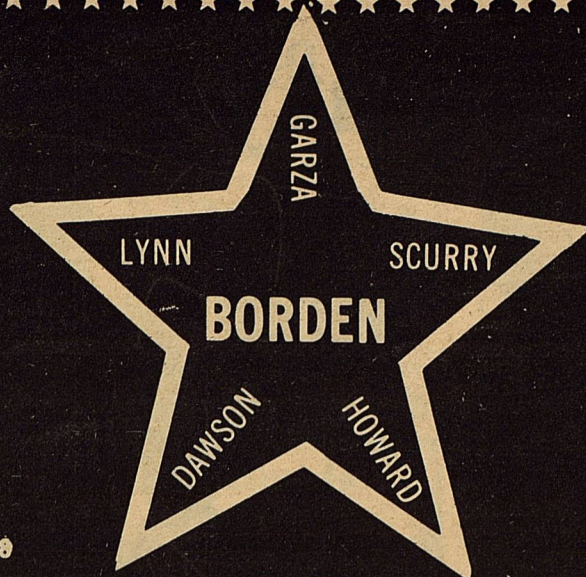


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BORDEN COUNTY F. F. A. AND F. H. A. CHAPTERS PRESENTED AN ASSEMBLY PROGRAM MONDAY HONORING ALL VETERANS---- story on page 2

Looking Back

According to From Buffalo.. To Oil., a book of the history of Scurry County, this is how counties of our area were created.

"When Texas became a state of the Union, Bexar County or district comprised about the entire west half of the state. In the days of the Republic it had comprised even a larger portion of Texas.

From time to time until 1876, numerous counties had been carved out of Bexar territory.

By 1860 such counties as Runnels, Callahan, Taylor, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, Throckmorton, Haskell, Baylor, Knox, Archer, Clay, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Hardeman had been created by the Legislature but had not been organized. The war between the states put a stop to settlement in West Texas; Indian depredation on the settlements that had been made, both during the war, and for several years succeeding the war, had driven back the settlements from 50 to 100 miles and had caused the practical abandonment of such counties as Young and Palo Pinto.

By August, 1876, it had become apparent to the Texas Legislature that some effort must be made toward law enforcement in West Texas and the Panhandle, as settlement had begun, and the Legislature thereupon in August, 1876, passed a law creating 54 counties out of what remained of Bexar territory or district.

The Legislature in its preamble to this law recited that there was no law enforcement agency in all of the region.

These 54 counties thus created included Nolan, Fisher, Scurry, Mitchell, Borden, Howard, Martin, Dawson, Gaines, and Andrews, and all of the counties north of these to the Oklahoma Panhandle.

These 54 counties, when thus created, were attached to nearby organized counties for surveying and other administrative purposes. Twenty-two of the new counties were attached to Jack County, 10 of the new counties and 3 of the old unorganized were attached to Shackelford.

These counties attached to Shackelford included Scurry and were as follows: Haskell, Throckmorton, Nolan, Jones, Taylor Fisher, Scurry, Mitchell, Borden, Howard, Dawson, Martin, Gaines, and Andrews.

By 1877 cattlemen were coming into West Texas and the Panhandle region taking chances on occasional depredations on the part of the Indians, though the latter had been stopped from armed advance into the region. By 1880 all the regions had been dotted over and occupied by cattle ranches, and counties had begun to be organized in the Panhandle and along the line of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, which was then pushing westward."

TIME CHANGE . . .

If you're in doubt when the time changes this month, just remember this cliché - SPRING AHEAD, FALL BACK!

Banking Change

College Station-- A recent lending change in the Federal Reserve System could be a boon to the rural economy of Texas. The change could make an estimated additional \$1 billion in loanable funds available to Texas residents from the state's rural banks.

Called "Seasonal Borrowing Privilege," the change is designed to help rural banks expand loan fund sources where the local economy has a seasonal loan need, such as with grain sorghum, cotton, wheat or rice production points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga, economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Rural banks experience wide fluctuations in loan demand from area farmers and when such loans reach a seasonal high, other legitimate community loan needs must often be denied," notes the Texas A&M University specialist.

Hayenga contends that the additional loanable funds could be used for consumer credit purposes as well as local and area economic development.

The "Seasonal Borrowing Privilege" could affect an estimated 334 rural banks in Texas, more than one-fourth of all the banks in the state. To be eligible to use the borrowing privilege, banks must be members of the Federal Reserve System.

In addition to rural areas, the change may also increase loanable funds to banks serving communities with other funds, such as resort areas.

Additional information can be obtained from the Federal Reserve Bank or from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C., adds Hayenga.

To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We enjoy the paper very much and now that I've got settled in our new home, am sending our new address. Also check for another year.

Thanks

Ophelia Coff
3301 E. Altadena
Phoenix Arizona 85028

Social Security Program

The social security office is now administering a supplemental security income program, a Federal program scheduled to start in 1974 that will establish an income floor for people in financial need who are 65 or over, or blind, or disabled.

But people already getting State old age assistance, or State aid because they are blind or disabled, don't have to apply. They will be getting more information later this year about how the program will help them.

The first monthly payments under the Federal program will be made in January 1974. Until then, State public assistance offices will continue to make payments in the usual way. Federal supplemental security income payments will be made by the Social Security Administration. But the program will be financed by Federal general revenues not by social security contributions from workers and employers. It's not the same as social security.

The aim of the new program is to provide supplemental payments in cases of need so that people 65 or over, or blind, or disabled will have a basic cash income of at least \$130 a month for one person and \$195 a month for a couple.

This does not mean that every eligible person or couple will be getting that much from the Federal Government every month. The amount of the Federal payment any person gets will depend on how much other income he has.

Eligibility for Federal payments will depend not only on the amount of income people have but on the value of their assets.

Fuel Available

by ROBERT A. BUSCHMAN

In this crisis of energy, we can not help but ask ourselves two questions. These questions are: (1) the reasons for the present situation and (2) what can be done to limit its duration.

The short-term problem--- the shortage of energy supply relative to demand for the next 10 years or so---is largely a problem of adequate supplies of crude oil and natural gas. They are the most popular and presently usable of the fossil fuels and the source of more than 75-percent of the energy produced

in this country.

Fortunately, the problem is not a question of depleting our fossil fuel reserves. The National Petroleum Council, a federal government advisory body, estimates that more than half of the discoverable crude oil and natural gas in the United States remains to be found.

Dr. William A. Johnson, an energy advisor to Deputy Treasury Secretary William E. Simon, makes this assessment of governmental interference into industry affairs:

"For years, we have been sacrificing the long-term interests of the nation to secure short-term objectives such as unrealistically low prices for consumers and the too rapid application of environmental controls and restrictions. Now, unfortunately, we are paying for past policies."

Specifically, these policies have included the regulation of interstate natural gas prices at the wellhead, a decreasing of the depletion allowance from 27 1/2 to 22 percent, the imposition of price controls on the industry, the withdrawal of mineral leases for environmental reasons, and the delay of leasing and development of our offshore reserves. And all this during a period of time when this country should have been intensifying its domestic exploration efforts and using every means available to encourage production.

We have seen the effect of these policies here in Texas.

In 1956, more than 21,500 wells were drilled in this state. By last year, that number had shrunk to just over 8,000.

We are talking about more than the health of an industry which provides the base on which much of Texas' and our nation's economy literally rests. There are other economic as well as national security aspects involved. These same politically expedient governmental policies which has severely crippled our domestic petroleum industry have, at the same time, produced other consequences:

They have made us increasingly and dangerously dependent on foreign oil, particularly from an unstable and often hostile Middle East. Our dollar is being seriously weakened because of the ever-increasing out-flow of U. S. money to pay for this expensive imported oil.

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Borden County School News

Veterans Day Program

Borden County students, faculty and guests were entertained Monday Oct. 22 by an assembly program honoring the United States Veterans.

"Veterans Day--1973" was presented by the FFA and FHA chapters of Borden County High School under the direction of Mrs. Van Kountz and Mr. Sid Long, sponsors.

Following a pre-assembly piano medley by Miss Catherine Jackson, Miss Jo Ann Martin, 1st Vice-President, officially opened the program with a Welcome. As the curtain opened on both the FHA and FFA Chapters standing in choral formation, the audience was most impressed by the presentation of the Flags by Leslie Hagins and Doug Isaacs accompanied by a drum roll by Joe Dan Hancock. This was immediately followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by 3rd Vice-President, Rhonda Patterson and the singing of the Star Spangled Banner directed by Catherine Jackson and accompanied on piano by Donnell Jones--the audience participating. Miss Donnell Jones is the official F. H. A. pianist.

A moving interpretation of "Our Flag" was presented by Rita Cornett, 5th Vice-President, followed by a medley by the chorus which included "You're a Grand Ole Flag", "This Land Is Your Land" "War and Peace was the topic of Janice Davis' speech to a background of soft humming by the chorus of "The Battle

Hymn of The Republic". Janice holds the office of President of the FHA.

Following Janice, 6th Vice-President Lisa Ludecke carried out the theme by speaking to and for the Veterans of the United States after which the chorus sang "Let There Be Peace On Earth".

Joe Hancock, President of the FFA, gave a history of the Veterans Organization and how it was formed.

Introducing the local Veterans, Melissa Taylor recognized Mr. Pat Hensley, Ira Hagins, Leonard Isaacs, Buster Taylor, James McLeroy, Jim Parker, Ben Jarrett, and Van Kountz. After a rounding sound of applause Rex Cox, Sentinel of the FFA, reminded audience of the men who gave their lives for Freedom and the United States of America.

This was followed by a Silent Prayer during which Frank Farmer presented Taps on the Cornett. The group then sang "America Round".

Diane McHenry climaxed the program with a Final Salute and the audience, led by Catherine Jackson and accompanied by Donnell Jones, sang "America" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

The assembly was very warmly received and our thanks should go to the sponsors, the chapters and Miss Catherine Jackson and Miss Donnell Jones for their very capable music direction.



THE COYOTE CHEERLEADERS HOPE TO TREE THE WILDCATS THIS FRIDAY. LEFT TO RIGHT THEY ARE: SUE HANCOCK, LISA LUDECKE, DEIDRE TUCKER, MELISA TAYLOR, AND DIANE McHENRY

Homecoming

This Friday night, October 26, a full round of festivities have been planned for Homecoming. The Borden County Coyotes will meet Goree here at 8:00. Prior to the game, at 5:30, there will be a Bonfire and Chili Supper. The Chili Supper is sponsored by the Booster Club and will be in the school cafeteria.

There will be a pre-game marching by the Coyote Band at 7:30, followed by the

presentation of the Band Sweetheart.

The skirmish will take place at 8:00 P.M. Halftime will be highlighted with the crowning of the Harvest Kings and Queens the Football Sweetheart, the Pep Squad Beau, and the Homecoming Queen.

There will be a reception for exes, sponsored by the Beta Club and the Student Council, after the football game in the school cafeteria.

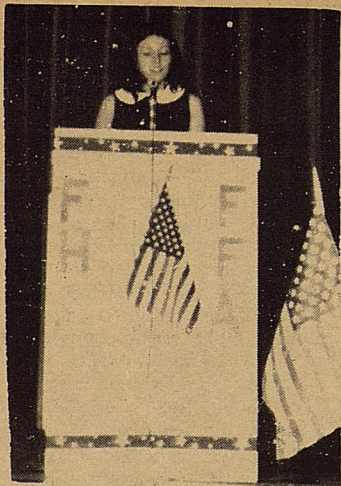
SCHEDULE CHANGE

The Borden County Coyotes homecoming game Friday October 26th will host Goree rather than Threeway as was previously scheduled.

Due to a multitude of injuries sustained this season, Threeway has had to cancel all future games for 1973. Borden County wishes them full recovery and

are anticipating playing them again in 1974.

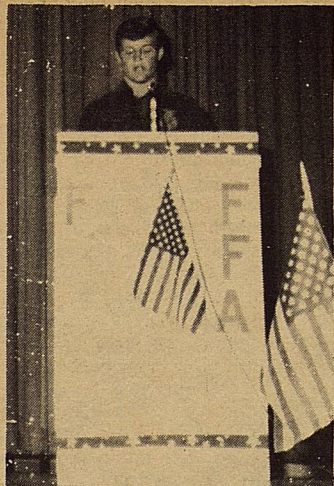
The Goree Wildcats are no strangers to Borden County having confronted them several times in the past years. The Coyotes are expecting to give the Wildcats a run for their money on Friday.



MISS JO ANN MARTIN GIVES THE OFFICIAL WELCOME.

Student Council Meets

On October 16, 1973, the Borden County Student Council held its second regular meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A motion was made and passed stating that the student council would share responsibility with the Beta Club, to sponsor the reception for Borden Exes after the Homecoming game. A committee was appointed to decorate the cafeteria. Rules and regulations were set for the bonfire, with committees being appointed to keep score at the bonfire, and make sure the student body understood all rules and regulations. The contests starts on October 22 and ends at sundown October 25. A motion was made and passed to purchase a plaque, and to engrave the winners of last years and this years wood-hauling contest on the plaque. The meeting was adjourned.



JOE DAN HANCOCK PRESENTS A HISTORY OF VETERANS DAY

Celebrates Birthday

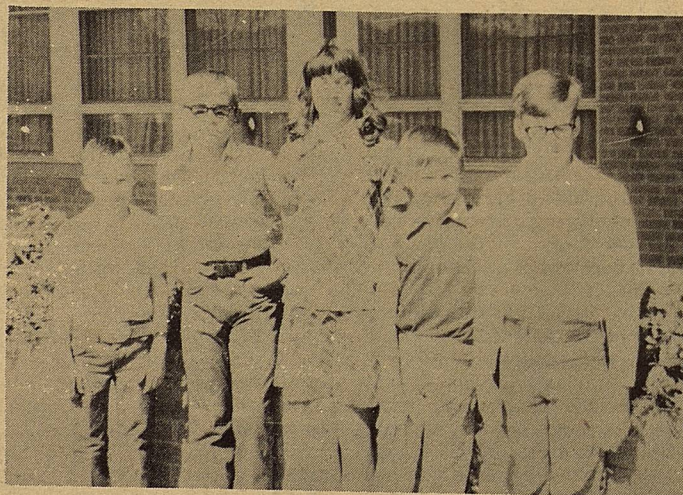
Jim Hargrove was honored with a fish fry and all night camp-out on his 14th birthday October 15th.

Jim, nephew of Dotty Wills, lives with Dotty and Bil'y and attends school at Gail. Jim's mother teaches school on an Indian reservation in Crownpoint, New Mexico where Jim attended school pryor to this year.

Enjoying the party were Perry Smith, Randy Smith and Bennie Taylor. Billy took over the cooking of the fish outside and boys put up a tent and spent the night in the "wide open spaces."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JIM and Welcome to Borden County.

OFF TO COLLEGE ??
TELL US WHERE !!



4-H TO STATE FAIR

L. to R. QUINT CREIGHTON, BRENT RHOTON, DANA WESTBROOK, BEN MURPHY, SID WESTBROOK.

A number of 4-H members attended the Dallas Fair last week. They were Ben Murphy, Quint, Creighton, Dana, Sid Westbrook, and Brent Rhoton.

Ben received a 5th and 22 nd place with his lambs. Quint placed 20th with his heavy wt. Duroc. Dana placed 2nd with her middle weight Duroc, 4th heavy weight, Poland China, and 5th light weight Spotted Polana

China. Sid placed 2nd heavy weight Poland China and 6th light weight Duroc.

Adult sponsors attending were Mr. and Mrs. Cromwell Rhoton, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Murphy, Mr. Ross Westbrook, and Mr. Tommy Haegelin.

The members and sponsors both reported having a good time and are looking forward to entering and exhibiting animals again next year.

Homecoming

Schedule

5:30
Bonfire & Chili Supper
7:30
Marching of Coyote Band & Presentation of Band Sweetheart.
8:00
Kickoff
Halftime:
Presentation of
Homecoming Queen
Harvest King's and Queens
Football Sweetheart
Pep Squad Beau
Reception for Exes following game.

Thank You

The Senior Class of Borden High School sold pies at the football game on Friday, October 12, to aid in their funds for their senior trip. They wish to express their appreciation to everyone who helped to make this project a very successful one.

Students Move

Borden County Schools lost seven students last week when the Joe Espinoza family moved to Kansas. Those students moving were Mary Alice, kindergarten; Linda, 1st grade; James and Bobby, second grade; Joe 3rd grade; Stella, sixth grade; and Sylvia, eighth grade.

SCHOOL Lunch Menu

OCTOBER 29-Nov. 2

MONDAY:

Frito Pie
Vegetable Salad
Pineapple slice
Cookie
Milk

TUESDAY

Westerner Burger
French fries
Fruit Salad
Brownies
Milk

WEDNESDAY

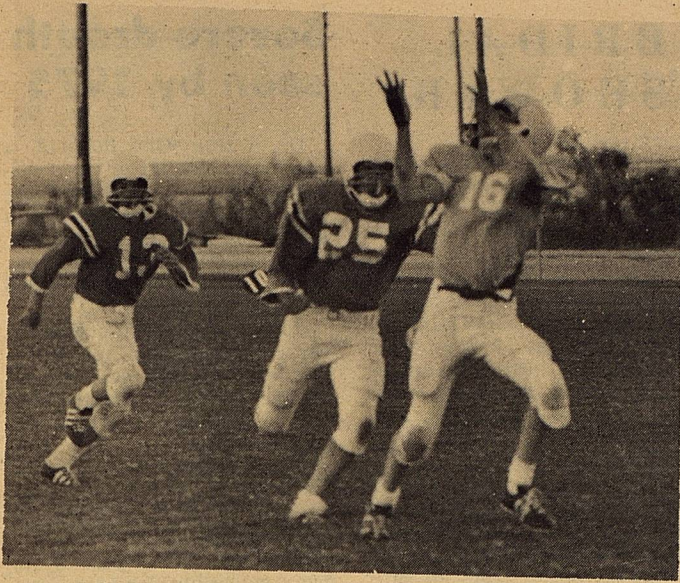
Roast Beef/Gravy
Green Beans
Tomato Wedge
Hot Rolls/Butter
Chocolate Pudding
Milk

THURSDAY

Ground Beef/Macaroni/tomato sauce
English Pea Salad
Corn Bread/Butter
Peanut Butter Cake
Milk

FRIDAY

Salmon Patties/lemon slices
Scalloped Potatoes
Tossed Salad
Rolled Wheat Cake
Hot Bread/Butter
Milk



Eurdist Rinehart reaches high for pass.

GOOD WORK Junior High

The Borden County Junior-High Coyotes beat Garden City 38-20 here Thursday night, October 18.

The first touchdown of the evening was made by Eurdist Rinehart on a 20 yard run. The extra points attempt failed. Rinehart came back to score again on a pass play from Quarterback Blane Dyess covering 25 yards. Patrick Toombs made the extra points good for the young Coyotes.

Dyess threw a 30 yard pass to Ty Zant adding on another 6 points to the score. Patrick Toombs tacked on the 2 extra points.

End Richard Long took a 25

yard touchdown pass from Blane Dyess and then added the 2 extra points for his score.

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The young Coyotes have one more district game for the 1973 season. They will travel to Klunkike Thursday night, October 25. Kickoff is set for 6:00 p.m.

Briggs Takes Horse Show

Billie Briggs, a former Borden County High School student, traveled to Roswell on September 29 to participate in the Biggest Little Horse Show. The Horse show took place in The Eastern New Mexico State Fair.

Riding Merrimac, she placed fourth in Horsemanship over Fences and sixth in Green Working Hunter. Daddy Long Legs carried her to a first in Hunt Seat Equitation and Hunter under Saddle, and second in Open Pleasure. Billie totaled enough points to capture the Adult High Point Trophy.

Billie now attends Wayland Baptist College in Plainview, Texas. She is becoming quite an accomplished writer, being the assistant editor of the school paper The Trail Blazer. She wrote the following article in the October edition:

"Due to the many inquiries as to the nature of the different classes, an explanation will be attempted. The three basic types of seats are the hunt seat, saddle seat, and stock seat. The hunt seat is used by horsemen who ride to hounds. They use an English saddle with fairly short stirrups. Their upper body is inclined forward in order

to keep up with the horses' motion. The saddle seat, used by park and gaited horsemen, combines a flat English saddle and longer stirrups. The stock seat is most common to cowboys. Here the stock of western saddle is used.

A Green horse is one in its first or second year of showing. An open horse has been shown more than two years, in an equitation class the rider's form is judged. A pleasure class shows the horse's ability to give a smooth ride. A hunter class is judged on the horse's form over fences while in horsemanship over fences, the rider's form is judged. A hunter under saddle class displays the hunter's ability to give a pleasurable ride. Jumpers are scored strictly on the basis of faults. Form over fences is not considered, only clearing the obstacle without touching it. Dressage is last, but by far not least in importance. It entails the combination of both the horse and rider's ability. A dressage is ridden in a rectangular ring that is six-six feet by one hundred and ninety-eight feet. Various movements are made at the letters located around the sides of the ring.

Pre Game Meals

The traditional big meals players eat before their games should be eliminated says Dr. William T. Wilder

While speaking to coaches and teachers at a one-day sports seminar, Wilder said large helpings of meat provide psychological rather than physiological benefits. He said they can result in abdominal pain, cramps, diarrhea and heart pain.

Borden High Football

Nov. 2	Loop	T
Nov. 9	Garden C.	H
Nov. 16	Sterling C.	T

GO
COYOTES!!!

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Following the Jr. High victory the Borden County Pee Wees displayed their prowess by holding Garden City to a scoreless ball game.

Playing with enthusiasm were sixth graders Cole Herring, Mark Walker, Ben Murphy, Tim Taylor, Craig Petterson, Brad Smith, and quarterback, Jay Stroup. Also playing were Perry Smith and Gerardo Arr-eola.

Attends Open House

Elementary and high school students of Borden County Schools visited the museum in Gail during open house, October 12. Mrs. Pauline Clark showed them around, explaining and answering questions.

After the tour, punch and cookies were served by the Historical Committee members.

Baptist Elects

Dr. James H. Landes, pastor of First Baptist Church, Richardson, has been elected executive-secretary of the 2-million member Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Dr. Landes, 61, was approved last month as the successor for the retiring Dr. T. A. Patterson by the 192-member BGCT Executive Board, meeting in Dallas.

The Executive Board represents about 4,000 Southern Baptist churches across Texas.

Dr. Landes is expected to take office upon Dr. Patterson's retirement on Dec. 31. Dr. Patterson has served for 13 years, a record for continuous service in the office since the Texas Baptist Convention was organized in 1848.

As executive secretary of the Texas Baptist Convention, Dr. Landes will serve as administrative head of the missionary, benevolent and educational ministries coordinated by the Executive Board.

In an advisory capacity, he will work with the administrators and presidents of the nine schools, four children's homes and eight hospitals owned and operated by Texas Baptists and undergirded by the annual Cooperative Program budget.

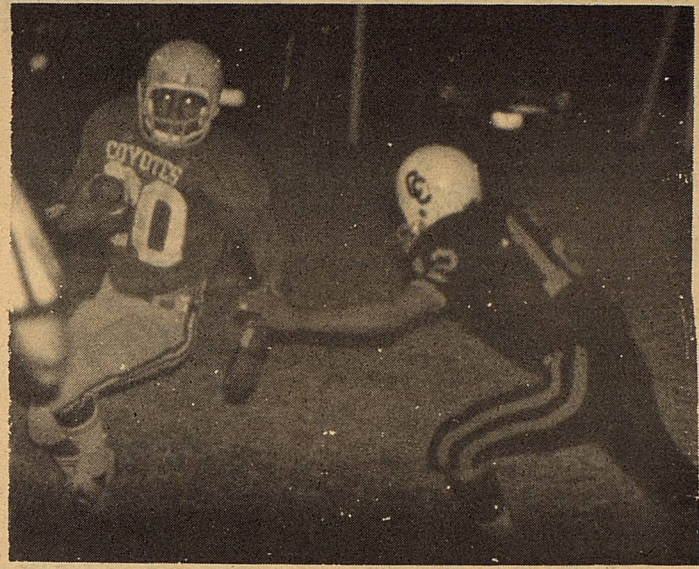
Dr. Landes, a native of Lewisville, Ark, has pastored the Richardson church since 1968. He was president of Hardin-Simmons University, from 1963-66, and pastor of churches in Eagle Lake, Bryan, and Wichita Falls, Texas, and Birmingham, Alabama.

He was graduated from Ouachita Baptist College in Arkadelphia, Ark.; and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

Honorary doctorates have been conferred upon Dr. Landes by Howard Payne College, Baylor University, in Waco, and Midwestern University, Wichita Falls.

Dr. Landes has served his denomination as president of the BGCT, 1960-62; member of the Executive Board, 1954-64; chairman of the Executive in 1958-60; and as first vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1971-72.

Landes and his wife, the former Irene Pearson of Fayetteville, Ark.; have one daughter, Dr. Ruth Pitts of Richardson, Texas, a teacher in the Richardson schools.



Junior Olivarez struggles for yardage.

Fifth Victory

The Borden County Coyotes proved too powerful for the Cotton Center Elks Friday night, October 19, as they pulled out a 70-8 victory. The game was the fifth district win for the Coyotes who have only lost to Smyer this season.

Monte Smith started out the first quarter on a beautiful 50 yard run. Doug Isaacs made the extra points, also on a run. Quarterback Monte Smith hit Junior Olivarez for a 48 yard touchdown next with the extra points being made on a pass from Smith to Rex Cox.

In the second quarter of action play, Audry Brummett intercepted a screen pass. Garland Williams capped the drive by scoring on a 3 yard run. Monte Smith completed a pass to Henry Olivarez for the extra points. Jimmy Gray was quick and alert, blocking Cotton Center's punt, setting up a touchdown by Audry Brummett. Extra points failed. As the buzzer sounded at half time, the Coyotes from Borden County were leading 30-0.

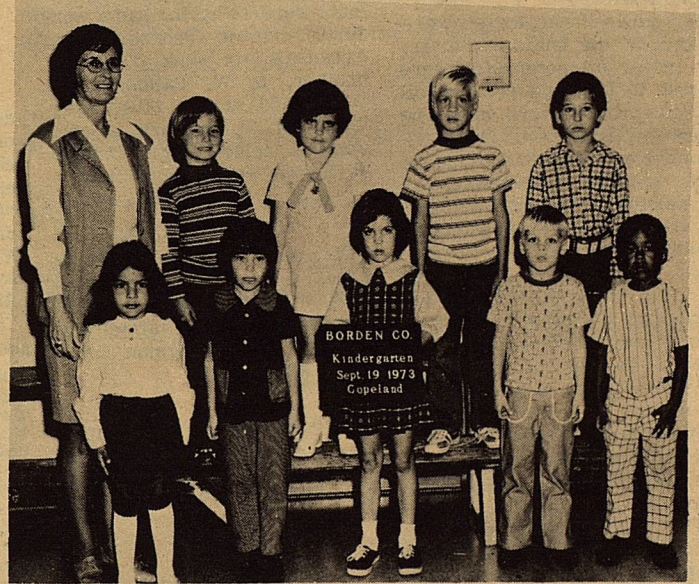
Junior Olivarez scored a touchdown on a 6 yard run to start the third quarter rolling. Olivarez ran for the extra points adding another 2 points to the

building score. Quarterback Monte Smith passed 1 yard to Junior Olivarez for another touchdown followed by a pass to Rex Cox for the 2 extra points. The score was 46-0 when Rex Cox hustled in and tackled the Cotton Center punter in the end zone for a safety and another 2 points for Borden County. Junior Olivarez ran a beautiful 50 yard return kickoff to make the Coyotes 54-0. Extra points were incomplete.

Cotton Center managed to squeeze in a touchdown and their extra points in the 3rd quarter, but that was all Borden County allowed them. Each and every Coyote played in the exciting game and at the start of the fourth quarter, the score was 54-8.

Monte Smith scored another touchdown on a 5 yard run with Garland Williams making the extra points. Smith threw a 40 yard pass to Jimmy Gray for the final touchdown with John Anderson taking on the extra points.

Coach Dyess is quoted as saying, "these fine athletes learned and proved what can be done with teamwork and I feel sure they are ready for the remaining 1973 season. They all did an excellent job."



SHOWN ABOVE ARE STUDENTS OF BORDEN COUNTY KINDERGARDEN. FRONT ROW MARY ALICE ESPINOZA, DELORES ORTIZ, CATHERINE YORK, JERRY GREEN, FRANCISCO ARRENDONO. BACK ROW: MRS. COPELAND, LEIGH DOYLE, DANA GRAY, BRENT STAGGS, BRIC TURNER.

NOT PICTURED: FELIX GONZALES

A Reminder

YOUR CLASS PICTURES ARE NOW AVAILABLE. ASK YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER OR MRS. BRIGGS.

Jeri's Gottings

While straining at knats, we have gone and swallowed the camel-with a Redinsky riding on top. Here we find the world at the brink of the Third World War and we are caught with knats in our eyes.

Wasn't it just a few weeks ago that I wrote quoting that fella from Russia who was tattling on his people-pleading with US to be wary of any deal with Russia. Well, no one payed any attention to him or me-we kept on straining at entertaining every Russian and/or sympathizer who wanted free publicity. We kept on straining our economy by providing wheat and food stuff for the "new" Russia. This was supposed to be a period of reconciliation. We were told that the Russians were entering a new era-that they were willing to get along. We were told that this new trade would help replenish our depleted coffers. We weren't told of the deal made for credit. We were told that should we disarm and pull troops from around the world, Russia would too. We weren't told that Russia was so far ahead of us in sophisticated weapons that they could afford to take a breather-which they haven't.

For eight years, wasn't it, we strained at fighting a "skirmish" in Vietnam that bled us dry of men and supplies. We weren't ever to have won that war. It was all along a weakening measure. Naturally the U. S. was so sick of that war, that as soon as our President could plausibly back off, the American people were all behind him--peace without honor didn't matter. It was easy for Congress to pass a no draft law--too many young men had died in a senseless war. People weren't in the mood to think about the future. No one paid any mind to the big conflagration building up in the Mid-East.

And while the ecologists were protecting the knats in the air, the major oil companies were forced to find and produce oil and gas where there were no knats-the Mid-East. Our government was also hamstringing these companies economically as well as with knats. So here we are-caught in the predictable middle. Not enough energy supplies here and the taps shut off over there. Now we are beginning to look a little silly-should we be embroiled in a war, we haven't a trained army, we haven't the fuel to fly the planes or run the tanks, we haven't the missiles or IBMs and all that stuff. And furthermore, we haven't the money to run on for very long.

There have been other knats being swatted at. We spent all summer listening to the histrionics of six senators and numerous suspected criminals-when all they really were were knats. And we have spent a good part of the fall condoning, or condemning the accused former Vice President. And all the while our faith in our form of government has been put to the test. Mr. Kissinger has been shuffling up the ladder to his present position of Secretary of State. What better place to be

in order to aide and comfort his people. All ready we are "resupplying" Israel with war material-we who were not to become involved in a foreign war again.

Yes, we've been straining at knats-but I've got to run find our place in "The Late Great Planet Earth".

From



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Kitchen

Save money by selecting lemons that have the smoothest skin and are least pointed at the ends. These lemons have more juice and better flavor than these that have rough skins and are long-ish in shape.

Lemon Pie Filling
Combine in top of double boiler-
1 cup sugar
1/4 cup cornstarch
1/8 teas. salt

Slowly add 3 egg yoks, (set 5 whites aside at room temp.) slightly beat yoks.
1 tbs. oleo

Cook over boiling water, stirring constantly until smooth and thick enough to mound when dropped from spoon.

Remove from heat, put into baked crust. Top with meringue of:

3 egg whites
1/4 teas. salt
6 tbs. sugar

Mix whites and salt till frothy, then add sugar.

Beat till stiff. Brown in hot oven.

Bette Fulcher

Locals

Mrs. Rich Anderson returned Sunday evening from Ft. Worth having visited her daughter, Mary. Mary is a sophomore attending T. C. U. Friday was the beginning of a full weekend honoring the parents. Except for seeing T. C. U. soundly defeated by the Aggies, Barbara reported having a wonderful time.

Mrs. Skeet Porter of Vealmoor reports having had a wonderful trip to Tennessee and Arkansas last week. Lela, her brother, S. W. Patton of Ft. Worth and sister, Mrs. Mary West, of Paint Rock enjoyed visiting relatives and friends during the week long visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Doyle Lyndy, Lorri, Leigh and Leddy spent Sunday in Garden City, visiting with Larry's sister Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kingston, Clay, Gregg and Jody.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Creighton, Quint and Cristy visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Westbrook, Dana and Sid.

Mrs. Sid Reeder visited Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cobert Drum of Fluvanna.

Mrs. Gay Sealy spent last week visiting in Andrews with her son Joe.

REGULAR CLEANING

Clean the kitchen stove regularly for sanitary and safety reasons.

New Arrival



Mr. and Mrs. Rickie Evans are the proud parents of a baby girl, Angela Dianne, born at 11:30 a.m. October 21, and weighing 7 pounds.

Grandparents are Mrs. Opal Evans, Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Slick Sneed and Mr. Bunyan Evans, Snyder.

The Grandmother said Angela Dianne was a beautiful black-haired baby girl. Slick mae no comment, but the look in his eye said he was in full agreement with his wife.

Preservation Of Sandwich

Texas heat can't hurt sandwiches in a sack lunch if they're packed frozen.

By noon they'll be thawed, and the danger from holding several hours is lessened, Mrs. Jana Cobb, Lubbock county Extension agent, explained.

The best idea for sandwiches is to freeze them in individual bags. Since lettuce cannot be frozen successfully, include it fresh in a separate bag, and let the luncher assemble his own sandwich.

Another sack-lunch packing idea focuses on thermos equipment. A wide-mouth thermos keeps potato salad, jello or fruit salad cold. It also keeps soup, stew or a vegetable hot.

Fruits and vegetables usually pose no packing problem, but during hot days they're more refreshing and always more nutritious than corn and potato chips especially if kept cold in a thermos.

Planning cool, crisp sack lunches for picnics and warm school days pays off in refreshment.

Freezing sandwiches ahead is also a good idea for parents who provide them weekly for the concession stand at home football games.

Express Thanks

We would like to express our deepest appreciation to everyone who sent flowers, food and condolences after the death of our loved one, Buster York. We especially thank Bess and Bun Smith, Iva Reeder, and Bill and May Stephens for their undying friendship. Relatives of Homer C. "Buster" York.

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BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Debbie Wills, bride-elect of Bryan Hanks, was honored with a bridal shower at the ranch home of Mrs. Bert Dennis October 21.

Guests were served from a large round table centered with a lovely arrangement of fall flowers and foliage. A very unique arrangement catching everyone's eye in the living room was one created by Mrs. Dennis from natural foliage "from the pasture."

Approximately forty guests called during the afternoon and were served cake with coffee or punch. Out of county guests included Holley Hanks of Wichita Falls and Mrs. J. W. Wills of Post.

Debbi and Bryan plan a family wedding for November 3 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cox, grandparents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Cox reside out of Rotan.

Debbi, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wills, has lived in Wichita Falls for the past two years where she has been employed by Sheppard Air Force Base.

Brian is a long time resident of Wichita Falls and is the son of Mr. James Hanks.

Hostesses for the event were: Mrs. Bert Dennis, Mrs. John Dennis, Mrs. Doyle Newton, Mrs. Ben Jarrett, Mrs. Buster Taylor, Mrs. Corky Ogden, Mrs. Rich Anderson, Mrs. Mardes Clayton, Mrs. Tommy Haegelin, Mrs. Fran Bennett, and Mrs. Gerry Wilkerson.

Anniversary Celebrated

Mrs. Loreen Jones attended the 50th wedding anniversary honoring her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Frith of Midland.

The reception, hosted by the Frith children, was held at the Fellowship Hall of the Calvary Baptist Church, Saturday, October 20.

Approximately 100 friends and relatives registered between 3 and 5 in the afternoon. Attending from as far away as Anchorage Alaska was the couples son. Also traveling a great distance was their daughter from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

CURRIED TOMATO SOUP

Combine a 10 3/4-ounce can tomato soup, diluted with 1 can water, 2 tablespoons brown sugar, 2 tablespoons lemon juice and 1/2 to 1 teaspoon curry powder. Heat and serve.

Severe drouth seen by 1975

Dr. Walter Orr Roberts, a research scientist believes sunspots directly affect the weather on earth. He predicts a severe drouth, rivaling the dust bowl days of the depression, which may hit the Great Plains next year or by 1975.

Roberts, president of the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research, said an upcoming period of very little sunspot activity may signal an oncoming drouth.

Roberts said the sunspots follow a 20-22 year cycle and the drouths on the Great Plains fit that same pattern.

Based on the 20-year cycle, many scientists were expecting the drouth last year, Roberts said. But, he said relatively heavy rains fell in the spring, accompanied by high solar activity.

"If, as I suspect, this spurt of activity is just a dying gasp on the edge of the sunspot cycle, the sun will settle down in a year or two to a very low level, and the drouth will come then, if it's caused by sunspots," he said.

Electricity Saves Power

College Station---With the growing emphasis on power shortages, prepare one-dish meals in an electric skillet.

"The average electric skillet uses less power than a range element--and far less than an oven," according to Mrs. Doris Myers, home management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

Besides conserving electrical power, it saves "homemaker energy" too. A meal cooked and served in the same container saves clean-up time, she noted.

"Unfortunately, many homemakers' electric skillets take up valuable storage space without getting used.

"It's also expensive to mistreat it. Proper care and maintenance play important roles in conservation of resources-- by avoiding unnecessary breakdowns, repairs and expenses."

Remove acid and salty foods as quickly as possible to avoid pitting the cooking surface.

Let the skillet cool to room temperature before washing it, Mrs. Myers continued. "Cold water in a hot pan causes warping."

"For best performance, wash the skillet after each use with hot sudsy water. Also clean the outside and underneath to avoid burned grease build-up."

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Hunting And Leases

College Station--While that 10-point buck you killed last hunting season is on your mind, it's time to begin thinking about this fall's deer lease.

Charles W. Ramsey, wildlife specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, suggests an evaluation of last season's lease situation. "Now is the time to begin looking for a new lease if you were dis-

Land with a history of good hunting will be leased early, says Ramsey. However, these are still some "sleepers" with trophy records for the hunter who is willing to search them out. Many counties outside the well known "hot spots" offer excellent hunting opportunities. Areas with lower game density many times offer greater opportunities for that once-in-a-lifetime trophy.

When you begin negotiating for a lease, ask some of the following questions to establish an understanding with the land owner:

1. What other species of game are included and how many?
2. Is varmint hunting or other shooting use of the land included?
3. Are blinds to be used, and who will furnish them?
4. Are food plots or bait stations to be used, and who will supply these?
5. Is a cabin or other shelter available, and who will provide utilities?
6. Is fishing permitted? When and by whom?
7. Is camping permitted? When and by whom?
8. Are doe-killing permits available, and who will use them?

There are different types of lease agreements. If you were not satisfied with the type you had last season, maybe another would suit you better.

According to Ramsey, there are four general groups of leases: a year-round lease, a lease of limited duration, day hunting, and a guided hunt or one of a few days.

He suggests that a check with the chamber of commerce in the county seat would be a good starting point and might give you the necessary information about where to find the type of hunting you are looking for. However, many potential leases will not be listed so don't give up too quickly.

"A written agreement is the best insurance against misunderstanding between hunter and landholder," says Ramsey, conditions of the agreement and provide an outline for discussion on mutual points of interest before a lease is made."

If you didn't bag that 10-point-er last season, improve your odds for this fall's hunting by arranging for a lease now.

Planetarium

Snyder--The new planetarium at Western Texas College is now open to the public for shows at 2:30 and 3:30 each Sunday afternoon.

Mickey Schmidt, formerly of Lamar, Colo., is director of the planetarium, and plans and presents the programs there. Planetarium shows are changed every two months. The current show is entitled "Skies Over Snyder," and introduces visitors to the planetarium and gives them a view of the local skies with a commentary on the most prominent stars at this

time. "Stars over Bethlehem" will be the next show and is scheduled for November and December.

Admission for planetarium shows is \$1 for adults and 50¢ for children, with a maximum admission of \$2 for families. Tickets may be purchased before each show in the Learning Resource Center.

Visitors to the WTC campus for the planetarium shows are also invited to see the museum room in the Learning Resource Center and an art show in the lobby of the Fine Arts Building. There is no admission charge for either of these exhibits.

Special showings in the planetarium may be arranged by calling or writing Dr. James Tully, director of the Learning Resource Center, at WTC.

Fertilizers

College Station--Farmers may find it just as difficult to obtain fertilizers and fuel during the coming year, according to Dr. Michael Sprott, economist in management with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The tight supply-demand balance of certain nitrogen and phosphate fertilizers is the result of several factors. First is the release of 62 million acres that were set-aside in 1972.

Another important influence is the strong foreign demand for fertilizer, making export prices much higher than domestic ceiling prices.

Devaluation of the dollar has further aggravated the situation, continues Sprott. Like other items in world trade, fertilizer prices currently may be discounted by as much as 20 percent where the price is quoted in dollars but payment is made in currencies whose values have risen in relation to the dollar.

The shortage of phosphate fertilizers should soon be eased by expansion of phosphoric acid production, but the outlook of nitrogen fertilizers is far less promising. The supply of ammonia producers meaning reduced production, the supply of nitrogen fertilizers could fall one

million tons short of world demand in 1973-74 says the Texas A & M University System economist.

Farmers experienced a tight fuel situation during spring planting this year and expect a similar situation this fall. Although the diesel supply for fall appears adequate, gasoline stocks are low, notes Sprott.

For next spring, the gasoline and diesel situations appear mildly optimistic. Although farmers will be permitted to plant more acres, more fuel is being imported and allocated to distributors servicing farm accounts.

The big fuel concern is over the short supply of LP gas, says Sprott. A cold, wet fall and a harsh, early winter could keep farmers from obtaining enough propane for crop drying.

The Economic Research Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, aided by energy staffs in many states, is emphasizing farmers' fuel needs to the Department of Interior, where the nation's petroleum fuel policies are made. The policy makers understand the peculiar seasonal needs of farmers and are committed to providing them with sufficient fuel in a timely manner to prevent crop losses, notes Sprott.

Briscoe In Austin

Thousand's of Texans will gather in Austin on Tuesday, October 30, to pay tribute to Governor Dolph Briscoe.

A special appreciation dinner for the Governor will be held in the Austin Municipal Auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. Jess Haq of Dallas, chairman of the dinner committee, said that tickets are still available from Democratic leaders throughout the State.

Highlighting the evening will be treated to a special multimedia program featuring pictorial and live musical entertainment. A portion of this unique program will portray "Dolph Briscoe, the Man and the Governor." "Another segment will be devoted to "The Face of Texas."

Public Notice

BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GAIL, TEXAS
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1973

	Operating Fund	Building Fund	Interest & Sinking Fund	Lunch-room Fund	Student Activity Fund	Consolidated Application Fund	Total
Opening cash balances, September 1, 1972	\$ 3,969	\$ 30,008	\$ 9,668	\$ 545	\$ 2,975	\$ 565	\$ 47,730
Receipts							
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 389,997		\$ 43,336				\$ 433,333
County available funds	22,000						22,000
Revenue from state sources	26,946			5,246		2,615	34,807
Sale of property/Insurance recovery	672				21		693
Sale of lunches				8,343			8,343
Athletic gate receipts					2,844		2,844
Other local receipts	6,592	1,072	657		6,963		15,284
Interfund transfers	1,815			9,197	36		11,048
Total receipts	\$ 448,022	\$ 1,072	\$ 43,993	\$ 22,786	\$ 9,864	\$ 2,615	\$ 528,352
Total funds available	\$ 451,991	\$ 31,080	\$ 53,661	\$ 23,331	\$ 12,839	\$ 3,180	\$ 576,082
Disbursements							
Administration	\$ 34,898					\$ 25	\$ 34,923
Instruction	217,427					2,633	220,060
Health service	1,674						1,674
Pupil transportation	43,284						43,284
Operation of plant	39,698						39,698
Maintenance of plant	42,811						42,811
Insurance	14,205						14,205
Adult education	320						320
Capital outlay	2,119	9,611				190	11,920
Debt service	53		50,393				50,446
Food service				22,602			22,602
Student body activities	4,384				12,545		16,929
Prior years payables liquidated	1,138						1,138
Interfund transfers	9,233	1,216		546		53	11,048
Total disbursements	\$ 411,244	\$ 10,827	\$ 50,393	\$ 23,148	\$ 12,545	\$ 2,901	\$ 511,058
Closing cash balances, August 31, 1973	\$ 40,747	\$ 20,253	\$ 3,268	\$ 183	\$ 294	\$ 279	\$ 65,024
Accounts payable	(10,076)						(10,076)
Returned checks receivable					23		23
Interfund receivables/payable	400					(400)	
Unencumbered fund balances, August 31, 1973	\$ 31,071	\$ 20,253	\$ 3,268	\$ 206	\$ 294	(121)	\$ 54,971

SHOOTING SAFETY

1. Treat every gun with the respect due a loaded gun. This is the cardinal rule of gun safety.
2. Guns carried into camp or home must always be unloaded, taken down or have actions open; guns always should be encased until reaching the shooting area.
3. Always be sure that the barrel and action are clear of obstructions.
4. Always carry your gun so that you can control the direction of the muzzle, even if you stumble. Keep the safety on until you are ready to shoot.
5. Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger.
6. Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot.
7. Unattended guns should be unloaded; guns and ammunition should be stored safely beyond reach of children and careless adults.
8. Never climb a tree or a fence with a loaded gun.
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Future

Amendments

Reprint from the Austin Citizen by Stuart Long

This is indeed a day of organizations, and organization. We saw an organization, put together by Mayor Tom Vandergriff of Arlington, put over the constitutional revision referendum last November.

Now we shall see whether another organizational effort will be as effective in getting approval from a majority of the voters of Constitutional Amendment No. 1 on the ballot Nov. 6.

This time it is an "organization of organizations" put together by the four highest state officials--Gov. Dolph Briscoe, Atty. Gen. John Hill, Lieut. Gov. Bill Hobby and Speaker Price Daniel Jr.

Amendment No. 1 was submitted by the reform Legislature of 1973 as one of its prescriptions for improving the quality of legislators.

If the voters agree with the "Statewide Committee for Adoption of Amendment No. 1," legislators' pay will be increased from \$92 a week to \$288 a week, and their expense allowance when they are away from home for sessions in Austin will be raised from \$12 to \$18 a day.

In addition, they will be required to work longer. The legislative sessions in odd-numbered years will be increased from 140 days to 180 days. They will be required to hold 60-day sessions in even-numbered years to act on budget matters.

Presumably, the constitutional convention which will meet in 1974 will follow the wishes indicated by the voters this November, and put into the new constitution a similar provision, if the voters approve.

The four political leaders have given their reasons for favoring the higher pay for legislators. It's good business, they say, to have state budgets made up each year, instead of two years at a time.

And yet, the list of organizations endorsing Amendment No. 1 includes very few which could be called "business organizations."

The Manufacturers Assn., the Chemical Council, the Railroad Assn. and the Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Assn., the major business lobbies, are not on the list.

Neither is the Texas State Chamber of Commerce or any of its four regional chambers.

But the list of organizations which have formally endorsed Amendment No. 1 does include some which are potent legislative lobbies. These include State Teachers Assn., Trial Lawyers Assn., State Bar., AFL-CIO, and Municipal League.

Other endorsing organizations include Junior Chamber of Commerce, Common Cause, Assn. of School Boards, Environmental Coalition, Nurses Assn., League of Women Voters Press Assn., County & District Clerks Assn., Public Employees Assn., Assn. of Counties, United Community Services, Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention, Criminal Defense Lawyers Assn., County Treasurers Assn., Citizens for a Better Texas Legislature and Women's Political Caucus.

Those groups may have enough members to carry an election, if they can reach, and convince, their own members.

But odds are that they will not, because they all have communication problems, and they all have differing memberships which seldom agree on issues outside or inside their own special lines of effort.

Texans will make up their minds about the pay raises and yearly legislative sessions on

what they think of their own senators and representatives. If they know and respect them, they will agree that they are worth more than \$92 a week. If they do not like them, they'll say "no" to Amendment No. 1 on the theory that the guy is no good and ought to starve on \$12 a day while he is in Austin.

Basically, the question will be decided on the basis of the public image the current Legislature created for itself during its long and tough 140-day session last spring.

The impressions Briscoe, Hobby, Hill and Danied have made on people will also enlarge or lessen the influence their endorsements will have.

So Nov. 6 will be a test of the state's public officials, rather than of the theories of annual legislative sessions and salaried legislators which all the experts say are long past due in Texas.

AMENDMENT NINE

I. Gives Texas Legislature authority to write legislation correcting problems in taxation hindering rural development.

II. Non-profit rural water corporations are designed to serve member-consumers with fresh, clean household water. Their operation is similar to municipal systems and water districts, but they are taxed and do not have power to tax.

III. Non-profit rural water corporations borrowed to build their system and are repaying the loan plus interest with water

sales only.
IV. Non-profit rural water corporations developed through local leaders interested in development of their community and state.

V. When non-profit rural water corporations form, land values in the area increase. By taxing increased land values and the installed system, doubled taxation is unfairly imposed on consumers.

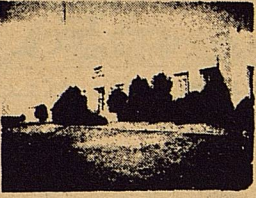
VI. The average minimum bill for rural water corporation member-consumers is \$8.50 per month for the first 3,000 gallons of water. An additional tax load places added burdens on the consumer and hinders development of Texas.

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! Attention ! HOMEMAKER'S

There will be a called meeting of the Gail Homemakers Club Wed. October 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sheriff's Posse Building. This important business meeting will be held in order to discuss the Linda (Perry) Saanford Benefit and the Thanksgiving Supper. Due to a low attendance at our last regular meeting, it is felt that further discussion is necessary on both of these subjects before any action was taken. PLEASE ATTEND!

Court House Happenings



Borden County

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN
BE IT REMEMBERED:

WHEREAS, On the 8th day of October, A. D. 1973, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present and participating to-wit:

Hon. Glenn Toombs, County Judge, Presiding
Herman Ledbetter, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Carl McKee, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Vernon Wolf, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Don A. Jones, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Doris T. Rudd, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court.

constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

A motion was made by Commissioner Don A. Jones to pay current accounts in the amount of \$15,284.48 plus \$4,641.17 transferred from various funds to Social Security Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carl McKee and approved unanimously.

The minutes of the meeting held on September 24, 1973 were read. Commissioner Herman Ledbetter made a motion that minutes stand approved as read. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vernon Wolf and approved unanimously.

The next Court meeting date being the 22nd day of October and a holiday, it was agreed to meet Friday the 19th of October instead of the 22nd.

Court having completed their business, Commissioner Vernon Wolf made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Herman Ledbetter and approved unanimously.

Man Spears 630-Pound Record Fish

AUSTIN — A Corpus Christi man went spearfishing near a gas-producing platform three miles off Mustang Island and came home with a record jewfish.

Jim Frith, 26, shot the 630-pound fish with a pneumatic speargun which qualifies the fish for the Unrestricted Division of state fish records kept by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The Unrestricted Division is open to fish taken by any method other than rod and reel.

Frith's fish was 7 feet 4 inches long and had a girth of 68 inches.

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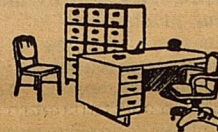
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Tommy Haegelin Reports

Just because the fall season is at hand, farmers and ranchers should not drop their guard against menacing screwworms, cautions County Extension Agent Tommy Haegelin. Cases are still popping up throughout the state, especially in South Texas, and recent warm, wet weather continues to favor screwworm activity.

Another serious problem is southern counties that is directly related to the screwworm infestations is the high number of Gulf Coast ticks. The ticks, most numerous since the summer of 1949, feed on the ears of livestock and provide a prime target for female screwworm flies to lay their eggs. Ranchers have reported that up to 30 percent of the animals with ticks have become infested with screwworms.

According to Haegelin, the screwworm cases in Texas in September totaled 1,786. More than 87 percent of these occurred in the counties of Brooks, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Starr and Hidalgo.

During the month screwworms also hit the South Central Texas counties of Guadalupe, Caldwell and Gonzales and Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, El Paso, Culberson, Presidio, Reeves and Ward Counties in Far West Texas. Other cases included Tom Green, Schleicher, Kimble, Bandera, Lampasas, and Sterling Counties in West Central Texas; Howard, Mitchell and Scurry Counties in the South Plains; Fisher County in the Rolling Plains; and Bosque and Freestone Counties in Central Texas.

Haegelin points out that screwworm activity will slow down with cooler weather, but that may still be weeks away. So checking animals and treating all wounds is still of utmost importance. Both Korlan and CoRal sprays are approved by the USDA for treating wounds and provide protection from screwworms for about two weeks.

Worms found in any wounds should be sent to the screwworm Lab, Box 969, Mission, Texas 78572, for positive identification. Mailing kits are available at the county Extension office.

Meat Imports

An estimated 1.4 billion pounds of meat will be imported into the U. S. in 1973, according to the fourth quarterly estimate issued by Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz.

Each quarter, the secretary announces the amount of meat under the meat import law expected to be imported during the entire year. The law covers beef, veal, mutton and goat in a fresh, chilled or frozen form. It does not cover canned meat.

Last quarter the total meat imports expected in 1973 were estimated at 1.45 billion pounds. The current estimate, even though reduced by 50 million pounds, is a record level, and about 5% larger than 1972 imports.

Strong competition for imported meat from Europe and Japan coupled with continued export controls in Mexico and several Central American countries, have led to the reduction in estimate of U. S. imports. How-

ever, quoted prices for imported meat in the U. S. jumped sharply in August and beef production is recovering in the European community.

These factors have improved the United States' competitive position relative to other markets and are expected to result in a high level of imports in the fourth quarter, but not enough to offset lower than expected shipments for August and September.

Sheep industry rebound

This coming year will be the year of the rebound for the sheep industry, according to the new chairman of the Sheep Industry Development Program, Ralph H. Grimshaw, extension sheep specialist from Ohio State University at Columbus.

Grimshaw was elected by the five-man board to head up the Sheep Industry Development (SID), with George Hislop, Yakima, Wash., as vice chairman. The staff includes Dick Biglin as president and managing director, Rodger Wasson as assistant managing director. Mrs. Connie Jamieson serves as secretary to the group.

Other members of the board besides Grimshaw and Hislop are Henry S. Hibbard, Helena, Mont., president of the American Sheep Producers Council; Dwight Holaway, Pipestone, Minn., representing the National Lamb Feeders Assn., and William Taliaferro, Rock Springs, Wyo. Hislop and Taliaferro represent the National Wool Growers Assn.

The board met in Denver to outline plans for the future of the program that has sought to develop new materials in production and marketing for sheep producers. SID will sponsor a Range Symposium on October 23-24 in Denver at the Stouffer Inn, to help range producers find ways to increase profits in an industry that has

the problems of high costs, a lack of labor availability, and increasing predator damage.

Grimshaw said that the Sheep Industry Development Program will exert every effort in cooperation with other sheep organizations to turn the industry around. The sheep industry has to grow to be prosperous, Grimshaw said, and the major problem without a doubt is the lack of domestic lamb and wool on the market. The smaller the industry becomes the less influence it can generate at every level of production and marketing.

Meat consumption

Meat consumption for 1973 is expected to drop to 180.3 lb. per person, off about nine lb. from last year's figure.

This fall in consumption is attributable to there being less meat available to the public than they have come to expect, the Meat Board reports. Beef production will be about 22 billion pounds, down 400 million pounds and veal and lamb production will be about 4-500 million pounds each, off 100 million pounds.

A breakdown of the consumption rate shows that each person eats 112.4 pounds of beef, 63.2 pounds of pork, two pounds of veal and 2.7 pounds of lamb.

Ranchers Warned

Commission Member T. A. Kincaid Jr. of La Vernia warned ranchers that unless Texas adopted the new brucellosis program, federal officials would cancel the state's hard-won "modified-certified" brucellosis-free status, and other states would put an embargo on Texas cattle. Dr. Sibley added that "we didn't ask for this program--we took it to the industry and they said they wanted it."

The most often repeated argument by opponents of the program was against the brucellosis testing that would be required--at the owner's expense--every time a cow changed ownership. "It seems incredible to me," said Uvalde rancher Bubba Day, "that you can force me against my will to do some-

thing I feel is wrong, then make me pay for it."

"It looks to me," said Cleveland stockman Bill Hart, "like this program is being forced down our throats whether we like it or not." The new regulations would require that if an animal showed a positive reaction to a brucellosis test, the other cows in the same herd would be put under quarantine.

Swine Sale

Mr. and Mrs. Bo Creighton, Quint and Cristy attended a Club Pig sale at Haskell, Texas Saturday, October 20. This was the third annual Lewis Barrow Sale in which the Creightons have participated. The bidding was quite brisk and the sale average was good.

This sale started the year's Fall Barrow Sales. For approximately 3 weeks 4-H and FFA members will have the opportunity to select and pur-

chase the animal they feel will do a good job for them in the show ring.

The Creighton and Hancock offering can be seen at Olton, Saturday, October 26, Lubbock October 30, also Plainview on November 1. There are numerous sales throughout the area when pigs can be purchased. Check with your Agriculture teacher or County Agent for details.

Be it a lamb, barrow or steer the members decide to feed and fit for the Spring Shows. They all learn from these experiences and should be given the opportunity to show livestock. Locally they all anticipate the Borden County Junior Livestock Show in February.

Notice

TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS: A 4-H Record Book Workshop will be held at the Sheriff's Posse Building in Gail on October 27 at 10:00 A.M. You are asked to bring a sack lunch. SEE YOU THEN!!!

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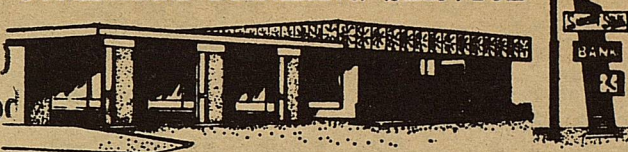
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LAND USE

The Senate recently passed the Land Use Policy and Planning Assistance Act which I opposed, as did many Texans.

When this country was in its early stages of development, questions of land use were settled by the judicial process and rights based on the common law doctrines of nuisance and trespass. As the land developed and became more urbanized, many cities had to adopt building codes and zoning. Today, the entire nation is beginning to feel the pressures felt only by cities in the past. Conflicts over limited, finite land resources are placing strains on the economy, society and the environment. However, most land use controls today are merely a refinement of those used early in the century. These controls often do not consider future needs or needs other than of local concern.

For these reasons, I would like to see Texas adopt land use policies and I encourage it to do so. I think that land use policy is traditionally the responsibility of the local and state governments and should be left to them. Although the Land Use Policy and Planning Assistance Act does not, in fact, call for a national land use policy, I felt that the bill was too restrictive to the states and would ultimately result in a national land use policy being imposed on the states.

Private ownership of land has been the stimulus for man's initiative and incentive, and has helped make the standard of living in America the envy of all the world.

I am opposed to laws that would stifle private ownership because when the use of land is tightly restricted, some of its productivity is bound to be lost.

Another critical issue in any Land Use Policy is how far the use of property can be restricted without compensating the owner for diminution of value. One must then ask, does a strict

restriction amount to the taking of land? The Constitution is explicit in forbidding the taking of private property for public use without just compensation. Those who would qualify the right of private ownership of property would jeopardize the one single characteristic of American life that so distinguishes us from people in other countries.

It is easy, thus, to assume that the Senate Land Use Act only gives lip service to the principle that the responsibility of planning is a prerogative of the state. This is why I opposed it in the Senate, and I will continue to oppose this concept of regulation of private land use.

Past experience has shown that once a state is placed under a federal program involving approval of state plans, the autonomy of the state is compromised. Financial sanctions by Washington often coerce the states into compliance regardless of whether the state believes the Federal government is following requirements of the law in question.

The breadth and scope of some sections of the Land Use Bill passed by the Senate leave no doubt that control over such areas would be preempted by the Federal government. Thus, we must ask ourselves if such a course of action is either necessary or desirable.

Without question, land use programs can be beneficial--and some cases, are necessary. For example, I supported the Coastal Zone Management Bill as one that would be beneficial to the State of Texas. This proposal left it up to the state and local governments to formulate and administer the Coastal Zone program. Under the plan, the states are to determine whether to include in the Coastal Zone the area 1,000 yards inland, one mile inland, 50 miles inland or any other reasonable designation they desire. The states also decide what types of land and water use policies are to be implemented.

The Coastal Zone Management Bill was good for Texas because it was evident that the problems along the coast were more acute. In our state, over 50 per cent of the population live within 50 miles of the sea, and an even greater percentage of our industrial activity is located in that same area. The rate of pollution of all sorts is, likewise, more acute in the Coastal Zone.

It was obvious that some plan was needed here because our commodities of land and water are too scarce to be used in a haphazard manner. Solutions here and in other areas of our state can be reached through a cooperative effort of all that are concerned. We have long relied on our states for purpose and strength in such areas. I continue to believe that our system of government works best when local prerogatives are preserved.

"Charley's Aunt"

Snyder--Western Texas College will open its theatre season Wednesday, Oct. 24, with the presentation of "Charley's Aunt" in the Fine Arts Theater on the campus.

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and may be purchased at the door, the college business office, or at several downtown locations. Curtain time is 8:15 each night.

"Charley's Aunt" is a comedy favorite which will appeal to audiences of all ages. Heading the cast will be Jamie Boren, named Best Actor in UIL competition while a student at Snyder High School and a former student at North Texas State University.

Other cast members include Joe Stubbs of Aspermont, Carla McCollum of Denver City, and Creg Nelson, Mack Walker, Bov Clifton, Donna Messimer, Retha Boyd, Donna Cullar, and Michael Crawford, all of Snyder.

Clayton Black, Abilene Sophomore, is technical director. Charles Holland, assistant professor of drama at WTC, is directing the production.

Weather

WEATHER AT THE COUNTY SEAT

By K. T. REDDELL

Weather conditions for the week of

		MAX.	MIN.	RAINFALL
MONDAY	10-15	79	53	0
TUESDAY	10-16	74	52	0
WEDNESDAY	10-17	78	46	0
THURSDAY	10-18	81	52	0
FRIDAY	10-19	88	50	0
SATURDAY	10-20	88	54	0
SUNDAY	10-21	87	55	0

Movement

CAUTION, SNAKES

It is that time of year again. When the season begins to turn cold, is the most dangerous time for rural families of this area, where rattlesnakes are concerned. The vipers are gathering and looking for a place to den up for the winter. Although snakes prefer to stay far away from humans, they still wander close to homes and barns during this time of year.

Someone is rattlesnake bitten in our area each year. So parents, be on your toes. Warn your children, especially those 4-H boys and girls who must be around the barn. It is so easily for them to put their guard down among familiar sur-

roundings.

Although, there is a sermon for rattlesnake bite, it is still very dangerous, especially for the young.

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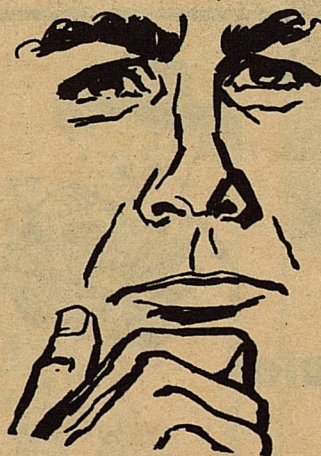
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