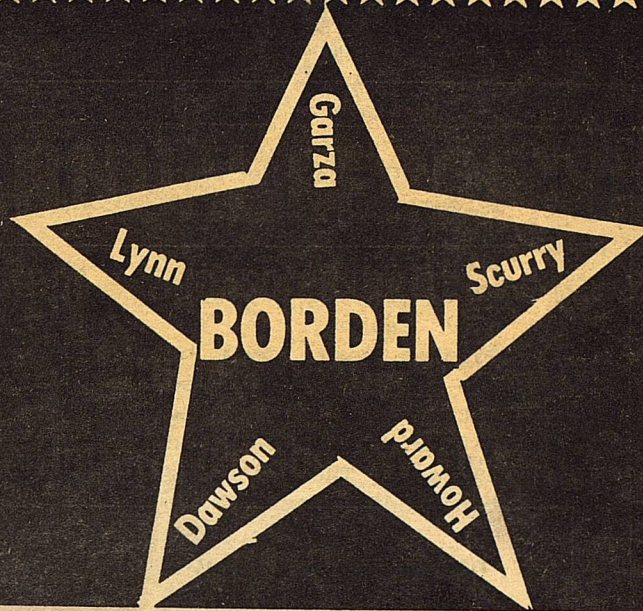


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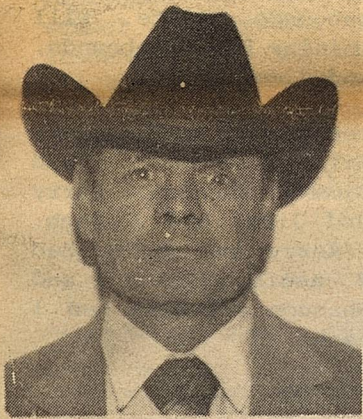


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CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF



FRANK MENNIX

Mr. Frank Mennix had announced that he is a candidate for Sheriff of Borden County, subject to the Democratic Primary.

Frank and wife Treva live south of Gail and has lived in the county for the past 11 years. His daughter, Marquita, was a 1982 graduate from Borden High School.

If elected sheriff, Frank promises to execute the duties of the office to the best of his ability.

Mr. Mennix is the third candidate to file for the office of Borden County Sheriff. R. D. Lewis and Warren Beaver filed previously.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT..

December 21st

The Borden County Music Department will present the Annual Christmas Concert, Monday evening, December 21st at 8:00 p.m. The following groups will be performing: Kindergarten, first, second, third grades-vocal groups; fourth grade, tonettes; fifth grade, band; Sixth Grade Band, Coyote Band. We would like to extend to you and your family to attend the concert.

GENE DULANEY DISTRICT JUDGE

District Judge Gene Dulaney has announced his intentions to run for a second four-year term.

Dulaney will again seek the Republican nomination in the spring primary. He won over a Democratic opponent in November of 1984 following the retirement of then-District Judge Wayland G. Holt. Dulaney has been a resident of Scurry County for 37 years, locating there in 1950 after graduating from law school at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

A native of Kentucky, he earned an undergraduate degree from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, graduating in 1942.

He served as municipal judge for the City of Snyder for 20 years prior to his election as district judge.

He is a member of the

Episcopal Church and a member of the Rotary.

He and his wife Mary have two children, a daughter, Mrs. Robert Stockton, and a son, John Dulaney, both of Fort Worth.

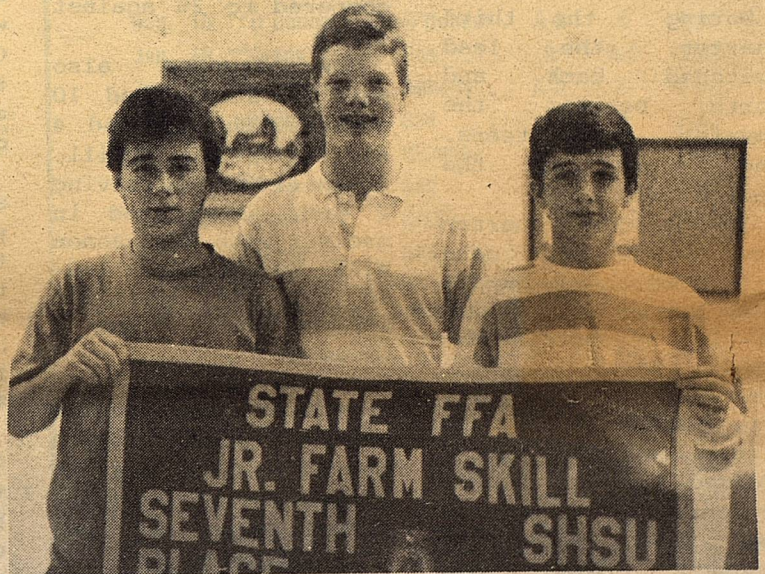


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JUNIOR FARM SKILL L TEAM PLACES SEVENTH IN STATE CONTEST. Borden County FFA Jr. Farm Skill Team comprised of Shane Kemper, Cole Vestal and Eric Lusk placed 7th in the State Contest. Buddy Wallace is Gail FFA Teacher.

WOLF FILES FOR RE-ELECTION

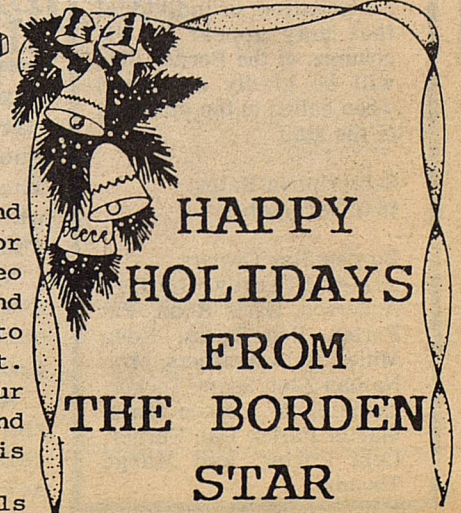
Vernon Wolf, a resident of Borden County for more than forty years, has filed for re-election to the county commissioner's position in Precinct 3. Wolf, a farmer,

states that it has been a privilege to work for the county and Precinct 3 in particular. He would appreciate everyone's vote and influence in the forthcoming election.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to T.L. and Gloria Griffin for donating a V.H.S. video camera, recorder, and all the accessories to the school district.

Please accept our best wishes for you and yours during this special time of year. Borden County Schools



TOURNAMENT

COYOTES LOOSE ANOTHER SQUEAKER

The Borden County Coyotes, who were coming off of a double overtime 1 point loss last Saturday, played a good game, but they came up short again against the Robert Lee Steers 54-48.

The Steers jumped out to a 12 point lead during the first quarter, but the Coyotes fought back to even the score at 26-26 at halftime. The Coyotes outscored the Steers 13-6 in the quarter.

During the third quarter, the lead switched back and forth between the Coyotes and Steers. The score at the quarter was 40-40.

In the fourth quarter the Coyotes went cold with their shooting as they hit on only 3 out of 10 attempts. The Steers tried to hold the ball in the last few minutes to sit on their lead. The Coyotes forced them to commit a couple of turnovers, but were unable to convert them into baskets.

The larger and more aggressive Steers controlled the boards on both ends of the floor. The Coyotes leading rebounder was freshman guard Jimmy Rios who gathered in 8 Kerry Fryar and Shannon Bond had 5 rebounds each. Will Phinizy and Brian Bond gathered in 4 rebounds apiece. Chris Kilmer pulled down 1 rebound.

In the turnover category, the Coyotes greatly improved their effort with only 15 compared to 26 against Grady.

The Coyotes also made 10 steals and 10 assists. Shannon had 4 steals with Will, Brian and Jimmy having 2 each. Jimmy led in assists with 3. Shannon Will, and Brian followed closely with 2 apiece. Kerry had 1 assists.

Shannon led the Coyote scoring effort with 22 points. Brian scored 11. Kerry scored 9 with Jimmy contributing 4 and Will 2 points.

COYOTES WIN IN TRIPLE OVERTIME

"Lady Luck" finally smiled on the Borden County Coyotes as they defeated Wilson 60-58 in the Sands Tournament. The Coyotes played one of their best games of the season. The Coyotes were faced by two taller opponents, but they were able to defend them with good success. The Mustangs repeatedly tried to get the ball into their taller players. One player was about 6'6" and the other about 6'3". Several passes were intercepted or knocked away.

The Coyotes quickly grabbed the lead and finished the quarter with a 12-7 led. The Coyotes maintained their five point lead at the end of the 2nd. quarter.

The Coyotes lead slipped to three points and the end of the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, the Coyotes lost their touch at the freethrow line as they were 0 for 6.

The Coyotes gained control of the ball as the first overtime began. The Coyotes went ahead, but the Mustangs came back to tie the game with only 3 seconds remaining. Shannon Bond attempted a shot from his backcourt, but the ball hit the ceiling. Both teams made 6 points each. Brian Bond and Jimmy Rios each made a basket, and Brian made 2 freethrows.

In the second overtime, the Mustangs controlled the tip. Both teams scored 4 points in the period. The Coyotes again went into the lead with a basket by Will Phinizy and 2 freethrows by Shannon Bond, but the Mustangs again scored with seconds remaining. The Coyotes had only 4 seconds to get a shot off after they used a time out. This time Shannon got off a shot just inside his front court. The shot looked good, but it bounced off the backboard and rim before falling away.

On the jump ball to start the third overtime period, Shannon controlled the tip, and Will Phinizy tipped in a missed shot to take the led. The Mustangs made 2 freethrows to tie the score and then got the ball again without the Coyotes scoring. The Mustangs held the ball out so they could take the last shot, which they did. Their shot did not go in and Brian gained control of the loose ball and was fouled with only 1 second on the clock. Brian stepped up to the freethrow line and made both shots of the one-and-one.

Shannon led all scores with 20 points. Brian followed closely with 19 points. Kerry Fryar made 10 points. Will Phinizy scored 7 points, and Jimmy Rios had 4 points.

Shannon also was the leading rebounder with 12. Will pulled down 6 rebounds. Jimmy and Brian had 4 each, and Kerry had 2.

Will led in recoveries with 8. Brian had 7, Shannon 6, Jimmy 5, and Kerry 5.

In the second round of the tournament, the Coyotes played Klondike

COYOTES CAPTURE THIRD PLACE

The Borden County Coyotes defeated Forsan to win third place at the Sands Tournament. The final score was 59-46. The Coyotes were led by some hot shooting by all tournament Shannon Bond. Shannon scored a game high of 36 points with 12 of those from the 3 point range. Brian Bond also added 9 points to the total. Will Phinizy scored 6 points. Kerry scored 5 points and Jimmy Rios added 3 points to the final score.

The Coyotes had probably their best efforts at rebounding as they grabbed 35 of them. Shannon was the leader with 14 rebounds Kerry and Brian had 7 rebounds apiece. Will Phinizy had 6 rebounds, and Jimmy had 1.

Three Coyotes had 2 recovered ball each. Will, Brian, and Jimmy. Shannon, Kerry and Jimmy had 1 each.

Kerry and Brian had 2 assists each, and Shannon and Will had 1 each.

COLD SHOOTING COYOTES FALL TO HOT SHOOTING COUGARS

In the semi-final game against the Klondike Cougars, the Borden Coyotes were defeated 63-50. At the end of the third quarter, the game was tied, but the Cougars outscored the Coyotes 24-11. They also scored on 4 three points shots and several easy buckets in the final quarter. The Coyotes were only able to make 4 out of 14 attempts for the quarter.

Will Phinizy led the Coyotes in rebounding with 8. Shannon Bond followed with 7, Kerry Fryar 5, Chris

Kilmer and Jimmy Rios 3 each, and Brian Bond had 1 rebound.

Shannon was the leader in recovered balls with 5, Brian 4, Kerry and Will 2 each, Jimmy and Chris 1 each.

Chris Kilmer led in assists as he collected 4. Jimmy and Kerry had 1 each.

Shannon was the leading Coyote scorer with 16. Will added another 12, Brian and Kerry had 9 each, and Jimmy had 4 points.

In the third place game, the Coyotes faced Forsan.

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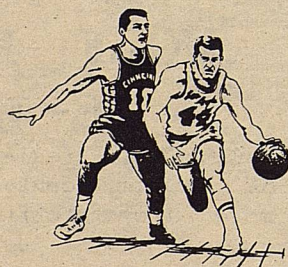
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YEA COYOTES



GAIL BAPTIST HAPPENINGS

December 20th is the date set for the Young People's production of their Christmas program at the Gail Baptist Church.

The performance will start at 5:00 p.m. with caroling to follow at 6:00.

Around 8:00 or when the caroling is over, refreshments will be served.

JR. HIGH ONE-ACT PLAY

Borden County was the host of the Junior High District One-Act plays. Three schools, Borden, Plains, and Wellman participated this year.

Mr. Jack Mears, Jr. of Roscoe was the judge for the plays. Plains received first place and Wellman was the second place play. Plains produced the "Miracle Worker" and Wellman produced "Alice in Wonderland". Borden County produced "Any Body For Tea".

Borden students receiving individual awards were David Buchanan who received Best Actor for his performance. Shayne Hess and Rich Holzmann were named to the All Star Cast and Kristin Monger and Kelly Ogden received Honorable mention.

Appreciation is expressed to all the school personnel and students who assisted and cooperated to make the play a success for

"ANY BODY FOR TEA?"

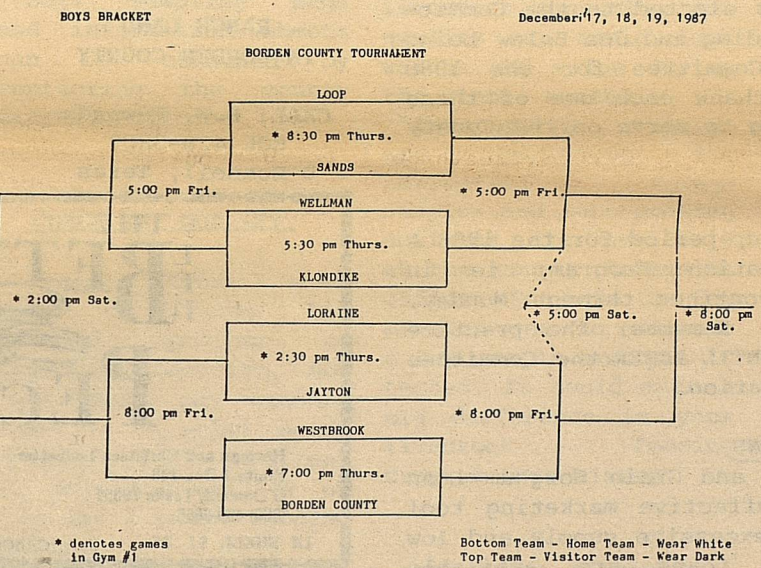
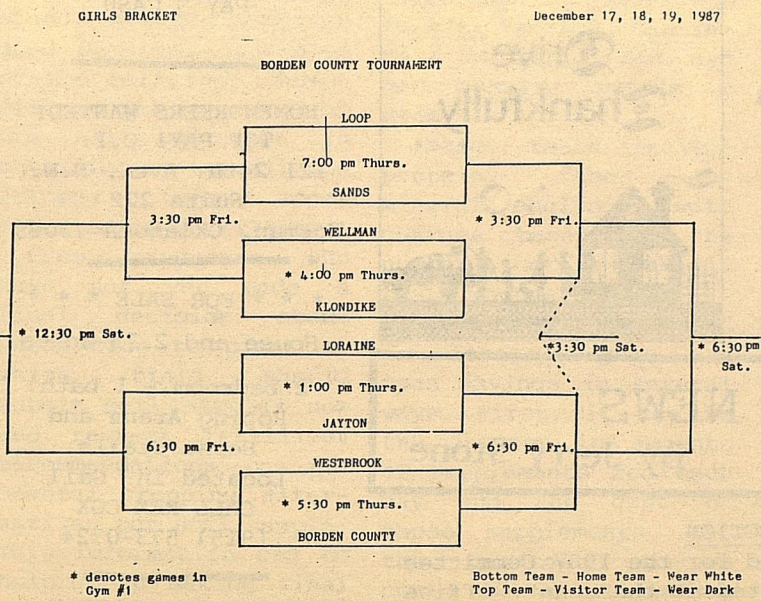
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Cast and Players:

Captain Williams...Heith Gammons
Dennis O'Finn...David Buchanan
Miss Hildegard...Patsy Underwood
Miss Birdie...Kristin Kilmer

our district.
Miss Amantha...Shayne Hess
Miss Lucy...Amanda Anderson
Miss Nettie...Kristin Monger

Miss Elizabeth...Kelly Ogden
Kramer...Rich Holzmann
Crew:
Angela Evans
A'Lise Lloyd
M'Lys Lloyd
Director: Dolores Wolf

BORDEN COUNTY TOURNAMENT



Borden County I. S. D. BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1987-1988

BORDEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL 1987-88 Basketball Schedule

| DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | GIRLS | BOYS | TIME |
|---------------|------------------------|-----------|-------|------|------|
| Nov. 13 | Wellman | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Nov. 17 | Ira | Gail | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Nov. 20 | Loop | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Nov. 24 | Loraine | Gail | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Dec. 1 | Loop | Loop | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Dec. 3-4-5 | Garden City Tournament | | A | A | TBA |
| Dec. 8 | Robert Lee | Gail | A | A | 6:30 |
| Dec. 10-11-12 | Sands Tournament | | A | A | TBA |
| Dec. 15 | Ira | Ira | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Dec. 17-18-19 | *Borden County Tour. | | A | A | TBA |
| Jan. 5 | Midland Chris. | Gail | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Jan. 12 | **Klondike | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Jan. 15 | **O'Donnell | O'Donnell | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Jan. 19 | **Grady | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Jan. 22 | **Sands | Ackerly | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Jan. 26 | New Life Chris. | Gail | | A | 6:30 |
| Jan. 29 | **Klondike | Klondike | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Feb. 2 | **O'Donnell | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Feb. 5 | **Grady | Grady | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Feb. 9 | **Sands | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |

* Teams in Borden County Tournament: Borden County, Jayton, Klondike, Loop, Loraine, Sands, Wellman, & Westbrook.
** Denotes District Games

BORDEN COUNTY JUNIOR HIGH 1987-88 Basketball Schedule

| DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | GIRLS | BOYS | TIME |
|---------|------------------|-----------|-------|------|------|
| Nov. 21 | Sands Tournament | Ackerly | A | A | TBA |
| Nov. 30 | Klondike | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Dec. 7 | O'Donnell | O'Donnell | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Dec. 14 | Grady | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Jan. 4 | Sands | Ackerly | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Jan. 18 | Klondike | Klondike | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Jan. 25 | O'Donnell | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |
| Feb. 1 | Grady | Grady | A-B | A | 5:00 |
| Feb. 8 | Sands | Gail | A | A-B | 5:00 |

December 1987

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 6 | 5:00 p.m. 7 J.H. Basketball A-B Girls, A Boys O'Donnell - There 2:30 p.m. Basketball Pictures | 6:30 p.m. 8 H.S. Basketball A Girls, A Boys Robert Lee - Here | 9 District Junior High One-Act Play Here - 1:00 p.m. | 10 -Sands Tournament Dec. 10, 11, & 12 A-Girls, A-Boys | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 5:00 p.m. 14 Jr. High Basketball A-Girls, A-B Boys Grady - Here | 5:00 p.m. 15 H.S. Basketball A-B Girls, A Boys Ira - There | 16 | 17 - BORDEN COUNTY TOURNAMENT - December 17, 18, & 19 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | Christmas Band Concert - 8:00 p.m. | Dismiss for Holidays 2:00 p.m. | 23 Christmas Holiday | 24 Holidays Dec. 23 - Jan. 1 Christmas Holiday | 25 Christmas Holiday | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Happy Holidays | 29 Happy Holidays | 30 Happy Holidays | 31 Happy Holidays | | |

LUNCH MENU

December 21, 22, 1987

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| Monday | Sloppy Joes Pork & Beans Fruit Milk | Salad Bar |
| Tuesday | Cheese & Sandwich Meat Sandwiches Lettuce Potato Chips Ice Cream Milk | Salad Bar |
| Wednesday | Christmas Holiday | |
| Thursday | Christmas Holiday | |
| Friday | Christmas Holiday | |



LET MY

Home Economics News

BY DENNIS POOLE, COUNTY AGENT

BREAKFAST IS IMPORTANT

Every morning we are faced with a dilemma; do we eat a balanced breakfast, or feel sluggish and less alert as the day goes on? There doesn't seem to be much choice, yet many Americans skip breakfast, the most important meal of the day.

After eight to twelve hours without food, your body is low in blood sugar when you wake up. If it isn't replenished, your brain is less alert and you function less effectively.

Studies show that adults are the most common breakfast skip-pers. Only about half the people over the age of 20 eat breakfast everyday. Those between the ages of 12 and 17 aren't much better. One third of those kids skip breakfast at least once a week.

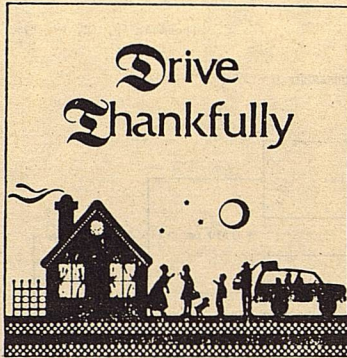
The old excuse "I don't have time" doesn't really hold up. A well-balanced breakfast doesn't take that long to prepare and pays itself off later in the morning, when you can function better than those who skipped this important meal.

A good breakfast should include something from three of the four major food groups. Simple things such as a muffin, cereal, fruit,

yogurt, milk, toast, eggs and cheese, in various combinations would supply enough nutrition to get your day off to a good start.



"I guess I can forget about going on a diet... If they can get my picture on a POSTAGE STAMP, I can't be all that fat!"



ASCS NEWS

By Jerry Stone

COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTION

Ballots returned for the 1987 Committee Election were tabulated at the county office on Friday, December 11, 1987 at 8:00 a.m.

Kent Holmes was elected to the Committee with Joe Pat Harding and Joe Belew being alternates to the Committee for the 1988 year. We wish to thank each one of these nominees for agreeing to serve on the County Committee.

1988 ACP

The first sign up period for the 1988 Agricultural Conservation Program, is in progress and will continue through Monday, December 21, 1987. Remember the practice may not be started UNTIL AFTER the Committee approves your application.

COTTON AND GRAIN LOANS

The 1987 Cotton and Grain Sorghum Loan Program can be an effective marketing tool during a period of excessive supply and low commodity price. Loans are available through the County ASCS office. Warehouse receipts must be presented in order to obtain a loan for Cotton or Grain Sorghum.

With gins so far behind this year you may want to consider the Seed Cotton Loan Program. This is a farm stored loan for Cotton still in modules. However this is a recourse loan and must be repaid or transferred into a form-A loan when the cotton is ginned.

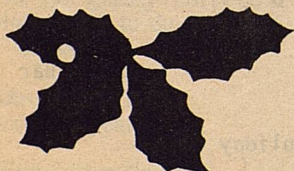
CRP SIGNUP

The next sign up for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) will be February 1, through February 19, 1988.

For more information on the CRP program contact the ASCS office or Soil Conservation Service at (915) 573-1268.

HOLIDAY

This office will be closed December 25 for Christmas. Merry Christmas!!!!!!!



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LET ME GET MY HAT

by Dennis Poole

SOIL TEST NOW TO DETERMINE 1988 CROP NEEDS

Soil testing should be one of the first steps in planning your 1988 crop production program, and now is the time to collect soil samples from fields to be planted to spring crops.

The cost of a soil test is a minor investment to make for the peace of mind it brings when faced with making fertilizer decisions.

If a soil test indicates that fertilizer is needed to attain a desired yield goal, then its use is strongly recommended. Not fertilizing or reducing fertilizer rates may result in yield levels which will not generate enough income to cover basic production costs.

On the other hand, direct savings can result when a soil test indicates that there are already adequate or near adequate levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium or other nutrients to attain a desired yield.

In either case, following soil test recommendations can effectively reduce the per unit cost of producing a commodity and increase the chances of making a profit.

Of course, a good fertility program can only insure optimum yields when other conditions affecting

crop yields are favorable. A good plant stand, adequate moisture good physical condition of the soil, and insect disease and weed control are all important in obtaining profitable returns from money invested in fertilizer.

Crop producers who have not yet made a final decision about which crop to plant on which field should submit soil samples now and request fertilizer recommendations for several cropping alternatives per soil sample. This information can be helpful in making final cropping decisions.

Soil sampling bags and information sheets can be obtained by contacting the county Extension office.

CHECK HAY QUALITY

Recent frost over much of Texas has reduced grazing on permanent pastures, and that means hay feeding time is drawing near. However, it's important to know the quality of hay for a sound feeding program.

Different kinds of livestock have different nutritional requirements. For example, cows with young calves have higher nutritional requirements than dry cows. So it's all the more important to have a knowledge of the quality of hay being

fed.

A forage test is the best way to determine the quality of hay and what supplements, if any, will be needed to meet nutritional requirements of livestock consuming that hay. Producers can mail forage samples to the Extension Service's Forage Testing Laboratory at Texas A&M and get results within a week.

Forage tests include protein, fiber and mineral analysis, with charges based on the number of specific tests requested.

A few dollars invested in forage tests can mean savings in several ways. First, it can be the savings in amounts of supplements fed each day and the cost of those supplements. But the greatest savings could be in livestock weights. For example, livestock consuming low quality hay could lose weight and value during the winter months.

Information sheets and guidelines for collecting forage samples and interpreting analyses are available at the county Extension office. So take a few minutes now to collect a hay sample and get it tested. It could make a big difference in your livestock feeding program this winter.

POLITICAL CALENDAR District Judge

Gene Dulaney

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Celebrate Life!

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from the American Cancer Society

This holiday season, turn your good will into good deeds.

An honor gift to the American Cancer Society supports vital programs of cancer research, education and patient assistance here in Texas. Your recipient will receive an attractive card announcing your gift in his or her name.



This holiday season is the ideal time to turn good will into good deeds, according to Lisa Ludecke, President of the Borden Unit of the American Cancer Society.

"An Honor Gift to the American Cancer Society, in the name of that 'special someone' on your holiday gift list, will show your care and concern," Ludecke said. "It's the perfect way to turn your good intentions into something more tangible," she said.

An Honor Gift is a contribution to the American Cancer Society made on your loved one's behalf. The honoree receives a handsome card announcing the gift. An acknowledgement card and receipt is then sent to the contributor.

In addition to being a thoughtful and caring gift to support cancer research, education and patient assistance, the Honor Gift can be the solution to the "problems" on your holiday

shopping list, Ludecke said.

"It's becoming harder and harder to find gifts that are unique and meaningful," she said. "The Honor Gift is both...and it will be more appreciated than a tie or bottle of cologne."

Honor Gifts support programs of research, cancer education and patient assistance.

Last year, almost 48 million Americans were reached with messages about early detection and prevention of cancer through the Society's Public Education efforts. These, in addition to advances in treatment and detection methods are saving nearly one of every two cancer patients, Ludecke said.

The American Cancer Society also provides vital services to cancer patients and their families, such as transportation of patients to and from treatment facilities, visitation and support programs and loans of hospital equipment, she said. Last year, almost 40,000 Texas cancer patients received information, referrals or other services from the Society.

To make an Honor Gift, write Dorothy Browne, Memorial Chairman for the American Cancer Society, at P.O. Box 23, Gail, Texas 79738. Include the name and address of the recipient, the occasion, and the name and address of the contributor.

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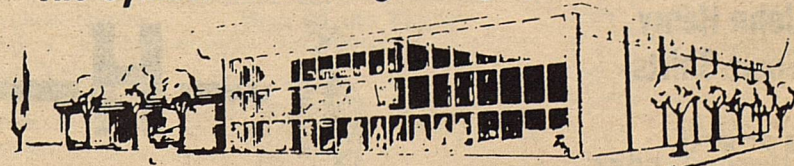
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TIPS FOR A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON

All the fun and excitement of the holiday season can bring unexpected danger if you are not careful, says the Texas Medical Association. Follow these guidelines to help make your celebration a safe one.

If you are buying a natural Christmas tree, watch for signs of dryness. If the needles break easily and fall off the tree, it is too dry. To keep your tree fresh, place it in a base that holds water. First cut about two inches off the trunk so that it will absorb the water better. When it becomes too dry, throw it away.

When decorating the tree, watch for lights with frayed or bare wires because they can cause shock or fire. Always supervise small children and pets around the tree since

many decorations may look good enough to eat.

Buy toys that are suitable for your child's age. Toys that are washable, lightweight, too large to put in the mouth, nose, or ears are the safest for small children. Also, examine the toys for sharp edges and points which can cut or puncture.

If you are planning to drive a long distance this holiday, make a general inspection of the car and tires before you start. Be sure to take a safety kit with a flashlight, jumper cables, and warning flares. Make plenty of stops to keep attentive, and, of course, never drive after having too much to drink.

Finally, let us remind you to let your common sense be your

guide through a safe and happy holiday season.

How To Choose a VCR

Q. How do I find a VCR that best suits my needs?

A. Before you head to the store you have to make a few decisions. For example, are you going to mostly tape programs or view pre-recorded cassettes? If you're interested in making your own tapes, you may want a VCR that allows unattended recording as well as a feature that lets you record and watch another program at the same time.

There are three formats of VCRs: VHS, Beta, and eight millimeter. An eight millimeter is primarily designed for use as a camcorder format. Many people prefer a VHS because of the availability of pre-recorded tapes while others prefer Beta's sound and picture quality. When shopping you should ask for a demonstration of each format.



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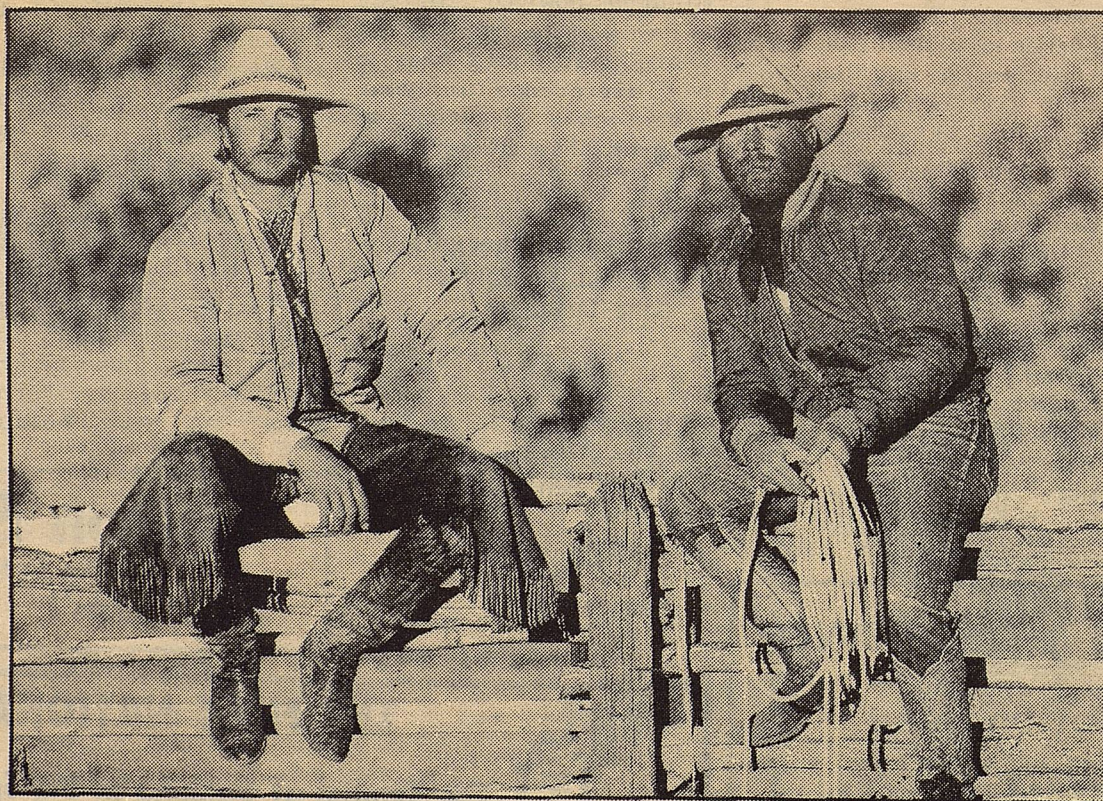


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PECANS AND CHRISTMAS—THEY JUST SEEM TO GO TOGETHER

PECAN PRALINES IMPERIAL

2 Cups Imperial Sugar

1 teaspoon soda

1 cup buttermilk

1/8 teaspoon salt

2 Tablespoons butter or margarine

2-½ cups pecan halves

In large (3 quart) heavy saucepan, combine Sugar, soda, buttermilk and salt. Cook over high heat about 5 minutes (or to 210° F. on candy thermometer); stir often and scrape bottom of pan. Mixture will foam up. Add butter or margarine and pecans. Over medium heat, continue cooking, stirring constantly and scraping bottom and sides of pan until candy reaches soft ball stage (234° F. on candy thermometer). Remove from heat and cool slightly, about 2 minutes. Beat with spoon until thick and creamy. Drop from tablespoon onto

sheet of aluminum foil or waxed paper. Let cool. Makes about 20 pralines, 2" diameter.

BARBECUED PECANS

1 Tablespoon Imperial Sugar

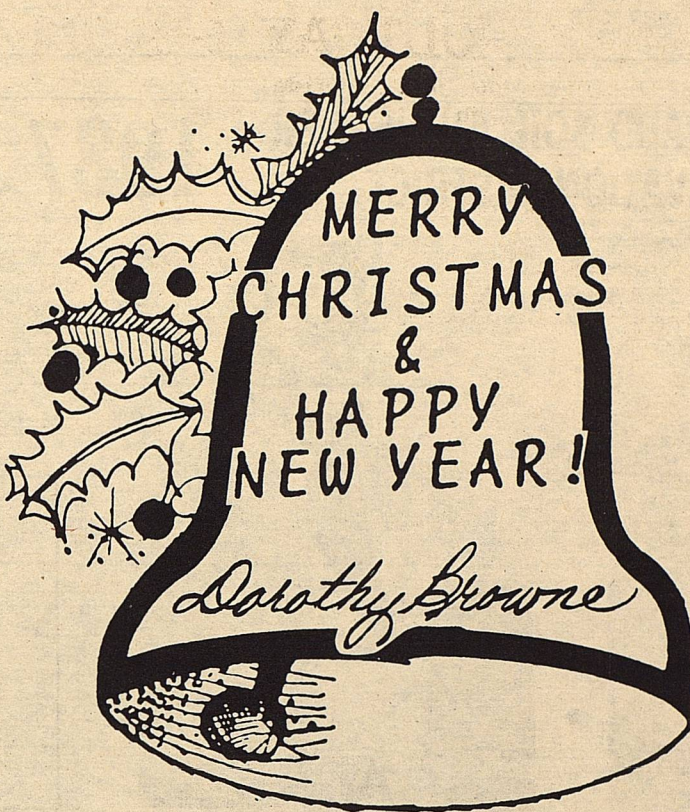
2 Tablespoon cider vinegar

2 Cups pecan halves

1 teaspoon butter or margarine

Seasoned salt

Mix Imperial Sugar and vinegar in quart jar, add pecans and shake to thoroughly coat nuts. Place in shallow baking pan and toast at 250° F. stirring frequently, until lightly browned. Add butter or margarine and seasoned salt to taste, about ½ teaspoon and toss to coat nuts. Continue baking until toasted. Cool and store in tight container. Refrigeration keeps them crisp. Yield: 2 cups.



Ads Deceive Holiday Shoppers

This is the season for Christmas shopping and TV advertising for mail order goods. There are certain federal laws that will protect you as a mail order shopper, but the telephone shopper has no such protection.

WHAT THE LAW SAYS

The so-called "Mail Order Rule," which requires the company to ship your items within the advertised time period does not apply to telephone orders. So you could order a Christmas gift but receive it in February—and still owe the company for the order.

If you actually order BY MAIL though, the company must ship your order within the promised time period [or 30 days, if no time is stated]. If the seller fails to ship on time, it is required to notify you of a delay and give you the option of cancelling the order.

The Federal Trade Commission, which enforces the "Mail Order Rule," advises that 800 numbers can be used for questions about delivery, refund policy, etc., even if you do order by mail.

MAIL ORDER TIPS

● If you order by phone, you should make a note of the date you ordered, the name, address and phone number of the company, and a detailed description of your order. If you order by mail, it is wise to keep a copy of your letter or order form, as well as a copy of any advertisement that prompted you to make the order.

● If the merchandise you receive by mail or phone order is substantially different from what you ordered, you have a right to cancel your contract.

You should write to the company as soon as possible after receiving the merchandise, stating that you wish to cancel. If you have any doubts about the company's reliability or honesty, you should consider keeping the merchandise as evidence until you receive your refund. Then if you do get your money back, you can return the goods.

● If you are unable to get the company to give you a refund, our Consumer Protection Division may be able to help you through its mediation service. However, it's a lot easier to avoid the problem by shopping only with reputable companies. If you have a question about a particular company, call the Better Business Bureau or the Attorney General's office nearest you.

UNORDERED MERCHANDISE

● What if you receive something in the mail that you didn't order? Some unscrupulous sellers will send items along with a phoney "invoice," hoping the person who receives it will be fooled into thinking he must pay for the item. Consider it a gift. There are exceptions, of course, such as negative check-off plans, like book-of-the-month clubs, and bona fide errors. But the general rule is, if you didn't order it, you don't have to pay for it.

FOR MORE HELP

If you need more help or information on consumer problems, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection Office (in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen, and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.



CHRISTMAS TREES

"O CHRISTMAS TREE"

"Oh, Christmas Tree..." Thousands of years ago people in Egypt, Rome and England decorated trees to celebrate the beginning of winter. But, according to Ranger Rick Magazine, it was not until 400 years ago that people in Germany decorated the first trees to celebrate Christmas. Then, on Christmas day in 1747, some German settlers in Bethlehem, Pa., decorated trees for their children. These were probably the first Christmas trees in America.

"ONE BERRY, ONE KISS"

"One berry, one kiss," wrote American author Washington Irving about mistletoe. But National Wildlife magazine reports that the custom of kissing under the mistletoe goes back much further than the 19th century. According to Norse mythology, the Goddess Frigga made the plant a symbol of love and promised to bestow a kiss on all who passed under it.



STAR LIGHT, STAR BRIGHT

Star light, star bright: Just what exactly was the Star of Bethlehem? According to National Wildlife magazine, the current leading theory is that the star was a conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn. When such a conjunction occurs, the two planets sometimes look like one bright star to observers on Earth. Other theories claim the famous orb was supernova (dying star) or a comet. And, still another theory says the Star of Bethlehem was simply a miracle.

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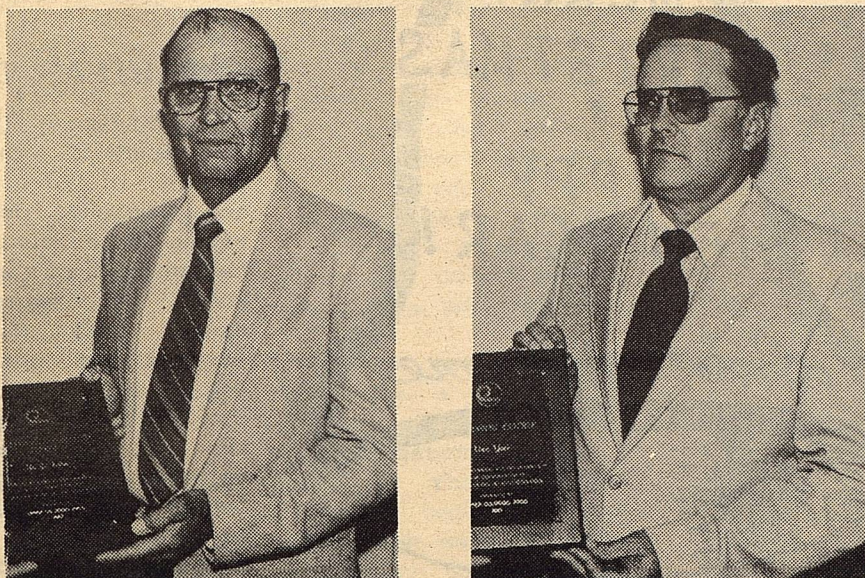
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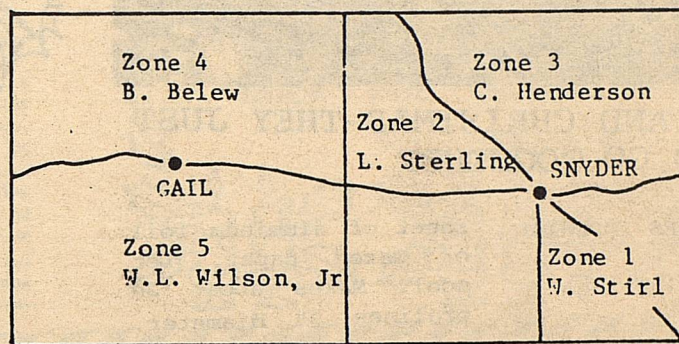
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1987 ANNUAL REPORT

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Honored at the UCSWCD banquet April 16 were Van York, Gail, Conservation Rancher of the Year; and W.J. Fuller of Dunn, Conservation Farmer of the Year. York and Fuller were honored for consistent application of conservation practices in their farming and ranching activities.



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Regular monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Soil Conservation Office at 3423 Ave. T. Phone: 573-1268.

CONSERVATION PRACTICES APPLIED IN THE UPPER COLORADO SWCD IN 1987

- 150 new district cooperators covering 25,920 acres
- 11 Great Plains contracts current
- 6 LTA contracts current
- 97 Conservation Reserve contracts accepted on 15,012 acres
- 104,762 feet of terraces constructed
- 5,505 acres of range seeding
- 2,206 acres of brush management
- 4 ponds constructed
- 15,000 acres of upland habitat wildlife management
- 15,012 acres of highly erodible cropland converted to grassland

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District is a legal sub-division of the State of Texas, governed by five elected directors. Our self-governed District has a working agreement with the Soil Conservation Service to provide technical assistance for planning, application, and management of conservation activities.

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District wishes everyone a happy and prosperous year in 1988. Our sincere thanks go out to each person, business, organization, and unit of government who has helped us in our effort to make the District a more satisfying place in which to live and work. We especially thank the Snyder Field Office staff of the Soil Conservation Service for providing the technical assistance necessary for us to carry out our objectives. District Conservationist Terry Hefner, Range Conservationist Ricky Linex, Range Conservationist Mike Squires and Range Conservationist Lynn Wauer have made our accomplishments possible.

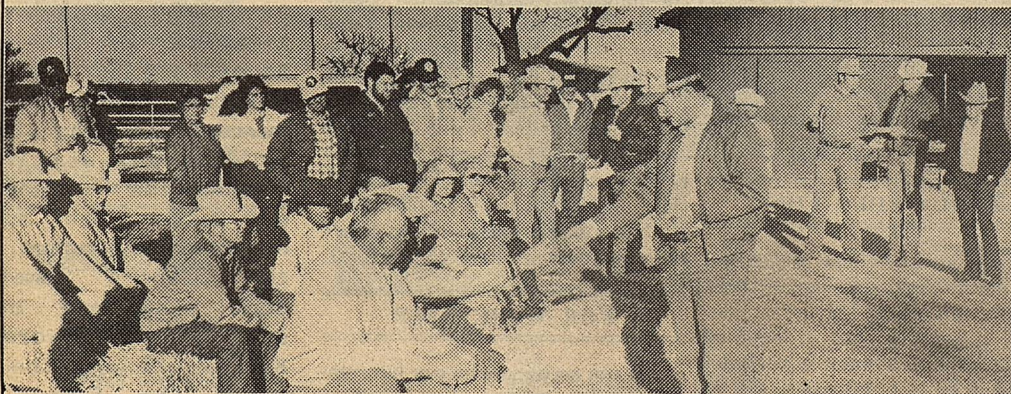
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Buddy Watson, District Technician, is shown checking ACP terraces on the Doyle Newton ranch in Borden County. The construction of terraces and diversions is an excellent way to control and stop erosion on rolling land and sloping cropland. With terraces and diversions, rainwater is channeled across the field to a suitable outlet such as a grass waterway or pond. Through this channeling action, water is transported across the field and isn't allowed to cut down across the field, stopping erosion and the development of gullies.



Ricky Linex and Lynn Wauer, SCS Range Conservationists are shown conducting yearly evaluation of trial planting of 'Salado' Alkali Sacaton in a salt damaged area south of the Pat Porter residence near Vealmoor in Borden County. The grass was planted in 1985 and shows promise for protecting the damaged area.



Conservationist Mark Mosley of the San Angelo office of the Soil Conservation Service is pictured here passing out soil samples during his program on pasture reseeding at the Ranch Breakfast held April 15 at the Diamond M Ranch. About 50 area ranch operators were on hand for the event, which included a program on drug implants for livestock, and managing range grasses.