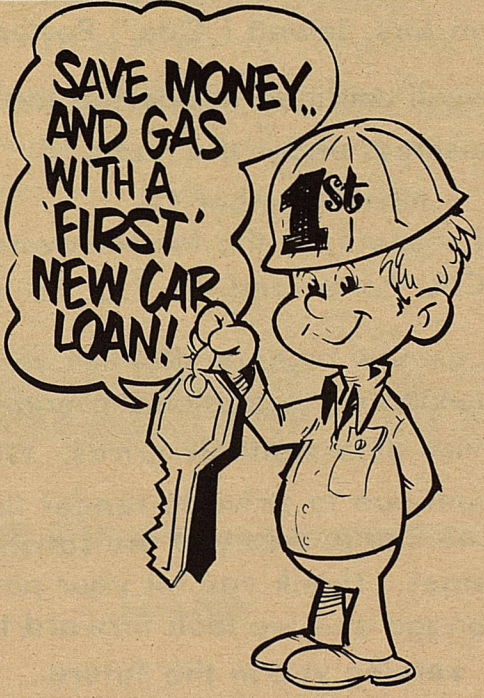
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