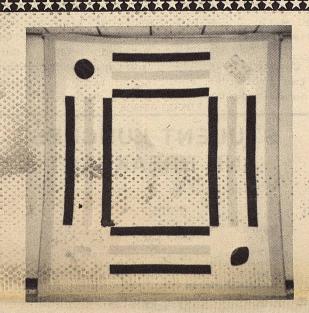


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Senior parents are sponsoring raffle to raise money that will benefit the Senior Class of

Margaret Sharp of Gail, volunteered her skills as a seamstress to design and make a "Covote Ouilt". She has two grandsons that are seniors at Borden County and this was her way of helping them and their class raise needed funds for their various projects and Senior Trip.

The colorful quilt has alternating bands of red and Columbia bordering Columbia blue howling coyote. A red football and basketball are placed in opposite corners. In the center of the remaining corners is an embroidered picture of a book and pen and a graph with music notes. The quilt is banded around the edge with Columbia blue.

Be sure to contact a senior for your tickets which are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six. You need not be present for the drawing, which will be held at the annual Borden County Basketball Tournament December 15, 1990.



COUNTY FOODSHOW

Borden County Foodshow was held November 10, 1990 in the District Courtroom.

There were 8 participants including: Laura Hensley, Tanner Poole, Isaacs, Shaina Kaci Poole, Shelby Isaacs, Cox, Carey Rebekah Copeland and Dayna Parks

participant received a trophy cup for their endeavors.

Six of the eight participants were eligible to compete at the District 2 Food Show held December 1st Levelland.

Those eligible were: Laura Hensley, Shaina Isaacs, Kaci Poole, Shelby

Isaacs, Carey Cox, and Davna Parks.

Laura Hensley acted as Mistress of Ceremony for the Awards Program.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tanner Poole and Rebekah Copeland. Shaina Isaacs and Kaci Poole led the 4-H and Motto, Pledge Awards were presented by Shelby Isaacs. Carey cox and Dayna Parks led the closing praver.

Prior to the Food Show a "Kids Cooking School" was held with 19 participants. These children have put a lot of time and effort into the Foods & Nutrition project and should be congratulated. 1986, about 47.2% of the state's registered voters turned out. The turnout rate in the 1978 gubernatorial general election was 41.7%, while the 1974 turnout rate was 31%.

More than 7.7 million Texans were registered to vote on Nov. 6-an all-time high for a gubernatorial year general election. Of the state's currently estimated 12.5 million eligible voters. 7.701.499. about 62%, were registered for the general elec-The previous high for a gubernatorial year general election was 1986 when 7,287,173 Texans were registered.

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Keep Texas Beautiful the

AWARDS

has won a 1st place State award in of Category Keep America Beautiful. 1990 national Awards program, and 8 Texas Keep other affiliates Beautiful six captured Places, one 2nd and two 3rd awards to distinguish Texas as the undisputed leader in these national awards designed to honor ongoing community programs that motivate individual responsibility and promote changes and individual community waste handling practices.

Rita First Lady,

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NOV. 6TH **ELECTION RESULTS FINAL**

Bill Texas Gov. Clements has officially canvassed vote totals and certified winners of the Nov. 6 general election, Secretary of State George Bayoud

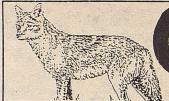
Bayoud, who presented the canvass to Clements said the nearly 3.9 million votes cast in this year's general election represents the highest turnout in 20 years for a non-presidential election.

Election results compiled by the Secretary of State's office show that 3,889,981, or 50.5% of the state's registered voters.

cast ballots in this year's governor's More people voted for governor that any other race on the ballot.

"I am pleased with tournout," said the state's Bayoud, chief elections officer. "This marks the first time since 1970 that more than half of the state's registered voters turned out for a gubernatorial elec-

This year's turnout rate was the highest in a gubernatorial election year since 1982 when a 49.7% rate recorded.



COYOTE NEWS

BASKETBALL TIME IS HERE!

LADY COYOTES DO WELL IN 5-A TALL-CITY TOURNAMENT

The Lady Coyotes stepped out of the Class A ranks all the way at the 5-A Tall City Tournament held in Midland on November 30th and December 1st.

Borden opened against Midland High and led 22-14 at the halftime. The Lady Coyotes continued to play tough even though Amanda Anderson was on the bench with a head injury. The lead went back and forth until Borden called time-out three seconds in the fourth left. field quarter. Their goal attempt was

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blocked as the buzzer went off, causing the game to go into a three-minute overtime. The Lady Coyotes managed to take the lead early in the overtime, but as a result of costly turnovers, Midland High Lady Bulldogs went on to win 51-47.

Kristin Monger and Kelly Jo Ogden led with 12 points each. Jeana Jones had 9, Shayne Hess had 6, and Amanda Anderson and Melody Harrison each had 4 points.

The loss was a tough one and hard for Borden to swallow, but the Ladies came back against | Lubbock's Lady Westerners in the next game which was played early Saturday morning.

The game was 6-6 after one quarter and the Lady Coyotes led 18-15 at the half. The Westerners moved ahead 32-30 at the end of the third quarter and used a strong fourth quarter to win by the score of 47-36.

Lubbock gave Borden County some problems with their full court press. Kay Flourney, an excellent guard for the Westerners, scored 19 points.

After recovering from a head injury in the previous game, Amanda Anderson scored 17 points to lead the Lady Coyote attack, followed by Shayne Hess with 10 points. Jeana Jones had 7 points and Kristin Monger had 2. Kelly Ogden, Melody Harrison and Heather Armstrong also saw action.

Facing their third game within 20 hours, the Lady Coyotes came back strong against

MORE POLISH NEEDED!

Boys Varsity The Basketball team lost second game of their the season at Loop Tuesday night, last 54-35. The Coyotes are the struggling in the early part of with an 0-2 season start. They scored 8 in the 1st points quarter, 6 points in the second, 10 points in the 3rd and 11 points in the fourth quarter. The Longhorns scored 18 points in the 1st quarter, 11

Midland Lee Lady Rebels.

After a slow start, Borden County jumped to a 10-8 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Lady Coyotes never trailed, leading 24-15 at the half, 39-28 after the third quarter and held off a late Lady Rebel rally to win 47-40.

Amanda Anderson scored 18, Shayne Hess 11, Jeana Jones 9, Melody Harrison 4, Kristin Monger 3, and Kelly Jo Ogden 2. Heather Armstrong also saw action.

This win was for the Lady Coyotes, as they had lost to Loop, Nov. 27th in what was perhaps one of their worst played games. In the game against the Lady Shayne Longhorns. Hess scored 10 points, Kristin Monger 9, Jeana Jones 6, Melody Harrison 4, Amanda Anderson 2 and Kelly Jo Ogden l point. Halbrooks was high point scorer for the Horns with 22.

After a Tuesday, Dec 4th, game with Jayton, the Lady Coyotes will meet Forsan at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6th in the Sands Tournament.

points in the second, 16 points in the third and 9 points in the 4th quarter.

Scorers for Borden County were John Paul Harris with 11 points, Klint Kemper with 10 points, Cole Vestal with 8 points, Shane Kemper with 5 points and Jimmy Rios with 1 point.

The Coyotes have had only two practices and two games up to the

Nov. 27th game against the Loop Longhorns.

Coach Avery said, "Not only is there quite a bit of rust needed to be removed from the team's action, but a lot of polish is needed on their shooting skills." He added, "I hope the Coyotes will be exhibitimprovements as ing the basketball season will become progressively tougher.

The J.V. team will not have a game until December 11th at Post. The Varsity boys have entered the Sands Invitational Tournament scheduled December 6.7 s.8

STUDENT LUNCHES AND BREAKFAST

December 10 - 14, 1990

MONDAY

unch

Breakfast

Pizza Green Salad Corn Banana Pudding

Pancakes Fruit Milk

Milk TUESDAY

Meat Loaf Creamed Potatoes Green Beans Hot Rolls Jello

Cinnamon Toast Juice Milk

WEDNESDAY

Lasagna
Lettuce-Tomatoes
Garlic Bread
Onions & Potatoes
Peaches

Oatmeal Toast Juice Milk

THURSDAY

Burritos Picante Sauce Pinto Beans Salad No Bake Cookies Cinnamon Rolls Juice

FRIDAY

Cheeseburgers
French Fries
Lettuce-Tomatoes
Pickles
Chocolate Cake

Toast
Peanut Butter
Honey
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Milk

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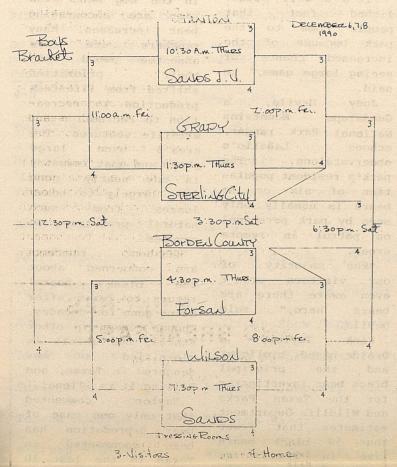
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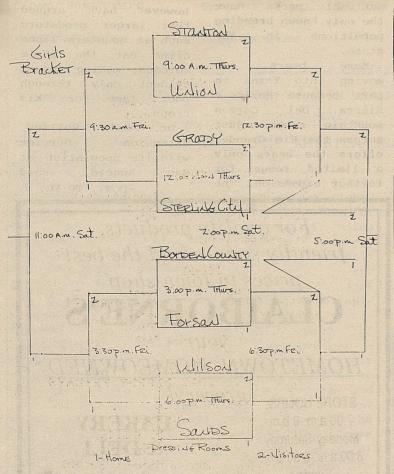
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BASKETBALL

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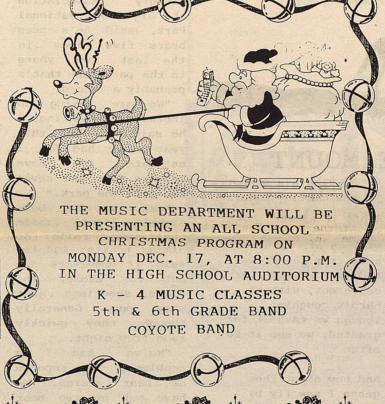


THERE WILL BE A BOYS J.V. GAME ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18th

5:00 P.M. AT WELLMAN



Historic artifacts relating to the growth of the cattle industry from the 1800s to the present can be found in the Museum of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Foundation in Fort Worth. Tools of the cowboy's trade such as spurs, barbed wire, branding irons and revolvers are on display, as well as exhibits showing women's role in the beef industry, battles with natural disasters and rustlers, and the origin of the brand inspector. The museum is located at 1301 W. 7th in Fort Worth, and is open weekdays.



Western Texas College

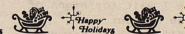
Western Texas College began accepting applications for a new Correctional Officer Training class on Monday (Dec.3).

The new class is to begin Feb. 11 and end March 1. Students will attend classes from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. five days per week Fees for the 120-hour course are \$225.

Application can be picked up in the Continuing Education office in the WTC Administration Building. Forms must be completed and returned to that office by Jan. 11. Persons planning to apply are reminded that the office will be closed Dec. 17-Jan. 2 for the Christmas-New Year holiday.

Persons who succesfully complete course and are hired by the Texas Department Criminal Justice (TDCJ) will receive a starting salary of \$1,519 per month. Correctional officers receive raises every six months for the first 18 months plus a benefits package.

Contact the Continuing Education office at 915/573-8511, ext. 390.



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BLACK BEAR SIGHTINGS RARE IN TEXAS

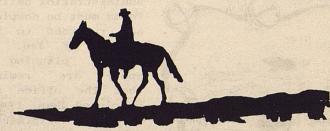


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THE BORDEN STAR IS AGAIN OFFERING OUR READERS A CHANCE TO SEND CHRISTMAS CARD GREETINGS VIA THE NEWSPAPER.

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THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

By Virginia Bennett, New Castle, Colorado

I sit here on my steadfast horse While the moon begins it's nightly course I'm riding' night-herd, so I guess there's time To reflect upon this life of mine.

My right leg is crooked over the saddle horn
As I wait for signs of the eminent morn
It's not hard for a cowboy's thought to dwell
Upon his Creator, and the Lord's words, as well

The wind carried the sounds through the night air
Of the grazing remuda, and the belled mare
My horse would like to join them, I can imagaine
And I'd like to be sleepin', like the others, by the wagon

But, instead, I'm
here, and I wonder how
Anyone who has ever
worked with a cow
Could disbelieve that
there is a God
Who put us upon this
wonderful sod

Ain't it amazin' how an old mama cow Will go off by herself away from the crowd And for the most part, calve out, without hardly coughin' Though we take if for granted, we see it so often

And how about them geese I saw fly by today?
Who tells them to go southward, and which is the right way?
And my horse's winter coat, now that's a strange thing
Who tells him he should shed it, when winter turns to spring?

And a cowboy might think that an eclipse is a mystery But we've seen them several times, down through posterity Ain't it somethin' how the sun and moon have their charted courses? And how a mighty river springs from the smallest of mountain sourses?

This manger scene before me reminds me of our Savior's birth Black bears have moved into the state's two national parks in West Texas, but they won't be out posing for pictures along roadsides like their cousins at Yosemite any time soon.

Only a handful of bears live in the Big Ben National Park on the Rio Grande and in the Guadalupe Mountains National Park on the New Mexico border, and spokesmen there say tourists coming to see the bears likely will go away disappointed.

Rick LaBello, executive director of the Big Ben National History Association at Big Ben National Park, said he's seen bears five times in the last two years in the park, and that's probably a record.

"We are having an increase of sightings," he said. "To date this year we've had 55. I estimate we have between four and seven bears in the park."

Most of the bear sightings are made from remote roads for hiking trails, LaBello said. If observers are close. too bears sometimes iust stav put. Generally they though, quickly fade from sight.

"We've had no problems, no reports of bear scares. We have put up two bear crossing signs, which is a first for Texas, but these are mainly for the bears' safety."

That God would send His only Son to die for all the Earth I'll never understand it all, I can only believe Just like I'll never savvy how a spider learns to weave

My horse stomps his forefoot, and chomps as this curb bit Our job tonight is over, and I'm right glad of it I know there is a God, if my opinion you would count And I hope that you will pardon...this sermon on my mount.

The presence of the bears should increase the number of visitors in the park, now running about 275,000 per year, but by how much would be hard to measure.

"It's a well established fact that people come to the park because of the increased chance of seeing large game," he said.

Jody Davila, a Guadalupe Mountains National Park ranger, echoes LaBello's observataions. The park's resident population of six or so bears is usually only seen by park personnel on patrol in remote areas.

"The majority of our visitors aren't even aware there are bears here," said Davila.

Rick Taylor, Uvalde-based bioligist principal the black bear investigator for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, estimates that fewer black bears Texas. confirmed that the two parks have national the only known breeding popultions in state.

More bears are moving into Texas in part because Mexico's Sierra Del Carmen mountain range, just across the Rio Grande, offers the bears only a limited range for further expansion. The

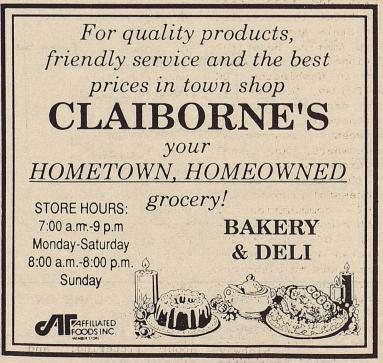
Mexican bear population also stood to gain after the Mexican government closed the bear hunting season several years ago to jexts

Taylor said changing agricultural practices in the Big Bend area also are encouraging bear increases. Many ranchers wararedo anow o absentee owned with priorities their shifted from lifestock production to recreation to recreation and wildlife ventures. large area's once sheep and goat industry is now nearly largely to heavy due such losses from natural predators coyotes.

Resident ranchers are concerned about the black bears' return to Texas after being gone for decades. Though common in other states, the animal is classified as end dangered in Texas, and killing it is illegal.

commented Taylor that only one case of depredation has bear documented in the last Producers, however, have argued that larger predators such as mountain lions often eat the whole carcass, making losses evident only through poor lamb or kid crops.

Dr. Dale Rollins,
Extension Service
wildlife specialist at
San Angelo, said
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HOLIDAY MARKET sican bear population

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Market opens at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 14 and closes at 7:00 p.m.

Market opens at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 15 and closes at 6:00 p.m.

Silent Auction results will be announced at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 15.

Do your Christmas shopping at home this year! The following businesses are making plans to be at the market.

Businesses Items

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Pearl Armstrong Stuffed Rabbits, Painted Purses, T-Shirts

Teens Things Jewelry, Painted Shirts

Rex & Teresa Cox Sullivan Show Supplies

Linda Montgomery Saddle Blankets, pottery, rugs, baskets

Susan O'Brien Rompers, Jumpers, Skirts

Teresa Roberts "Button Maker"

Western Pleasure Spin-Art- T-Shirts, Tuxedo Shirts, Sweat Shirts

Clower Woodcraft Shelves, Candle Holders, Napkin Rings

Virginia Belew Sand Candles

Mildred Sevey Christmas Arts & Crafts

HOPE YOU WILL PLAN ON SHOPPING WITH US WHILE YOU ARE ENJOYING THE TOURNAMENT!

TEXAS SWEEPS NATIONAL KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AWARDS

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Clements will represent Texas and Keep Texas Beautiful in receiving the State Award at the Keep America Beautiful National Awards Luncheon in Washington, DC on Friday, December 7. The effective working partnership built between businesses, homeowners, and local governments and Texas is the keystone to its successful program.

62 communities with a combined population of 4,609,029, devoted 463,606 volunteer hours to clean-ups over the past 12 months to remove 182,333 cubic yards of improperly disposed
waste. They cleaned 20,207 miles of highway

right-of ways, 86,144 miles of street rightof-ways, 960 miles of lake shores, 47 miles of coastal beaches, unsightly 51,822 lots. and removed 23,676 junk cars and 2,331 dilapidated structures.

"The citizens of Texas are getting a great return on their investment as we strive to preserve and enhance the natural Texas beauty of the Lone Star State," says Keep Texas Beautiful Chairman, William P. "'Bubba' Yenne. cut

Yenne. "'Good ole John Q. "Bubba" Texas, is changing his attitude about littering; and

that beer can is now going into the recycling container instead of along the roadside,"

An independent panel of judges representing government, business, civic organizations, and the media selected

OBITUARY

Rodway Rogers

Rodway Keen (Roddie) Rogers, 74, Fort Worth, uncle of a Big Spring man, died Nov. 11, 1990, in a

Fort Worth hospital. Services

were Nov. 13, 1990, under the direction of Laurel Land. Funeral Home in Fort Worth. He was born July 21, 1916, in

Gail. He mar-

RODWAY ROGERS

ried Doris McKnight. He was a boilermaker in the construction industry.

Survivors include his wife, Doris Rogers, Fort Worth; one son, Bob Gannon, Fort Worth; one daughter, Gail Clark, Dallas; two sisters: Lillie Johnson and Lanetta Rogers, both of Midland; two brothers: Aubrey Rogers, Gail; and Joe Rogers, Spring; his nephew, Bob Rogers, Big Spring; three grandchildren, one grandson; and several other nieces and nephews.





Christmas Seals® Are 83 Years Old

The first U.S. Christmas Seal Now donations to this year's Christ-(above left) was sold for a penny in mas Seal (above right), help the 1907 to fund the fight against tuberculosis — then a terrifying epidemic. That initial campaign raised \$3,000.

the Keep Beautiful award winners in October. Keep America Beautiful, Inc. is a national public nonprofit, education organization dedicated to improving waste handling pracin American tices communities.

Texas organizations

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or individual citizens needing recycling information, information of how they can get organized for a community, clean would like additional information regarding Keep Texas Beautiful membership may call free on the 1-800-CLEAN TX. phone #.





BY Jerry Stone

FAILED ACREAGE

Remember to report any acreage of a crop that has failed and will not be harvested before the evidence has been destroyed. Failure to make a report on form ASCS-574 before destroying will mean loss of program benefits and history of the crop on those acres. You will want to report this to your crop insurance agency also.

1991 FARM PROGRAM

Final details of the 1990 Farm Bill have not been released. The Department has announced its intention to require a 15 percent acreage reduction for the 1991 wheat crop. As soon as additional details are released for the 1991 programs, we will get them to you as quickly as possible.

FARM CHANGES

Please notify this office of landowner or operator changes as soon as they occur so we may update our records. Farm changes that require farm combinations or divisions should be reported as soon as possible.

The county committee will soon review all farm constitutions to see if farm combinations are required because of separate farms with the same operator and same owner. An effort will also be made to combine farms in adjoining counties which have the same operator and same owner on a farm. You will be receiving more information on this later.

LOAN RATES

The 1990 commodity loan rates are as follows:

Wheat \$1.87 per bushel Grain Sorghum \$2.83 per bushel Cotton \$.5025 per 1b.

All commodity loans will be reduced by 1.4% for the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings reduction.

COTTON PRODUCTION

We encourage reports of production to be filed in case they are needed in the future. Production cards may be picked up at the office or at the gin.

WOOL, MOHAIR AND UNSHORN LAMBS

Producer who have sold wool, mohair and/or unshorn lambs must present their original sales documents by January 31, 1991.

Children's Christmas Card Project





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Scurry, Borden soil surveys available

Seeking better ways to manage your farm or ranch? Constructing a home? Choosing a new business site?

If your answer is yes to any of these questions, then you should know about your county's soil survey report. It consists of two parts.

One part has a narrative description of the county. This includes basic facts on soil's uses for farmers, ranchers, highway departments, city planners, bankers, prospective homebuyers, relators and construction engineers.

The other part is the county's soil map that shows graphically locations of types. Even though this can be used as a technical tool in protecting natural resources, it is not difficult to use.

survey The soil report can help farmers and ranchers with management decisions for installing conservation practices and what crops will grow their soil. this is only part of the informathat can be tion obtained from them.

provides also ranchers answers on range potential, range and grazing management, supplemental income, prospects for wildlife and recreation activities, and quidelines for conservation planning. In conservation planning, soil maps and soil descriptions are issued to identify area, select suitable sites for stock ponds and determine schedules



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Homebuyers can also benefit by checking their proposed homesite and its position on the soil survey map. It can answer important questions concerning flooding, other sources of water damages, settling conditions for the foundation, erosion, depth of soil and remedies for soil hazards.

The soil survey can also help city and county planners. can help them make decisions on zoning, building permits, authorizations for sewer and pipeline extensions, whether or not pipelines need extra protection from corrosion and depth to

Many people assume that soils are more or less alike. They are unaware that great differences is soil properties can occur within short distances.

Soils may be seasonally, wet soils for subject to flooding. They maybe too unstable to be used as a foundation for buildings or roads. Very clayey or wet soils are poorly suited to septic tank absorption fields. A highwater table makes a soil poorly suited to basements or underground installations.

These soil properties and many others that affect land use decisions are given in the soil survey for our county. The survey describes the properties of soil in the county and shows the location of each.

Copies of Scurry and Borden County soil surveys are available at no cost from the local Soil Conservation Service office located at 3423 Avenue T in the Snyder Shopping Center.

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LET ME GET MY HAT

BY DENNIS POOLE

Supermarkets to Discount Some Holiday Foods

Escalating oil prices are driving the cost of some foods higher in December, but food retailers still will offer some real bargains to consumers during the holidays.

Imported produce and refrigerated products will be among the first grocery items to go up because of increasing transportation costs.

But the good news is that retailers will hold a four-pronged marketing campaign for the holidays.

Early in the month, they will have special prices on such baking items as flour, brown sugar, powdered sugar, yeast, chocolate chips, chocolate squares and chopped nuts.

The second big push by food retailers will be directed toward party supply items.

December will be the top sales month for dips, sour cream, cheese, chips, crackers, vegetables for dips, drink mixers and wine. Delicatessens will be discounting their party trays of cold cuts, cheese and shrimp.

The third sales thrust will center on the Christmas meal, and meat items will be the most advertised.

Turkey at 59 to 69 cents per pound will be guite common. Ham and roast beef, two other meat items popular for the Christmas meal, will be discounted by 25 percent to 30 percent.

Medium-sized frozen shrimp for dips and finger foods at parties will be priced around \$3.50 per pound during this advertising campaign.

The final December sales effort will revert to party items as consumers stock up on favorite foods and drinks for the New Year's celebration.

Regardless of the hectic holiday pace, other meals also must be prepared in December. With balanced nutrition a concern of many food shoppers, there will be abundant supplies of broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower. sweet potatoes and squash coming to the produce sections.

Citrus supplies from Florida and California also will be increasing and prices will be coming down. Frozen and canned vegetables will be marketed aggressively to reduce large stocks on hand. Watch for special discounts on private or store brands of canned foods.

Fresh apple prices will continue downward in December, along with such companion products as apple sauce and apple juice. Those who like to make apple pies, fritters or stewed apples can add these menu hits quite economincally if they watch food advertisements.

At the meats counter, roasts will be popular sale items.

Beef chuck, rump and sirloin tip roasts will be reduced. Pork cuts discounted will be shoulder and loin roasts as well as bacon and sausage.

Poultry, at 59 cents per pound for whole birds, remains one of the best bargains for consumers.

With colder winter temperatures, consumption of coffee and orange juice generally

ORAL CANCER

Snuff is not a safe alternative to smoking. Smokeless tobacco contains 10 times the amount of nitrosamines, the same cancer-causing substance found in cigarettes. This is more than 100 times higher than the FDA permits in other products.

According to the American Cancer Society, cancer of the mouth will afflict some 31,000 Americans and kill 8,650 (including 475 Texans). In the United States, less than half the patients with oral cancer are cured.

Doris Scales, R.M., of Methodist Hospital's Hodges Cancer Center said, "Early detection and prevention play a key role in protecting yourself against oral cancer. it's up to you to keep an eye on your mouth, be alert to the warning signals and have annual oral

increases. Coffee prices will continue to break \$2 a pound for many brands, and good buys on orange juice will be available in 64-ounce cartons.

Christmas shoppers needing last-minute gifts should check at local supermarkets. Most chains buy gift items in sufficient quantities to offer very competitive prices

Expect good buys on frangrances and toiletries, greeting cards, floral arrangements and table decorations.

Poinsettias will be offered at special prices from the first of December in virtually all food stores.

exams by your dentist or physician."

The American Cancer Society provides the following list of warning signals of oral cancer:

- * A swelling, lump or growth anywhere that does not heal.
- * White or red patches inside mouth.
- * Loose teetha for no apparent reason.
- * Earache, swelling, facial pain or persistent sore throat.
- * Difficulty in swallowing or difficulty in opening your mouth.
- * A nagging cough or persistent hoarseness.
- * Unusual oral bleeding or a bloody nasal discharge.
- * Numbness or tingling in your lips or tongue.

If you notice any of the warning signals, see your dentist or physician promptly.

BLACK BEAR

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ranchers have legitimate concerns, but perhaps it's a bit too early to be greatly worried.

"Black bear numbers

to date are so small in Texas that mass hysteria on the order of an 'invasion of the body snatchers' seem unwarranted," said Rillins. "On the other hand, livestock producers are fighting an uphill battle these days against everincreasing predator numbers. Any increase in bear populations should be monitored

closely."

Ross State Sul University at Alpine is conducting a study in Big Ben National Park to determine just do the bears what. The study may eat. also be useful in any future mapping habitat expansion by the bears.

Taylor said the bears prefer a dense woodland habitat and diverse vegetation in a rolling, hilly or mountainous-type

terrain. Many parts of the rugged Trans-Pecos region would be ideal "bear country," Taylor said.

"The black bear is a medium-sized bear, typically solid black in Texas, although it can have several color phases," he said.

"The bear usually weigh between 150 and 300 pounds."

Historically, black bear throught Texas in South extreme Texas. As human populations increased, number of bears declined. By 1940, black bear was gone from the Edwards Plateau and was reduced to remnant populations in other parts of the state.

Taylor said Texas Parks and Wildlife Department initiated its black bear project in 1977 determine to status and distribution of the bear in Texas. The goal is to monitor the population, work landowners, educate the public and obtain biological and scientific data develop conservation goals. At this time the department has no plans to restock the black bear in Texas.



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COURTHOUSE NEWS

WHEREAS, On the 12th day of November, 1990, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, convened in Regular Session at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Gail, Texas, the following members present and participating, to-wit:

COUNTY JUDGE, Presiding VAN L. YORK

COMMISSIONER, Prec. #1 FRANK CURREY

LARRY D. SMITH COMMISSIONER, Prec. #2

COMMISSIONER, Prec. #3 VERNON WOLF

COMMISSIONER, Prec. #4 HURSTON LEMONS, JR.

COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFFICIO DOROTHY BROWNE CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

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

DELINQUENT TAX CONTRACT

Mr. S. Rafe Foreman, Attorney, met with the Court to discuss a possible contract with Borden County to collect Delinquent Taxes. No action was taken.

ACCOUNTY ALLOWED

Current accounts were examined. Commissioner Smith made a motion to pay said accounts. Commissioner Currey seconded the motion.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

LANDFILLS

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to confirm with HB 1516, 71st Legislature, Borden County's Policy will be to accept NO used or scrap tires in Borden County Landfills and post signs banning same. Motion was seconded by Commis-

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

SPECIAL COURT MEETING

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to have the Special Court Meeting in December on the 20th day of December because of the Christmas Holiday. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Currey.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

GENERAL ELECTION

The returns of the General Election held Nov. 6, 1990 were canvassed. A motion was made by Commissioner Currey that returns of the election are official as recorded in Volume 1, Page 154, elections Records, in the County Clerk's Office. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Commissioner Wolf made a motion to accept the Association of Counties proposal for PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY COVERAGE and proposal for LAW ENFORCEMENT LIABILITY COVERAGE and give the County Judge authority to sign said proposals. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Currey.

Voting For: Commissioners Currey, Smith, Wolf and Lemons

Voting Against: None

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911

911 for Borden County was discussed. County Judge, Van L. York reported that rural addresses are needed to make the system work properly. The Court asked Judge York to continue his work to provide an efficient, economical, workable system for Borden County.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Lemons and approved unanimously.

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