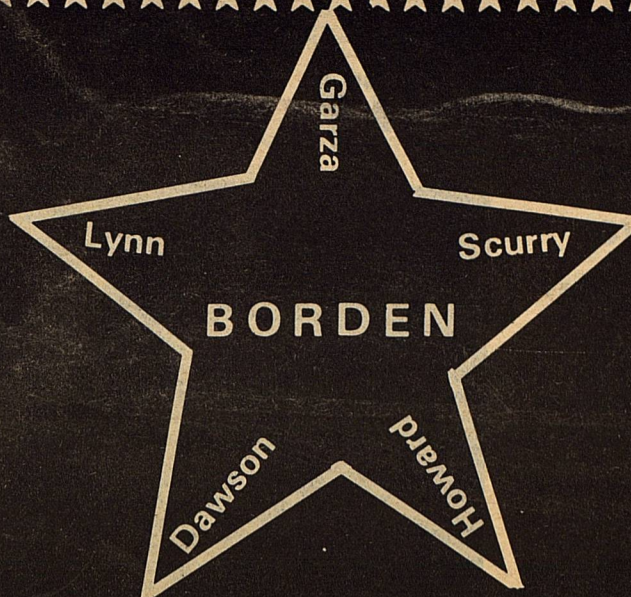


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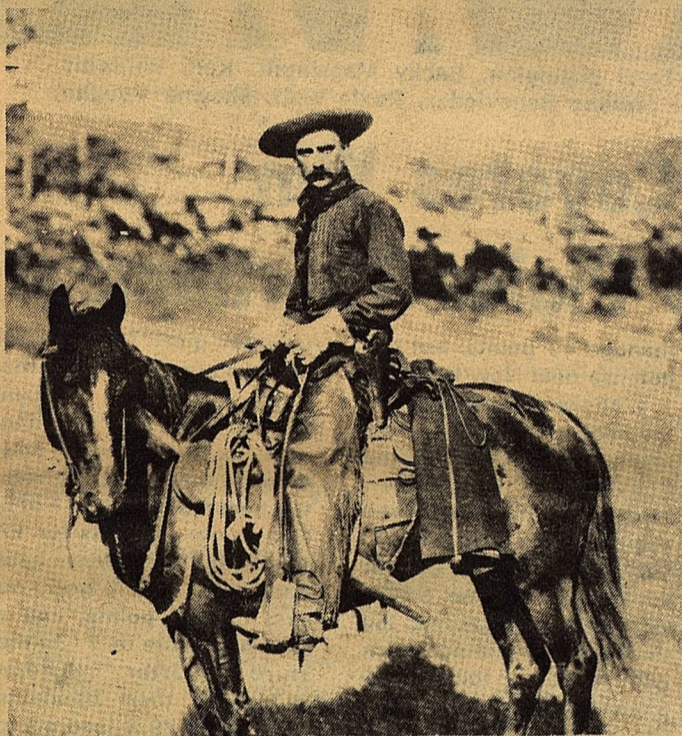
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Northwestern cowboys of the 1880's were a mixture of Texas ranch hands, eastern college graduates, British remittance men and midwestern farm boys. In this photo-one of the hundreds taken by C. H. Grabill and filed for copyright with the Library of Congress between 1887 and 1891-the cowboy's method of holding the reins indicates that he probably obtained his riding skills in the East or in Entland. A copy of Grabill's original photograph is included in "The American Cowboy," a major international exhibition produced by the Library of Congress and on display at The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio Dec. 1983 through Jan. 1984. (Photo courtesy of the Grabill Collection, Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress.)

Ritch Miller Showing New York City

Ritch Miller, younger brother of Ralph Miller of Borden County just completed a One-Man show at the Galeria Joan Prats Institute in New York City.

Ritch, a native of Borden County, became interested in painting at a very young age. He pursued this interest on his own and is self taught.

He has lived in Majorca, Spain since 1962 and does most of his work there.

Ritch has made a valuable contribution to International Art. The recent showing in New York was his second for that city. He has had a total of fifteen One-Man Shows, including shows in Spain and Italy. His popularity in Collective Shows is too numerous to mention.

The following is a press release from his show Nove. 22 in New York.

Ritch Miller is a Texan transplant thriving in the

Medieval splendor of an aristocratic 14th., century country house on the Mediterranean island of Mallorca.

Nothing of this seems particularly relevant to his work.

Miller's painting has the kind of odd narrative force often associated with Andrew Wyeth. But the colors are more lively and there is a dash of Bosch.

His figures are distorted fragments of the human condition, solitary, muted, floated twisted bits and pieces out of myth, fable and the freak show of reality.

The landscapes are windblown expanses of punctuated space and always silence, silence with a difference, silence at the edge of sound.

For twenty years his work has been shown extensively in Spain, England, and Italy. This is the first American showing since the early sixties.

While in the states, Ritch flew to Borden County for the week-end and very brief visit with his family.

A.J.R.A. Tops at Y.N.F.R.

AJRA contestants recently competed in Ft Worth, Texas at the Youth National Rodeo Finals and won the trophy for the second year. The 1982 trophy is now on display at Snyder Chamber of Commerce. That same trophy will be engraved for 1983 and remain in Snyder for another year at least. If they can win again in 1984, the trophy will become the permanent possession of AJRA.

The YNRF consists of all Youth Rodeo organizations in the U.S. and Canada. The

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Gramm Proud of Economic Program

U.S. Rep. Phil Gramm, on a three-week campaign swing across Texas, said Friday he was "proud and eager to discuss President Reagan's economic recovery program and its positive impact on both Texas and our nation."

The congressman, who holds a Ph.D. in economics and is seeking the Senate seat being vacated by U.S. Sen. John Tower, spoke as the Labor Department reported that unemployment fell by almost half a point to 8.4 percent nationwide.

He noted that one other candidate in the race, ex-Carter administration appointee Bob Krueger, has challenged Gramm to defend his role in passing the "Reagan-Gramm recovery program into law as co-author of the Gramm-Latta budget bills.

Gramm pointed out that, even by the standards of the Carter administration, "the working people of Texas and the nation are regaining the ground they lost under Carter."

Opportunities Available in Gail

West Texas Opportunities of Lamesa has announced that Kathleen Brown will be at the Court House in Gail, Friday, Dec. 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

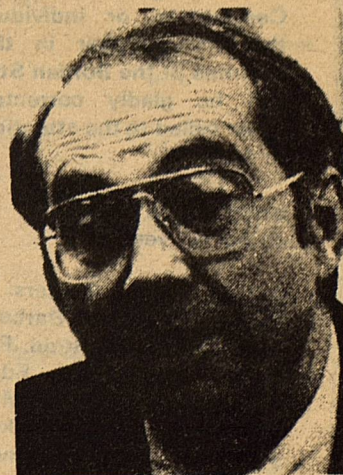
She will assist those in the county eligible for food stamps in filling out applications for the stamps and other federal aids.

Also, those who did not pick up their commodities last month may do so at this time, she said.

"You may recall Jimmy Carter's 'misery index'", Gramm said. "It was a clever political device combining unemployment and inflation rates. But 'Jimmynomics' brought us a misery index that jumped by 37.8 percent during the time the Carter budgets were in effect." "In contrast, the misery index has fallen 37.9 percent since the first Gramm-Latta budget went into effect," Gramm said. "It took us two years, but we have now succeeded in erasing the misery served up by the Carter administration."

"I'm enthusiastic about how our program is working for the working people--the people who pull the wagon, pay the taxes, do the work," he said. "We have cut inflation by more than 70 percent. We've cut taxes 25 percent. We've halted the unbridled growth of government spending."

"And I am doubly proud to have played a part in digging out from under the economic rubble bequeathed to us after Carter and Krueger were defeated," Congressman Gramm said.



PHIL GRAMM

Borden County School News

Lady Coyotes Win Two

The Borden County girls basketball team visited Loop Tuesday night and came away with a 37-15 J.V. win and a 60-22 varsity win. This moved both teams records to 2-0 on the season.

In the varsity game, freshman Kelli Williams led in scoring as she connected on 6 of 8 from the field for 12 points, followed by Roxie Wolf with 10 and Shana Bradshaw who hit 5 of 7 from the field to also have 10. Everyone scored on the team with Kelly Williams making 9, Simona Benavidez had 7, Shawna

Vaughn made 6, Becky Massingill hit 4, and Teri Billington finished with 2. The Coyotes once again kept themselves far ahead shooting a respectable 52 percent from the field in a 26 of 50 field goal attempts, and came up with 22 steals playing a good man defense.

Kelli Williams also led in assists with 5 followed by Shana Bradshaw with 4. In rebounding, it was Shawna Vaughn who led with 10 followed by Roxie Wolf with 8. Next game for the varsity will be in the New Home Tournament, Thursday, December 1, against New Home.

In the J.V. game, fifteen players saw playing action with seven getting into the scoring column. Sherry Vaughn led with 13 points followed by Cindy Balague with 7. Jeanette Massingill hit 5 points, Samantha Porter and Lynn Sternadel each had 4, and Cathy York and Dana Gray each made 2. Borden held a 19-6 halftime lead and increased their lead in each of the final two quarters. Next game for the J.V. will be in the Borden County Tournament, December 15, against Jayton.

New Home Too Tall

The New Home height was just too much for the Coyotes as the taller Leopards controlled both boards after missed shots. "We played very poorly on defense and were unable to run with them after they scored," said Coach Frisbie.

Keith Martin and Philly Benavides had eight points. Chris Cooley and Sammy Williams each had six.



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Borden County 47, Loop 42

Keith Martin hit 47 percent of his field goal attempts to lead the Coyotes to a come from behind win over the Loop Longhorns last Tuesday at Loop. Martin had 19 points to lead both teams for high point honors, plus grabbing fifteen defensive rebounds.

The Coyotes trailed 29-22 at halftime and by six points at the end of three quarters, but allowed only three free throws to be scored by the Longhorns in the final quarter.

"Our defense played great the last eight minutes and Loop only had three second shots for that period of time" said Coach Frisbie.

Robin Hood totaled 10 points, Chris Cooley had 8, Phillip Benavidez 8 and Sammy Williams 2.



Back row: Sherry Vaughn, Terri Billington, Becky Massingill, Kelli Williams, Shana Bradshaw. Front row: Simona Benevitez, Roxie Wolf, Shawna Vaughn, Jeanette Massingill.

Lady Coyotes Win Hub of the Plains Tournament

The Borden County girls basketball team broke a long dry spell as they captured the New Home Hub of the Plains Tournament December 1st through the 3rd. In the two previous years, Borden had made it to the championship game in five of the six tournaments entered, only to receive the runner-up trophy. But relying on the strength of its defense, Borden came away this time the winner.

In the first game, Borden was to play McCamey but due to McCamey being in the football playoffs, Borden received a bye and met New Home the second round. Shooting a cold 25 percent the first half, the Lady Coyotes could only

manage 17 points, but the defense held New Home to 7, with just 2 field goals. In the second quarter, Borden finally opened up on the previously unbeaten leopards as they outscored their opponents 21-2, holding a 38-9 third quarter advantage. In the 51-15 victory, Kelly Williams led the balanced scoring attack with 13 points, followed by Shana Bradshaw with 10, Roxie Wolf had 8, Kelli Williams hit 6, Shawna Vaughn made 5, Becky Massingill had 4, and Simona Benavidez and Teri Billington had 3 and 2 points respectively. Borden had 26 steals, and caused 16 more turnovers in the victory.

In the finals, Borden

County met Tahoka, an upset victor over Ralls in the other semi-final. Again Borden came out shooting cold as they could only manage to hit 8 of 32 from the field first half and 1 of 5 free throw attempts for 17 points, but the defense held Tahoka to 1 field goal, no first quarter points, and a first half score of 7. In the third quarter, Borden outscored their opponents 12-1 for a 29-8 lead going into the fourth quarter. With four minutes to go in the game, Borden held a 32-9 lead and found Tahoka too far behind for a late come-back attempt. Final score in the contest was Borden 36 and Tahoka 21.

DECEMBER 1983

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4	5 4-H Meeting 1:35 6:00 p.m. J.H. Basketball Girls & Boys Greenwood - There	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 6:00 p.m. J.H. Basketball Girls & Boys Klondike - Here	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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Roxie Wolf led in the contest in scoring with 17 points followed by Shana Bradshaw with 5. Shana Vaughn and Becky Massingill had 4 each and Simona Benavidez, Teri Billington, and Kelli Williams made 2 apiece. Borden was dominant in the rebound department with 54 rebounds, led by Roxie Wolf with 18, Shana Vaughn with 14, and Kelly Williams with 12. Shana Bradshaw hit 100 percent from the field and 50 percent from the free throw line to lead in shooting percentage. Kelly Williams led in steals with 5.

Through the first four games, Borden is averaging 52 points per game compared to their opponents 20. Hitting 40 percent from the field as a team, they are averaging 38 rebounds, 14 assists, and 19 steals. Next game for the Lady Coyotes is Tuesday, at Ropes. Game time is set for 6:30 This weekend, Borden will play in the Highland Tournament and will play Sterling City first round Thursday, December 8 at 1:30.

**Borden 20
Greenwood 55**

Playing his best game to date, Monte Floyd, did most of the good work in the Jr. High defeat by Greenwood. "Monte made very few mistakes and really hustled in a losing effort" said Coach Frisbee. Floyd had eight points and Will Phinizy

A G E N D A
Borden County Independent School District
Regular School Board Meeting
December 12, 1983 - 8:00 p.m.
Board Room - Borden County Schools
Gail, Texas

- I. Minutes
Read and approve minutes of last meeting.
- II. Visitors
Hear from visitors who have announced.
- III. Bills
Consider December bills for payment.
- IV. Superintendent's Report
 1. Financial report
 2. Attendance report
 3. Personnel report
- V. Special Education
Report on the Bi-County Co-op by Mary Ann Murphy, Special Education Director.
- VI. Annual Evaluation of Superintendent
- VII. Other New Business
- VIII. Adjourn

had five, Randall Hollis had three, Cody Cooly and Ray Martinez had two each. The two other members of the squad are Harold Barnes and David Holmes.

**Greenwood 36
Borden 4**

Jim Ridenour scored all four points in the Coyotes defeat at the hands of the Greenwood Rangers last

Monday night. Cody Stone and Jim Rios had a good game in bringing the ball down court plus helping rebound with Billy Massingill, Richie Anderson, Wally Breazeale, and James Smith. Pat Herridge played a large part in helping press the tallj Greenwood boys.

*Merry
Christmas*

Plains Over Borden

"I guess we got tired too early" SAID Coach Frisbie. "We only scored 6 points in the fourth period and allowed them 21." Again the lack of height hurt on the boards as Keith Martin was unable to out rebound the taller Plains team. However,

Keith did have 12 points to his credit, followed by Robin Hood, Chris Cooley, Kirby Williams with six each. "We played better and hustled better but couldn't keep up when we needed to play hard," said Coach Frisbie.

BORDEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL 1983-84 Basketball Schedule

DATE/DAY	OPPONENT	PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS	TIME
Nov. 22 (Tue)	Roby	T	A-B	A	5:00
Nov. 29 (Tue)	Loop	T	A	A	6:30
Dec. 6 (Tue)	Ropes	T	A	A-B	5:00
Dec. 13 (Tue)	Hermleigh	H	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 3 (Tue)	Hermleigh	T	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 6 (Fri)	Dawson	H	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 10 (Tue)	Klondike	T	A-B	A	5:00
Jan. 13 (Fri)	Greenwood	H	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 17 (Tue)	Sands	T	A-B	A	5:00
Jan. 19 (Thu)	Grady	H	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 24 (Tue)	Loop	H	A	A	6:30
Jan. 27 (Fri)	Klondike	H	A	A-B	5:00
Jan. 31 (Tue)	Greenwood	T	A-B	A	5:00
Feb. 3 (Fri)	Sands	H	A	A-B	5:00
Feb. 7 (Tue)	Grady	T	A-B	A	5:00
Dec. 1, 2, 3 - New Home Tournament - A Girls, A Boys					
Dec. 8, 9, 10 - Highland Tournament - A Girls, A Boys					
Dec. 15, 16, 17 - Borden Co. Tourn. - A Girls, A Boys					
* District Games					
Coaches: Bill May, Jr. (Girls) - Duke Frisbie (Boys)					
Colors: Red, White and Columbia Blue Mascot: Coyote					
Phone: 915-856-4314					

BORDEN COUNTY JUNIOR HIGH 1983-84 Basketball Schedule

DATE/DAY	OPPONENT	PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS	TIME
Nov. 28 (Mon)	GRADY	H	A	A	6:00
Dec. 5 (Mon)	GREENWOOD	T	A	A	6:00
Dec. 12 (Mon)	KLONDIKE	H	A	A	6:00
Dec. 19 (Mon)	- OPEN -				
Jan. 2 (Mon)	- OPEN -				
Jan. 9 (Mon)	SANDS	T	A	A	6:00
Jan. 16 (Mon)	GRADY	T	A	A	6:00
Jan. 23 (Mon)	GREENWOOD	H	A	A	6:00
Jan. 30 (Mon)	KLONDIKE	T	A	A	6:00
Feb. 6 (Mon)	- OPEN -				
Feb. 9 (Thu)	SANDS	H	A	A	6:00
Jan. 12, 13, 14 - Grady Tournament - A Girls, A Boys					
* District Games					
B Games May Be Added When Possible					

BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT FOR PUBLICATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1983

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total
Revenue				
Local property taxes	\$ 1,705,118		\$ 122,560	\$ 1,827,678
Athletic and cafeteria	15,965			15,965
Other local revenue	90,855		250	91,105
County revenue	66,000			66,000
Per capita and foundation	107,147			107,147
Other state funds	3,819			3,819
Federal funds	15,946	9,005		24,951
Sale of equipment	7,150			7,150
Net insurance recovery	42,323			42,323
Total revenue	\$ 2,054,323	\$ 9,005	\$ 122,810	\$ 2,186,138
Expenditures				
Instruction	\$ 650,953	\$ 11,407		\$ 662,360
Instructional administration		797		797
Resources and media	5,625			5,625
School administration	77,468			77,468
Health services	22,559			22,559
Transportation	218,725			218,725
Co-curricular activities	57,223			57,223
Food services	60,144			60,144
General administration	144,512	100	1,270	145,882
Debt service			148,729	148,729
Plant maintenance and operation	492,150			492,150
Community services	11,943			11,943
Total expenditures	\$ 1,741,302	\$ 12,304	\$ 149,999	\$ 1,903,605
Net Revenue (Expenditure)	\$ 313,021	\$ (3,299)	\$ (27,189)	\$ 282,533
Fund Balances, September 1, 1982	536,404	4,438	45,911	586,753
Fund Balances, August 31, 1983	\$ 849,425	\$ 1,139	\$ 18,722	\$ 869,286

School Lunch Menu

DECEMBER 12-16, 1983

	Lunch	Breakfast
Monday	Corn Dogs Cheese Wedge Pork & Beans Peach Slices Milk	Buttered Toast Fruit Juice Milk
Tuesday	Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes English Peas Hot Rolls Pudding Milk	Biscuit & Sausage Fruit Milk
Wednesday	Hot Tamales & Chili Vegetable Salad Buttered Corn Jello and Fruit Hot Rolls Milk	Cinnamon Toast Applesauce Milk
Thursday	Turkey & Dressing Green Beans Sweet Potatoes with Marshmallows Cranberry Sauce Milk	Biscuit & Jelly Fruit Juice Milk
Friday	Hamburgers French Fries Lettuce & Tomatoes Cookies Milk	Cereal Fruit Milk

Borden County Included in Historical Survey

Homes on the range just aren't what they once were though their town counterparts may still be.

That's one conclusion from a historical survey of architecture conducted by a Texas Tech University team in 48 Texas High Plains counties.

Project manager Joseph E. King said the historical survey's initial results have identified 828 sites which have been reported to the Texas Historical Commission as worthy of additional study.

Most of those sites, though, were found in the smaller communities and towns scattered across the High Plains instead of out on the farm or ranch, reported Donald Abbe, research associate on the project.

Although some noteworthy ranching structures were found, Abbe said few farm structures survived from the 1910s-1930s in anywhere near their original state.

"You'll find these farm houses, but they've been stuccoed, had aluminum windows installed or been altered with the addition of a room or porch," Abbe said.

"Chances of finding an unaltered building are better in the urban areas," he said. "Older rural houses were more likely to be abandoned to go to ruin than were urban houses."

King, research director of the Center for History of Engineering and Technology at Texas Tech, said survey teams logged more than 20,000 miles last summer in covering a region encompassing 20 percent of the state's total land area.

The survey area included all Texas counties north of

and including Gaines, Dawson, Borden and Scurry counties and all west of and including Stonewall, King, Cottle, Childress, Collingsworth, Wheeler, Hemphill and Lipscomb counties. The survey emphasized rural areas, towns of less than 10,000 population and selected older sections of cities with more than 10,000 population.

"I think the survey has shown that even in an area as young as the High Plains, a lot can be learned from the buildings, residences and other structures," King said. "There is a heritage there we should not ignore while it still exists."

"Most towns reflected the commitment of the people in the area," he said. "The people intended to stay and spent their money in making their structures not only functional but also attractive. That says a lot about the people of the region."

King contrasted the durability of High Plains towns with western mining camps of the same era. The mining camps were functional for a time, but most were not built to survive for the coming generation.

Among the towns singled out for further study were Canadian for its late 19th and early 20th century architecture; Clarendon for its quality residential and commercial structures built between 1890 and 1930; Pampa for its public and commercial Art Deco structures; Shamrock for its numerous 1890-1940 structures, including many Tudor Revival and Queen houses; and Dalhart for its abundance of 1890-1930

residential and commercial structures.

In evaluating the entire High Plains area, Abbe noted differences between the average community in the Panhandle and on the South Plains.

"Panhandle towns had a Midwestern look," he said. "Farm houses and bars were more substantial and better built than on the South Plains. In Panhandle towns the houses are a little earlier, bigger and more elaborate like you would find in the Midwest where many settlers came from."

On the South Plains, by contrast, the early houses were neither as large nor as well built. Abbe said the Panhandle settlers often came from successful farm regions in the Midwest and gave no thought to failure while many early South Plains residents had gone under financially elsewhere and were seeking a tentative second start.

"Settlers often didn't want to invest what savings they had into a place on the South Plains until they developed some self-assurance they could make it," Abbe said.

The survey was funded by a \$41,612 grant from the National Park Service through the Texas Historical Commission. The information will be used to evaluate the historical significance of structures and to determine what additional study may be necessary in the area.



Many believe that the best teas grow at high altitudes, sometimes at over 6,000 feet.

Courthouse News

The Borden County Commissioners' Court met on November 28, 1983 for their special session, with all members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The routine bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

The commissioners reviewed the current water line problems and also the present county policy concerning the payment of water bills and the deposits charged for the installation of new water meters or reconnecting old ones.

Because of the cost of handling returned checks, it

was decided to add a \$10 service charge for each returned check. The regular meter deposit was increased to \$50. This increase was made to encourage water users to come in and settle their water bill before moving and leaving an unpaid balance.

The trade of land with Borden County ISD was approved. The trade of lots in Gail (near the school) for acreage in Precinct 1. This acreage will be used for an equipment yard for that Precinct.

There being no further business the commissioners adjourned at 12:00.

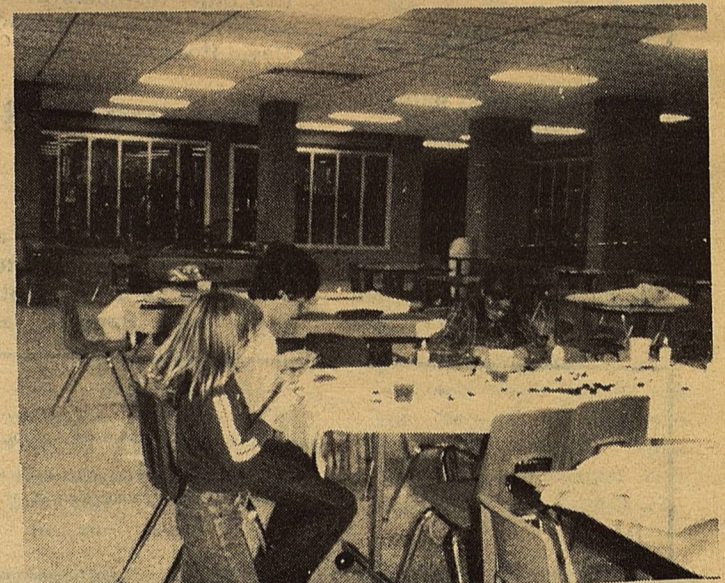
Annual 4-H Christmas Bazaar Scheduled

The annual 4-H Christmas Bazaar will be held Tuesday, December 13 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the school conference room.

If you have items you wish to donate to the bazaar, we ask that you have them to the school by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday. It is also asked that you price your items

since you know the cost of your materials and the amount of time you have put into them.

Thirteen Elementary 4-Hers worked on Craft Day making Santa napkin holders, skillet magnets, thumbprint stationary and gift sacks to be sold at the bazaar.



Jill Voss, Connie Voss and D'Lynn Lloyd enjoyed making kitchen magnets during the 4-H craft day. Crafts made will be for sale Tuesday at the 4-H Christmas Bazaar.

\$600 SATELLITE SYSTEMS

O.K. I've been into electronics for nearly 20 years now so now is the time to get the REAL facts about satellite systems. Fact No. 1 Most all dish systems offer an astounding 18 to 40 DB gain, and fact No. 2 These companies get astounding prices of \$1500 to \$3000 or more. If you like real guts in your system, you can have "62" DB gain, for only \$600.00! Order yours today before January price increases. Price includes everything except the TV to play it on! Other exciting offers. Call 573-9686 or write to Jim Davis, Route 2 Box 61-A, Snyder, Texas 79549

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Who Speaks for The People?

by Richard Viquerie

(Ed. Note: We have been offered the services of a new weekly column by Richard A. Viquerie, publisher of "Conservative Digest."

Mr. Viquerie has written two books, "The New Right: We're Ready to Lead" and "The Establishment vs. the People", which have won praises from left and right.

The following represents his work in our first column. After a few weeks we would appreciate our readers comments.)

Politicians in both parties have begun to use the term populism to describe their own orientation. On February 23, 1983, Congressman Tom Harkin (D-Iowa) announced the formation of a Congressional Populist Caucus that included 14 liberal Democrats, most of them from the Midwest. Meanwhile, a group of House Republicans, most of them relatively young, have taken up the banner of what is called (for lack of a better term) "populist conservatism." Among the leaders of the populist conservative group are Congressman Jack Kemp (R-N.Y.), Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.), and Phil Gramm (R-Texas).

Although "populism" is used by members of both parties and by liberals and conservatives alike to describe themselves, I believe that the term is used improperly when it refers to liberals like the members of the Populist Caucus, who would increase the power of the government over the lives of working Americans.

True populists do not seek to replace an elite of the wealthy with a bureaucratic elite. Instead, they work to break up the concentration of power in the hands of the establishment. They want to return decision-making to the state and local level and to the individual citizen.

In keeping with their belief that power is best entrusted to the individual, populists

identify with the man or woman who works for a living. They do not ridicule his music, religion, or manner of dress. Populism is more than simply a political ideology; it is an attribute of character, because it takes humility for a politician with control over other people's lives to admit that he is no better than the people he governs.

Populists emphasize the rights of average citizens and defend those citizens against the establishment. They stand for self-reliance, decentralization, and open and responsive government. They represent the class of Americans variously referred to as "the little people," "the forgotten men and women," "the working class," and "the silent majority."

Today's populists do not repeat the errors of the People's Party of the 1890's, which mistakenly believed that a stronger central government would be an effective weapon against the power of the nation's elite. Instead, modern populists follow a tradition as old as the country itself.

In 1824, Thomas Jefferson defined the principles of populism when he defined the natural parties of mankind. "Men by their constitution are naturally divided into two parties. 1) Those who fear and distrust the people, and

wish to draw all powers from them into the hands of the higher classes. 2) Those who identify themselves with the people, have confidence in them, cherish and consider them as the most honest and safe, although not the most wise depository of the public interests.

"In every country these two parties exist, and in every one where they are free to think, speak, and write, they will declare themselves. Call them therefore liberals and serviles, Jacobins and Ultras, Whigs and Tories, republicans and federalists, they are the same parties still and pursue the same object."

Or call them, as I do, elitists and populists.

For decades the party of the aristocratic establishment has been in charge of the U.S. government. Repeatedly the people have placed their hopes in politicians whose candidacies were based on populist themes but whose terms in office were noted for preservation of the power of the establishment.

Today the middle class is eager for dramatic change. The working people of America want a champion who will stand up for them against those who abuse their power. The question is: Who will lead the new populist movement? The answer will determine the direction of American politics well into the next century.

Special Plates Honor 150th Birthday

Austin--Around this time next year, you'll be able to buy those special red, white and blue license plates that commemorate the Texas Sesquicentennial.

Only twice before has the state allowed slogans on vehicle license plate, once in 1936 to commemorate the Texas Centennial and again in 1968 to recognize the HemisFair.

In honor of Texas 150th birthday, the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission directed that approximately 7.5 million sets of plates be produced during the next biennium bearing the Sesquicentennial slogan.

When the Sesquicentennial license plates are ready, they will be issued for new vehicles and for out-of-state vehicles

being registered in Texas for the first time. In addition, they will be issued at the time of registration if current plates are at least five years old and the owner wants new plates. The special plates will also be issued as replacement plates and annual license plates.

Individuals who wish to get personalized Sesquicentennial plates for the year 1986 can order them beginning August 1, 1984.

Plans for the state's 150th birthday celebration began in 1979 when the 66th Texas Legislature created a special commission to coordinate the observance of the special plates at the request of the Sesquicentennial Commission who appeared before them last August.

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Help Wanted - Someone to do house cleaning and meal preparation while lady recuperates from surgery. Can live in. Phone 915-856-4453 Gail, Texas.

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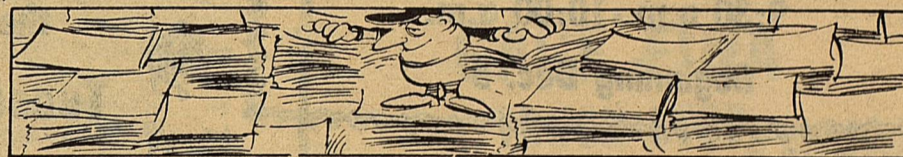
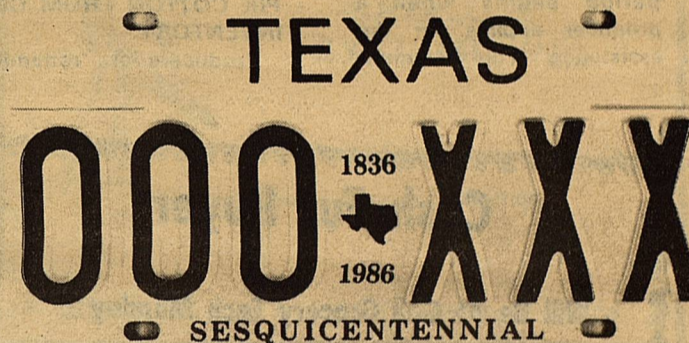
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ASCS News

by Jerry Stone

SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY FEED IS DEC. 6-14

Farmers who are located in disaster-designated counties and who are eligible to purchase lower grade Commodity Credit Corporation corn to feed their livestock or poultry are urged to sign up at their

county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office. The sign up period is Dec. 6-14.

The corn is priced at 75 percent of the 1983 basic county loan rate in the county where it is stored. Nationwide, about 27 million bushels of U.S. No.

4, U.S. No. 5, and Sample Grade corn are available from CCC. Farmers purchasing the corn are responsible for transporting it to their farms.

Borden County is a disaster designated county and may receive corn from warehouses in the following counties.

BAILEY	24,832	Bushels	2.06	per bushel
CASTRO	54,053	Bushels	1.84	per bushel
HALE	10,095,069	Bushels	2.05	per bushel
HARRIS	3,825	Bushels	2.12	per bushel
LUBBOCK	291,334	Bushels	2.07	per bushel
NEUCES	6,543	Bushels	1.93	per bushel
PARMER	20,604	Bushels	2.05	per bushel
SWISHER	124,498	Bushels	2.09	per bushel
TERRY	97,389	Bushels	1.92	per bushel

In addition to being located in a USDA-designated disaster county, a farmer or rancher eligible to purchase the corn must also have insufficient feed on hand to maintain foundation livestock and poultry through the end of a 90 day feeding period. The period begins when a producer applies for the assistance. The maximum

amount of corn allowed to be purchased will be 10 pounds of feed per day per animal unit times the number of days in the feeding period.

REMEMBER THE SIGN UP PERIOD ENDS WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 14, 1983.

PIK COTTON FROM CCC INVENTORY
Producers are reminded

that the cotton from CCC inventory is now available to be picked up at the county office as soon as possible. Producers are also reminded of the HARVEST FOR PIK regulations, you must supply 40 percent of your entitlement from your harvested crop.

AJRA

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top two contestants from each event are eligible to compete from each organization.

Les McFadden, Sec-Manager of AJRA said the competition was tremendously keen this year and the High School Association had some top hands there from Canada.

The High School Assoc. and AJRA competition was

so close that the pressure of winning came down to the wire of the last event, Bull Riding. Todd Watkins (AJRA) of Odessa, Texas had to ride and win the event in order for AJRA to come out on top. He was successful in doing so and AJRA took a ten point lead.

Congratulations to AJRA contestants for a tremendous win and your fine representation at the Youth National Rodeo Finals.



Merry Christmas

Everybody's preparing for the big Day. Hope it's merry in every way.

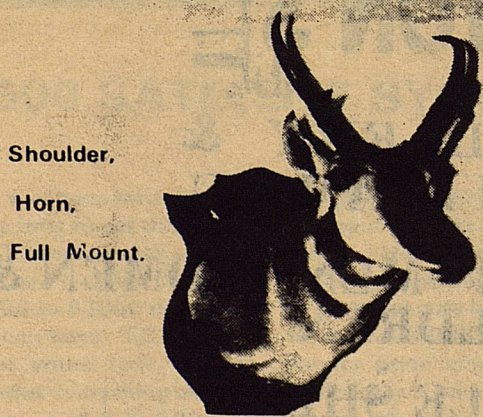
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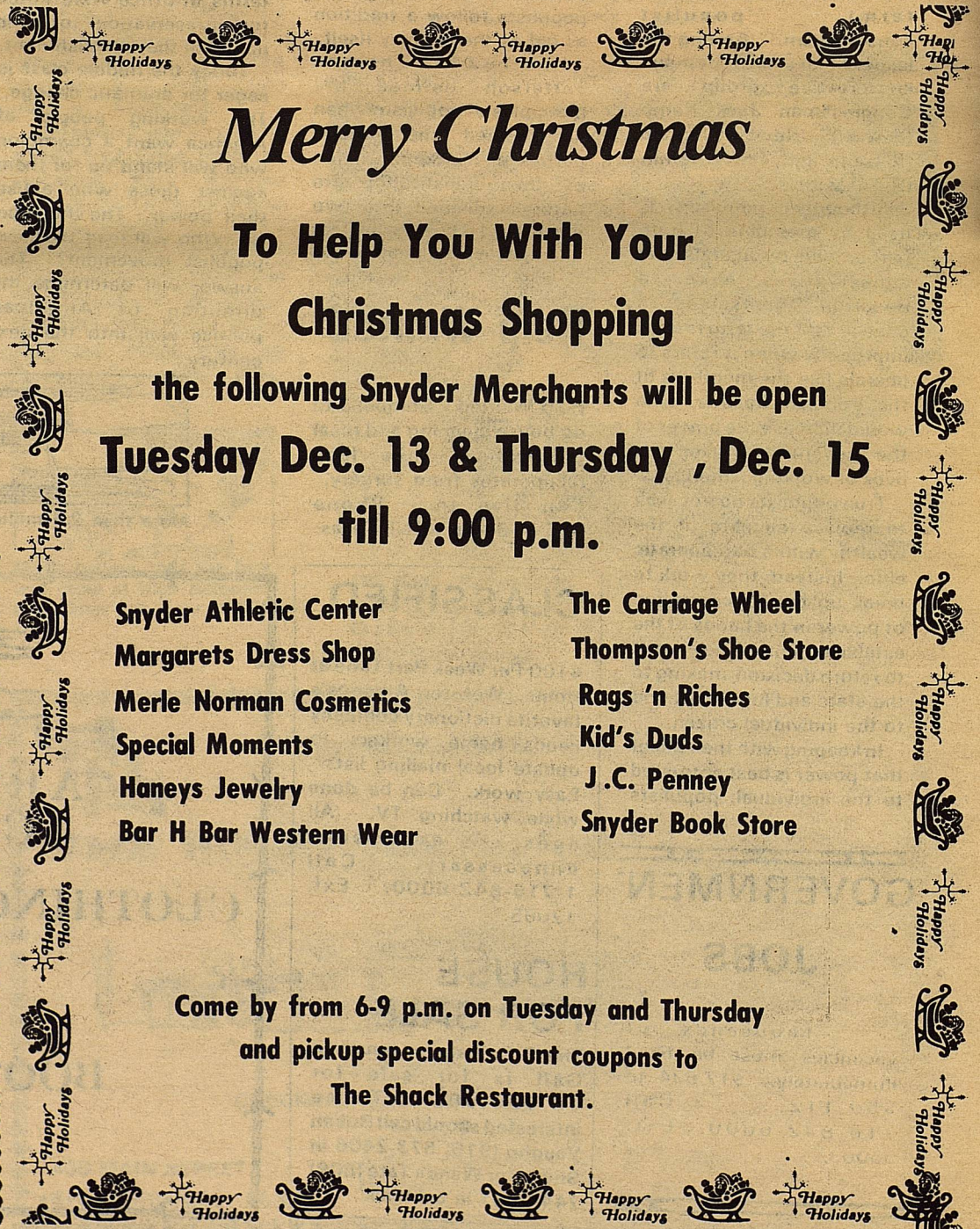
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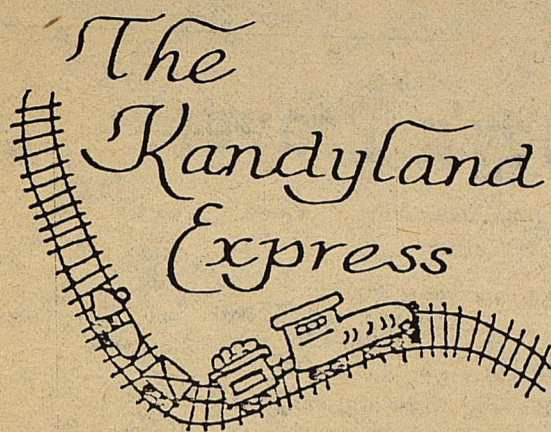
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KEEP HOLIDAY PARTIES SOCIABLE BUT SOBER

Many holiday party hosts think serving alcoholic drinks demonstrates their hospitality.

Yet for their guests on diets or medication and those who want to be sociable without drinking, alcohol can cause problems.

For guests with a drinking problem and especially those who drive, alcohol may bring disaster.

According to figures recently released by the Texas Commission on Alcoholism, 11 percent of Texans have drinking problems. And it's obvious that most party guests will drive home, whether they are sober or not.

True hospitality involves more than giving guests drinks. If alcoholic beverages are served, however, the host can help guests enjoy the refreshments without fostering drunkenness.

The following suggestions for party hosts will help insure a sociable but sober holiday party:

Serve the food promptly if it's a dinner party. Cocktails are supposed to enhance a fine dinner, not compete with it. After too many drinks, guests may not know what they ate or how it tasted.

For a cocktail party or buffet, serve food while the guests are drinking, not

after. Food slows down the rate at which alcohol is absorbed into the blood stream. It also slows the rate at which people drink.

Serve non alcoholic drinks too. In Texas, 40 percent of all adults choose not to drink at all. Occasional drinkers sometimes prefer not to. Don't hide the non alcoholic drinks in the kitchen. Make sure punch, fruit juice, soft drinks, tea or coffee are as easily available and attractively served as alcoholic drinks.

Monitor a self serve bar or keg. It's even better to have a responsible person serve as a bartender. Be wary of the eager volunteer who may use the opportunity to give every glass an extra "shot".

Pace the drinks by serving at regular, reasonable intervals. A drink an hour is a reasonable rule of thumb.

Don't serve double drinks. Many people count and pace their drinks. If you serve doubles, these guests will drink twice as much as they planned.

Don't push drinks. Let the glass be empty before you offer a refill. And then don't rush, especially if someone comes up empty too fast. Don't insist or even protest if a guest says "no thanks" to an alcoholic drink.

Set drinking limits. When a guest has had too much to drink, politely express your concern by offering a

substitute drink such as coffee. This is a gently way to reach the limits you have set for your home.

Close the bar at an appropriate time. Decide in advance when you want your party to end. Close the drinking phase in advance of that time by serving a substantial snack. That will also provide some non drinking time before guests leave to drive home.

Do not let a guest who has over indulged drive home. Drive the person home yourself, ask a sober friend to drive, or call a cab.

White Authorizes Grant

Governor Mark White announced last week that he has authorized a grant of \$1,060,331 in federal funds to the Permian Basin Area to provide job training programs and employment opportunities for youth and unskilled adults. These programs and funds are authorized under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

The Governor's Office has approved the job training program designed by a locally-appointed Private Industry Council (PIC) and local elected officials. The PIC will oversee this program in Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, and Winkler counties.

"This job training project is an example of what state and local government, working in partnership with the private sector, can do to put Texans back to work," Governor White said.

The JTPA differs from the decade old CETA program which it replaced by emphasizing a mix of classroom and skills training for career type private sector jobs rather than public works jobs.

Your County Agent Says

by Alan Day

Fall is the season for trees to lose leaves, but it's also the time to set out new trees.

Fall is the best time to plant trees because their root systems have time to develop and become well established before top growth begins in the spring. Plant only container-grown or balled and burlapped trees during the fall as bare-root trees do not transplant readily until January and February.

Choose trees that will adapt to the area and that will provide the desired landscape.

First, dig a pit large enough to allow six inches clearance on all sides of the root ball. The pit should be as deep as the root ball so that it will rest on undisturbed soil. Plant the tree at the same depth it was in the nursery. This should

be indicated by a discolored ring on the trunk.


Place the tree in the pit carefully by handling the ball, not the trunk. Handling the tree by the trunk could cause a broken ball and excessive root damage.

Next, fill the pit around the ball with top soil or a prepared mixture of soil, sand and peat moss or pine bark. Do not fertilize the tree until after spring growth occurs.

After filling in, stake the tree to secure it against the wind so roots can become well established. It's also a good practice to wrap the trunk of the newly transplanted tree to protect it from sunscald, drying winds, sand storms and borer attacks.

Finally, water the tree as needed during the dry winter periods.

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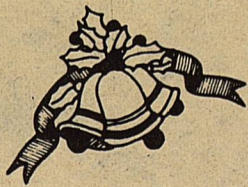
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TV'S NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST

By Edwin Feulner

If you were a youngster in the 1950s, as I was, you probably knew people who had bomb shelters in their basement, or at least had considered installing one. But you were unlikely to have lived in fear of "the bomb." In school, there were air raid drills as well as fire drills, but nobody tried to convince you that the end of the world was in sight.

And certainly nobody tried to convince you that the United States was responsible for a pending nuclear holocaust because we didn't have the vision to disarm ourselves and beg for mercy from the Soviet Union.

Ah, the good old days. All that has changed now, thanks to ABC television and their broadcast of "The Day After," a made-for-TV movie aired November 20.

"The Day After" (which starred Jason Robards) was not a sleazy sex film. It wasn't even a classy one. It featured the residents of Kansas City, Missouri, and Lawrence, Kansas, in a grisly and graphic look at life on earth during and after a nuclear attack.

The film sought to be terrorizing. But to a nation jaded by "The Towering Inferno" and "Jaws," it was disappointingly dull. I'm almost tempted to say ABC's nuclear holocaust was one big bomb, creating an audience where the bored envied the dead.

ABC almost took a bath showing the \$7 million program. Sponsors were reluctant to touch such a (excuse the expression) "hot" property. But ABC executive Anthony Thomopoulos stressed the network's commitment to airing the film regardless of how many sponsors signed on.

For anyone familiar with the entertainment industry, this seems odd. In a business where profits are the be-all and end-all of existence, no one goes around throwing millions of dollars down the tubes. After all, SOMEONE has to pay for the Guccis, the Mercedes, and the tab at Perino's. So what was ABC's motive—if not another fast buck.

Despite the denials, it looks like the real purpose of the film was the desire by ABC executives to make a political statement: "disarm or die—support the nuclear freeze!"

Why else would they have scheduled it to air just as NATO was starting its deployment of Pershing II and cruise missiles in Europe—missiles that were requested by our allies to make the Soviets think twice about using the hundreds of missiles they have aimed at Europe?

Star Robards let the cat out of the bag when he commented that making the film "beats signing petitions." And pro-freeze groups, in virtual hiding since the Kremlin again revealed its barbarism by shooting down Korean Air Lines Flight 007, were ecstatic. "ABC is doing a \$7 million advertising job for our issue," said Janet Michaud, leader of a pro-freeze group.

Sadly, the joke may be on the fearmongers. If the movie has the impact they're hoping for, and the U.S. opts for unilateral disarmament, they may indeed get their holocaust.

Why? Because deterrence works and appeasement doesn't. We didn't worry about nuclear annihilation in the 50s because our nation was strong. Nuclear war was unthinkable because the aggressors in the Soviet Politburo knew the U.S. was determined to defend its interests. So Khrushchev and company never pushed the button.

(Feulner is president of The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.)

A Cowboy's Prayer

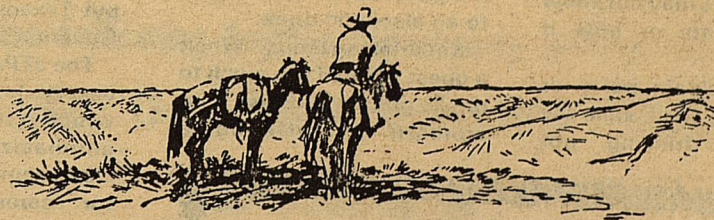
by BADGER CLARK

Oh Lord, I've never lived where churches grow.
I love creation better as it stood
That day You finished it so long ago
And looked upon Your work and called it good.
I know that others find You in the light
That's sifted down through tinted window panes,
And yet I seem to feel You near tonight
In this dim, quiet starlight on the plains.

I thank You, Lord, that I am placed so well,
That You have made my freedom so complete;
That I'm no slave of whistle, clock or bell,
Nor weak-eyed prisoner of wall and street.
Just let me live my life as I've begun
And give me work that's open to the sky;
Make me a pardner of the wind and sun,
And I won't ask a life that's soft or high.

Let me be easy on the man that's down;
Let me be square and generous with all.
I'm careless sometimes, Lord, when I'm in town,
But never let 'em say I'm mean or small!
Make me as big and open as the plains,
As honest as the hoss between my knees,
Clean as the wind that blows behind the rains,
Free as the hawk that circles down the breeze!

Forgive me, Lord, if sometimes I forget.
You know about the reasons that are hid.
You understand the things that gall and fret;
You know me better than my mother did.
Just keep an eye on all that's done and said
And right me, sometimes, when I turn aside,
And guide me on the long, dim trail ahead
That stretches upward toward the Great Divide.



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