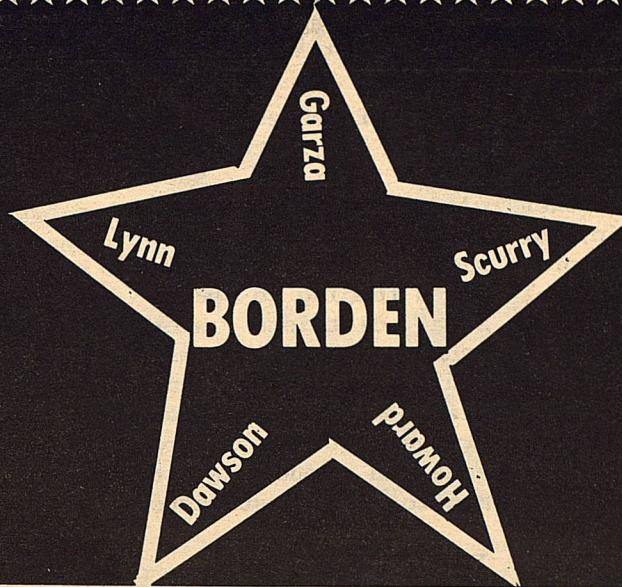


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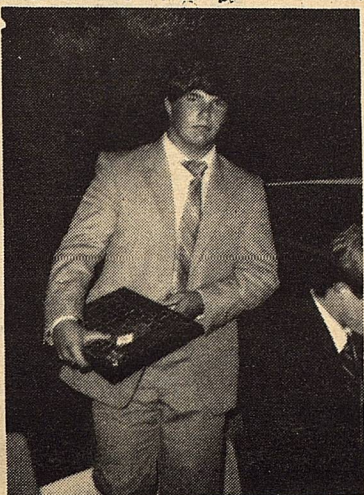
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KRISTY STONE



GERRY SMITH

Scholarship Recipients

Kristi Stone, daughter of Carolyn and Jerry Stone of Gail is the recipient of a four-year, \$8,000 scholarship from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Gerry Smith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith and a 1987 graduate of Borden County High School, was named as one of the Texas FFA Scholarship recipients at Texas A & M University this past week.

Kristi is a recent graduate of Borden Co. High School. Her 10 years of 4-H activities include county, district and state level method demonstrations and food shows. Kristi served as president of her local 4-H club and as chairman of the county council. She also was given the Gold Star Award.

While in high school, Kristi was a twirler, a basketball player and

a member of the band. She was elected president of her class and vice president of her Future Homemakers of America Chapter.

Kristi, who plans to major in agricultural communications at Texas A & M University, was one of 50 scholarship recipients at the Texas 4-H Round-Up in College Station.

Gerry will receive the \$8,000.00 scholarship on a semester basis during his four years of college.

Gerry will attend Texas A & M University during the fall of 1987. Mr. Wallace stated that "Gerry has received this scholarship honor as a result of four years of dedicated, active work in the Gail FFA Chapter.

Gerry will attend the State FFA Convention in July to officially receive recognition for

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Colt Breaking and Horsemanship Clinic

Cliff and Chris Crago will return to Gailo, Texas as instructors for the second annual Gail Colt Breaking and Horsemanship Clinic to be held Friday through Monday, June 26-29, 1987, at the arena in town.

The Crago's, originally from a large hereford ranch near Belle Fourche, South Dakota, now residing near Graham Texas, are a horse-training family. Mom Dad and four kids ride and start unbroke colts and train for the public. They travel the country putting on colt breaking and horsemanship clinics using the Ray Hunt Method.

The Ray Hunt Method is a gentler, quicker way to educate an un-

broken horse. It teaches horses through feel, not fear, and why the horse many times does not respond well to some old methods of horse breaking. Recognizing and defining a horse's feelings is important to the Crago's. Feel, timing and balance will be taught, as well as how to deal with the problem horse.

Fundamentals are stressed: aligning the horse's body, relaxed circles, stops and back-ups included. No training gimmicks—just a common sense approach to riding and training horses.

The colt class will meet in the mornings at 7:30 a.m. Its tuition is \$150.00. Fee for

each additional colt from same owner is discounted. Unhalter-broke colts will be an additional \$50.00. The Horsemanship Class tuition is \$150.00 and will meet shortly after the noon meals. A \$25. deposit per person is required and must be received by Tuesday, June 23, 1987. The late fee is \$12.00 extra per person.

Participants are urged to observe both classes. It is especially advantageous for everyone to observe the 1st day or two of the colt class.

Colt class participants may be advised that the Crago's prefer to start colts in a ring snaffle, eggbutt snaffle
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Family farms fall by 14,000

(Austin)--The number of fulltime commercial farmers and ranchers in Texas dropped by over 14,000 last year—from 49,600 producers in 1986 to 35,200 in 1987, according to figures released by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The 1987 Survey of Agricultural Financial Conditions shows that, as a percentage, the number of commercial family farm and ranch operations in Texas dropped from 31 percent of all producers in 1986 to 22 percent

at present.

Commercial family farm and ranch operators are defined as those with gross sales of \$40,000 to \$500,000 and who are most likely to be full-time operators. As full-time agricultural producers they generally have few off-farm income sources to cushion the ongoing depression in Texas agriculture.

"We will continue to lose our best, most productive farmers who are the backbone of our family farm system, unless current federal

farm policies are changed," said Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower.

"The survey also reveals that if the current disastrous economic price structure in agriculture continues, another one out of every eight Texas producers (12 percent) does not expect to last beyond 1987," said Hightower, "These are the very farmers and ranchers we count on to provide 57 percent of all food and fiber production

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School Finance System Declared Unconstitutional

On June 1st, district judge Harley Clark issued his final judgment in the case of Edgewood Independent School District, et al vs. William N. Kirby, et al (No. 362,516, 250th Judicial District) finding "that the Texas School Financing System...implemented in conjunction with local school district boundaries that contain unequal taxable property wealth for the financing of public education is impermissible, unlawful, violative of, and prohibited by the Constitution and the laws of Texas."

In the court's judgment the school finance system is "UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND UNENFORCEABLE IN LAW because it

fails to insure that each school district in this state has the same ability as every other district to obtain, by state legislative appropriation or by local taxation, or both, funds for educational expenditures, including facilities and equipment, such that each student, would have the same opportunity to education funds as every other student in the state, limited only by discretion given local districts to set local tax rates,...."

There are several items of note in Judge Clark's judgment: (1) Clearly, there are large interdistrict differences in taxable wealth. Judge Clark's judgment implies that a substantial redrawing of district boundaries may be required as part of a constitutional solution.

(2) Consideration of total expenditures would be required in a constitutional school finance system. Facilities and equipment are paid for by local taxes since they are not considered in the Foundation School Program. It is that program that the state presently attempts to equalize by providing disproportionate amounts of state aid to property-poor districts, but state-aid formulas cannot compensate for the extreme variations in local taxable values in different districts and still remain within fiscal reality.

(3) Equal spending among districts would not be required, so long as each district had approximately equal resources available. The fact that a district exercises local discretion to tax less, and thus to spend less, is not a constitutional impediment.

The state is encouraged to continue to take "into consideration the legitimate district and student needs and district and student cost differences associated with providing a public education." "Legitimate" needs and

cost differences are not spelled out in the judgment, but it seems clear that the state could continue to provide, for example, extra funding to sparse-area districts where school costs obviously run higher, or to recognize the higher expenditures required to provide an education to handicapped students.

INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

The Commissioner of Education, the Texas State Board of Education and the Comptroller are enjoined from giving any force and effect to the financing provisions of current state law, and from distributing any money under the current finance system. However, the injunction is stayed until September 1, 1989, "to allow Defendants to pursue their appeal, and should this decree be upheld on appeal, to allow sufficient time to enact a constitutionally sufficient plan for funding public education."

Thus, under the judgment, the legislature meeting in regular session in 1989 would have an opportunity to develop a finance system that overcomes the constitutional impediments. If the legislature enacts such a plan prior to September 1, 1989, then the injunction is further stayed until September 1, 1990 "in recognition that any modified funding system may require a period of time for implementation."

It is stated "intent of this Court that this Judgment should be construed and applied in such manner as will permit an orderly transition from an unconstitutional to a constitutional system of school financing without the impairing of any obligation or contract incurred prior to September 1, 1990."

Edgewood v. Kirby has completed but the first stage in the judicial process, and the case will now wind its way through the appellate Con't to pg. 3

ELEMENTARY & JR. HIGH HONORS

The Following named elementary and junior high students grades 5-8, have achieved academic honors for the Second Semester.

HIGH HONORS		HONOR ROLL	
Eric Lusk	Grade 8	Shane Kemper	Grade 8
Amanda Anderson	Grade 7	Patsy Underwood	Grade 7
David Buchanan	Grade 7	Rich Holzmann	Grade 7
Shara Woodward	Grade 8	Kristin Kilmer	Grade 7
Brandon Adcock	Grade 7	Richard Buchanan	Grade 5
		Melody Harrison	Grade 5

90 or above in each subject.

average of 90, with no evaluation less than 85 in a subject

SIXTH SIX WEEKS

The following named students from elementary and junior high, grades 5-8, have achieved academic honors for the sixth six-weeks:

HIGH HONORS		HONOR ROLL	
Eric Lusk	Grade 8	Shane Kemper	Grade 8
Amanda Anderson	Grade 7	Shayne Hess	Grade 7
David Buchanan	Grade 7	Rich Holzmann	Grade 7
Patsy Underwood	Grade 7	Kristin Kilmer	Grade 7
Shara Woodward	Grade 7	M'Lys Lloyd	Grade 7
Brandon Adcock	Grade 5	Tina Blacklock	Grade 6
		Richard Buchanan	Grade 5
		Melody Harrison	Grade 5

90 or above in each subject.

average of 90, with no evaluation less than 85 in a subject.

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS SECOND SEMESTER

BETA ACHIEVEMENT		HONOR ROLL	
6th Six Weeks		6th Six Weeks	
Lynn Herridge	Grade 12	Mickey Burkett	Grade 12
Kristi Stone	Grade 12	Michael Murphy	Grade 12
Kelli Williams	Grade 12	Gerry Smith	Grade 12
Shannon Bond	Grade 11	Robert Buchanan	Grade 11
Shelly Lewis	Grade 11	Kerry Fryar	Grade 11
Kate Phinizy	Grade 10	Ralynn Key	Grade 11
Rachel Romero	Grade 10	Will Phinizy	Grade 11
Cody Stone	Grade 9	Kristi Adcock	Grade 9
		James Smith	Grade 9
		Chad Williams	Grade 9
		Randi Woodward	Grade 9

SIXTH SIX WEEKS

BETA ACHIEVEMENT		HONOR ROLL	
Second Semester		Second Semester	
Kelli Williams	Grade 12	Mickey Burkett	12
Shannon Bond	Grade 11	Lynn Herridge	12
Ralynn Key	Grade 11	John Stephens	12
Shelly Lewis	Grade 11	Kristi Stone	12
Will Phinizy	Grade 11	Robert Buchanan	11
Rachel Romero	Grade 9	Kate Phinizy	10
Cody Stone	Grade 9	Randi Woodward	9
Chad Williams	Grade 9		



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Regular School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, June 15 at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Jack McPhaul, President.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and June bills were approved for payment.

The Superintendent presented an explanation for changes included in update 29 of the Board Policies. The Board reviewed the policy changes and approved them.

A year-to-date financial report was given and a budget amendment was recommended and approved.

Also included in the Superintendent's report was a recommendation to hire John Harris as band director for the 1987-1988 school year. It was also reported that Mary Ann Murphy had submitted her resignation as director of special education to take a similar job at Granbury Independent School District. The

report and recommendation was approved by the Board.

The Superintendent extended an invitation to the Board to attend the Texas Association of School Administrators and Texas Association of School Boards Joint Convention on September 18, 19, 20 and 21 in San Antonio. Joel Dennis was elected as voting delegate for the Board at the Convention and Jon Monger was elected as alternate delegate.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Caution in Charity Giving

The current P.T.L. controversy has made consumers think twice about donating to a charity without first investigating the soliciting organization. In addition, the recent problem concerning organizations soliciting the cancer research and social security reform have caused further concern. Consumers are looking for answers to the question, "Where does the money go?"

For the past fifteen years, the BBB system has been providing such information to consumers and particularly to businesses. The BBB publishes, on a quarterly basis, a summary of charity investigations entitled "GIVE-BUT GIVE WISELY." That summary report and detailed reports on individual charities are available upon request. This is the same source used by the fortune 500 corporations in reviewing their giving activities. The BBB reports on religious and lobbying groups as well as regular charities.

The BBB of the South Plains also keeps records on local Lubbock based charities which are required to register with the City of Lubbock prior to fund raising. For further information contact the BBB at 763-0459 (out of town-1-800-692-4466).



JUDGES ATTEND SEMINAR--Forty-nine justices of the peace attended a 20-hour seminar May 5-8 in Lewisville conducted by the Texas Justice Court Training Center headquartered at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. The seminars are held in compliance with Texas Statute and Supreme Court Rules. Topics covered include a review of the newly published revision of the Justice Court Deskbook, Civil Law, Code of Judicial Conduct, Attorney General's Opinions, the Texas Property Code, Disposition of Stolen Property, the Penal Code, Probable Cause, the new Criminal Rules of Evidence and Bond Setting. Attending were, left to right, Gill Landers Jr. of Roxton, Lamar County, Precinct 2, Place 1; Carolyn Stone of Gail, Borden County, Precinct 2; and Fred Chavez of El Paso, El Paso County, Precinct 5.

Low-income households may be eligible for energy assistance

Austin—Some low-income Texans may be eligible for help in paying cooling bills this summer through the Home Energy Assistance Program, according to Texas Department of Human Services Commissioner Marlin Johnston.

Johnston said the one-time payment is available to many low-income households. Applications for energy assistance were mailed to households that received food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or Supplemental Security Income in May. If those households have at least one member who will be 60 or older in 1987 or a member with a medical condition that is aggravated by heat, they may qualify for assistance. Other low-income individuals may request an application from local DHS offices during the enrollment period of June 15-July 17.

Eligibility is limited by gross income and resources. This year, because of budget cuts and participation rates, the benefits for the cooling program may be lower than last year's. Aid is available

for a one-person household having less than \$555.49 gross income per month. The gross income limits are \$745.49 for households of two persons, \$935.49 for three, \$1,125.49 for four, \$1,315.49 for five, and \$1,505.49 for six.

Households are eligible if the cost for cooling is included in the rent payment or if the household pays a portion of its

home energy costs.

Energy assistance checks are sent directly to the people who are eligible for assistance. However, the checks are made payable to the energy company.

Persons receiving one of these energy assistance checks should mail it or take it in person to the energy company business office with their regular energy bill. The check can be cashed only by the energy company. If the HEAP check is more than the energy bill, the additional amount will be credited to the person's account for the next month's bill. If the energy bill is higher than the check, the person is responsible for paying the difference.

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*Are you confused about what vocational rehabilitation services you can get? *Do you want to learn more about your rights as a vocational rehabilitation client?

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If you would like to know more about your rights as a user of vocational rehabilitation services, or have a specific situation that you would like to discuss, call Advocacy, Inc. at 800/252-9108.

TTY, Brailled, taped and Spanish information available.

Turkey Vultures, Inoffensive?

Turkey vultures of North America don't deserve their sinister reputation. According to National Wildlife magazine, these shy, inoffensive birds are actually helpful to humans. Not only can they eat food so rotten that it could kill any other creature, they benefit people and the environment by preventing the spread of disease, such as botulism.

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School Finance

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process no doubt ending at the Texas Supreme Court. But, Judge Clark's judgment may give some significant clues as to what may be required in revamping the public school finance system. Huge amounts of dollars - both at the state and at the local level - are involved, and this may be the most critical fiscal problem ever faced in Texas.

The House approved a concurrent resolution creating a special committee to study "the public school finance system, school district boundaries, and other issues deemed appropriate" as a direct response to the district court ruling. However, the resolution died in a Senate committee in the waning hours of the regular legislative session just adjourned.

Horsetraining Clinic

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or something similar. Horsemanship riders are advised to use whatever gear the horse is accustomed to, but be advised that ring or eggbut snaffels will get more accomplished. If you have one, or can borrow one, bring it.

If you have a colt that needs starting, but no rider; or if you want to start a colt but don't have one, contact us and we can put you in contact with people to fit your need.

As a new attraction this year, Mr. Pat Porter and his near-famous, new-fangled chuck wagon has agreed to supply all our "dining-desires" by supplying all three meals, all four days!

Camper trailers and tents and bedrolls are welcomed.

The evenings will provide gospel music entertainment from the

Pounds Family also from Graham. Mr. Bobby Pounds heads the family of Mom, Glenda, 4 high-school aged girls and one 1st grade boy who all sing in the group.

Willard Moody of Roswell, New Mexico will be there to preach and lead us in Christian growth. Lord willing, we plan on having a real fun, old-fashioned brush arbor-type camp meeting along with our colt-breaking and horsemanship clinic! Ya'll Come!

For more information call Mike or Susan Stephens at (915) 399-4511; Dennis Poole at (915) 856-4336 or Cliff or Chris Crago at (817) 362-4525.



Texas CattleWomen Present Governor Clements with Beef For Father's Day.



"Beef For Father's Day" Proclamation

Austin, May 28, 1987: Governor Bill Clements signed a "Beef For Father's Day" proclamation which states:

"Beef is a basic American food. It is rich in protein, iron, B-vitamins and other essential nutrients making it a food that fits well into today's active lifestyle. Father's Day is traditionally a time to honor the family by honoring the guiding member of the family.

Therefore, I, William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of Texas, do hereby designate June 21, 1987, as BEEF FOR FATHER'S DAY in Texas and urge appropriate recognition thereof.

"Beef is the perfect food for Father's Day," says Lou Anne Smoot, state Beef for Father's Day chairman. "When families want to serve Dad the best, they serve him beef."

Representatives of Texas CattleWomen, a non-profit voluntary group of over 800 women banded together to promote beef, and the Texas Beef Industry Council presented Governor Clements with a gift certi-

ificate to Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in Austin--to provide the Governor with his "Beef for Father's Day!" The Steakhouse is well known for its succulent beef cooked in butter and tender enough to cut with a fork. In presenting the gift certificate, the Steakhouse chef showed the Governor the steak he hopes to serve him on Father's Day just to whet his appetite. The presentation was certainly a success as the Governor jokingly stated that the steak looked so good he would just eat it raw!

If the "Dad" in your family is concerned about beef's old image of high calories, high fat, and high cholesterol content, Texas CattleWomen want to share with you the fact that beef has gone on a diet! The beef of today, because of new breeding and shorter feeding time is a much leaner meat than ever before. A 3-ounce (about 4 ounces raw) serving of cooked lean, trimmed beef contains only 189 calories, about 10 percent of an adult's diet of 2000 calories per day. If your Dad likes to eat a larger serving of beef, share with him that double that amount (and that's talking about 8 ounces of lean meat with no bones or outside fat) will supply only 378

calories--still a small portion to his total daily intake

Is "Dad" concerned about his dietary cholesterol intake? The cholesterol content in the 3-ounce cooked serving is only 76 milligrams, which equals about 25 percent of the daily amount allowed by the American Heart Association--the same amount that is in a lean, broiled 3-ounce piece of chicken. Once for ounce, beef and chicken have the same amount of cholesterol as documented in USDA's Food Composition Handbooks.

Many consumers believe that beef's fat is all saturated. If your "Dad" is concerned about his fat intake, share with him that less than half of the fat in beef is saturated--and that the fat in a 3-ounce serving of lean, trimmed beef is 8.7 grams. How much is 8.7 grams? Each gram of fat is equal to 9 calories which means that the serving of beef provides only 13 percent of the amount allowed by the American Heart Association.

"Consumers think of turkey for Thanksgiving and ham for Easter. We want them to also think of "Beef For Father's Day!" says Lucille Sterling, President of Texas CattleWomen.

Obituary

Earl Calhoun

Lamesa--Services for Earl Woodroe Calhoun, 68, of Lamesa were held Monday, June 15 in the Lamesa Second Baptist Church with the Rev. Clifton Igo, pastor, officiating. Assisting was the Rev Cecil Foster.

Burial was in Lamesa Memorial Park under direction of Branon Funeral Home.

He died at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 13th in the Colonial Medical Center in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Hardeman County and lived in Lamesa most of his life. He was a retired farmer and rancher. He was a former Borden County resident. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Arlan of Lamesa; two daughters, Connie Edwards of Lamesa and Holly Calhoun of O'Donnell; a sister, Freda Nance of Fort Worth; three brothers, John, Kenneth and Ted, all of Wichita Falls; and a grandchild.

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**Mesquite Tree
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The annual meeting of Los Amigos Del Mesquite will take place in Corpus Christi on September 11-13, 1987. Los Amigos Del Mesquite is an international association of 300 plus ranchers, woodworkers, businessmen, and scientists from Texas and other states and countries who have personal or business interests in the mesquite tree. Representative interests of members include the utilization of the wood for various wooden products, managing mesquite lands for wood production and grazing purposes, controlling mesquite on rangeland, producing various BBQ cooking products, and the use of the mesquite tree as an ornamental native Texas plant in landscaping.

Activities at the annual meeting taking place at the Hershey Hotel in Corpus Christi include some 20 to 25 technical presentations, demonstrations, or panel discussions on various issues.

A trade and exhibit show of fine furniture, flooring, and other beautiful woodwork and other mesquite products will also take place.

Historically, the presence of mesquite on rangeland was considered detrimental. The cost of mesquite clearing is high. Thru utilization of the tree a negative factor can be changed into an asset. The meeting will provide a forum for those ranchers and landowners who have mesquite wood to sell to meet with processors who are buying mesquite stumpage. It will provide the avenues for future sales.

Further information on the annual meeting and a registration form or information about Los Amigos Del Mesquite in general can be obtained by writing Ken E. Rogers, Texas Forest Products Laboratory, P. O. Box 310, Lufkin, Texas 75901-0310 or by calling (409) 639-8180.

Swine Short Course

Area swine producers will have an opportunity to improve their herd management techniques during a swine short course which will be offered at 8:30 a.m. at the Texas Tech University Livestock Arena June 20.

Herd health and farrowing management will be the theme for this years course.

A \$10 registration fee will enable the producers to hear keynote speakers such as Dr. Billy R. Clay a Technical Services Veterinarian with the UpJohn company in Kalamazoo Mich., David Graf, a swine producer from Vernon, Dr. Bruce Lawhorn, and Agricultural Extension Swine Veterinarian from College Station, along with several others.

"The course is a combined effort aimed to keep area producers abreast of new information and informed on the services available to them.

This years program is tailored for the smaller and new producers in the swine industry.

The swine course is co-sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, West Texas Pork Producers Association, Texas Pork Producers Association, and Texas Tech University.

**Handbook Prepared
for Cow-Calf Operations**

A new "Cow-Calf Management Handbook" has been developed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with two livestock industry groups to assist Texas ranchers in increasing their competitiveness and profitability under current economic conditions.

Most successful cow-calf operations depend on a high percent calf crop weaned, high total pounds of beef produced by the herd, and a competitive market price for quality calves. All of these factors must be balanced against a reasonable and competitive cost of production.

To succeed, ranchers today must study all technological, financial and marketing tools carefully in an attempt to optimize return to an operation.

The cow-calf producer has many opportunities to cut production costs and increase returns by accessing research-based technology and applying financial management and marketing information included in the handbook.

The handbook, which contains over 100 topics divided into seven major sections for convenient reference, is designed to serve ranchers who operate under Texas conditions. The materials are assembled in a three-ring binder for ease of updating by producers.

Grants for development and publication of the book were contributed by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and Hoechst-Roussel Agri-Vet. Co., which is headquartered in Somerville, N. J.

An office copy of the handbook has been placed for reference in each county Extension office. Producers who wish to inspect the book, secure order forms, and place orders for the book--which is priced at \$40 per copy...may do so by going by their local Extension offices.

ASCS NEWS BY Jerry Stone**FARM DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACT**

The President has signed the Farm Disaster Assistance Act of 1987. The 1987 ACT amended Pub. L. 99-500 which authorized the 1986 Disaster Payments Program. The 1986 Disaster Payments Program, as amended, provides for the following IF CONGRESS APPROPRIATES THE FUNDS AND THE PRESIDENT APPROVES SUCH AUTHORIZATION:

A. Increases for disaster payments on previously approved disaster applications from 73.9 percent to 100 percent.

B. Disaster payments for losses of 1986 Upland Cotton production because of QUALITY. The payment increase from 73.9 percent to 100 percent is automatic and you need do nothing more than has already been done.

If your 1986 Crop Cotton has an average LOAN VALUE of less than 49.20 cents per lb. you are eligible for the QUALITY adjustment if all of the following requirements are met:

1. Only participating farms are eligible.
2. Only farms with 1986 ACTUAL PRODUCTION are eligible. (If you had zero production, do not come in for this)
3. Proper documentation must be filed by June 26, 1987.

PROPER DOCUMENTATION

If you previously filed for the disaster program, the only thing that we need from you is your 1986 cotton production and grades so that we can determine the average loan value. This must be presented by June 26, 1987.

If you did not previously file for the disaster program, we must have all the necessary forms SIGNED by all interested parties by June 26, 1987. In addition, we need your crop insurance (FCIC, MultiPeril, and Crop Hail) coverage and benefits received. We must also have your cotton production and grades so that we can determine the average loan value of your cotton.

COTTON PRODUCTION AND GRADES

In order to compute the quality adjustment, we must have your total pounds and the loan value of those pounds. If you placed your cotton in the loan with us or got the loan deficiency from us, we have this information. If you placed your cotton in the Form G COOP Loan, you will need to get this information from them. If you had any BG's or below grades, we must have the sales receipts so that we can get the sale price. If you sold your cotton and didn't go into any loan, you will need to get us a listing that shows individual bale net weights, grades, staples, and mikes. Most of our gins now keep all of this info on computers and can get this listing. If it already has the loan value computed, so much the better. This will save us the trouble of having to compute this.

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Federal Land Bank Lowers Rates

Austin--Officials of the Federal Land Bank of Texas today announced plans to extend their new fixed rate, purchase money loan program.

Favorable response to the Land Bank's fixed-rate loan program in May prompted the bank to initiate Phase II of the program. Phase II offers qualified purchasers a 9 3/8 percent interest rate for the purchase of farms and ranches and a 9 5/8 percent rate for the purchase of rural residences. Each program has a 1 point closed loan fee to the bank.

"The bank's Executive Committee reviewed the overall benefits of the program and determined that the program would be beneficial to our stockholders by helping stabilize the rural land market in Texas," said Don Rogge, president of the Federal Land Bank of Texas.

Rogge noted that during the first 30 days

of the program, 298 applications totaling \$47 million were submitted to Federal Land Bank Associations across the state.

"We are encouraged by the response to the new program. We feel it could be an indicator that the real estate market in Texas is beginning to turn around," Rogge said.

The program fixes the interest rate for 10 years and converts to the bank's variable rate at the end of the 10 years. Purchasers must qualify under the Land Bank's usual credit standards and use the money for new purchases only.

According to Rogge, rates for the bank's existing variable rate borrowers also were reduced on June 1. The new rates are 10.25 percent on farm and ranch loans and 10.50 percent on rural residence and farm-related business loans.

The Federal Land Bank and 44 Federal Land Bank Associations

located throughout Texas have \$2.38 billion in loans outstanding on 37,000 loans to approximately 100,000 Texas farmers and ranchers.

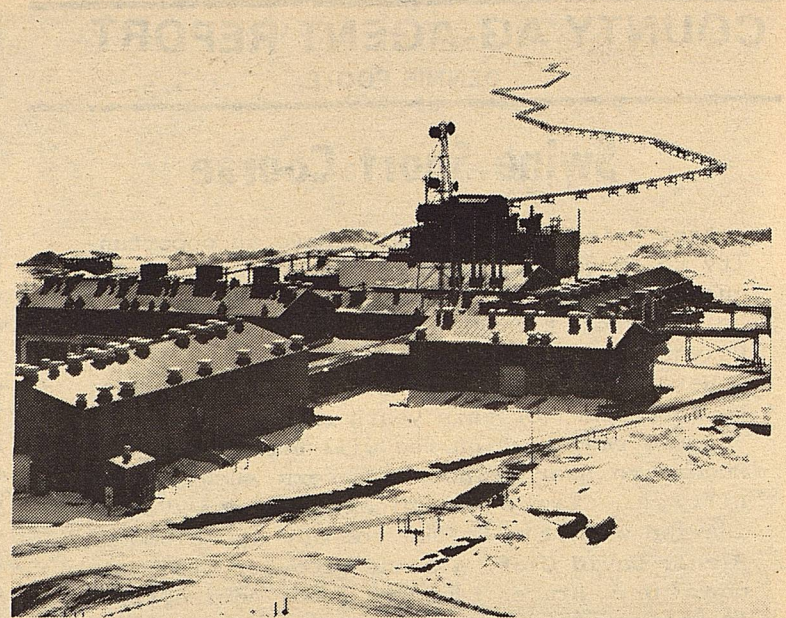
Those interested in more information should contact their local Federal Land Bank Association, the bank president said.

Weight Reduction Clinic

Methodist Hospital is offering a weight reduction program, called Take Shape, that gives professional guidance in nutrition and fitness.

Participants learn how to make lifestyle changes through diet and exercise. At the end of the program, they will know how to make sensible dietary choices that will help break previous bad habits. They also will receive an exercise plan specially tailored to meet their needs.

To find out more information, call (806) 793-4016.



OIL FIELD CELEBRATING 10TH BIRTHDAY June 18 Pump Station One at Prudhoe Bay is the beginning of the 800-mile long trans Alaska pipeline, which is visible disappearing into the distant background. A total of 10 pump stations move oil from Prudhoe Bay over three mountain ranges and across 800 rivers and streams, to a Marine Terminal at Valdez, in Southcentral Alaska then over sea to U.S.

Farm Numbers Drop

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in the state, according to the 1982 Census of Agriculture," Hightower said.

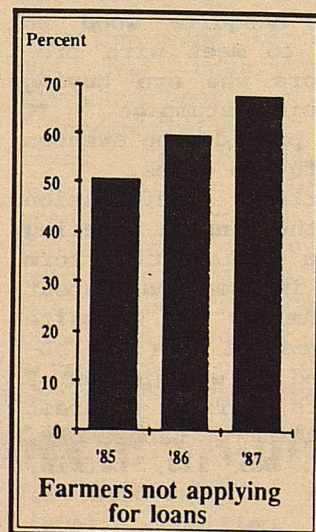
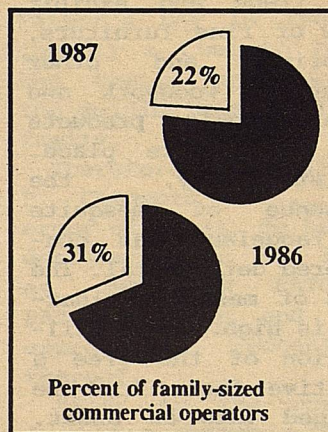
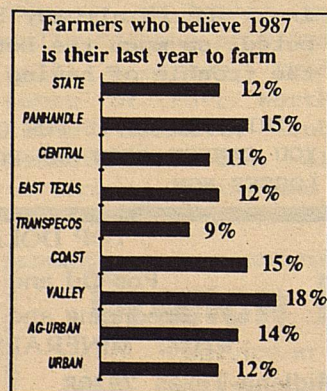
"Sixty-eight percent of farm operators surveyed in Texas said they didn't even bother to make a loan application in 1987. It's not that they don't need credit--they just can't get it. Just two years ago, that percentage was down around 52 percent.

"One key factor accounting for both the decline in family farmers and the reduced loan application numbers is the severe shortage of credit available for commercial farmers and ranchers. The U.S. Farmers Home Administration, the agency established by Congress to provide

credit to family farmers, cut direct loan funds to Texas producers from \$206 million in 1986 to \$120 million this year.

Then they sent back to their Washington bureaucracy another \$15.3 million, making the total cutback in Texas this year 51 percent," Hightower said.

"Unless we want to experience a near-monopoly pricing structure in our food system, the consumers of this country must demand from our leaders in Washington a farm program that preserves rather than destroys our independent, competitive family farm system," Hightower said.



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Scholarships

Gerry has attended Borden Schools for 13 years, participating in football, basketball, UIL Newswriting, Editorials, science, debate and accounting as well as FFA.

He placed 1st at district, 3rd in regional and was state qualifier in 1987. He was FFA Reporter and Vice-Pres. of his FFA Chapter. Gerry was also Lone Wolf Dist. Reporter and FFA and 4-H Club Officer.

Gerry was the 4-H Gold Star Boy in 1986; FFA Extemperaneous Speaking 2nd place winner in Area II; High Individual in Livestock Judging and was All-District Center in Football.

Recognized as the world's largest donor of agricultural scholarships, the Show also will present 50, four-year, \$8,000 scholarships at the Texas State FFA Convention July 16 in Fort Worth. The Show's annual scholarship commitment exceeds \$1 million and during the 1987-88 school year, almost 900 students will receive some form of Show-sponsored scholarship assistance.

Selected by members of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the 4-H scholarship recip-

ipients were chosen for their strong academic backgrounds and solid leadership abilities. These recipients, with all Show scholarship winners, must major in some field of agriculture at a Texas college or university.

Scholarship funding is provided by revenues earned at the annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, the Southwest's largest civic and charitable event.

In presenting the scholarships, Show president Hal Hillman reflected on the importance of these educational commitments.

"On behalf of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, I want you to know our organization is just as proud as any parent, teacher or friend of these outstanding 4-H scholarship recipients. I wish that each one of the 6,000 volunteers and more than one million annual Show visitors could share this moment with us tonight so that they could understand even more the importance of their hard work and support. These wonderful recipients are an example of what our organization is all about--benefiting youth and supporting education."

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Summer Clothing

Features Wrinkles

The new summer fashions are out in local stores, and the comfortable, casual look is "in."

According to Dr. Ann Beard, a clothing specialist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service, "The trend this summer is toward denims, khaki, and other casual fabrics. The "wrinkled" look is also back, so you can put away the iron until the new fall fashions arrive."

Wrinkles aren't found only in cotton and cotton blends this summer, she says. They also are showing up in silky looking clothing. These wrinkles make garments easy to care for, and cooler since less fabric touches the skin.

Puckered seersucker is coming into vogue and is popular for many of the same reasons as the "wrinkled" look.

"Denim is showing up everywhere this summer," says Beard. "It's no longer a fabric just for jeans, and it isn't being restricted to its traditional colors. The soft, washed look seems to be very popular, but some of the stronger colors are being worn more often."

Color combinations are changing too. Summer fashions will bring olive and khaki together, as well as olive and peach. These combinations are enhanced by the primitive looking prints that are part of the new trend, says the specialist.

"The hip slimming effect of shoulder pads also is featured in summer fashions; and the oversized look is still popular though the sizes aren't as exaggerated as in the past," Beard adds.

According to Beard, boutique prints will always be fashionable, but this summer, the primitive look is what's selling.

Be prepared for cool, comfortable summer fashions, and give the iron a rest, unless of course, wrinkles weren't intended by the manufacturer.

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HANDYTAN TOUCHUPS-Designed for portability and fashion, the HandyTan suntan lotion in a bracelet provides beachgoers like Jennifer Fish, 17, of Corona del Mar, Calif. with a convenient source of sun protection. The bracelets feature lotions with Sun Protection Factors (SPF's) of 2, 6 and 15. HandyTan's convenience has met with the approval of dermatologists who recommend frequent application of sunscreen lotion during the course of a day outdoors. The bracelets can be purchased in white, aqua, yellow and pink and were developed by Soladyne Pacific Corporation of Laguna Hills, Calif.

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Scripture Corner

"To Father:

It was through your love that I realized what the love of God the Father must be like. You have loved me, cared for me, provided for my needs and guided my footsteps as I grew up. I have experienced the richness of life under your direction and, because of your Spiritual leadership,

have seen, my own life reach wholeness as I have experienced the Lordship of Jesus Christ in my life. May Gods love and grace continue to fill your life; and my prayer is that my life may reflect the same love that you have "shown."

Reprinted from Heart-felt Thoughts

Howard County Fair Booths Available

Dates of the Howard County Fair have been set for September 21 thru 26, 1987 and commercial booth space is now being made available thru Ruth Mitchel at 315 Main St. Big Spring, Texas (263-8301 or 394-4439) Outside space is being handled by Geraldine Posey HC 63 Box 184 Big Spring, Texas 79720 (398-5454 or 398-5541).

What Better Way To Advertise Your Wares Or Your Business and Enjoy a Week Of Fun At The Fair.

Booth space is available on a "first come-

first served" basis and rents for \$124.00 to those in the Howard County trade area and adjoining counties for an 8X10 space for the week. To all others the fee is \$125.00 for a "display only" (unmanned) booth or \$225.00 for across-the-counter sales or the taking of orders.

Call Today While There is Still Prime Space Available. Commercial outside space rents for \$115 plus \$1.17 per front foot and \$75.00 plus \$1.75 per front foot for display only space.

FATHER'S DAY POEM

My Dad's Advice

By Nyle Henderson

I think back a few years to when I was a boy,
My Dad bought me a horse instead of a toy.
And he taught me something when I got buckled

down
Not to lay there and whimper but get up off
the ground

"Son," he'd say, "You'll never have very much
pride,

If you quit right now and don't finish the
ride."

First he's dust off my britches, then catch
up my horse,

He'd hand me the reins and start me back on
my course.

I probably wouldn't be a-ridin' horses today,
If it weren't for those words my Dad used
to say

They come back to me time and again,
And I realize now, what I didn't see then.
He wasn't just talking about a horse that
could buck,

But about any problems that I might try to
duck

So When trouble springs up every once in a
while,

I think of my Dad and I quietly smile..

I don't turn my back or run away to hide,
I get up off the ground and I finish the
ride.

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June 19-20, 1987
8:00 p.m.

Rodeo Producer - Runt Sloan,
Newcastle, Texas

Entries Must be Postmarked
by June 13, 1987.

For entry blanks, call Connie Voss,
rodeo secretary at 915/856-4361 (home) or
915/856-4311 (office).

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