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## Serving the Counties of Borden, Dawson, Garza, Howard, Lynn & Scurry



TOM HOUF, Construction Coordinator and OTTUS BOYD, Pumper and Maintenance, discuss construction plans for five solar evaporative ponds.

## Approves Construction

The American Magnesium Company in Snyder has received approval from the Water Quality Board in Austin to build five solar evaporative ponds in Borden County.

Construction was begun early in May on the Mardes Clayton land south of Gail, said Mr. E.D. Loyd, American Magnesium Co.

Mr. Tom (Ottus) Boyd, Borden Co. is pumper and maintenance operator for the American Magnesium Co.

Danny Lopez, Superintendent for Burn Construction Co., Las Cruces, N.M. has the contract for the dirt work on the project. He will be staying in a travel trailer in Gail. Due to fuel shortage, diesels being shipped by truck from Las Cruces.

There will be three 28 acre one 15 acre, and one 6 acre ponds. The depth will be approximately four to ten feet with a five foot embankment. All five ponds will be lined with plastic. The Water Quality Board approved the ponds with out requiring linings, said Mr. Houf. It was American Magnesium decision to line them for greater protection. The process is designed to minimize labor and save fuel, said Boyd, and there is absolutely no pollution. As the salt settles to the bottom the sun evaporates the water. It is easier to pump from one pond to another and will be a continuous process. It will then be pumped back to the plant to be used

for Magnesium and Chloride brine. Different types of industry use this process. One is General Tire and Rubber Co. at Odessa. The construction of the ponds are scheduled for completion in Sept. 1973.

The Magnesium Co. has 14 brine wells in Borden Co. Four are producing and are located on the Clayton, Chilton and Hull leases.

As production increases, said Boyd, other wells will be put into production as needed.

American Magnesium ceased production in 1971 to run tests. Operations were cut to 50 employees. The tests will end the last of May and employment is now up to 70. When the plant is in full production their personnel will be increased to 120.

The National Steel Co., Pittsburg, Pa., purchased a controlling interest from American Magnesium in 1972.

The plant will produce magnesium, a rare metallic chemical element used for its strength in other substances. It is used in airplane parts, when available. Because of its light weight, a small amount is used in Aluminum. It is also used in catchers masks and Meg wheels. There are very few Magnesium plants in existence, said Houf, two of which are The American Magnesium Co., Snyder and Dow Chemical Co. on the Texas coast.

We are proud to have this important operation in Borden County.

## Letter

Dear Editor:

Once again I plant my feet firmly on the ground and stand right beside you on the marijuana issue. Maybe it is no worse than alcohol. Look close at what alcohol has done for this country. I wouldn't want something else to get out that did half as much damage. Teenagers and adults who are sometimes tried in court for crimes they have committed, try to shift the blame on alcohol or drugs. They know this might happen the minute they taste of either one, yet they will taste and take the chance. They say they aren't guilty because they were drunk or "hopped up" and didn't know what they were doing. May I ask one question? Why would anyone want to "go on a trip" if they didn't know what they were doing, and couldn't remember what they had done after it was over? Maybe the teenagers would like to let us in on "why" they want it legalized. If it is to be used as medicine then its better to let a Doctor do the giving. If its for fun, tell us what fun there is in it. Would you want your Mom and Dad to go on this marijuana diet? If you want to get hopped up. Why not take a good long swig of Goat's Milk? That will put you right on Cloud 9. Still old fashioned and proud of it.

Signed by Sibyl Gilmore

## 4-H Program

Editorial from Prog. Farmer

The 4-H Clubs, long renowned for their ability to instill leadership in youth, have been undergoing some painful changes with the adoption of an Affirmative Action Plan written by the Justice Department to insure complete racial integration.

The plan's guidelines are open to different interpretations--some of them rather frightening. For example, county 4-H organizations in some states have been told to make a survey of their local population and determine the percentages of each minority group. Then Extension agents and adult leaders are expected to recruit minority youths so clubs will reflect the population mix.

Adult leaders without the proper mix in their clubs could be required to certify that they have not practiced discrimination. If they cannot prove their statements to the satisfac-

tion of federal authorities, then all assistance from the Extension Service would be cut off.

This possibility is astounding especially in view of the fact that almost all 4-H leaders are volunteers. The Justice Department has apparently forgotten that it cannot impose rigid guidelines on these people without causing resignations. This would be disastrous, because almost any county Extension agent will verify that adult leaders are the backbone of 4-H.

The reasons for the Affirmative Action Plan are varied and undoubtedly complex--but one factor seems evident. Total 4-H enrollment has been disappointing for several years as more people leave rural areas. State Extension officials have tried various methods of boosting membership. Any future growth surely must come from urban areas where the current interest in social programs has channeled much of the federal money that all agencies compete for.

This has tied Extension Service officials to a swift merry-go-round. More federal money means more federal controls, either because of specific discrimination lawsuits, or through the actions of over-zealous lawyers in the federal executive branch who have the self-appointed mission of opening every organization to everybody whether they want to participate or not.

## Foreign Trade

The American National Cattlemen's Associations position on foreign trade was brought forcefully to the attention of Congress recently when Peter E. Marble, Elko, Nevada, testified on the proposed Trade Reform Act of 1973 before the subcommittee on foreign agricultural policy of the Senate Agriculture Committee. Most cattlemen, he told the Senators, want 1 (free, unregulated, and unsubsidized domestic production and marketing; 2 (gradual and careful phasing out of government control programs with all farmland brought into full production according to its best economic use; and 3 (most important, a strong government policy of reciprocal agricultural trade.

Our U.S. beef is up against strong restrictions overseas, especially in Europe's Common

Market and Japan, Marble pointed out, while America in general has an "open door" policy of sharing its market under the Meat Import Act of 1964. With restrictions against U.S. beef removed, and mutual reciprocal sharing policies in the countries concerned, he said a large market can be opened up for high-grade American beef, especially in the Common Market of more than 200 million consumers."

The realistic potential abroad for U.S. beef is enough to require an increase of 20 to 25 percent in the country's breeding herds in the next 20 years or less, Marble estimated.

"How much farm land would this require? Well, I should doubt less than five acres and perhaps more like ten for each animal. So we are talking about an opportunity to increase the economic utilization of probably at least the equivalent of 100 million acres...and creating perhaps \$3 billion or more in world trade potential," Marble said.

## Youth

Youth is not a time of life. It is a state of mind...Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years...but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul! You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear, as young as your hope!...So long as your heart receives.. messages of beauty, cheer, courage, grandeur and power from the earth...so long as you are young.



APPEARS IN BIG SPRING--Michael Landon, who took the part of Little Joe Cartwright in the long-running television series, "Bonanza," will appear in Big Spring all four days of the 1973 Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, which starts June 20.

# Borden County School News

## BORDEN SCHOOL GRADUATION High School

A challenge to be themselves, and to do the things that would make them happy was made to the eleven graduating seniors of Borden High School at commencement exercises Thursday night. Dr. Thomas Salter, President of Howard County Junior College assured the class that this really is the beginning, as the word "commencement" implies.

Mrs. Sidney J. Long provided the music for the processional and the recessional. The invocation was given by Sherry Gammons followed by the Salutatorian address by Randy Hensley. The class history, class prophecy, and class will were given by Janice Browne, Randy Crittenden and Vickie Newton respectively. The Valedictorian address was given by Steve McMeans.

Mr. Mickey McMeans presented the class for diplomas, after which the diplomas and awards were presented by Mr. J. R. Anderson, School Board President and Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent.

The benediction was given by Janice Browne. Ushers were Claudia Swann, Melisa Taylor, Butch Gass and Joe Dan Hancock. Mrs. Ben Jarrett and Mr. Sidney J. Long were the class sponsors.

### Jr. High

The eighth grade graduation was held Friday night, May 25. Donelle Jones presided at the piano for the processional and recessional. The invocation was given by Eddie Parks, after which Bob McLeroy welcomed those present. The salutatory address was given by Sue Hancock; the theme of her speech was "opportunity". The class history, the class will and the class prophecy were given by Kristy Smith, Gay Griffin and Tricia Jackson, respectively. Dana Westbrook gave the valedictory address, her theme was "goals". The benediction was given by Richard Smith.

Mrs. Travis Barnes, accompanied by Mrs. Sid Long provided the special music. Ushers for the event were Lesa Hensley, Rita Baeza, Johnny Jackson, and Patrick Toombs; Mrs. Peggy Westbrook was the class sponsor.

The eighth grade wish to express their appreciation to the ushers, to Donelle, Mrs. Long and Mrs. Barnes for their contribution to the event.



Welcoming address being given by BOB McLEROY.



MRS. TRAVIS BARNES provides special music for the JR. HIGH

### Awards Program

A special awards program was held in the Borden High School auditorium, Friday afternoon, May 25. The following students were recognized:

#### HIGH SCHOOL

**BETA ACHIEVEMENT;** No grades below 90 (six weeks grades)

Steve McMeans, Bobbie Briggs, Catherine Jackson. **HONOR ROLL** 90 grade average, no grade below 85 (six weeks grades); Janice Browne, Janice Davis, Rhonda Patterson, Kem Lockhart, Jim McLeroy, Clifton Smith, Mary Ledbetter.

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT-** achieved BETA or Honor Roll level one or more times during the 1972-73 school year; Randy Crittenden, Randy Hensley, Sherry Jackson, Vickie Newton, Rex Cox, Joe Hancock, Randy Ogden, Claudia Swann, Max Jones, Teddy Cooley, Rita Cornett, Ken McMeans, Philena Farmer, Debra Herring, Donelle Jones, Deidre Tucker.

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE;** Bobbie Briggs, Frank Farmer, Melisa Ludecke, Jim McLeroy, Clifton Smith, Creighton Taylor.

**REGULAR ATTENDANCE** Missed 5 or fewer days; Bill Benavidez, Jimmy Hayse, Mike Herring, Steve McMeans, Vickie Newton, Roby Rios, Juan Baeza, Janice Davis, Joe Hancock, Doug Isaacs, Max Jones, Jo Ann Martin, Rhonda Patterson, John Anderson, Rita Cornett, Kem Lockhart, Ken McMeans Monte Smith, Bica Baeza, Kendal Davis, Debra Herring, Wanda Johnson, Donelle Jones.

**CITIZENSHIP AWARDS;** Randy Hensley 12th and Janice Browne 12th.

**HIGHEST GRADE AVERAGE;** (grades 9-12); Bobbie Briggs-yearly average 95.71.

1974 class were presented their senior rings.

**TYPING AWARDS;** Bobbie Briggs and Frank Farmer.

**FHA AWARDS** these girls have reached their first level of "encounter" since the awards were made at the FFA-FHA banquet: Wanda Johnson and Bica Baeza.

#### JUNIOR HIGH & ELEMENTARY

Junior High and Borden/Elementary students receiving awards for PERFECT ATTENDANCE these students were not absent any days for the 72-73 school year:

GRADE 1; Kim Wil's and Roxie Wolf.

GRADE 2; Shellie Peterson.

GRADE 3; Scot Long, Jim Rinehart, Ty Willis, and Michael Peterson.

GRADE 5; Ben Murphy, Karen Williams, and Troyce Wolf.

GRADE 6; Lisa McLeroy, Travis Rinehart.

GRADE 7; Sylvia Espinoza, Lesa Hensley, Eurdist Rinehart, Benny Taylor, and Patrick Toombs.

GRADE 8; Jackie Lockhart.

Borden County Elementary and Junior High students receiving REGULAR ATTENDANCE awards. These students were absent only five or less days during the school year. GRADE 1; Scott Brooks, Lorri Doyle, James Espinoza, Dawn Holmes, and George Loftis. GRADE 2; Lyndy Doyle, Sandra Kountz, Stephanie Stephens, Keith Williams, Fernando Vidal, Randy Skelton.

GRADE 3; Quint Creighton, Glen Gray, Darrell Green, Gena McLeroy, Teresa Moreno, Chip Smith, Lisa Smith, Jerry Staggs, Michael Vaughn, Rosa Vidal, Joe Espinoza, and Bertha Arreola.

GRADE 4; Martin Baeza, Joie Brummett, Monica Dyess, Debra Kountz, Bart McMeans, Gayla Newton, Charla Vaughn, Rueben Vidal, Suzanne Walker, Keil Williams, Van York, and Maria Arreola.

GRADE 5; Glynda Burkett, Stella Espinoza, Cole Herring, Troy Hyden, Craig Peterson, Tim Taylor, Mark Walker, Carla Jones, Mike Madry.

GRADE 6; Blane Dyess, Perry Smith, Penny Thompson, Sid Westbrook, Rhesa Wolf, Chuck Canon, Sylvia Skelton.

GRADE 7; Martha Anderson, Rita Baeza, Matt Farmer, Richard Long, Marlon Vaughn, Ramon Vidal, Gerardo Arreola.

GRADE 8; Veasa Benavidez, Elizabeth Ledbetter, Bob McLeroy, Tommy Patterson, Richard Smith, Dana Westbrook.

**ELEMENTARY 1972-73 HONOR STUDENTS HIGH HONOR** Richard Long, Perry Smith, and Sid Westbrook, received recognition and a certificate of Award for raising and lowering the United States, Texas, and Borden County School flags during the 1972-73 school year.

The following students achieved academic evaluations of 90 or above in each subject for the 1972-73 school year. GRADE 5; Glynda Burkett and Carla Jones.

GRADE 6; Lisa McLeroy.

GRADE 7; Patrick Toombs.

The following students achieved academic averages of 90, with no evaluation of less than 85 in a subject for the 72-73 school year:

GRADE 5; Ben Murphy and Karen Williams.

GRADE 6; Brent Rhoton.

GRADE 7; Johnny Jackson and Richard Long.

GRADE 8; Dana Westbrook.

The following students achieved academic honors for one or more six-weeks during the 72-73 school year:

GRADE 5 Stella Espinoza.

GRADE 6; Penny Thompson, Rhesa Wolf, Perry Smith, Sid Westbrook.

GRADE 7 Gerardo Arreola, Denise Currey, Lesa Hensley, and Kevva Tucker.

GRADE 8; Sue Hancock, Bob McLeroy, Kristy Smith.

Highest grade average for Elementary and Junior High: The highest grade average for grades 5 and 6: Carla Jones -98.02

The highest grade average for grades 7 and 8: Patrick Toombs 96.37.

### FFA Awards

The following FFA Foundation Medals were given to members of the Gail FFA Chapter at the school awards program, May 25:

Star Greenhand-Creighton Taylor

Star Chapter Farmer-Jim McLeroy

Livestock Farming-Randy Ogden

Poultry Farming-Teddy Cooley

Public Speaking-Clifton Smith

Agricultural Electrification-Randy Hensley

Dairy Production-William Roper

Farm Safety-Max Jones

Agricultural Mechanics-Garland

Crop Production - Audry Brummett

Home Improvement-Joe Hancock

Soil and Water Management Rex Cox

Fish and Wildlife Management -D. M. Parks

Outdoor Recreation-John Anderson and Monte Smith

Also, the seven Gail FFA members to receive their Lone Star Farmer Degree were introduced and recognized. They are Joe Hancock, Max Jones, Rex Cox, Doug Isaacs, Audry Brummett, Randy Ogden, and D. M. Parks. The awards and recognition were given by Mr. Sid Long, Advisor, Gail FFA Chapter.

### Sr. Gift

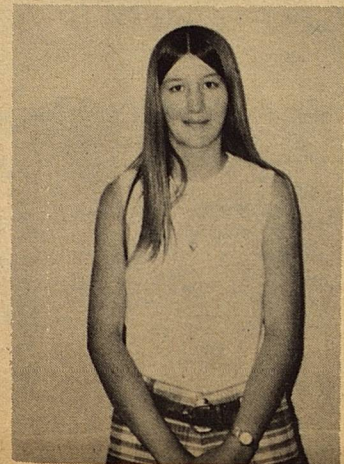
Each year the senior class leaves a gift to Borden High School in remembrance of them. This year the class of '73 presented a clock to Mr. Mickey McMeans to be put in the student lounge. The students at B.H.S. will enjoy it.

### Nat'l FHA Convention

Rita Cornett has been selected to represent Borden Co. High School FHA Chapter at the National FHA Convention. The convention will be held in Dallas, Texas during July. Members from FHA chapters throughout the UNITED STATES will attend the convention.

Rita will accompany Mrs. Iva Lou Ashley, Area II Consultant for Homemaking Education, and approximately ten other FHA members from Texas.

They will work with all participants in formulating guidelines for FHA chapters to follow in planning their program of work for next year.



RITA CORNETT--to represent Borden County at the Nat'l FHA Convention.

### Gail FFA

In a regular meeting of the Gail FFA Chapter on May 14, officers were elected for next year. The boys elected as officers are Joe Hancock-President, Max Jones-Vice President, John Anderson-Secretary, Randy Ogden-Treasurer, Doug Isaacs-Reporter, and Rex Cox-Sentinel. The eighth grade boys were invited to attend the meeting and were introduced and welcomed by President Joe Hancock. Also, the Chapter voted on a member to receive a registered Spot gilt to be given by Mr. J. O. "Bo" Creighton. Randy Ogden was the winner of the gilt. He will feed and care for the gilt and return a registered gilt back to the Chapter from her first litter. The Chapter sincerely appreciates the interest and the gift of the gilt from Mr. Creighton.

One of the best things a man can have up his sleeve is a funnybone.

### Congratulations

### Graduates

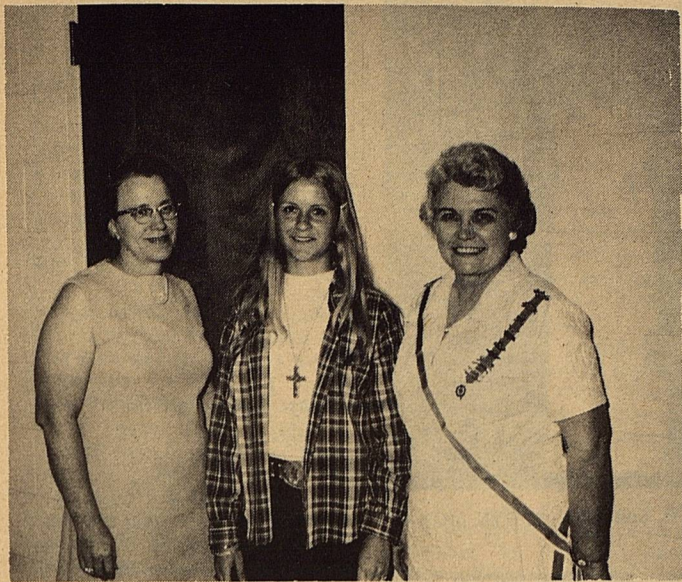
## HAMILTON MEATS

Elwood Hamilton

Lamesa, Texas

# DAR Good Citizen Award

## DAR GOOD CITIZEN OF 1973



JANICE BROWNE, center, receives congratulations from MRS. DOROTHY BROWNE, her mother, and MRS. F. H. PANNILL, State Regent, upon being awarded the DAR GOOD CITIZENS annual award.

## Sr. Trip

For years we had worked and sweated to earn enough money to take the best senior trip ever at Borden High School, and this past week our goal was realized. We had, in the words of one of our very experienced sponsors, "The best trip I have taken part in."

Our trip started off slowly. After rising in the middle of the night to catch a seven o'clock flight to Dallas we found ourselves waiting at the Lubbock airport for four hours because of weather conditions. This time was spent mainly catching up on rest.

Once our trip finally did get started it was extremely exciting. At eleven o'clock we boarded a small Texas International plane for an indirect trip to Dallas by way of San Angelo. As we took off there was much sheer fright as none of us had ever flown before. But this soon subsided as we began to look at familiar sights. We saw from the air: Lubbock, Tahoka, Post, Vickie's house and finally, we found ourselves directly over Gail. We were so directly over it we could not even see it.

When we arrived in Dallas we boarded a much larger and faster plane for the flight from Dallas to New Orleans and then another plane from New Orleans to Orlando, Florida. On these planes we flew at altitudes of up to 35,000 feet and speeds of almost 600 m.p.h. These flights were about the most exciting things of the trip. We were able to see things of historic and geographical importance from a unique view point. When we arrived at Orlando we had time only to get to the hotel, eat and retire to our rooms.

Wednesday, we went to Cypress Gardens for a water ski show and a tour of their magnificent gardens. After this we drove to the Gulf of Mexico where we had an enjoyable time swimming and beach combing.

Thursday, we spent the entire day at Disney World. It was interesting to see the attractions but also to observe the many different types of people.

Friday, we went to Marine-land where we had the opportunity to observe various forms of sea life in their natural environment. We also saw the

extent to which large sea mammals can be conditioned and trained. Also, Friday we went to Daytona Beach on the Atlantic Ocean. This is the most famous beach in the world. We enjoyed this very much, especially the large waves.

All these activities, and the fact that we got very little sleep at night, had us all nearly exhausted by the time we were scheduled to leave Florida. On the way home we were used to riding planes and most of the class slept all the way, except for a layover in Dallas.

Over all the class of '73 had a very good trip. The class members and the sponsors all had a great time. It was a rewarding experience to each individual in the class.

Steve McMeans  
Randy Hensley  
Vickie Newton

## Student Council Election



Voting for Student Council are WANDA JOHNSON, KRISTY SMITH, BEN THOMPSON, PHILENA FARMER, and KEM LOCKHART.

### STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Student Council of Borden High School held their annual election on Tuesday, May 21, 1973. The candidates for president were Bobbie Briggs, Catherine Jackson, and Clifton Smith. The candidates for vice-president were Janice Davis and Teddy Cooley. There was a lot of spirit as the campaigns progressed and each candidate gave his platform speech before the junior high and high

Beginning in 1972 the Colonel Theunis Dey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution have sponsored Borden, County High School in the National Good Citizen Award.

This year's award was presented Friday at the annual Awards Assembly, at Borden, County High School.

The 1973 recipient was Miss Janice Browne, daughter of Dorothy Browne of Gail. First runner-up was Vickie Newton, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Doyle Newton.

Janice was selected by the faculty for her Dependability, Service, Leadership, and Patriotism. Her name was forwarded to Mrs. Preston Lee of Midland who is the Chapter, Chairman for the Theunis Dey Chapter. Mrs. Lee in turn will recommend Janice to the State Chairman to be entered in the State Competition.

Here for the presentation of this most prestigious award, were: Mrs. F. H. Pannill, State Regent of the Texas Society of the D.A.R., Mrs. John P. Butler, past Chapter Regent now serving on the Good Citizen Committee, and Mrs. W.C. Hubbard, also a member of the Good Citizen Committee—all of Midland. Mrs. Preston Lee was unable to attend. Mrs. Rich Anderson introduced the guests at the Awards Assembly.

## Aim Of DAR

The aim of the DAR Good Citizens Committee, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, is to stress the qualities of Good Citizenship among senior High Schools.

The winners from each State High School, public or private who enter this program, are entered in the State competition and a winner is selected from this group on rules of the individual State's Society. The State winners are presented a \$100.00 Savings Bond, Series E by the National Society. The



Special guests for the Awards Assembly were: Mrs. W.C. HUBBARD, MRS. F.H. PANNILL, and MRS. JOHN P. BUTLER, all of Midland.

State winners are then entered in a National group from which one girl is chosen by the National Committee from her qualifications that have been moved up from her High School competition. The annual award for this winner is: presentation at Continental Congress (the annual meeting of the National Society, DAR, Washington D. C.), a sterling silver Paul Reverebowl, engraved, and a \$1,000 Scholarship to the college of her choice.

In 1972 there were 425 questionnaires received from senior High Schools in Texas from which the Texas State winner was chosen. She was Franke McClung of Cuero, Texas sponsored by Guadalupe Victoria Chapter of Victoria, Texas. She received a trip to State Conference, Texas DAR, held in Houston, a State winners pin and certificate, a First Place Ribbon and a \$100.00 US Savings Bond. The 1973 National winner was Helen Louise Hatlelid of Ponca City, Okla. She was presented at Continental Congress and was given the traditional silver bowl and a \$1,000 scholarship. Helen Louise excels in swimming having won 1st place in free style in the Junior Olympics swim-

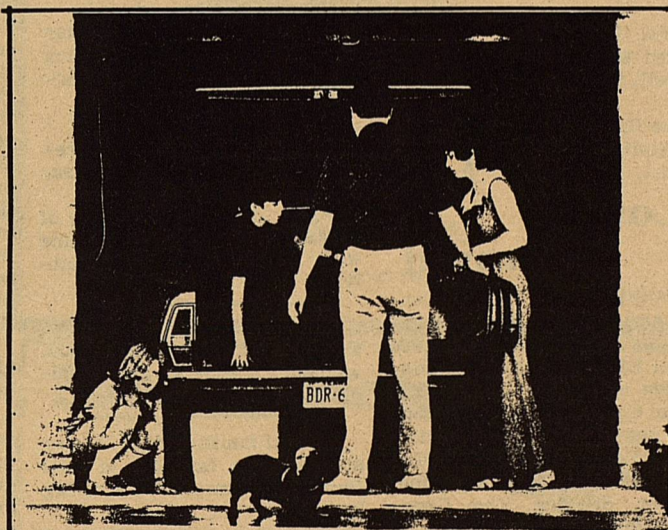
ming meet and has received honors in Latin, French, biology and orchestra. She is the top student academically in her High School senior class of 525. She plans to major in education at college and finally to teach a foreign language. First honorable mention: Ann Marie Miller, Seymour, Indiana; Second Honorable Mention: Elizabeth Moses, Uvalda, Georgia; Third Honorable Mention: Lee Jane Osborn, Saxenburg, Penn.

## Shortage of vets noted

It has been estimated that at least 42,000 veterinarians will be needed before the end of this decade; there are currently 28,000 practicing veterinarians in the U.S.; and the nation's 18 colleges of veterinary medicine graduate only 1400 veterinarians per year.

The growing shortage of veterinarians has prompted some school officials to stress the lucrative future in the veterinarian profession.

To love life through labor is to be intimate with life's inmost secret.



School's out. The sun's up.

It's time to travel.



The Texas Office of Traffic Safety Administration  
Dolph Briscoe—Governor

## Fund Aids Former Borden Resident A Reminder

GAIL — Friends here have been urging support of a fund to aid Mrs. Linda Stanford, the former Linda Perry of the Lake Thomas area, who is hospitalized at Austin. She has been under treatment for the past two months for Guillian Barri, a disease of the nervous and muscular system. A Linda Stanford Fund has been set up in the North Austin State Bank, Box 9789, Austin 78757. Mrs. Stanford is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Perry and had been in intensive care for two months at Brackenridge Hospital.

## Locals From Lake

Mrs. R.A. Hardee spent the week-end with relatives at Tulia.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Huddleston, Kim Huddleston and Ruth Weathers feasted at a fish-fry at the Lynn Fox cabin at Colorado City, Sat.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Strussel of Slaton were week-end visitors of his sister Mrs. Pauline Screvner.

Mrs. C. L. Thompson spent Sunday night with her daughter and the Billy Bob Hardee's of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. David Shaw of Houston, John Shaw, and Judy Huddleston of Ruidosa spent Tuesday night in the Wright Huddleston home.

Earl Cary underwent surgery at Dallas, Friday and came through with flying colors.

Kim Huddleston of Lubbock is visiting with her grandparents, the Wright Huddlestons.

Mrs. Robert Warren returned home Monday after a three weeks stay with her son and family, the Bobby Warren's of Huntsville.

Mrs. Sid Reeder of Gail, visited with Mr. and Mrs. J.L. McNeil, Saturday.

The Ralph Prices were week-end visitors with Huntsville relatives.

## Loan Approved

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- Congressman Omar Burleson announces approval of a \$435,000 Rural Electrification Administration loan to the Caprock Electric Cooperative, Inc. at Stenton, serving Howard, Borden, Martin, Andrews, Dawson, Ector, Midland, Glasscock, Irion, Reagan, Sterling, Tom Green and Upton Counties.

The purpose of the loan is to finance various system improvements, to finance service for 470 additional consumers and to finance 64 miles of distribution line.

## LONG STRAND

High standing collars on wedding gowns call for matinee or opera length pearls. A cameo or simple brooch hung on the strand gives a more striking effect.

## Roamin's Round Town

Spending Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. & Mrs. E. S. Kingston were Mrs. Neil Scott and Ja Nette of Lamesa, and Dawn Ann and David Holmes. Other Sunday guests were Mrs. Ollie Holmes, Mrs. Pearl Armstrong and Diane of Ackerley, Mr. & Mrs. Glen Kingston & family of Garden City, & Mr. & Mrs. Gerold Kingston of Irving, Texas. The Glen Kingston family also visited Garland and Eva Doyle.

Jack Brewer of O'Donnell and John Stephens spent the week-end in Ruidosa.

Mr. & Mrs. E. S. Kingston hosted an 84 party in their home Friday night. Ice cream and cake were served to Mr. & Mrs. V. C. King, Mr. & Mrs. A. B. Middleton, and Mr. & Mrs. W.H. McCullah, all of Lamesa.

Visitors in the Kenneth Stroup home over the week-end were Mr. & Mrs. Gary Lamb of Sheffield and Mr. Phil Berry of Stanton.

Mrs. & Mrs. W.O. Cox visited in Odessa Sunday with the Jack Burleson's.

Mrs. Bert Massingill has been dismissed from the hospital in Lubbock at home in Vealmoor.

Mr and Mrs. Parker of Big Spring visited Sunday in the home of their son and family the Bro. Sam Parkers, of the Knapp Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Huddleston attended the wedding of Debra Coffee and John Noack at Colorado City, Saturday.

Mrs. J.H. Martin and sister were visiting with relatives at Brady Wed. and Thurs. and fishing at Buchannan Dam.

Mrs. Ruth Weathers has been a recent visitor of Mrs. Myles Gallaway of Sand Spring. Mrs. Gallaway has recently had eye surgery.

Mrs. D.C. Jones and daughter Dean were visitors at Lubbock last week, where Dian registered for college.

Mrs. Sam Armstrong has returned to her home at Odessa.

Mrs. Ross Huddleston of Huntsville, Ark. is visiting with Texas friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hodges and the J.H. Myers spent Sun. with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Huddleston.

Several families from Snyder attended the funerals of Phil Burns and Dewey Engle at Big Spring.

Visiting in the Steve Stephens home Sunday were Mr. & Mrs. Don Whitely and family of Wheeler, Texas.

Sunday guests of Mr. & Mrs. Adolph Telchik were Mr. & Mrs. James Telchik, Kevin and Rene of Arlington, Mr. & Mrs. O. F. Rhea, John, Lanis, and Janis of Lubbock, Mrs. O. F. Rhea Sr. of Ackerley, and Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Telchik & family.

## SHOWER

A miscellaneous wedding shower for Miss Sheila Zant-bride-elect of Mr. Ricky Womack, was held Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. W.O. Cox. The guests were served punch and cookies.

The hostesses were Mrs. W. O. Cox, Mrs. E. T. Tucker, Mrs. Lloyd Zant, Mrs. Skeet Porter, Mrs. Dwain Williams & Mrs. Kenneth Stroup.

Sunday night the Buddy Telchik family visited with Mr. & Mrs. La Verne Pewitt & family of Lamesa.

Visiting in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Creighton, last week were Mr. & Mrs. Ovid Creighton of Elida, New Mexico. They enjoyed a successful day of fishing before returning home.

## YOUNG COACH

Garland and Eva Doyle attended the Little League baseball game Friday night in Garden City. Their grandsons, Clay, Jodie, and Greg, sons of Glen and Judy Kingston, participate in the Little League program.

Clay is making a very good baseball coach for his brothers Jodie and Greg, who are on the Little League team. Clay stays on the side line yelling to his brothers where to play to overcome their mistakes. Keep up the good coaching, Clay.

## BIRTHDAY

Joe Dan Hancock was honored on his seventeenth birthday Monday night, My 21st, with a party, given by Lisa Ludecke in her home. An enjoyable evening was spent playing Ping Pong by those attending. Sandwiches, cake, and cokes were served by the hostess to the honoree, Melissa Taylor, Rhonda Patterson, Randy and Lesa Hensley, Doug Isaacs, Sue, Wanda, and Weldon Hancock, Gae, and Bob Ludecke.

## Brick Walls

Brick walls for your home are an attractive and economical choice.

According to the Brick Institute of America, the choice of fire-proof brick of brick veneer over another siding material increases monthly mortgage payments by just a few dollars. Five years later, however, the brick homeowner will find himself merely washing his brick walls with a few pennies worth of water, while his neighbor spends \$650 to \$1000 having his home repainted.

A most reliable check for a kitchen plan is what is called the work triangle.

Measure the distance from the front edge of your sink to the front of the range, the range to the refrigerator, and the refrigerator to the sink. This path across the floor should not be less than 4 feet nor more than 7 feet with the exception of the path from the refrigerator to the range, which could be 8 or 9 feet.

Those who bear in mind the work triangle when planning a new kitchen will have a beautifully planned kitchen.

Growing old is no more than a bad habit which a busy person has no time to form.

## Attends Graduation



MR. and MRS. STEVE MONK

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Monk attended the graduation exercises in Denton May 19, when their son Steve graduated with honors from North Texas State University. Steve and his wife Gay are living in Abilene where he is employed by the Avalanche Journal.

The following article was written by Kerry Gunnels, a journalism student at North Texas State. Kerry explains that this being a class assignment, the more papers that print the article, the more credit he will receive. The Borden Star is happy to be of help.

ABILENE--Steve Monk believes in motherhood and apple pie and because of that he will go through graduation ceremonies May 9 at North Texas State University in Denton.

"I guess I'm doing it because I promised my mother when I dropped out of Texas Tech in 1966 that I would eventually graduate from college," said Monk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin M. Monk of Gail. "I don't think my mother ever believed me when I told her I would go back."

Monk actually graduated from North Texas State in December 1972, but went to work for the Abilene Reporter-News immediately and did not go through graduation ceremonies.

"Mom and Dad were disappointed when I didn't go through with the cap and gown business," Monk said. "And to tell the truth, I sort of missed the ceremony, too."

Monk, who graduated from Abernathy High School in 1965, said he enrolled in Texas Tech University in Lubbock that same year. "I was just out of high school, and I realized when I got to college that I didn't know what I wanted to do with my life," Monk said. "I stuck it out for two semesters and finally decided to leave and find out. So I went home and told my parents I was joining the Air Force."

Monk joined the Air Force in 1966 and spent four years there, including one year in Vietnam. But he considers himself luckier than most servicemen who went to Southeast Asia.

"I started out in the military police, but I managed to get assigned to public information when I got to Vietnam," he said. "At least, I ended up getting to do something I enjoyed--writing."

Monk said he believes his military duty gave him a different perspective on a college education when he got out.

"I knew when I got out of the Air Force that I wanted a college degree," he said. "The G.I. Bill made it a lot

more feasible idea, too. I had decided I wanted to be a newspaperman, so I looked around for a good journalism school. After talking with a few people, I settled on North Texas."

Monk thinks he was a little more serious about college than many of his classmates. "After all, I was older than most of them and I was married, too. That settled me down a lot."

He is married to the former Gaye Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.Z. Smith of Lubbock.

Monk said the college degree was important to him for a variety of reasons, but he said that is not the case for everyone.

"My degree got me a job," he said, "and it proved to me that I could finish something I had started. But I wouldn't say a degree is worthwhile for everybody. Of course, in a few fields a degree is mandatory, but in other fields it is not. There are a lot of very good trade schools around. As far as the old myth that college makes you a better or happier human being, I don't believe that."

Monk is now the military editor for the Reporter-News in Abilene. "That's my official title, but I also cover police, the fire department, the West Texas Council of Governments and federal courts," he said. "What little spare time I have, I like to take pictures and do feature stories."

He said the biggest story he has covered was the April 23 Fort Hood helicopter crash that killed eight people during joint Army-Air Force exercises.

"I happened to be in the operations room when this officer ran up with the news," Monk said. "It wasn't until he had blurted out the initial details that he turned to me and asked, 'Say, you're not with the newspapers are you?' We (the Reporter-News) had the scoop on the entire state on that one."

But he said his most interesting assignment as a professional newsman has been the federal courts.

"I learned a lot in college about how court procedure should operate," he said. "But there's a lot you don't learn. For instance, how to talk to a lawyer."

So far he has never been bored with his work. "And as long as I can say that, I'm a happy man," he said.

## HUGE ESTUARINE AREA

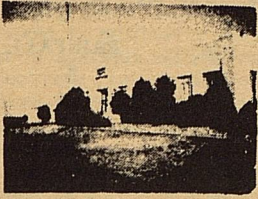
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## Court House Happenings



### Borden County

WHEREAS, On the 4th day of May, A. D. 1973, 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:

Minutes of the April 23, 1973 Commissioners Court 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.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carl McKee to grant permission to Union Oil Company to cross County maintained caliche road, six miles North West of Vincent in Precinct No. 3, motion seconded by Commissioner Vernon Wolf and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vernon Wolf to accept Pledge Contract, Security State Bank, Big Spring, and it is hereby ordered that the Security State Bank is the Depository Bank for Borden County, motion seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter, and approved unanimously. (Pledge Contract Recorded Volume 4, Page 257, Bond Record, Borden County, Texas.)

Mr. J. A. Jones appeared before the Court concerning the survey made by County and individuals on street and property belonging to Mr. Jones. No decision made.

A film was shown on Blue Cross, Blue Shield Insurance. A motion was made by Commissioner Carl McKee that the County accept the Insurance Plan presented this date by Blue Cross, Blue Shield Representatives. Motion seconded by Commissioner Vernon Wolf.

Voting For: Commissioners Vernon Wolf and Carl McKee and Judge Toombs  
Voting Against: Commissioners Herman Ledbetter and Don A. Jones

Motion carried. A meeting was set for May 21st at 7:30 P.M. for all County Employees to view said insurance plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter to pay current accounts in the amount of \$11,241.65. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee.

Voting For: Commissioners McKee, Wolf and Ledbetter, with Commissioner Jones absent from the Court room at the time of voting.

Mr. F. J. Cantrell appeared before the Court and requested the Court to furnish rent free the office space for the A. S. C. S. Office, as this could be a determining factor, by lowering the budget, in the continuation of the A. S. C. S. Office. No decision was made.

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones to pay Frank Beaver for 294 staves and 15 hours labor to Bud Smith for putting the staves in, on right-of-way in Precinct No. 4. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Don A. Jones made a motion to pay Grogans, Scoggins Associates Architects, the amount of \$4,041.99 for blue prints furnished Borden County for swimming pool, civic center park, and remodeling the Court House. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee.

Voting For: Commissioners Carl McKee and Don A. Jones and Judge Toombs  
Voting Against: Commissioners Herman Ledbetter and Vernon Wolf.

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones, to approve purchase of police radio equipment by Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

The Summer E. E. A. work program was explained by Judge Toombs.

The date for the next Court day will be a holiday, it was agreed the Court will meet Tuesday, May 29th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter to adjourn, motion seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and Commissioner Vernon Wolf. Motion carried.

## Good Old Days

"In 1909, a pound of round steak cost 16 cents. And a 10-item basket of food, including flour, meat, milk, butter, potatoes, sugar, and eggs, took \$2.10 out of the shopper's purse in 1909.

But in 1909, according to an official of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, a factory worker had to put in a little more than 11 hours to earn the \$2.10. These were the good old days?"

The secret of happy living is not to do what you like but to like what you do.

## County Employs Youth

Judge Toombs advises his application through E.E.A.---- (Emergency Employment Act) has been granted and three job slots for the summer employment Youth Work Program will go into effect June 1, 1973.

The pay scale is \$1.60 per hour and the employee will only be allowed to work 34 hours per week for 8 weeks. The age grouping is from 14 to 21.

Funds for this program were made available through the participation of Borden County in the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission and their efforts with the U.S. Department of Labor.

All participants will be paid with county funds and the U.S. Department of Labor will then reimburse the County for the amount.

This program will add to the economic index in Borden County.

## Tell The Story

Your association is making extensive plans to get the real facts on America's great food story in front of millions of consumers coast to coast in the weeks ahead. Top Farmer officials are convinced after visits with key people from the city press that there is gross lack of perspective on the whole subject of food prices. Properly presented, this story can be gotten across.

The two largest circulation papers in Chicago were on hand to interview Top Farmers attending the recent Symposium-- and told some solid facts to their city readers. The Chicago Sun Times, for example, quoted Top Farmer president Cliff Ganschow saying; "Our members are very disappointed at over-all inflation. Food is a good buy in this country because Americans spend less than 16% of their paychecks on food, lower than it's ever been, and lower than any country in the world."

We often grow most ourselves when fostering growth in others.

## Democratic Club Traffic Signs

Lubbock Democratic County Chairman, Bruce Barrick, announced today that the formation of a fifteen-county Democratic Club is being finalized.

An open meeting, preceded by a hospitality hour, will be held for interested persons, on Thursday, May 31, 1973, at 7:30 P.M. at Vann's Catering, Slaton Highway, Lubbock, Texas.

Barrick also stated that no prerequisites are needed for membership in the South Plains Democratic Club other than being a good Democrat ready to work to renew the strength and unity of the party. The main purpose of the meeting will be to elect a Nomination Committee, which will choose future officers of the club.

## Beef Cook-Off Contest

Mrs. Paul Adams of Ackerly has been chosen an area winner in the Texas Grain-fed Beef Cook-Off, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced.

Mrs. Adams' winning recipe was Texas Beef Liver Orange Glazed. Mrs. Adams' is among the 24 area winners who will compete in the Beef Cook-Offs finals May 19 in Austin. Each contestant will prepare her recipe. The dishes will be judged on the basis of taste, appearance, and originality.

For her winning recipe, Mrs. Adams will receive \$50 and an expense-paid trip to Austin for the finals. There, the top winner will be awarded \$500. Winners in three categories of beef will receive \$200.

Big Spring- One of the signs of the times will be the gradual transition to sign forms that will be understood the world over, Jack White, Texas Highway Patrol, told the Downtown Lions at its Wednesday meeting in the Settles.

Deadline for the completion of standard signing is not until 1980 in Texas, but there is a definite move in that direction.

The octagon signs still will mean "stop" he said. Horizontal rectangles will be for guidance; triangles for yield; pennants for no passing; trapezoids for recreation areas; vertical rectangles for regulatory information (such as speed, etc) a rectangle with a pitched roof for schools; circles for railroads.

Signs with a slash mark will be prohibitory. For the time being there will be a written sign below as in the case of a Left Turn." Eventually, the wording will be eliminated, said White.

There will be a change in coloring, too. Mostly white will be for lane and turns; yellow for no passing and caution; orange in construction.

Texas is moving toward conformity of the 1966 federal safety standard act, which was adopted in 1970 by the Federal Highway Administration, he reported.

Jim Lemons, president, announced a board meeting for Tuesday evening. He also reported the light bulb sale had brought \$1,617 to the club's sight-conservation and blind fund.

The secret of being miserable is not to have the leisure to bother about whether you are happy or not.

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## 4-H Center

A State 4-H Center for Texas This proposed project is moving from the drawing board to reality, but in order for this to happen all interested and concerned citizens of Borden County must assist.

This word comes from County Extension Agent Tommy Hae-gelin. "Leadership for the 4-H center is being provided by the Texas 4-H Leadership Development Foundation, but members need the help of local people," he explains.

"Put it all together with a 4-H Center" is the theme selected for the State 4-H Center campaign. Goal of the Borden County campaign is to raise \$1200. This is \$15,000 for each 4-H member in Borden County.

The Center will be constructed on a 78-acre site at Lake Brownwood. It will offer many new opportunities and dimensions for programs and activities and will accommodate 200 people explains Dr. Donald Stormer, state 4-H and youth leader.

"Activities to be included at the residential training facility are project workshops, county and district activities, leadership labs, 4-H leader workshops, clinics and camps, ecology and other special seminars, citizenship and international activities," Stormer adds.

To construct the facility, a total of \$1.5 million is needed. Local 4-H leaders, members and friends of 4-H are now working to raise funds for the Center. Thus far, 4-H members have earned \$134,000 from chocolate sales, and business and industry groups have pledged another \$200,000 for the project. "The Center will be used for training adults and youth for leadership roles in the 4-H program," Stormer explains.

A local Center Fund Committee will be organized. A meeting is being planned for June 5th, for all 4-H parents, friends of 4-H and interested people.

## Parboiled Yucca

The yucca is in bloom. The cream-colored flowers are in racemose or pyramidal clusters. Some folks, such as my friends, Anthony Fillmore (Tony the Fill) Fenoglio and his papa, Tony the Rep Fenoglio, and others in the Italianated town of Montague, Texas, are enjoying the yucca blooms raw in salads.

Even after taking off the stem and washing off the yellow pollen the raw yucca flowers aren't too tasty to me.

I like the petals, though, when they are young and prepared according to the recipes of Rocky Stallings, the resident "Indian" (Tonkawa) and herb doctor at the University of Texas Institute of Texas Cultures museum in San Antonio.

The only trouble is that Rocky's recipes for yucca call for herbs, such as sheep's sorrel. The Tonkawa chef recommends: "The flowers are what you eat. Don't use the stem in the center of the petals though. It's bitter. And even after taking off the stem and washing off the yellow pollen, the flowers may be a trace bitter. Avoid this by parboiling the yucca flowers with a little sheep's sorrel."

The herb doctor makes saur kraut from yucca flowers. Tastes like cabbage kraut only usually more juicy.

People along the Texas-Mexico border roast the flower.

stalks, this only in the blue yucca or yucca baccata species. The fruit is sometimes made into an alcoholic beverage.

When I'm driving in range I sometimes listen to a Houston radio station called KTRH. The other day, though, one of KTRH's resident lecturers, a fellow called Alvin Van Crock, was giving some bad advice on poke salad

Van Crock, who has a morning "talk program," apparently agreed with someone who called on the phone that the poke salet, or rather poke-weed, is safe to eat raw.

In truth, pokeweed or poke-berry is a glabrous plant with an unpleasant odor and a large poisonous perennial rootstock from which arise purplish leafy stalks.

Van Crock jeered at a wiser caller who said that she boiled the pokeweed stalks 3 times before finally simmering them with sidemeat. "After 4 boilings it would be like eating your laundry," said old Alvin.

The authoritative "Manual of the Vascular Plants of Texas" by Don Correll and Marshall Johnston has this advice on poke salet: "The very young sprouts when properly and safely prepared can be used as a pot-herb, otherwise they should not be eaten."

At the Country Market in Hillsboro, Frances Whittington told me that she sells poke salet this time of year just as fast as she can get it. Seems as if cooking and eating the stuff is a spring ritual with many folks. Frances Whittington says she boils the leaves 4 times, pouring off the liquid after the first 3 boilings, and then adding salt pork or smoked bacon for the final cooking.

I've said this in previous springtimes, yet Montague is a town that other communities should copy in that almost all the vacant lots have been made into vegetable gardens.

## Vitamin E

If you're one of the people who jumped on the Vitamin E bandwagon a while back, you will be pleased to learn that the government has now officially recognized a recommended daily allowance for this vitamin.

Wheat germ oil is probably the most famous "storehouse" of natural Vitamin E--in fact, gram for gram, wheat germ is richer in Vitamin E and unsaturated fats than most other food most people find yet that taking Vitamin E in capsule form is the most convenient way of getting Vitamin E every day.

One natural foods and vitamins company advises that Vitamin E is available in at least

two forms: A wheat germ oil capsule that is cold-pressed from the "germ" or heart of wheat; and a Vitamin E capsule which is refined from vegetable oil products. Both are encapsulated in a clear, natural gelatin coating.

Of course, it would be ideal if we could all eat the necessary foods that comprise a well-balanced diet everyday, but in today's hectic life that is almost impossible. Therefore it has become important to look into additional sources of diet supplements in depth. One thing is known for sure, if your daily diet is not providing all the vitamins and minerals our body needs, a vitamin-mineral daily supplement should be considered.

## Match Roping

An afternoon of calf roping and barrel racing was held at Joe Beaver's arean, north of Snyder, Sunday. The first go-round of roping was won by Rick Hendley of Snyder with Steve Bland of Trent second. The second go was won by Buddy Geter of Corpus Christi.

The first go-round of the barrels was won by Claudia Swann of Gail and the second go-round was won by Vickie Johnson of Snyder, Texas.

The afternoon was climaxed with a matched roping between Randy Ogden of Gail and Wayland Burney of Portales, New Mexico. They roped six calves each, after which Randy was winner.

## Urged To Write

In an effort to obtain more citizen input on the re-writing of the Texas Constitution, residents of the Permian Basin are being urged to submit suggestions in writing before July. Several meetings of local citizens have been held during the past month throughout the area to accumulate ideas and opinions; however, additional proposals from the general public are still strongly encouraged. Letters may be sent to Earnie Crawford, local citizens advisory committee chairman, P O Box 6391, Midland, Texas 79701; Midland County Judge Barbara Culver, 315 Permian Building, Midland, Texas; or to the Texas Constitutional Revision Commission headquartered in the Commodore Perry Building, Suite 300, Austin, Texas. It is felt that more ideas are yet to be tapped through a vigorous write-in effort by citizens of the region. Every idea submitted to Crawford or Judge Culver will be included in the proposals to the Constitution Revision Commission July 1. They will in turn present a report by November 1 to the members of the legislature who will serve as the constitutional convention in January, 1974.

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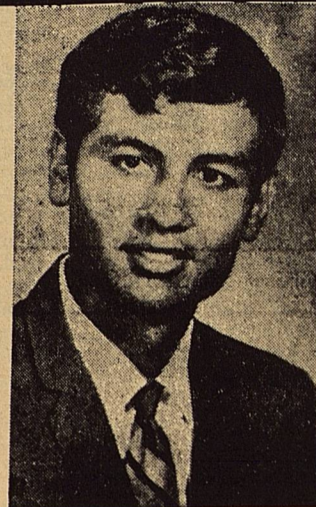
## Weather

WEATHER AT THE COUNTY SEAT

By K. T. REDDELL

Weather conditions for the week of May 21 - 27

	MAX.	MIN.	RAINFALL
MONDAY	97	65	.5
TUESDAY	85	60	.36
WEDNESDAY	86	55	.0
THURSDAY	94	59	0
FRIDAY	93	58	0
SATURDAY	94	66	0
SUNDAY	82	58	0



SILBERIO CANTU



JILL HUNT

## Sands Honor Pupils

ACKERLY — Silberio Cantu, son of Domingo S. Cantu, became valedictorian for the 1973 Sands High School graduating class with a 93.92 grade average.

Jill Hunt is salutatorian with a 93.54 grade average. She is the daughter of Robert Hunt.

Co-captain on the football team, Silberio attained honorable mention on the all-district team and was chosen most valuable Sands defensive player.

After taking second in the district interscholastic slide rule

contest, Silberio placed seventh in regional competition.

He belongs to the Beta Club and participated in the class play. The student body voted Silberio "Most Likely to Succeed" and "Most Conscientious."

Silberio plans to attend Angelo State University. Howard County Junior College is next for Jill.

Jill, a cheerleader for four years, also played basketball. She was named football sweetheart and "Most Beautiful."

She lists the Zale-Herald Youth Achievement Award, Beta Club, Who's Who, membership in the pep squad, co-editorship of the annual and FHA.

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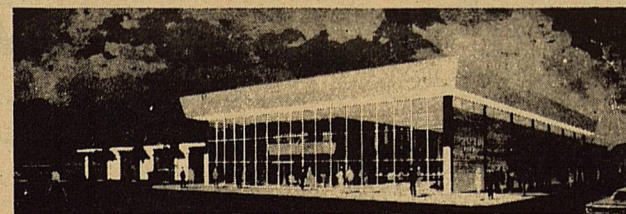
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# Funding Dispute

Since 1936, the federal government has been helping rural electric and telephone companies bring these two essential services to millions of Americans in sparsely settled areas. Congress has appropriated billions of dollars to be loaned at low interest rates to these utilities in return for a program of making electricity and telephones available to virtually everyone outside the urban areas.

There are still Americans who must put up with eight-party telephone lines, and who cannot add a new piece of electric farm equipment because there isn't enough electricity coming along that rural road to his farm.

Last Dec. 29, the Nixon administration announced that it was impounding the unloaned funds appropriated by Congress for the REA to give to the utilities in fiscal 1973, which ends June 30.

The White House said it was refusing to release to the REA the remaining \$455 million of

the \$740 million appropriated by the Congress because to do so would hamper the President's efforts to keep federal spending below \$250 billion for fiscal 1973.

Furthermore, argued Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz, 98 per cent of America's farms now were electrified.

In a press conference, President Nixon, defending the impoundment, commented that — "80 per cent of this 2 per cent REA money goes for country clubs and dilettantes, for example, and others who can afford living in the Country."

Also, the government said, it was losing money in the deal because the Treasury has had to pay more than 2 per cent to get money to loan to the REA.

So the administration proposed dropping the 36-year-old program of direct loans by the REA to rural utilities and substituting insured and guaranteed loan programs similar to other loan programs operated by the government.

The 2 per cent interest rate charged by the REA would be raised to 5 per cent, the administration said.

In testimony before the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee on Feb. 1, Secretary Butz commented: "The

insured loans to rural electric or telephone cooperatives will be made at 5% interest.

This is still a subsidized rate. Any interest cost above 5 per cent will be met from appropriated funds. The government will insure the loan.

"This change in loan rate brings the REA more in line with present-day costs of borrowing. "When the REA was created, only about 11 per cent of the farms were electrified and the 2 per cent interest rate was in line with the 1.9 per cent then charged in the money market," Butz said, adding that a 98 percent of the farms are electrified today.

"Of the 7 million meters on REA lines, only 1.4 million are farm meters," Butz said. "the bulk of these 1972 REA customers were rural residents, retirees, urban workers and industries."

The administration proposed that the REA obtain money to loan from the Rural Development Insurance Fund which is controlled by the Farmers Home Administration, and that it tighten up the criteria for borrowing by rural utilities to screen out the now-suburban and industrial areas where utilities generally are big enough to borrow money from commercial banks.

But the Congress, plunged into a major constitutional battle with the White House on many fronts over the constitutionality of impounding funds appropriated by the Congress, was in no mood to see the entire concept of the 1936 Rural Electrification Act changed by presidential fiat.

The Senate and the House, struck back with bills aimed at restoring the REA to its original program.

inal program.

The Senate's bill, passed by a vote of 69 to 20, simply would require president Nixon to release the unloaned REA money at 2 per cent.

The House, however, adopted by a 317 to 92 vote a compromise that emerged from its Agriculture Committee. It calls for 2 per cent insured loans to needy utilities and 5 per cent insured, guaranteed or direct loans to more substantial companies.

The committee estimated that only about 20 per cent of the prospective borrowers would be eligible for 2 per cent loans—178 electric and 186 telephone companies. The committee estimated they would require between \$60 million and \$90 million in 1973.

As the two bills now head into a House-Senate conference to iron out the differences, the White House has said it liked neither bill, raising the possibility of a presidential veto of whatever emerges from the compromising process.

Since the REA would actually have more cash made available to it under the administration's proposal, the dispute between the Congress and the White House boils down to two points:

1. The President's power to impound funds intended by the Congress to be spent, and which impoundment wipes out a specific program created by the Congress; and

2. The question of what kinds of electric and telephone utilities should qualify for the government's financial assistance.

For many companies, the 2 per cent money has been a bonanza because they have enough customers per mile of line to afford the going commercial

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rate for financing of expansion and maintenance. The political pressure to maintain this cheap money has been heavy.

The issue remains unresolved at this time. The House and Senate conferees soon will be struggling to retain the major portions of their REA bills and the Nixon administration has served notice that it likes neither bill. No one on Capitol Hill or in the White House is predicting the outcome.

## Why Not ?

Car payments and doctor bills come once a month and they are paid with a check in the mail. But the American housewife goes to the supermarket at least once every week and pays for her purchases in cash!

That's why there's been so much in the news about food prices. It's one topic ambitious reporters and commentators can be sure will attract a lot of attention.

Dr. Sherwood O. Berg, Dean of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota, has pulled together some interesting facts—and they prove that prices on many things consumers buy are up more than food.

Fact 1. Food prices have increased 4.5% in 1972. Because of continued increases early this year, food prices are expected

to average about 6% higher in 1973. But—

Fact 2. Consumer personal income has advanced 8.5% in 1972 compared to a 7% increase the previous year. And the national share of income allotted to food declined from 15.8% to 15.7%—the lowest in this nation's history.

Fact 3. During 1973 the continued brisk improvement in consumer's disposable income will cause the share of income allotted to food to drop even further—to 15.5%!

Fact 4. Consumer incomes are being hit harder by inflationary prices of non-food items. While food prices rose 4.5% in 1972, household operations expenditures rose 8.5%; furniture and household equipment 14%; automobiles 13%; medical expenses; 11%; and clothing nearly 9%.

Fact 5. Rising food prices are only one element of inflation. They have been caused by high consumer incomes being used to bid up the price of food even when supplies are increasing. "We doubt if much can be done to lower food prices materially in the near term, short of curtailing demand, which would involve some sort of non-price rationing," Dr. Berg concludes.

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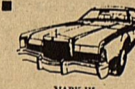
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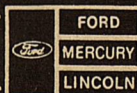
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Washington, D. C. There is considerable sentiment in the congress that the United States should make up with Fidel Castro. They cite a new political climate which they say makes the time ripe for normalizing relations with Cuba.

The first reason given is that the president's policy of dealing with all types of governments has resulted in a relaxation of tensions with Red China and the Soviet Union. It is said that under these circumstances, not to make overtures to Castro is an inconsistency.

The second reason given is that there is a mounting sentiment in Latin America to re-establish relations with Cuba and that actions by the Organization of American States indicate this desire on the part of many nations south of us. They believe that Cuba's subversive activities in these countries have let up since 1967 when Che Guevara was killed in Bolivia.

Also cited is Castro's willingness to join in an anti-hijacking agreement with the United States. The possibility of re-establishing trade relations is also given as a reason since our exports to Cuba exceeded imports by about \$20 million during the last trading year in 1961.

Other reasons given, such as creating a better feeling in the Western Hemisphere since a number of South and Central American groups favor a new association with Castro's Cuba.

There is another side to this coin and on it are at least four good reasons in opposition to readmitting Cuba to the family of nations in the Western Hemisphere.

First, Castro has shown no indication that he wishes to re-establish relations with the United States. He has found it popular in the communist and left wing world to blame us for his domestic failures. He has shown no willingness to compensate Americans for losses of property he stole.

Although his success is now minimal in efforts to stir up revolution in the Latin American states, he is still willing to export his brand of communism where he can. Castro continues to draw on the Soviet Union for his military supplies and to a great extent depends on Russia to support his domestic economy. Those ties with the Soviet Union almost brought on a nuclear war and continue to threaten the peace and security of this whole part of the world.

It was Fidel Castro who broke off relations with the United States in the first place

and who persisted in using us as a punching bag before our neighbors to the south and, as to that matter, all the world. In the name of reform he confiscated more than \$81 billion of American-owned property and to this day none of it has been paid for. He fomented revolution and in the process, killed, robbed and imprisoned thousands of his own people.

The burden of proof should be Castro's--to show responsibility to earn a readmission to the family of nations of the Western Hemisphere.

More than anything else, we should have positive commitments that the Island will not be available to accommodate the Russian military in violation of the Monroe Doctrine.

## Save Your Life

AUSTIN— A new brochure from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department entitled, a simple method of saving yourself which anyone, even the non-swimmers, can master when they get in trouble in the water.

The secret of the method is to remain calm and expend as little energy as possible, and this means doing everything in slow motion. It also means getting your face wet. As the brochure points out, one's head weighs approximately 15 pounds and keeping it out of the water takes lots of energy.

In the drownproofing method, the face is lifted from the water only long enough to grab a breath of air once or twice per minute.

Officials advise that you learn the method with a friend or lifeguard standing by. Children should also be taught the method since they are frequent victims of boating mishaps.

It is important to have confidence in the method. It really works. Art Georgia Tech 60 swimming students tried the method for as long as eight hours without stopping. Twenty had their hands tied behind their backs, and 20 more had their legs tied in a half bent position to make them useless.

The average quitting time was four hours and 40 minutes in the water, and many made it the entire eight hours of testing. All were poor swimmers.

In the Pacific, a Navy seaman fell overboard far out at sea and was able to stay afloat for the better part of a week, using the drownproofing technique.

There are six steps to the method. Remember, do them slowly.

(1) With the lungs full, float face-down with the back of the neck just breaking the surface of the water. Your full lungs will provide more than enough flotation, even for a natural "sinker". This position is basically the "jelly-fish" float taught to youngsters. Legs and

arms should hang freely, exerting no energy.

(2) Prepare for a downward thrust, using the arms and legs. Your legs should slowly move apart, preparing for either a scissors kick or a "froglegs" kick. At the same time, raise the arms forward or to the sides, whichever suits you. They will be used to thrust downward similar to treading water. Move slowly. Remember, the object is to use as little energy as possible. The movements should take 15 to 20 seconds.

(3) Exhale through the nose while lifting your head.

(4) At the same time, slowly thrust your arms downward or horizontally and bring your legs together. Not much movement is needed to raise your mouth above the water. Don't try to raise your shoulders or neck. Be sure to exhale in the water or on the way up. If you exhale too soon, you lose the buoyancy of your lungs. If you exhale too late, you waste precious energy in keeping your head above water. With your face above water, take a deep breath.

(5) Now play dead. With your lungs full, face the bottom of the pool or lake and let your limbs hang lifelessly. Expend no energy. Some persons must make a second downward thrust, or extend the first, to keep from sinking too deeply.

(6) Relax. With head, arms and legs dangling, hold your breath as long as it is comfortable. It is natural for pressure to build up in the lungs while holding your breath. If you feel this happening, exhale a few bubbles through the nose.

After three to 10 seconds start the cycle over.

Each cycle should last from 30 to 60 seconds, depending on your rest period, how often your lungs need air and how much energy you have wasted in moving too quickly.

## Fireplaces

A fireplace served a double purpose in the early days of America. It was the sole source of heat and it was almost the equivalent of the modern stove.

Generally, it has neither purpose today, although it sometimes is used in those ways in certain types of vacation cottages. Yet fireplaces are more popular than ever. Hundreds of thousands have been installed in homes that did not have them and they are almost necessary items in most new houses. When they aren't there, buyers demand them.

Why? Wilbert Hasbrouck, director of the Illinois Council of the American Institute of Architects, has this explanation.

"Fireplaces are a psychological forte—a carryover from the past. They provide a sense of ownership, a security blanket."

## Med. Student

Houston, Texas - Most medical students would welcome a chance to work and study in the world-renowned Texas Medical Center. But Jim Garza, a second-year student at Baylor, has discovered that "getting away from the medical center can be an invaluable experience."

Garza has recently completed a five and one-half week medical elective in his hometown of Harlingen, Texas, working with local physicians in the Valley Diagnostic Clinic. The elective was a part of the South Texas Health Project initiated by a group of Baylor students in 1972.

The project, designed to expose Baylor Students to rural medical needs, will assist in meeting the health care needs of an area extending from San Antonio to the Rio Grande Valley, with a population of more than 90,000.

The project is a supplemental educational program offered by the college to enhance the diversity of experience.

The first Baylor student to participate in the preceptorship program, Garza clearly recognizes the value of the elective.

Regarding the South Texas Health Project itself, Garza feels that it "has two-way benefits in that it allows students' exposure to the cultural and medical needs of the valley while helping the area's physicians with their tremendous patient loads."

A mistake at least proves somebody stopped talking long enough to do something.

## Anti-Cancer System

A new study shows that babies are born with a strong cancer-fighting system that breaks down with age, says a researcher from Children's Orthopedic Hospital in Seattle, Washington.

Younger babies are easier to treat for tumors caused by cancer of the adrenal gland, Dr. J. Bruce Beckwith said in an interview. This discovery was made by researchers at the Seattle hospital.

"We may have found a powerful clue to the immunity that keeps most of us from getting cancer," he said. "Our study shows that very young babies have a strong cancer defense mechanism when they come out of the womb."

With older children, he said, "a block seems to form. The defences that let some of the young babies kill the tumor cells run into interference from what we call a blocking antibody."

This blocking agent gets stronger in the older child, he said.

The findings, which involved tests on hundreds of children, were prepared for a meeting this week of the Pacific Association of Pediatric Surgeons.

Dr. David Collins of San Diego Children's Hospital, the host described Beckwith's findings, as "some of the most important pediatric cancer studies in history."

"Many researchers are beginning to believe that this discovery in Seattle is a basic," Collins said.

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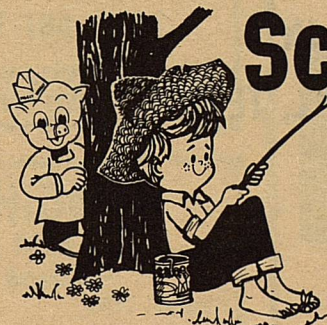
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