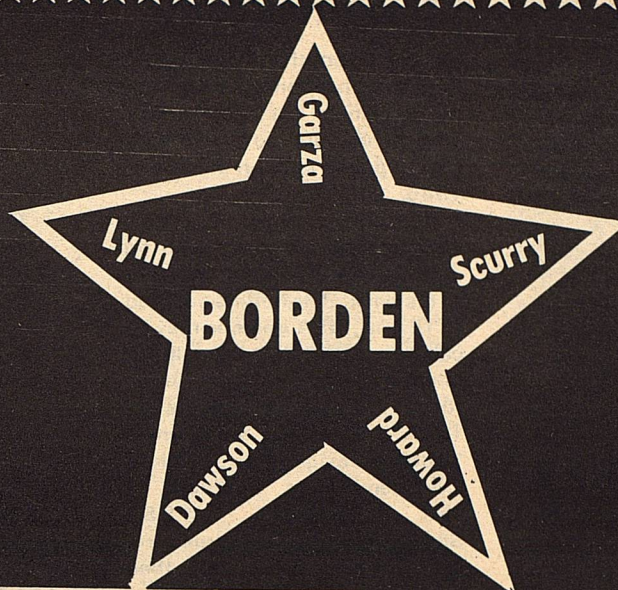


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Just a few days away...Margaret Sharp of Gail puts the finishing touches to the beautiful Borden

County Sesquicentennial quilt to be raffled Sunday, June 29.

## Old Settlers Reunion Sunday, June 29

Borden County will celebrate Texas' Sesquicentennial year with an "Old Settlers' Reunion", June 29th at the School in Gail. This celebration is for families and descendants, as well as 'Old Settlers'. We want anyone with ties to Borden County to come, Old Settlers, New Settlers, and current residents are invited and bring your family.

The day will begin with registration at 8:30, with the Church Service at 10:00, followed by the recognition and awards program. Lunch will be served at noon.

The afternoon program includes the dedication of the BiCentennial Park music by our local musicians, and time for visiting.

There will be a display of quilts and early day handwork and many pictures of the days of yesterday.

The youngsters will have a chance to enter a stick horse rodeo, with different events and age groups. There may be three legged races, horseshoes, washers, or other events for the younger ones.

A beautiful hand pieced quilt with the names of many Borden

County folk embroidered on it will be given away. A beautiful bronze donated by Ben Miller, a hand tooled purse donated by Rube and Sue Smith, a hand tooled belt donated by Alana and Richard Smith and a clock made of Borden County wood by Aubrey Rogers will also be given to lucky visitors.

The Borden County Museum will be open and there will be time for plenty of old time visiting and remembering.

June 29th is the date. Mark it on your calendar and come be with us.

## EDITORIAL

West Texas communities and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce are in the Tourist Promotion Business through a "Cooperative Marketing" program for the West Texas area.

The stakes are high. Tourism is the nation's third largest industry. The Federal Reserve System tells us that tourist dollars are perhaps the most important dollars we receive because they are earned elsewhere but spent here in Texas.

Last year visitors spent \$14.5 billion in Texas. The region served by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, which

includes 132 counties, received almost 50 percent of that amount, State leaders estimate. Tourists pay over \$324 million in state taxes and the 1 cent city sales tax benefits greatly.

Locally, the average tourist spends at least \$30. per day. In a year, from 100 tourists, that's a million dollars in direct revenue. Add to that the multiplier effect in salaries, products, facilities and other businesses, and you have a \$60 billion industry.

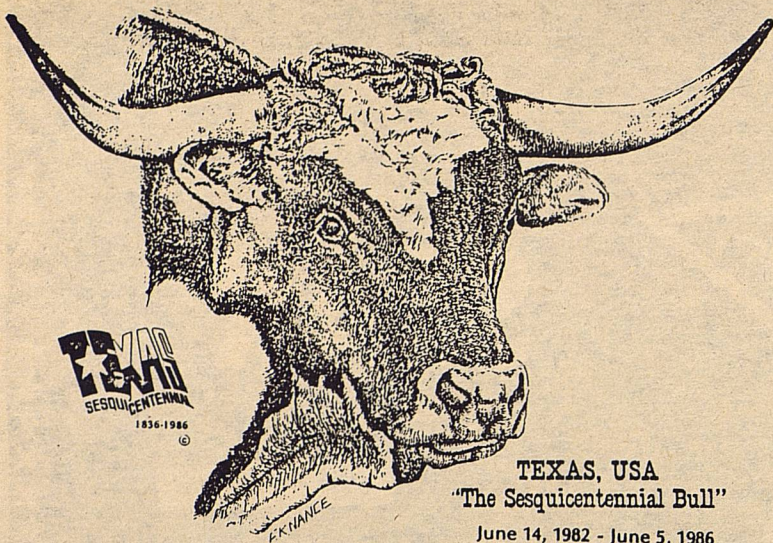
Tourism adds a new dimension to our economy. We have a great product --The West Texas Region-- and the West Texas Chamber is telling the world about it.



AT CAMP--These cheerleaders from Borden County High School were among the students attending the annual Western Texas College cheerleader camp June 16-19. Seated, left to right, are Felicia Romero, Kelli Williams and Ralynn Key. Standing are Elvira Balague, Rachel Romero and Kate Phinizy. Personnel from the All-Star Cheerleader conference in Kansas City, Mo., provide instruction for the camp each year.

# Rain keeps falling!





TEXAS, USA  
"The Sesquicentennial Bull"  
June 14, 1982 - June 5, 1986

Texas, USA was born in Nebraska on the ranch of Ray Mildred Bohy. At an early age he was selected by Kathie O'Brien of Denton, Nebraska, a former champion all-around cowgirl and trainer of barrel racing horses. When Kathie realized that he had a nearly perfect map of Texas in his forehead she knew that she had received a very special gift, but she also knew that he belonged in Texas. Kathie chose to share her special gift with all Texans.

Texas, USA became a special part of our Sesquicentennial and he was loved and admired by virtually everyone who saw or heard about him. He received attention throughout the United States as well as other parts of the world. He captured the imagination and stirred the Texas spirit in us all.

Now he is in greener pastures where the lush grass grows tall and the clear water flows, where the trail dust never blows and the blue sky is all around. Texas, USA has gone home.

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## TEXAS, USA Memorial Bronze

Artist Cary Clawson of Meridian, Texas has been commissioned to sculpt a life-size bronze of TEXAS, USA. It is hoped that the bronze sculpture can be placed in the Fort Worth Stockyards in 1986 since this was his Texas home.

Each contributor of \$10.00 or more will receive a free TEXAS, USA poster. Contributions by mail should include \$2.00 to cover postage and handling if you desire a poster. Checks should be made out to TEXAS, USA.

## Thank You

We would like to express our appreciation to all our friends and neighbors for all the prayers, food, flowers, memorials, and other expressions of sympathy shown to us at the time of our tragedy.

During a time like this, we learn how much our friends and neighbors really mean to us. Your kindness will always be treasured.  
s- The Family of Corky Ogden

## TEXAS, USA Memorial Sale

Larry P Smith, owner of LS Ranches, has announced that the remaining Sesquicentennial Texas Longhorn Heifers will be sold at public auction on July 5, 1986.

TEXAS, USA, "the Sesquicentennial Bull" died on June 5 after suffering an injury to his back. The heifers are bred to TEXAS, USA and one may be carrying a \$50,000.00 calf if it inherits the map of Texas in its forehead. All the calves by TEXAS, USA that are born in 1986 are designated as "Official Commemorative Products of the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial" and will carry the official "logo" on their registration certificate.

A total of 220 registered Texas Longhorn heifers will be auctioned with only 40 carrying the Sesquicentennial designation, 75 are bred to TEXAS, USA to calve in 1987, 65 are bred to "Yates" bulls, and 30 are open. These are outstanding heifers that were handpicked from top herds with the largest numbers coming from Red McCombs Ranches in San Antonio and the world famous YO Ranch.

"This seemed to be the only fair way to sell these last heifers," said Smith, "and I want to close out this part of the program so I can concentrate on arranging a suitable memorial to TEXAS, USA in the Fort Worth Stockyards." TEXAS, USA and the heifers were regularly kept at the Stockyards.

## Needed for Reunion!!!!

NEEDED!!!! Quilts, afghans, cutwork, tatting knitting, and handwork!. To display at the Old Settlers Reunion. Contact Mary John Phinzy, Cookie Dyess or Betty Beaver or bring by Borden County Abstract Company.

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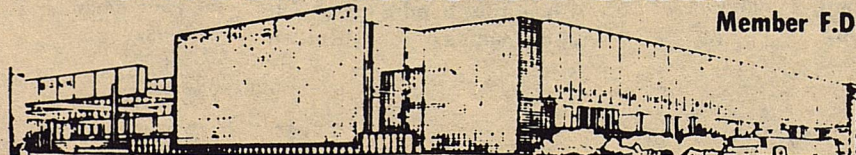
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## COMMUNITY CALENDER

- June 23-27  
Vacation Bible School  
First Baptist Church, Gail  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- June 24  
4-H Horse Project Practice Night, Gail arena  
District 2 4-H Horseshow, Lubbock
- June 24-25  
Basic EMT Class
- June 26  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice, Gail
- June 29  
Old Settlers Reunion, Gail
- July 2  
District II 4-H Trap & Skeet Shoot-Lubbock
- July 1-2  
Basic EMT Class
- July 1  
4-H Horse Project night-Gail Arena
- July 3  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice-Gail
- July 4  
Independence Day
- July 8  
4-H Horse Project Practice night-Gail arena
- July 8-9  
Basic FMT Class
- July 9, 10, 11, 12  
Colorado City /A.J.R.A. \ Rodeo
- July 10  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice-Gail
- July 12  
Buddy & Margaret Sharp 50th Wedding Anniversary-  
4-H Exhibit Bldg. Gail
- July 15  
4-H Horse Project Practice night-Gail Arena
- July 15-16  
Basic EMT Class
- July 16, 17, 18, 19  
Snyder Amateur Rodeo
- July 17  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice, Gail
- July 13-16  
Texas 4-H Congress-Austin
- July 21-25  
State 4-H Horseshow-Abilene
- July 18-19  
Invitational Trap & Skeet Shoot Midland
- July 22-  
4-H orse Project Practice Night-Gail Arena
- July 22-23  
Basic EMT Class
- July 24  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice-Gail
- July 29  
4-H Horse Project Practice Night-Gail Arena
- July 29-30  
Basic EMT Class
- July 30-Aug. 2  
Big Spring AJRA Rodeo
- July 31  
4-H Trap & Skeet Practice-Gail
- July 31 Aug. 1, 2  
Lamesa Amateur Rodeo
- August 3  
Friendship Day
- August 5  
4-H Horse Project Practice Night-Gail Arena

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## Barton-McMeans Vows Exchanged

Brenda Kay Barton and William Barton McMeans exchanged wedding vows May 17, at 6:00 p.m. at the Trinity Baptist Church in Lubbock.

The ceremony was performed by brothers of the groom, Steve McMeans of Post and Ken McMeans of Fort Worth.

Brenda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Barton of El Paso. Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey McMeans of Gail and the grandson of Mrs. Lanis B. McMeans of Aspermont.

The church was decorated with brass candleabras with votive candles and teal bows. On each side of the altar there were spring bouquets in shades of ivory, mauve, and teal arranged in brass fan shaped urns.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore an ivory satin dress. It was fashioned with a sweetheart neckline, elongated bodice, leg-of-mutton sleeves, and a chapel-length train. The neckline and sleeves were traced with lace and studded with pearls. The bride wore a veil attached to a wreath of mauve, teal, and ivory bread flowers. Her bouquet was of ivory daisies, mauve lillies, and teal roses.

Theresa Kelly of El Paso was maid of honor. Sandy Jacaman of Lubbock and Sally Shull of

Amarillo served as bridesmaids. They wore teal satin dresses with sweetheart necklines, large puffed sleeves, elongated bodices and full tea length skirts.

The sleeves were tucked with pearls which created a quilted effect.

The bridesmaids also carried bouquets of burgundy lillies with teal, burgundy, and mauve ribbon.

Robrt Wood of Albuquerque, N.M. served as best man. Groomsmen were Joe McMeans of Lubbock and Mike Metcalf of Midland, cousins of the groom. Kevin Craig of Irving, Shannon McMeans of Dallas, Billy Lesly of El Paso, and Colin Tanksley of Muleshoe served as ushers.

The groom wore a charcoal gray cutaway coat with classic stripe pants, a gray double-breasted vest and an ascot tie. The groomsmen wore charcoal gray stroller jackets, striped pants, double breasted vests and ascot ties.

Candlelighters were Kristi Lesley of El Paso and Courtney Tanksley of Muleshoe. Flower girls were Jennifer Baca of El Paso and Rebekah Barton of Cedar City, Utah. The four girls were nieces of the bride. They wore mauve satin dresses with sweetheart necklines, large puffed sleeves and full tealength skirts. The flower girls carried

ivory baskets with mauve, teal, and ivory love knots of ribbon.

Nephews of the bride, Darin Baca of El Paso and Aaron Barton of Cedar City, Utah, served as ring bearers. They wore dark gray coats, black pants, white shirts, and black ties. They carried ivory satin pillows decorated in ivory ribbon and lace.

Wedding music was presented by Mrs. Mary Margaret Norman of Post on the organ and Mrs. Elesha McMeans, sister-in-law of the groom. Vocal solos were "The Wedding Song" by bridesmaid Sally Shull, and "Doubly Good to You" and "The Lord's Prayer" by Jim Barton of Cedar City, Utah, brother of the bride.

The reception was held in fellowship hall of Trinity Baptist Church and was decorated in teal and mauve. The bride's table was covered with ivory lace on an ivory tablecloth. A three tiered cake covered with ivory and mauve flowers was served.

The groom's table was covered with a teal tablecloth and had a brass candleabra centerpiece. A red velvet cake with cream cheese icing was served.

The food table, on which were finger sandwiches, assorted fruits and vegetables, and dips,



Brenda Kay Barton McMeans

### LET'S GET TOGETHER

JUNE 29, 1986

### SESQUICENTENNIAL DAY AT BORDEN SCHOOL

### COUNTY PEOPLE WANTED

to

Attend Church Service  
Eat Lunch  
Dedicate Bi-Centennial Park

Listen to Music  
Enter Stick Horse Rodeo  
See Quilt Exhibit

Visit The Museum

### GREET AND MEET OUR VISITORS

Registration begins at 8:30

### PLEASE COME AND SPEND THE DAY

was covered by a teal cloth.

Servers were Cheryl Burdick and Sharon Richey of Lubbock, Nancy Baca and Kathryn Lesly of El Paso, Linda Tanksley of Muleshoe, LuAnne Barton of Cedar City, Utah, Elesha McMeans of Fort Worth, and Diane McMeans of Post.

Nephew of the bride, Isaac Barton of Cedar City handed out bell-shaped containers of bird seed at the reception.

After a wedding trip to the Inn of the Mountain Gods in

Ruidoso, the couple returned to Lubbock where the groom is a student and the bride is an auditor with the State Comptroller Department of Texas.

The bride is a graduate of Ysleta High School in El Paso and received her BBA in accounting from Texas Tech in 1985. The groom is a graduate of Borden County High School in Gail, Texas and is a senior at Texas Tech University.

### Parent's Club Scholarship Fund

The Borden County Parent's Club would like to inform their supporters of their new project. The club has organized a scholarship fund, and this will be an annual event. Funds will be

raised by the Halloween Carnival, donations and memorials.

Contact Sue Mize, Terry Smith or Nanette Belew for more information.

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# Extension Home Economics Report

By: Kandy K. McWhorter

## THE TRUE COST OF HOME FOOD PRESERVATION

Early summer is good to us in Texas. Garden-fresh vegetables and fruits are widely available and because of their abundance, their prices are low. Home gardens are doing nicely, too, so lots of folks are starting to preserve surplus food for later use.

But is home food preservation "worth it"? An economic analysis says, "sometimes".

First, consider the direct costs of food preservation: the cost of the produce itself; other ingredients needed to put up the food; the containers and equipment; and the gas or electrical energy for processing and freezing food.

Then there are the indirect costs, such as the time it takes to preserve food. This cost depends on the value you place on your time. Plan to spend close to three hours in the kitchen for every seven quarts of tomatoes or peaches you can.

Another indirect cost is whether the food you preserve will actually be eaten. If you can green beans and family will not eat them, the cost will be high.

Researchers have shown a real cost advantage in canning peaches and tomatoes, and if you already own canning jars and equipment.

It might cost you as little as 5 cents a quart to can your tomatoes; in the store you may pay over a dollar a quart.

## Old Settlers Reunion Lunch Planned

We will have a catered barbeque lunch with all the trimmings. County residents are being asked to furnish the desserts for the noon meal and afternoon snacks. Each family is being asked to bring at least either three (3) pies or two (2) cakes for the reunion meal. All of your cooperation and help is and will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks in advance, Kandy K. McWhorter, Foods Committee Chairman

Homecanned peaches can cost as little as 11 cents a quart and more than \$1.50 in the supermarket. But if you have to buy both the peaches and the canning jars, the cost goes up to about 95 cents a quart.

Freezing produce gives good results, but can be costly. Energy costs may represent half the total cost of freezing green beans, for example. If your freezer is not very energy efficient and your electrical rate is high, the cost of running it might wipe out any savings from gardening and preserving food.

But, if you just enjoy preserving food, this economic analysis probably will not make much difference to you. You do not care what the cost--you just know that come next winter you will want to eat some garden-fresh, home-grown produce from your own pantry.

## EMT Memorials

Beno and Donna Hendricks; Bo and Jacque Hendricks.

### MEMORIALS

In Memory of Cobe Drum: Burl and Virginia Belew.

In Memory of Borden Gray: Burl and Virginia Belew.

In Memory of David Holmes: Burl and Virginia Belew.

In Memory of Jess Murphy: B. W. and Ruth Branch.

In Memory of Corky Ogden: Beno and Donna Hendricks, Jeff and Nicki Lackey, B. W. and Ruth Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McPhaul and Family, Ken, Ollie and Dawn Holmes; Doyle, Shirley and Cody Newton; Dave, Joan and Billie Briggs; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Nehring and Dana; Burl and Virginia Belew; Bannie and Juanda Hancock; Bert and Dorothy Dennis.

In Memory of John Thomas Tippit: Mr. and Mrs. Jack McPhaul and Family.



DOYCE TAYLOR

## Taylor Awarded Scholarship

Doyce Taylor, 1986 graduate of Borden County High School, traveled to Texas A & M University where he was awarded an FFA \$8,000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo College Scholarship.

To qualify for the four year scholarship, Doyce competed against thirty-two contestants from Area II in San Angelo on May 16. The awards were based on a lengthy application outlining FFA and Vocational Agricultural activities, school activities, and High School academic achievements. Contestants were also interviewed by a 15 member panel consisting of college professors and agricultural instructors. Placing 6th in Area, Doyce was required to compete again in A & M against contestants from all areas.

Doyce will officially receive his scholarship at the State FFA convention in July. He plans to attend Angelo State University in the fall with a major in pre-Veterinary Science.

## New Arrival

God has blessed us with a baby boy. Name: Barrett Thomas, born Wednesday, June 11, 1986 at 2:35 a.m. Length: 19 inches and weight: 6 pounds 13 ounces.

Parents are Clifton and Diane Smith and sister is Meagan Louise from 507 Wedt Coleman, Iosa Park, Texas 76367. Grandparents are Jerry R. Smith and Dot Smith and their great-grandmothers are Elma Smith and Elizabeth Lauderdale.

We are Thankful for the Lord's Grace in all things.

## NOTICE Pictures Wanted

The pictures I took of Chris & Cody Cooley on graduation night did not turn out. To anyone that took pictures on those nights, may I borrow your negatives so I can have some pictures made. It can be a group picture or them by themselves.

Thank you, Pam Cooley, Star R. Box 52, Ira, Texas 79527

## Ashli Farmer to compete at national meet

Ashli Farmer, daughter of Matt and Dianne Farmer has qualified to compete in the trampoline competition at the USAF national meet. The Acro-gymnastics National Meet will be held July 1-3 in Mobile Alabama. Ashli has competed in acro-gymnastics for two years. She participates in tumbling, trampoline and synchro-tramp. Ashli is a member of the South Plains Acro-spirits coached by Sherry Loewry, whose advanced team consists of gymnasts from Wellman, Seagraves and Lamesa. Ashli is one of 25 gymnasts age 6-18 from the South Plains Acro-spirits that qualified for the national meet. Good luck Ashli!



ASHLI FARMER

## Don't Mess With Texas

The state's hard-hitting new antilitter slogan is gaining popularity, even among tourists, according to Texas experts on tourism.

"Don't Mess with Texas" is a different approach to getting people to stop littering. And it's gotten a lot of publicity in recent weeks. Some Texans were fearful that visitors to the Lone Star State would think the welcome mat had been pulled out. Not to worry.

"We've reached the conclusion that most tourists think it's clever," said Tom Taylor, director of the Travel and Information Division of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. Taylor's division is responsible for the 12 Texas tourist bureaus throughout the state. Each year, some 3.2 million visitors pass through the tourist bureaus.

"We've talked with our travel counselors, and they tell us that out-of-staters appreciate the campaign. They've noticed the trash along the roads, and they're glad to see we're finally getting serious about the problem," said Taylor.

## THANK YOU

We would like to thank all our friends and neighbors who furnished tractors, pickups and their time to plant our crop; also to the ladies who fixed lunch.

The response has been most overwhelming, and we will never forget your kindness.

-s- Verna Fay, Randy, Lisa, Terry & Connie

## Swimming pool open for summer

O'Donnell swimming pool has had extensive repairs done on it this summer before it was opened for the summer months. Pool is open Tuesday thru Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. Night hours are 7:30 to 9:30 Tuesday and Friday night Party nights are Thursday and Saturday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. Sirita Inklebarger is the capable manager. Holly Pugh is her assistant. Admission is \$2.

## AMVET Mobile Office In Lamesa

American Veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and peacetime veterans-is bring complete, up to date information to Lamesa to assist all veterans and their dependents.

From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on July 17, the AMVETS Mobile Outreach Office will be at the Texas Employment Commission Office at 1012 North Dallas Street where the AMVETS National Service Officer will answer questions about veterans benefits.

The AMVETS Department of Texas mobile office-a 25 foot motorhome-will travel throughout Texas to help its 1,732,000 veterans, and their dependents, and to answer questions on such topics as compensation for service-connected disabilities, VA pension, out-patient medical treatment, VA hospital care, burial benefits, education, GI home loans, Texas Land & Housing programs, and more.

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## Protect Yourself From Lightning

Lightning is deadly and annually kills more Americans than tornadoes and more than hurricanes and floods combined.

However, since lightning usually kills only one person at a time, lightning deaths do not attract as much attention as other weather-related fatalities.

Lightning is particularly common with spring and summer thunderstorms in Texas, so individuals should take

certain precautions during stormy weather.

Quick thinking combined with common sense can go a long way in preventing lightning fatalities when thunderstorms are on the prowl.

Some "dos" and "don't" regarding lightning safety are listed below:

Outdoors:

Do seek protection immediately. Safe places include a building that's

protected from lightning; a large, steel-framed building; an enclosed automobile; and a large, unprotected building.

Don't touch any metal fences, wires, clotheslines or pipes. In a car, keep your hands off any metal or the radio.

Do get off your bicycle, golf cart, horse, tractor or motorcycle.

Don't take cover under lone trees, taller trees in groves or in unprotected shelters such as those on a golf course or camp ground.

Do head for a cave or under a cliff if you're hiking in mountains or other hilly areas.

Don't huddle in groups; spread out a few feet from one another.

Do head for a low spot—lower than ground level—such as a ravine, gully or ditch, but not one that's filling with water.

Don't remain near railroad tracks.

Do get off beaches, piers or docks and get away from pools, oceans and lakes.

Don't swim, wade or go boating; head for land at the first signs of a thunderstorm.

Do seek shelter in a clump of head-high trees or a thicket of small ones if you're stuck in a forested area.

Don't stand in open spaces, since most lightning fatalities are people who are taller than their surroundings—a golfer in the middle of a fairway, a farmer in a field, a rider in open country.

Do immediately set down golf clubs, tennis rackets, fishing poles and other metal objects that can act as lightning rods.

Indoors:



Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church in Gail starting their morning off with a general assembly and group singing

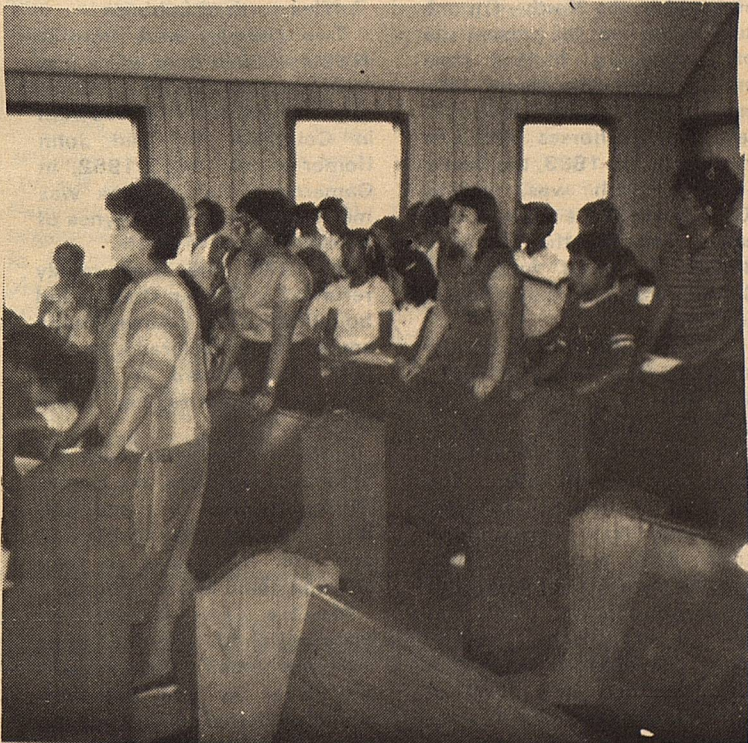


**WILLIAMS WINS FREE TRIP** — Mrs. Maurice Williams is shown accepting a free trip for two—compliments of Lubbock Travel and the Inn of the Mountain Gods—from Sue Howard of the travel agency. Maurice Williams registered for the give-away at the open house of Lubbock Travel's new office approximately two weeks ago.

Do get away from appliances and metal fixtures such as refrigerators, ranges, sinks, bathtubs, air conditioners,

washing machines, clothes dryers and television sets.

Don't use the telephone except in an emergency.



V.B.S. daily leaders, Angela Evans, Jim Evans, Kristin Kilmer and Pat Ray lead the group in singing.

## The Sesquicentennial Edition Of The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion And Rodeo!

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# SESQUICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE

DONNA WORTHINGTON

The background material for this article was taken from "The First 100 Years of Borden County", which has been an invaluable resource for our stories on Borden County's Old Settlers. We appreciate the cooperation given us by those who originally wrote these stories. The more recent material was given in an interview with Bob and Sue Beal.

We know of no other family who has had a longer association with Borden County history than has the Beal Family. The Yorks came in 1892 and they and perhaps others, have had a longer continuous residence, but did not come as early as the Beals.

Over one hundred years ago, in 1879, H. D. (Nick) Beal and a nephew, Dink Logan, drove a herd of 1500 head of cattle, belonging to Nick's brother, John Turner Beal and his partner, H. G. Carter of Marlin, Texas, into Northern Borden County. The cattle were wintered on the head of Bull Creek and the men camped in a "pour-off" with a tarpaulin stretched over it. The following spring, the cattle were driven to Kansas and sold there. Other herds were driven in, wintered, and sold to the North. On one such drive, near the present site of Justiceburg, Indians stole most of the saddle horses. The Indians were trailed to Cedar Lake but the horses were not recovered. By 1883, the Beal's Jumbo Ranch was rivaling C.C. Slaughter's Long S and cattle wearing the Jumbo's Buckle B brand ranged in Borden, Garza, Kent and Scurry counties.

Harold D. (Nick) Beal, born in Milan County, Texas, in 1860, was one of a family of 16 children. His father, John F. Beal, was born in Tennessee and came to Texas in 1835. The family of Scotch-Irish ancestry had settled first in Virginia. John Turner Beal, brother of Nick, was part owner and manager of the Jumbo Ranch. Nick was foreman and another brother, Henry Clay, called Guff (the Beal's seemed very fond of nick-names) and a brother-in-law, F. G. Oxsheer, held an interest in the ranch or helped out there. A.A. (Turk) Beal may also have been there at times.

The Jumbo headquarters, just south of the Slaughter camp, was at first a dugout, as were most other Borden County homes at that time. In 1888 Nick Beal returned to Milan County to marry Ellen Douglas Sneed and brought his bride to live at the Jumbo. The only other woman living within neighboring distance (six miles) was Mrs. Rollie Burns whose husband was manager of the Square and Compass Ranch just north of the Jumbo.

Mr. Beal plowed the first furrow in Borden County in 1890, breaking sod to plant 50 acres in sorghum horse feed. The crop was harvested with a butcher knife and there was enough to feed the horses all winter. Corn was also planted for roasting ears.

The 19 years that the Beals lived on the Jumbo Ranch span one of the most historic and colorful eras of West Texas history....two decades of which saw the final days of the buffalo and the Indians, the coming of the cattle and the fencing of the open range, the making and breaking of great cattle fortunes, and the land "taken up" by homesteaders. It was in those years that some of the worst weather ever recorded in West Texas occurred. The last party of Indians came through the country in 1891. They were not raiding and were so discouraged by all the wire fences that they came through no more.

Mr. Beal's wages while he worked at the Jumbo were \$35 a month, on which he supported a family and saved enough money to buy the improvements and range rights when the Jumbo went out of business.

In 1898, Mr. Beal sold out to Bud Hood and moved to a ranch 7 miles north of Lubbock.

Two children were born to Nick and Ellen Beal while they lived on the Jumbo. Mamie (Bootsie) 1889-1903, was born in Colorado City and John Homer (Nook) 1893-1962, in Cameron, Texas. Nook was married to Hattie Lou Aynes of Crosby County in 1915.

In 1920, the Beal family returned to Borden County and bought the Francis Abney Ranch south of the Colorado River. Nick Beal served as Borden County Commissioner from 1923 to 1932.

Nook and Hattie Lou were the parents of two sons, O.J. Homer (Swiggles) Beal, Jr., and Bob Beal. For a time they lived in Gail and later in Lamesa so their children could attend school.

Mattie Lou was an accomplished pianist and, although herself a Presbyterian, played for the Gail Methodist Church where Nook occupied a favorite seat on many a Sunday morning.

The boys attended school in Gail for five years, then the family moved to Lamesa in 1936 so they could go to high school. There had been no oil discovery in Borden County as yet and there was no money to hire high school teachers. The farmers and ranchers didn't have the money to keep the schools going either. In Bob's opinion now, "It's going to happen again when this oil runs out."

It was at Lamesa High School that Bob Beal and Sue Cox met and became lifelong sweethearts. They married when he was 17 and she was 15

and immediately went to cattle ranching. For a "town" girl used to a kerosene cooking stove and the conveniences of city life, it was a rough transition to married life when she had to cook for cowboys on a wood stove and didn't even know how to boil water or help with ranch chores when they were short-handed and her husband admitted she was just a little better than no help at all but, in time, she proved herself a staunch partner and ranch wife and now says she could never live in the city again.

Although for all purpose s comfortably retired now, Bob and Sue haven't forgotten the grim years. It was in the early 40's during the dry years that they fed up three calf crops. Calves sold for the same price as the cost of feed. He raised 300 acres of hay and still had to buy cottonseed cake to feed.

He had been raising a good line of registered quarter horses and had become an expert cutting horse rider. He was able to use this skill to make a living on the cutting horse circuit during those lean years. Judging by the showcases in their home filled with glittering trophies, he was pretty successful. Modestly disclaiming his own ability he says, "Willis Bennett could sit a horse better than anybody!"

Bob had his first pair of boots made in Snyder. They cost \$25 and you could also buy a calf for \$25. "Now you can sell a calf for \$300-\$350 and that's what boots cost!"

Still carrying the wiry frame of a cowboy and smoking endless little brown paper-wrapped cigarettes, Bob keeps his hand in by working a small ranch he bought and stocked with cattle, adjacent to his own, when a neighbor died ten years ago. Even though the Beals have followed the trend toward raising cross-bred cattle in recent years, he agrees with his friends May and Bill Stephens, that "Somebody's got to breed the straight bloodline or we're going to run out."

He and Sue leased out the main part of their ranch in 1968 and decided to see what the world outside of Texas looked like. They have since seen 14 foreign countries. They liked the Orient so well that they have gone to Hong Kong twice. Asked how home looked to them after all their travels, they exclaimed, "Africa looked just like Borden County with the same open country and large herds of cattle, even the same climate....the only difference was that the people were black."

On their world travels Bob wore his usual western garb, he said he didn't have to pack a pistol for people, especially children, to know he was from Texas. Brought up on American TV westerns, they would point at him and shout, "Virginian!"

Although he was just a boy at the time, Bob remembers the days when cattle rustlers were common but he says with a laugh, "I can't name names because some of them are still alive!" Rather ruefully he adds, also with a laugh, "There have been lots of tales told about me and some of them are true!"

The Beals have a daughter, Nancy Bowlin, 41, who lives in Snyder and works for the Texaco gas plant at Vealmoor as a senior gas evaluator. An unusual job for a woman but she has been successful at it for the past 6½ years. As a graduation gift after college in Portales, New Mexico, her parents gave her a trip to Europe. She stayed and began working on a newspaper, met a dashing serviceman and married. Their son was born in Germany and is now serving in the Air Force Artillery overseas.

The Beals' son, Robert, 39, is an entertainer in Las Vegas where he is a popular singer and dancer at the top night spots. Widely travelled since his career began, he is now rehearsing for a show currently booked for a six month tour in Japan beginning in Hong Kong and, hopefully, extending until the Olympics to be held in Korea in 1988.

The Beals have friends who have gone to Las Vegas and seen Robert perform and they come back and say, "I don't know how a kid from Gail ever got out here!" He got there by persistence and determination. He went to Las Vegas without any connections whatever and just kept going from audition to audition. They kept telling him that he was too short, even though he stands 5'10", but Las Vegas showgirls are six-footers. Finally, he got his break and he was on his way. The Beals recreation room walls are covered with photos of Robert and his famous show-biz

friends. He became interested in theater arts when he attended Baylor and Midwestern State Universities.

When Nancy and Robert were children they enjoyed all phases of ranch life and raised pigs and calves as their 4-H projects. At the present time, however, ranch life doesn't seem to fit into their future.

The day I visited the Beals, a bad sandstorm was in progress but their comfortable brick home was a safe haven against the biting, swirling winds. Important mementoes of their life were tastefully displayed around the rooms. Rare Indian arrowheads found on the ranch were displayed as prized heirlooms. Perhaps Bob's most treasured link to his pioneer past is the heavy gold Elgin pocket watch on a gold chain which was used by his grandfather and his cowboys as they stood watch over their herds at night. Depending upon the eweather, the mahstn stood two to four hour watches. This old gold watch was their only time piece. It is over 100 years old and still keeps good time.

"When my grandfather died," Bob relates, "My Dad gave this watch to Oscar Boyd who had worked for my grandfather when he was just a kid. He was more like family than a friend. After my Dad died, Sue and I stopped by to see Oscar and at 93 years of age, he was still just as sharp as could be and he said, "'Bob, I've got something to give you' and he gave me back this old watch that was my grandfather's."

The old watch had made its rounds and come home again. It could tell a lot more than the time if it was a mind to. Content to quietly tick away, it still measures the hours in the life of the Beal family.

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Ruth Weathers, Florence Nunally, and Gae Ludecke were caught dusting display cases in the Borden County Museum in preparation for Old Settlers Day, June 29.



**CITED FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE** — Lloyd and Sue Robinson of Ackerly, former 4-H members, were cited for outstanding service to the Texan 4-H program at the 1986 State 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University, June 10. The

Robinsons were presented a special plaque by Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the parent organization of 4-H. (Extension Photo)



C.C. Nunally was seen oiling the saddles in the museum Tuesday morning.

## Ackerly couple wins 4-H Award

Lloyd and Sue Robinson, former 4-H members who farm as well as own and operate the Knott Store and Cooperative Station northwest of Big Spring, have been presented the 1986 Texas 4-H Alumni Award.

The Robinsons were recognized June 10 at the opening assembly of the Texas 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University.

The award was provided by the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation, the service organization of 4-H, in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 4-H's parent organization.

The Robinsons were active in livestock projects while 4-H members in Howard County.

They have been farming in the Knott community since 1956 and have owned and operated the local store and station since 1979. The store serves as the community meeting place.

Both Sue and Lloyd Robinson have continued to be avid supporters of the 4-H program and have had three sons involved — all three have won the 4-H Gold Star Award. The Robinsons have been 4-H organization and project leaders in Howard County and have played major roles in such activities as omelet suppers, junior rodeos and livestock shows, and invitational livestock judging contests.

Sue Robinson served on a special task force to write the

4-H history of Howard County. She also has taken part in 4-H recordbook training at the state level and has judged recordbooks at the county and district levels.

Always willing to support 4-H members in every way possible, the Robinsons, through their store, buy goods at reduced prices for the youths and also support various sales and fund-raising projects.

The Robinsons are active in the First Baptist Church of Knott, where they teach Sunday School. Lloyd is on the local school board as well as on the board of directors of the Farm Bureau and the Caprock Rural Electric Association.

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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION  
DISTRICT 8A  
DATE OF ISSUANCE: June 5, 1986  
CASE NO. 101,681

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Union Oil Company of California, P. O. Box 671, Midland, TX 79702, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of 16 Texas Administrative Code 3.37 (Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37). Applicant Seeks exception to the between well spacing requirement to drill Well No. 276, Reinecke Unit Lease, 4358.28 Acres, Section 53, Block 25, H&TC RR Co. Survey, Reinecke Field, Borden County, being 10 miles in a northwest direction from Vincent, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows:

3957' from east line and 3945' from south line of lease.  
1265' from west line and 1305' from south line of survey.

Field rules for the Reinecke Field are 467-1200. 40 Acres.

This well is to be completed at an approximate depth of 7000 feet.

PURSUANT to the terms of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37(h) (2) (A), this permit may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An offset mineral interest owner and lessee is entitled to request a hearing on this application. They must be prepared to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest this application through cross-examination or presentation of a direct case subject to all applicable rules of evidence. If a hearing is called, the burden of proof of the need for an exception is placed on the applicant. A protestant should be prepared, however, to establish your standing to protest as an affected person, if challenged. If you have questions regarding why the applicant is seeking this exception, contact the Applicant's representative, J. R. Hughes District Drilling Supt., at (915) 682-9731. If you have any questions regarding standing or other matters, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6887.

If you wish to request a hearing on this application, you must fill out, sign and mail or deliver to the Austin Office of the Railroad Commission of Texas notice of intent to appear in protest. A copy of the intent to appear in protest must also be mailed or delivered on the same date to applicant at the address shown above. This intent to appear in protest must be received in the Railroad Commission's Austin office by July 18, 1986. If no protest is received by said date, the requested permit will be granted administratively, to be effective the following day.

This Notice of Application requires publication.

## BID NOTICE

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Commissioners' Court will accept bids on one (1) 1986 ambulance for use in Borden County.

Bids will be opened July 14, 1986 at 10:00 at the Borden County Courthouse.

Minimum specification and other information may be obtained by contacting the County Judge's office, phone 915-856-4391. Borden County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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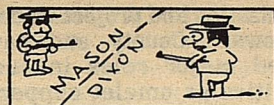
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Larry Smith (D)

Precinct 4  
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## Outdoor Workers Need Precautions Against Sun

People who work outdoors have one thing in common with sun bathers--a higher risk for developing skin cancer. Farmers and ranchers, construction workers and others who work outdoors may not expose large areas of their skin to the sun, but the cumulative effect of the sun's rays just to the forearms, head and neck can add up over time. Outdoor workers are reminded to wear hats when in the sun. Dark, thick hair offers more protection than light or thin hair, but most it's possible

to get a scalp burn regardless of your hair type. Protective clothing is an important precaution, along with putting a sunscreen on any exposed body parts such as the forearms, face and neck. Avoiding the midday sun when possible will also help workers stay away from the sun's strongest and most damaging ultraviolet rays.



In the early days of the petroleum industry, during the late 1800, kerosene ranked as the leading product of refineries. Gasoline was considered a useless byproduct.

## Manage Lawns To Cut Water Bill

Proper lawn management can keep summer water bills from skyrocketing. Water bills can be reduced as much as 40 percent by watering, fertilizing and mowing lawns properly. Water only when grass starts to show signs of drought stress--discoloration, wilting and leaves rolling up in late afternoon. Soak the soil to a depth of 6 to 8 inches. Do not use nitrogen fertilizer during the summer as this will only make the lawn grow faster and use more water. Finally, mow less often and cut grass at taller heights.



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