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Mr. and Mrs. "Red" Foster and family of Fort Worth were visitors in the Blake Freeman home Sunday, April 24.

The Forestburg Home Demonstration Club met for their regular meeting Monday p.m., April 25, at the Forestburg Community Center.

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Forestburg News

By Myrt Denham



Max Gragdon is now a resident of the burg again — he

has moved his mobile home into town. Guess Max got tired of country life and had a longing for the bright city lights.

Weekend guests of the Howard Sockwells from the 22nd to 24th of April were Mrs. Kay Schitoskey and sons of Lewisville, Bill Gerner of Farmers Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kenas and Tracy of Argyle, Eddie and Mary Gilmore and son, David and Debbie Miller and Heather, and Rodney and Laura Smith all of Denton. On Sunday afternoon the 24th they all enjoyed a fish-fry.

Mrs. Maryetta Foster and Gene visited her sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Quintin Conyers of Saint Jo Sunday, April 24.

Mrs. Betty Upshaw, of the Mallard Community returned home Wednesday, April 27, after a three week visit in California with her mother, sister, brother, other relatives and friends.

Jack Carter set out an early tomato patch recently. In a few days he went back to check on the plants to see how they were doing, etc. To Jack's utter amazement he couldn't find a single plant anywhere. He just stood and stared not knowing what could have happened when he spied a gopher sitting by a mount — and the little critter had a tomatoe plant in his chompers. Bet that was one well fed gopher.

Mrs. Decie Ellzey's granddaughter and family — Mr. and Mrs. Tim Nations, Shane and Jill of Cresson, Texas, spent Sunday, April 24 visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Parsons and daughter of Wichita Falls spent the weekend of April 23 visiting her parents the Buford Greenwoods.

The Forestburg United Methodist Church had its monthly Board Meeting and fellowship supper at the church Wed. p.m., April 27.

Mrs. Gilbert Knabe Elected President Of VFW Auxiliary

Election of officers was held during the April meeting of the VFW Auxiliary, selecting Mrs. Gilbert Knabe (Linda) as president; Mrs. Charles Knabe (Flora Mae) senior vice-president; Mrs. Joe Sicking (Hilda) junior vice president; Mrs. Bernard Hesse (Agnes) treasurer; Mrs. Arthur Bayer (Frances) conductress; Mrs. Raymond Walterscheid (Peggy) guard; Mrs. Al Walter (Marie) chaplain; Mrs. Leo Hesse (Ethel) trustee. Hold-over trustees are Mrs. Frank Felderhoff (Eleanor) and Mrs. Norbert Walterscheid (Mary Ann).

Several offices will be filled by appointment and all officers will be installed in May.

Mrs. Ethel Hesse, retiring president conducted the business meeting. Mrs. Dink Hudspeth reported 50 bikes and riders participated in the Lite-a-Bike project. A donation was made to the Karl Hess fund. Arrangements and assignments were completed for the Auxiliary Germanfest booth and for participation in the May Crowning and Loyalty Day observances.

Letters of thanks were received from both Muenster schools for Texas flags donated by the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Arthur Bayer won the door prize and Mmes. Henry Pels and Bernard Hesse served refreshments to 17 members.

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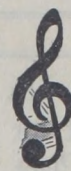
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Weekend guests of the Alvin Fuhrmans and enjoying Germanfest activities were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lueb and Mr.

and Mrs. Paul Robben of Edmond, Oklahoma. Mrs. Lawrence Schettler of Oklahoma City and Sister Karen Schettler of Tulsa were

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starke Wednesday and Thursday and visited Mrs. Robert Gruber in Gainesville Memorial Hospital before returning home. Mrs. Gruber was

dismissed on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Terry Miller and children Shawn and Chad of Dallas were Germanfest visitors Saturday.

Mothers Honored At FHA Banquet

Mothers of FHA members of Muenster High School were honored with the annual Mother-Daughter banquet in the cafeteria on April 19. The meal was planned and prepared by the homemaking classes.

Pat Davidson presided for the ceremony preceding the dinner. Mrs. Charles Davidson gave the invocation, Cathy Sicking welcomed the guests and Mrs. Rody Klement gave the response. Tracey Klement gave the project report and told of each project in which Future Homemakers have worked this year.

Doris Clark, Pat Davidson, Sandy Schneider, Kellie Hale, Kathie Fisher, Debbie Zimmerer, Lisa Trubenbach, Lou Dyer and Kim Walterscheid provided entertainment.

All members of Homemaking II presented a style show and modeled garments they had made. Participants were Robynn Richey, Kathy Davidson, Tami Fanning, Donna Fisher, Kathie Fisher, Kellie Hale, Jeanne Haverkamp, Laurie Hermes, Lisa Reiter, Marla Sicking, Rita Sicking, Lisa Trubenbach, Barbie Walterscheid, Brenda Walterscheid, Robin Walterscheid, Sherri Wolf and Debbie Zimmerer.

Narrators for the style show were Betty Bayer and Marlene Walterscheid. Poems were read by Judy Fisher and Tina Mollenkopf.

Decorations, made by homemaking classes, were collages of mushrooms, flowers and butterflies. Plants marked the places of each mother.

Doris Clark offered the benediction. Mrs. Joni Sturm is F.H.A. advisor.

Visit Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fisher, accompanied by their daughter Linda and her friend, another stewardess, Becky Kinsala, both of Dallas spent a recent vacation in Hawaii. They did a great deal of sight-seeing on foot and took one guided tour. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Walter. They returned to D-FW in time for Mrs. Fisher to stop in Denton to preside at the quarterly meeting of the National Council of Catholic Women at 10 a.m. on April 21.

The Paul Fishers entertained guests for the Germanfest. Attending festivities with them were Neal Robinson and two sons Greg and Brian of Irving, and the Fishers' daughter Helen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hughes and children.

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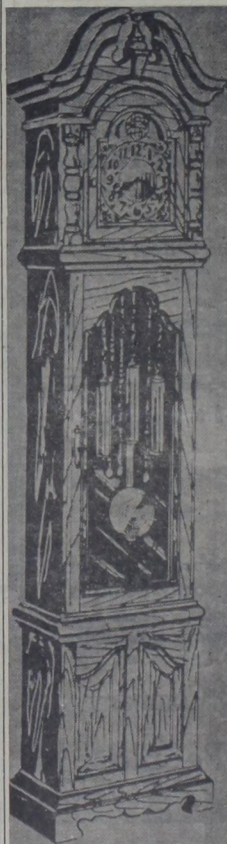


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My family and I are grateful to all who helped us during my illness and hospitalization and also during Janelle's surgical stay in the hospital following an appendectomy. Special thanks to Dr. Kralicke, Father Placidus, Father Harry Fisher, the nurses, nuns, relatives and friends who said a prayer sent a card or visited Frank Beyer and family.

A special 'thank you' to Dr. Antonetti, the nurses of Muenster Hospital, Fathers Placidus and Stephen, the Sisters, my family, relatives, my classmates and friends, for many kindnesses, visits, cards and gifts while I was a hospital patient.

My mother and dad join me in saying 'thank you'.

Chris Rohmer

My family and I want to thank the nursing staff, Dr. Antonetti, Father Placidus and Father Stephen for the care and kindness given Tony while he was in Muenster hospital. The nurses helped me as much during that time. I am very grateful to all of them.

Mrs. Tony Wiesman and family.

A special "thank you" to Faye and Dan Hamric, Kay and Dick Pagel, Shirley Grewing, Donna Graham, Carol Henscheid, Carolyn Bayer, Paulette Swirczynski and numerous others for their help with the Germanfest decorations in the Community Center.

Roy and Jane Monday

Members of the Myra Community Improvement Club wish to thank everyone who helped toward the success of the project involving the judging of rural communities. We are especially grateful to those who attended, giving recognition to our accomplishments; those who came to help, to boost our morale; to the Muenster High Band, whose presence gave a feeling of celebration; to Muenster and Era schools for permitting students to attend. Our hearts are warmed just remembering the kindness of friends in neighboring towns.

Myra Community Improvement Club

Miscellaneous

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Sacred Heart Has Art & Craft Show

Visitors to the SHHS Art Exhibit Sunday and signing the guest book, numbered over 800. However, many chose not to enter their names when the waiting line stretched too long. Many were out-of-town Germanfest guests. Others were parents and friends coming to see work of Sacred Heart Art classes, taught by Mrs. Patty Eberhart; and Muenster Public School wood shop taught by Rudy Koessler; and SHH wood shop taught by Joe Felderhoff.

Several local adult artists and craftsmen also exhibited their work.

The event was held in the SHH gym, where visitors signed the guest book and were served punch and cookies.

MAP Gathering Honors Its Elders

The MAP meeting Tuesday afternoon began with a luncheon at 12:30 in the Community Center, attended by 50 senior citizens, two of whom were chosen King and Queen for the Day.

Honored were the oldest man and woman present, John Schmitz, 90, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wolf, 89. His crown was rust colored foil with gold and silver glitter and her crown was of red foil with gold and silver glitter. Both crowns were designed and made by Mrs. Hugo Lutkenhaus.

The couple honored with the most years of combined age were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel, with 166 years. They were presented a corsage and boutonniere of tropicana roses by Mrs. Hugo Lutkenhaus and grown in her own garden.

Recognized as runners-up were Mr. and Mrs. Matt Muller, whose combined age is 165 years.

The MAP quilt, sewed and quilted by members, was won by Joe Hoenig.

Table games until 5 p.m. followed the special events.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Knauf accompanied by Mrs. Hubert Felderhoff and Mrs. Tony Felderhoff were in Dallas Monday to attend the funeral of a longtime friend, Mrs. Ann Burkhardt Davis. Mass was held in St. Edward's Church with Msgr. John P. Brady officiating.

Three SH Students Get CCC Awards

The Awards Presentation program of the Creative Writing Contest sponsored annually by Cooke County College was held on April 29.

In the category for persons not attending CCC, three SHH students were named as winners. Mary Margaret Rohmer was first place winner for a short story she submitted. Tim Sicking was first place winner for poetry and Jeanann Hartman was a third place winner in poetry. They are children of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Rohmer, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sicking and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hartman, respectively.

In the poetry category for Cooke County College students, two local winners were named. Mrs. Pat Dill of Rosston was a first place winner and Sister M. Agnes Voth of Muenster received the second place award in poetry.

In the category for CCC students who entered the Layuna Hicks Creative Writing contest, Sister Agnes also received a third place award.

The project, sponsored by Cooke County College in several categories and at several levels is intended to promote literary efforts by talented persons of the community and to recognize talented writers.

Letter To the Editor

Too often Americans fail to take a minute to say "Thank You" for a task well done. The Germanfest this weekend was indeed a memorable occasion for me and one I will remember always.

To expedite a large festival requires long hours, good organization, super people and manpower. This was quite obvious as my family and friends enjoyed the generous hospitality available in Muenster. We had many guests from Fort Worth who all want to return next year for a repeat performance.

To those of you who were unable to return this year, I strongly urge you to participate next time. It's an experience you won't forget. You'll walk away with a greater sense of pride as you tell old and new acquaintances "I'm from Muenster, couldn't be prouder."

God bless "you all".
Sincerely
Joan (Klement) Schleicher
Fort Worth, Texas

Plans Begun for Summer Softball

Peggy Grewing, chairman of the Girls Softball Summer Program has announced plans for the season beginning May 31 and ending June 23.

Game nights will be Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 for the junior league, followed by the senior league at 8:15. As last year, girls will be divided by GRADE, not age. Grades 4-8 will be included in the junior league; grades 9-12 in the senior league. Girls are urged to participate and increased registrations are hoped for, especially in the senior league.

Permission slips for sign-up will be available at both schools and should be completed and returned to the principal's office by Friday, May 13.

A late sign-up is scheduled on Sunday, May 15, at the new pavilion (not the ball park) at 2 p.m. rain or shine. At that time, teams will be assigned. All players are welcome and urged to attend this meeting.

Peggy Grewing emphasized that if a majority of the same girls sign up from last year's teams, the roster will remain the same, with the addition of a few new players. Coaches reached this decision during their first meeting on April 27 when games rules were discussed and improved.

Attending the meeting were Coaches Sandy Dittfurth, Sheila Grewing, Connie Walterscheid, Barbie Walterscheid, Cheryl Mollenkopf, Patty Hess, Peggy Walter and Peggy Grewing. They stressed that all girls in grades 4-12 are welcome to join in the summer fun program.

Girls unable to attend Sunday, May 15, may phone Mrs. Grewing at 759-4119.

Mrs. John Chandler (the former Olive Stelzer) of Dallas, returned to her home town for a visit over the weekend with her aunt, Mrs. Kate Stelzer and together they attended the Germanfest celebration and met many old friends. Mrs. Chandler returned to Dallas Sunday evening.

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April 23, 1937

Heart attack is fatal to Theodore Wiesman who, with his late brother Joseph, was the first settler in Muenster coming to the new colony in November 1889 from Iowa. Father Frowin, Father Francis and delegates from parish societies attend district meeting of Catholic State League in Pilot Point. C. J. Fette sustains broken ankle when pinned under vat in accident at the FMA. Jabb Clayton faces total blindness as inflammation in his eyes spreads as the result of a chip of steel piercing his left eye several months ago. Clara Lutkenhaus is Muenster's entry in Sweetheart Contest at Gainesville theatre. Louise Schmitz wins tennis championship in Cooke County but is crowded out in district meet at Fort Worth.

35 YEARS AGO

April 24, 1942

Muenster launches war savings bonds and stamp drive. Father Francis Zimmerer of Windhorst is named commencement speaker for Sacred Heart High graduation. Mrs. Bette Michels, 85, dies at Rhineland. Richard Wilde opens service station in former Luke Garage building. City clean-up nets five truckloads of trash. The Henry Luebberts announce arrival of Henriette. Postmaster and Mrs. Arthur Endres daughter Ruth and Miss Bettye Hartman attend Texas Postmasters Convention in Waco. CDA court has reception of six new members.

30 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1947

Muenster is host to more than 200 Knights of Columbus for initiation and banquet. Former Pastor Father Thomas Buergler is honored on his silver jubilee of ordination in

Rhineland where he is pastor now. Fesse and Henscheid organize H&H Feed Store. Rained out and almost chilled out again, the local rodeo has hopes for a third try Saturday. District Sodality convention here draws 250 young people. Senior Boy Scouts take honors in weekend contests at Fort Worth. Garden Club features iris show at meeting. Jeff Linn is married to Verna Nussbaum in Las Vegas, Nev.

25 YEARS AGO

April 25, 1952

Crop prospect is better than ever after 2.08 inches of rain. Troy Stewart is named new coach of Muenster high. Bruno Fleitman is top conservation farmer in Zone 3 and the Schmitt group is the outstanding group of conservationists in the same zone. Soil awards dinner will be held in late May or early June. Twenty men meet to consider forming local Lions Club. Polly Morris and Walter Haverkamp marry. Mary Ann Felderhoff and Norbert Walterscheid say wedding vows. The Felix Yostens announce the birth of Monica. Virgil Streng is on the fighting front in Korea with the 25th Infantry Division.

20 YEARS AGO

April 26, 1957

Mr. and Mrs. John Schmitz observe golden wedding anniversary. Over 600 receive Salk polio shots. Jimmy Lehnertz sells Gulf Station to Ferd Luttmer. Forty six are in First Communion class for next Sunday. Easter reunions highlight social activity. Dorothy Nortman and Raymond Hermes marry at Lindsay. T.Sgt. and Mrs. Roy Zwinggi and three children who have been in Japan are back in the states visiting relatives in Lindsay. New arrivals: sons for Messrs. and Mmes. David Bright, Gilbert Yosten, John Arend and Clarence Erpelding.

15 YEARS AGO

April 22, 1962

Wonderful rain measuring 3.39 inches is worth a fortune to local crops. Young Farmers meet Monday to form chapter. New Post Office will be dedicated with open house Sunday. Knights of Columbus net over \$2,200 on Easter Monday picnic for hospital fund. Charlotte Wolf is winner of Cooke County Farm Bureau scholarship... goes to Oklahoma Citizenship Seminar in July. The Tony Voths attend funeral of her mother, Mrs. Ed Roe, 81, in Amarillo. Twenty-three children are in Lindsay First Communion class. Easter brings family members together for reunions. Mrs. Arnold Henscheid and sons come from Amarillo to join Mr. Henscheid and make home here. New arrivals: a boy for the Melvin Schoechs; girls for Messrs. and Mmes. Alfons Koessler Jr., Pete Hellingner Jr., Gilbert Yosten and Ed King.

10 YEARS AGO

April 28, 1967

Dick Cain, 54, dies suddenly of heart attack. David Fette, local Scout, gets Ad Altare Die award in Dallas ceremony. The biggest year ever in the history of Cooke County Electric Co-op is reported to over 800 at annual meeting. James Ray Polk and Vernon Clayton families move from Muenster

to Gainesville. Public School kiddies will stage "Snow White and Seven Dwarfs" operetta. Jaycees schedule park improvements. Carmen Wimmer wins second place in poetry in Interscholastic League district competition. Royce Rennells, Myra, and Sylvia Gonzales, recently married, make home in El Paso. Linda Rohmer is first on entry in writers conference. Home-School group ends season with fun night program. Continued growth is reflected in new telephone directory. New arrival: a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kubis.

5 YEARS AGO

April 28, 1972

Parish and community have two memorable days and see Ordination of a native son and his First Mass both in Sacred Heart Church when Rev. Jerome Mosman becomes first priest ordained for Fort Worth diocese. Cubs are first, Tigers are second in TISC Track Meet. Tom Joy resigns Tiger coach job. Mike Stoffels gets Jaycee Award for "Man of the Year." Biggest year reported here at Electric Co-op meeting, when over 700 members and visitors attend general meeting in Muenster High auditorium. TPL office will help youths get summer work. Mat Neu, 79, dies in Lindsay. Boy Scouts bike weekend campout on Bartush ranch. Tom Mosman graduates from A and M with degree in electrical engineering. Phyllis Bindel and Margie Felderhoff are named top students at Sacred Heart. Six MHS students advance to Interscholastic League Regional events. Adolph Pittners are honored on 57th anniversary. Adolph Walterscheid observe 45th anniversary. Local bank shows gains in deposits. Final rites held for Abner C. Enderby, 82, in Gainesville and Audra Coleman, 64, in Forestburg. New arrivals: a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Regi Bayer, a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weinzapfel.

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Guests of Mrs. Ruth Needham and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie French during the Germanfest weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Colleraine of Houston and Mrs. Colleraine's mother, Mrs. Blanche Sumrell. Joining them Sunday af-

ternoon were Mrs. Frankie Higgins of Galveston, Mrs. Ralph Maniss and Mrs. Bo Maniss, both of Gainesville. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Al Wiesman for the weekend and attending Germanfest

were Mr. and Mrs. James Wiesman of North Richland Hills, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Guthrie of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. James Beasley and son Curtis also of Fort Worth. Mrs. Charles Denny of San

Antonio visited her mother, Mrs. Ben Luke during the weekend, after accompanying her daughter Mrs. Jim Root (Sharon Denny) and a group of Ursuline Academy choir members and their chaperones to Six Flags. The students

joined a number of musicians and singers attending a workshop, sponsored by UTA of Arlington, for high school choirs. Mrs. Root's choir received an 'excellent' rating for its performance during a special program.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Strittmatter and Jeanna, Steven and Donna, accompanied by Lisa Pelzel, Denise Pelzel and Brenda Tischler, all of Pilot Point, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Hacker Sunday, coming to attend Germanfest

Beta Kappa Adopts Love Fund Project

Included in the business meeting of Beta Kappa, held on April 20 in the home of Jan Cain, was a report of the successful completion of the Karl Hess Fund, plans for the annual September Bike Ride, a pledge ceremony and presentation for approval of first year plans.

Beta Kappa expresses appreciation to all who contributed to the Karl Hess fund and, since all of Karl's expenses have been taken care of, no additional contributions will be accepted.

Since the purpose of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International is one of Service, a Beta Kappa Love Fund will be established. Certain projects held throughout the year will benefit this special account. In this and other ways, Beta Kappa hopes to be of service to the community.

The September Bike Ride will contribute to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Other activities will benefit the Cooke County Child Development Center. ESA is women involved in life around them, in their community, in helping those around them and in their deep regard for one another. Incoming president of Beta Kappa, Betsy Fleitman has chosen the theme for the year: "The love that is in you wasn't put there to stay; love isn't love until it is given away."

Included in plans for Beta Kappa's first year were reports by the following chairman: Educational, Martha Koessler; Social, Queenie Walterscheid; Ways and Means, Elizabeth Howe, Rush, Jan Cain; Service, Loretta Cash.

Preceding the business meeting, a pledge ceremony for Elizabeth Howe and Martha Koessler was conducted by Genie Gilliland of Gainesville. The hostess, Jan Cain served refreshments.

County A&M Club In Annual Muster

The annual Texas A&M Muster of Students and former students was held Thursday night, April 21, at Whaley United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall under sponsorship of the Cooke County A&M Club.

Clyde Wells, former Gainesville resident and now chairman to the Board of Regents of the Texas A&M University System, was guest speaker reporting on the progress of A&M since he became a member of the Board in 1962. He said, "Enrollment has climbed from 7,000 to over 28,000 in 1977 and has doubled in the last five years."

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First Grade

During a lesson on "My Community" the first grade composed the following:

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Muenster is fun because I like the stores.

You can make new friends in Muenster.

I like Muenster because it has a little Dairy Inn.

Muenster is a good place because it has a hospital.

Muenster is a good place because there are lots of places to live.

I like Muenster because it is fun.

Muenster is fun because you get to watch football games.

Muenster is fun because you get to go to the park.

Muenster is fun because you get to watch the pep rallies.

Muenster is fun because there are all kinds of people.

Muenster is fun because you get to play.

Muenster is fun because there are a lot of creeks where you can catch crawdads.

Muenster is fun because you get to go swimming.

Muenster is fun because we have new things in the park.

Muenster is a good town.

trolia 10-0 last Thursday to even their 13-A standing at 1-1. In their first loop encounter they were turned back 3-2 by Callisburg.

As a result they will be playing for their lives on Friday the 6th, when they take on the Wildcats again. If they lose they've had it for the year, but if they win they still will be in the running for the district title.

Everything went their way in the game with Petrolia. They had 10 hits and 4 walks

and also got the benefit of 6 errors while Petrolia was restricted to 2 hits, 1 walk and 4 errors. Neil Walterscheid pitched, fanning 3 and the Petrolia pitcher fanned 4.

The game ended after 5 innings because of Muenster's 10 run lead.

Hitters for MHS were Tim Wolf and Kim Walterscheid, each a double and a single, Gary Knabe and Neil Walterscheid each 2 singles, Todd Richey a double and Lenzy Dyer a single.

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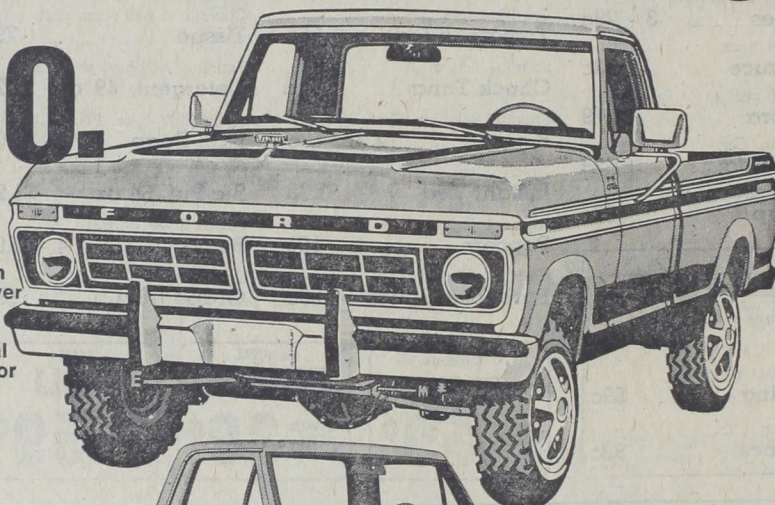
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Denise Pelzel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pelzel of Pilot Point, was a member of the First Holy Communion

class of St. Thomas Church, Sunday, April 24. Father Harry Fisher celebrated the Mass for eleven first communicants at 10 a.m.

Dinner at noon honored the event, attended by her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hacker, and also by Mr. and Mrs. Felix Pelzel and Kevin, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Denise's sisters Lisa and Becky. Kevin Pelzel was also a member of the first communion class.

Denise's baptismal sponsors

were Felix Pelzel and Mrs. Jerry Wilson.

The dinner table centerpiece was a special lamb cake. There were gifts for the honorees and family and group pictures were made.

Paul Endres Family Visits

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Endres entertained children and grandchildren during the past week and especially during the Germanfest weekend. Their guests for a week were their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Richard Endres and Dr. Martha Kincaid and 8 month old grandson Nathan, of Sodus, New York. The Endreses stopped here for a vacation visit with his parents, enroute from a medical convention in San Francisco.

Other family members here during the Germanfest were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Endres and son Nicholas of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Abelen (Peggy) of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. George Holland (Mary Ellen) of Tyler.

On Dean's List

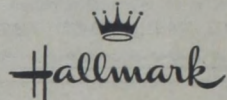
Northwood Institute of Cedar Hill announces that Mark A. Hess has been named to the dean's list for the Winter term. To qualify for the honor a student must finish the term with an average of 3 or better. Mark is a freshman majoring in business management.

Prof Homsley of Fort Worth was a visitor Saturday and Sunday at Germanfest. Joining him Sunday in the home of his daughter's family, the Willie Walterscheids, was his granddaughter, Melinda McCann of Hurst.



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Letter To the Editor

Now that we know what President Carter's Energy Program consists of, I believe all of us should exercise our right as citizens to tell him what we think of it. No doubt his intentions are honest and certainly we should all do our part to conserve energy wherever possible.

However the President's program seems to be a very pessimistic and somewhat negative one. Very little of his plans would do much to encourage new exploration for oil and gas. In fact, no mention was even made about drilling off the northeast coast where vast amounts of oil is believed available. No, he wants to keep the voting public of the Northeast happy while Texas is being pumped dry. I wonder what we Texans are supposed to do when our wells are empty, Texans voted for Carter, so now I think it's time we let him know we don't like being used by the rest of the Nation, just because they don't want their own environment messed up a little bit.

Furthermore, the President wants to keep Federal Regulations on natural gas so the Northeasterners can get our gas cheap. And another tremendous fault with price regulations is that it discourages exploration for new wells, which is the major reason we are in this mess to begin with. Why not let the free market set the price of oil. The Free Enterprise System built America and now suddenly the Federal Government doesn't believe in it anymore. We need only to look at Great Britain's problems to see what too much government control can do to a country. Besides, the Government can always employ a reasonable excess profits tax if the oil companies do monopolize and set too high a price, but lets at least give them and free enterprise a chance to solve our problem first.

If you are interested in the future of this country, and especially Texas and your children, why not write and urge President Carter to keep his campaign promise of dismantling big government and start by deregulating oil and natural gas prices.

Sincerely
Dennis Hess

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2. Keep equipment at top operating efficiency. Have it checked seasonally by qualified serviceman.
3. Check filter every 30 days. Dirty filters cause equipment to use excessive electricity. If filter is permanent, clean by manufacturer's directions; if it's disposable, it should be replaced when dirty.
4. Keep furniture, draperies away from air outlets and returns. Clean grills often.
5. Close draperies and blinds to keep out direct sunlight.
6. Keep fireplace damper closed.
7. Proper home insulation keeps the heat out, cuts energy use. Insulation questions? Call TP&L.
8. Shade on roof and walls can reduce energy needed to cool. But trim trees, shrubs away from outside compressor unit. Keep it free of leaves, debris. If air flow is blocked, unit uses more energy.
9. Weatherstrip doors and windows; caulk cracks to prevent drafts and cool air loss.

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12. Place unit where it'll get as little direct sun as possible.
13. Aim air outlets at lower half of doorway to next room to allow warm air from that room to enter at the doortop for recooling, recirculation.
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Myra Community - as well as the information revealed in club records. The local projects are related to the state wide Community Improvement Program sponsored jointly by Texas Power & Light Company and A&M Extension Service. The upcoming regional competition will determine what communities will advance to the final stage of state competition. The activity at Myra began with coffee and homemade rolls at 9:30 in the community center. Decorations were displayed by the Myra story hour group. Of special interest on the tour were the IBL Factory cutting department, Baptist Church, Huddleston's Kounty Kitchen, Lloyd Trubenbach's barn and corrals where horses

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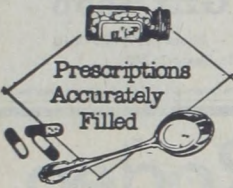
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Tour spokesmen were the Larry Vogels, the Ray Sicking, Lloyd Trubenbach and Al Trubenbach.

As the tour returned to the community center it was serenaded by the Muenster High School Band. A group of preschoolers led the pledge of allegiance and the band played the Star Spangled Banner.

In the meeting room of the Methodist Church Dorothy Sicking club vice-president, welcomed the judges, and a group presented a skit, "Rehearsal for the Judges". Also on the program were Larry Vogel, club president, as master of ceremonies, and Bill Bedrick, sponsor, introducing guests.

Eulice Hudson, Margie Reed, Marla Sicking and Sally Sherrill arranged exhibits, Betty Williams directed lunch plans, and club members brought sandwiches and pick-up foods. Attendance at the skit and lunch was 150.

Out of town guests in addition to judges were Jerry Lewis, Evelyn Yeatts, Neil Tibbets, Tom Woodward, Gene Davenport, Frank Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zimmerman, Emogene House, Robert Bayer, Charley Hellman, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Toothaker and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vogel.

German Fun Run - year, even though they agree generally that the course is tougher than usual.

Dan Hamric and Ronnie Hess are entitled to most of the credit for conducting the event and a crowd of assistants at the finish helped keep the record straight.

Key prop of the procedure was a prepared list of time by seconds. As a finisher crossed the line he or she was given an envelope with the finish number outside and souvenir certificate inside. At the same time the finish number was recorded on the sheet beside the finish time. Next the name was entered with the finish number and time.

Prizes afterward were awarded in six age groups for males and five for females. In each of those there were three trophies and three ribbons. Also ribbons were awarded to oldest and youngest finishers and to the best four mixed doubles. Besides, the first 100 finishers received souvenir steins and all finishers received certificates.

Winners are listed as follows.

Pre-teen boys: Greg Hurst, Doug Patterson, John Foberry, Mike Dangelmayr, Leonard Fuhrman, Dave Reiter.

Pre-teen girls: Jan Hale, Kerry Haverkamp, Kyla Hale, Sherry Canterberry, Laura Walter, Ginny Fisher.

Teen boys: Mark McClenny, Mike Engelman, Jim Umpleby, Robert Wiese, Jon Armidi, Rusty Hageman.

Teen girls: Mary Engelman, Kellie Hale, Laura Sicking, Gina Felderhoff, Liz Samano.
Men 20-30: Jim Crawford, James Smith, Paul Shafner, Barry Collins, Lonny Ashley, Paul Hoffman.

Ladies 20-30: Mary Ann Pugh, Sherry Sessions, Viki Baker, Edna Clemens, Nancy Walker, Anne Arnowitz.

Men 30-40: Jack Petty, Jim Deer, Jim Clemens, Wayne Jones, Stan Barnes, John Uskovich.

Ladies 30-40: Brenda Hon, Mary Jones, Teri Arasim, Maria Johnston, Judy Cherry, Liz Uskovich.

Men 40-50: John Butterfield, Tom Spillman, Don Widhalm, Kub Baker, Art Shoening, Don Zetnick.

Ladies 40-50: Evelyn Pack, Virginia Brewer, Mary Vlamideo.

Men over 50: Richard Widener, Dick Granger, Logan Pischel, Duke Barrett, James Rochel, Walt Schneider.

Oldest finisher: Harry Oder, 63, Mary Vlamides 47.

Youngest finisher: Troy Jones & K. Haverkamp 8.
Mixed doubles (scored by adding finish numbers): Stan Barnes and Brenda Hon, 139; Hal Mayer and Marianne Pugh, 139; Dave Branning and Viki Baker, 170; Wayne Jones and Mary Jones, 170.

Henry Wiesman Family Gathers

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Fisch of Chicago are vacationing here with her father, Henry Wiesman and other family members. They have been entertained with dinner parties and family gatherings in the homes of the Henry Yostens, Tony Koeslers, Leonard Yostens, John Yostens and Rick Stewarts. Going fishing and attending the Germanfest were added fun for the visitors.

Germanfest - - -

daughters who made the festival a homecoming occasion.

The guest register contains about 1700 names, including a small percentage from Muenster and other areas of the county. However that limited number is believed to be offset several times by visitors who failed to register. In addition the crowd was swelled by good attendance from Cooke and neighbor counties.

A review of the register shows an amazing list of 12 visitors from West Germany besides one each from Austria, Saudi Arabia, England, Alaska, British Columbia and Nova Scotia. Also represented were 26 of the states, including 20 cities of Oklahoma and about 100 cities of Texas.

States listed are Arkansas, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Michigan, Missouri, Maryland, Maine, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New York, New Mexico, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah and Washington.

Miss Muenster - - -

Hess and Brenda Felderhoff. The entertainment was coordinated by Miss Hofbauer and her mother, Norma Jean Dowd.

Coordinators of the pageant were Jan Cain and Queenie Walterscheid. Others on the pageant committee were Carol Dyer, Juanita Walterscheid, Imogene Zimmerman, Mary Evelyn Hermes, Gertie Wimmer, Dorothy Endres, Robert and Judy McDaniel, Don Ostermann, Juanita Bright, Reneta Walterscheid, Allan Bayer, Willie Walterscheid and Don Jones.

The Quarterback Club extends its most sincere thanks to the contestants and their big sisters, to all program workers, the businesses which provided gifts, to the full house attendance, and to any others who helped toward the success of the pageant.

Confetti - - -

farther. And we are equally confident that conservation farmers will have a big part in the future progress.

We like to think also that science and technology will help along. Research will make food out of plants not used now, and out of by-products that are wasted now. Hopefully consumers will do their bit by wasting less food, thereby relieving some of the food shortage and causing less pollution.

When this district's awards program originated, far sighted people were talking about eventual food shortage. Since then we have seen a vast increase of production, and we see prospects for continued increase. Without a doubt, the day of reckoning has been postponed. Thanks to our good stewards of the soil, we have just arrived at the stage of being concerned about environment. Otherwise we might be at the panic stage.

Bryan Sicking to Compete in State UIL Track Meet

Bryan Sicking, winner of second place in the 330 yard intermediate hurdles at last week's UIL regional track meet, will participate in the state finals in Austin on May 14. His time in the regional was 40.9.

More action for him is a state qualifiers meet Friday in Fort Worth, where he will run with regional winners of all levels, Classes B through 4-A.

Other MHS entries at the regional set the kind of records that have been winning in former meets, but they were not good enough at Stephenville. For instance the mile relay team clocked 3:30.9, an MHS record, in the prelim and 3:33.3 in the final, and came in fifth. Mark Sicking was sixth in the 100 yard dash with 10.2 and seventh in the 220 with 23.3.

Also, Albert and Deryl Zimmerman came in together with 2:05 in the 880 for eighth and ninth places. And Carl Pagel failed to place with a 45 foot shot put.

Members of the mile relay team were Albert Zimmerman, Mark Sicking, Nick Walterscheid and Bryan Sicking.

4 Local Members To Enter District 4-H Horse Show

Four local 4-H members will compete in the District 4-H horse show in June. They qualified last Saturday in the annual county show in the Twin Pines arena, where 23 members had eliminations to select the county's ten representatives. Eligibility was earned by winning classes or accumulating points.

Muenster's four winners are Charlotte Fleitman, Larry Fleitman, Una Hess and Nancy Sicking. Class winners of the show were Larry Fleitman, champ gelding; Charlotte Fleitman, showmanship; Denise Haverkamp senior western pleasure; Una Hess, senior trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kostyniak, accompanied by friends Dr. Art Kalwiter and Miss Linda Jenkins, all of Fort Worth were guests of Gretchen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Koesler Saturday and Sunday, attending also the Germanfest and the dance at the Community Center.

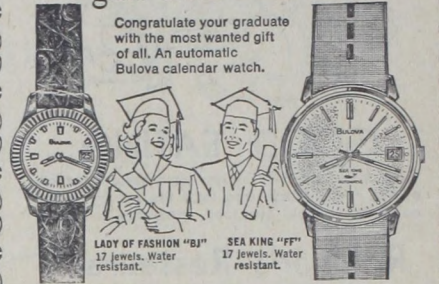
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Representatives of the Muenster Water District, the City of Muenster and the Soil Conservation Service get together for on the ground planning on the multi purpose lake northwest of Muenster. The structure, when complete will serve three purposes . . . municipal water supply, flood control and recreation. Shown here are Henry Weinzapfel, chairman of the water district, John Bradley, SCS area conservationist, Steve Mosler, city manager, and Ted Henschel, city parks commissioner.

Stabilization Planned
A grade stabilization structure has been surveyed and designed on the Patrick Harris farm about 4 miles southwest of Bulcher, Texas. After installation he will be able to treat the gullies above the waterway and establish permanent grass on the area.

Terraces for Fleitmanns
J. W. Fleitmann, Inc., has recently constructed a system of parallel terraces on one of their farms east of Muenster. The system will provide for an easy farming area and most important, the protection of the cropland field from washing.

Shapes Gullied Area
Richard Block of Leo has shaped a large gullied area on his farm south of Free-mound. By shaping the gully he will be able to plant this area to coastal bermuda and use an otherwise worthless area. A pond will be built after the grass is established.

Grass Pays Off

Did you know that abundant grass, properly harvested, is still the most profitable base for producing livestock? Grass develops and protects the soil. When grazing cattle, half or as much as three-fourths of the native grass growth should be left under some conditions. The grass tops are the best feed anyway. What grass is left keeps the soil from washing and blowing; it soaks up the rain and helps reduce loss by evaporation; it allows microscopic life to exist and renew soil fertility. Grass adds organic matter and nitrogen to the soil; it helps to reduce erosion and leaching; it reduces surface evaporation losses; it reduces consumption of water by worthless brush; and it shields against the sun's heat. Grass litter keeps the rain from compacting the soil so the water can soak into the ground.

Grewings Build Pond

Herman and Richard Grewing built a pond for livestock water on their farm north of Muenster. It will serve as a water supply to a bermudagrass pasture as well as a field of fescue and yucca clover.

Davis Is Zone 3 Champ Farmer

The award winner of Zone 3 of the Upper Elm Red Soil and Water Conservation District is R. A. Davis Jr. who operates a 918 acre ranch near Marysville. Mr. Davis purchased a portion of this farm in 1969 and the rest later. He had other business interests that occupied most of his time but he requested assistance from the Soil Conservation Service in developing the best land in improved pastures and leaving the rough timbered areas for rangeland and wildlife land. Increasing cover, food and water for wildlife was one of his main interests in addition to livestock production.

Ninety acres of gullies was a frightening scene and treating them was high on the list of conservation jobs. Before the first gullies were treated, a grade stabilization structure was surveyed and constructed. Work began on the 28 acres of gullies, which along with the rest of that pasture, were planted to Midland bermudagrass. This work was very expensive so Davis purchased a dozer to do his own work. After the purchase of the dozer another 61 acres of gullies were shaped and

sprigged. Open areas were planted to Midland bermudagrass and some brush was cleared. Approximately 185 acres of brush has been cleared. Consideration was given deer and other wildlife on the farm. Travel lanes of brush were left so that deer could move about the farm without being very far from good cover at any time. Steep, rocky areas were left with native vegetation. These areas pro-

vide excellent habitat for all wildlife species on the farm. Improved pasture grasses have been established on 371 acres. Most of this has been planted in Midland bermuda. One 40-acre field has been planted to Ermelo, lovegrass and one 85-acre field has been established in kleingrass. The kleingrass was established on an old field area and has made excellent growth for the type of soil.

The native bluestem, kleingrass and lovegrass are used for winter and spring grazing. One 84-acre field is harvested for hay in summer to be used in addition to the other winter pastures.

For better grass management Davis constructed a number of cross fences. A total of 12,100 feet of cross fences have been built to divide nine pastures. Having different pastures, allows him to put livestock in the pasture he wants grazed instead of allowing free access and uncontrolled grazing over the entire farm. Another benefit is labor saved in feeding and working livestock.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis are very proud of the work they can now see the fruits of their labor. Their conservation program is 98 per cent complete.



28th Annual Awards Program To Honor Conservation Champs

Conservation champions of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District will be honored guests Friday night, May 6, at the twenty-eighth annual banquet sponsored by banks, newspapers, and radio and TV stations of the district.

The event will be in the Activities Center of Cooke County College, starting at 7:30 p.m.

This is the seventh time in the program's 28 year history that Gainesville has been chosen as the banquet site. It has been held four times each in Whitesboro, Nocona and Sherman, three times in Muenster and two each in Bowie, Denison and Perrin Air Base.

Along with individual recognition of the year's champion farmers, the program's purpose is to salute all district cooperators and business friends of conservation and inspire continued interest and effort in soil stewardship.

Persons to be featured are the outstanding conservation farmers and ranchers of 1976 in the five zones, the winner of the Claude Jones memorial award for conservation and the outstanding friend of wildlife.

In addition the banquet honors a teacher and a publisher for promoting conservation, and students for their success in conservation related contests sponsored by the district.

Grand champion farmer of the district this year is C. B. Crenshaw of Nocona, who is also the Number 1 selection of Zone 2, the north half of Montague County. The district champ is chosen from the five zone champions.

Another double winner is R. A. Davis of Gainesville. He

is the champion of Zone 3, western half of Cooke County, and also recipient of the Lion's Club Award.

Other Zone champions are E. L. Edgins of Bowie in Zone 1, the south half of Montague County; Mark Burnett Jr. of

Era in Zone 4, the east half of Cooke County; and W. H. Bowen of Sherman in Zone 5, Grayson County. Gene Burnett of Bowie is the man chosen for the district's best job of wildlife preservation. (Continued on Page 10)

Conservation achievements include 213 acres of brush management, 2 ponds, 1 stabilization structure, 87 acres of critical area shaping and planting, 371 acres pasture and hayland planting, 649 acres of pasture management, 12,100 feet of fencing, 6 managed fishponds, 26 acres of range seeding, 207 acres of deferred and proper grazing use, 623 acres of wildlife management.

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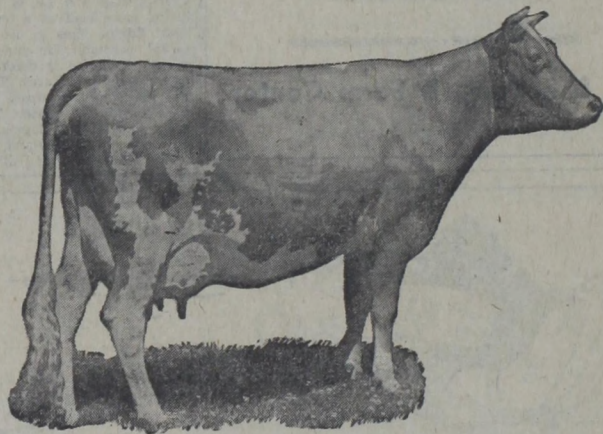
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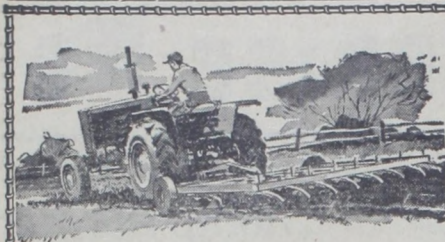
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Edgins Is Winner in Zone 1

Year-round grazing is the key to a successful ranching operation according to E. L. Edgins of Montague County. He uses both native rangeland pastures and introduced grass pastures to accomplish this feat.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgins of Bowie have ranched in the Sandstone Hills area of Montague County nearly all their lives. Mr. Edgins recalls that when they started, the brush

the bluestem to make a seed-crop each year resulting in a continually thickening of the stand.

The Edgins run a herd of approximately 80 cows. They keep all their calves until yearlings and sell them at 800-900 pounds. Mr. Edgins explains he can produce a lot more beef this way. Mr. Edgins selects good quality beef bulls and raises high quality calves.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgins have made a success of full time ranching by doing a super job of grass production combined with good animal husbandry. With good money management, they have been able to pay for their beautiful rolling ranch in the south part of Montague County and to make its many improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgins have been members of the Soil Conservation District since 1958. They were award winners in the Upper West Ford SCD several years ago. Since then, however, that part of Montague County has been annexed by the Upper Elm-Red SCD.

The Edgins are mighty proud of their ranch and like to show it off to visitors. The ranch is a fine example of what good management and hard work can accomplish.

A summary of Edgins achievements includes 77 acres of range seeding, 345 acres of brush management, 370 acres of proper grazing use and deferred grazing, 687 acres of wildlife habitat management, 238 acres of pasture planting and 317 acres of pasture management.



was so thick that it was an everyday job looking for their cattle and he had to lease all the land around him to run his cow herd.

Today, the Edgins ranch consists of 716 acres. 370 acres of this is in excellent native bluestem grass and 317 acres have been planted to coastal bermuda grass and K. R. bluestem.

Mr. Edgins is especially proud of his bluestem range pastures because he is able to use them for winter grazing and eliminates hay feeding, except in extremely bad weather.

In order to get his native bluestem pastures to their high state of excellence, he first had to eradicate 345 acres of brush. His main weapon to do this was 2-45-T, applied twice by airplane. Then good grazing management was applied to the rangeland. This includes proper grazing use and deferred grazing for at least 3 months each year. Mr. Edgins says that it pays to leave 50% of the annual growth of little bluestem because his grass has continually improved and he is producing more beef as a result.

Mr. Edgins likes to use his coastal bermuda for summer grazing while he is deferring his rangeland pastures. Then the rangeland pastures are grazed again in winter. This works so good, Mr. Edgins has only 11 acres for hayland. The deferred grazing allows

Leave Those Residues on Top

Proper management of crop residues is very important in any cropping system to help control erosion and conserve moisture.

You may ask what is crop residue management? Residue management is usually the returning of plant residues to the soil following a crop. Wheat straw returned following a crop of wheat is one good example. This residue should be left on or near the soil surface until the seedbed is prepared for the next crop. A chisel and a tandem disc are two good pieces of equipment to use to obtain a good seedbed and leave the residues on top.

Well managed residues also improve the soil fertility and tilth or soil structure. It takes at least 3000 pounds of air dry residue per acre just to maintain the soil productivity and fertility of most soils locally. To get improvement it takes more residue. When a crop is completely removed such as cutting an annual crop for hay, you may have to plant another crop just to get enough residue for the needs of the soil.

When large amounts of residues are returned each year the soil will become more fertile and productive. As this happens it gives the owner or operator a chance to make a larger crop and increase his profit.

Naturally if the high residue producing crop that is being returned to the soil has been fertilized, the quality of your residue will be better and more soil improvement from a nutrient level can be expected. Residues from fertilized crops may break down faster and become a part of the soil faster. Keeping the residues on top is making the best use of them and doing the best conservation job of keeping your soil where it belongs, in the field.

Good Crops Yield Lush Residue

In the management of soils the maintenance of organic matter for the sake of maintenance alone is not a practical approach to farming. It is more realistic to use a management system that will give sustained top profitable production.

The greatest source of organic matter is the residue contributed by current crops. Consequently, the selection of the cropping system and method of handling the residues are equally important. Proper management and fertilization will produce high yields. The by-product of these high yields is the organic residue. Therefore, those soils that are being managed to produce high yields are being improved at the same time.

The practices that grow top yields do the best job in conserving and building our soils. For example in the blacklands of Texas only cropping systems with an average return of more than 3,600 pounds of residue per acre can maintain the organic matter content of the soil at a constant level. A larger quantity is required to increase the organic matter content a significant amount. The important thing is to manage those residues to improve the soil rather than destroy them by burning, overgrazing or baling the residues for hay.

The land is the nation's No. 1 economic problem.

77 Million Acres Of Pastureland

Soil Conservation Service technicians helped farmers and ranchers with pasture and hayland plantings on more than 2.3 million acres last year. This brings the on-the-land total of improved pasture to more than 77 million acres in the nation. As a result of this permanent land cover it will have a great beneficial effect in controlling erosion and reducing the silt formerly carried from the land and deposited in unwanted places.

Runoff Water Robs the Soil

Water runoff results in loss of fertile soil and deterioration of the land. We are losing the equivalent of 400,000 acres of good land a year from erosion and other forms of soil deterioration. Because of erosion approximately four billion tons of sediment enter the nation's surface waters during a year's time. Most of this silt comes from erosion on agricultural lands. Much of it is valuable topsoil.



Grasses and legumes provide the cover to keep land where it belongs. They enrich the soil. They belong in a conservation plan.

Grasses and Legumes are Soil Holders and Soil Builders.

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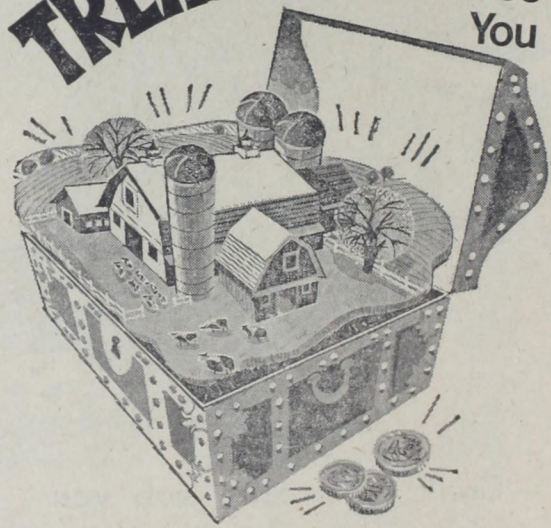
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Narrow Rows Pay In Production of Sorghum Crop

Narrow row spacing can make for wide profit margins by increasing yields of dry-land grain sorghum 15 to 20 percent.

Narrow row spacing of sorghum provides an earlier and more complete leaf canopy than conventional spacing. This leaf canopy intercepts more sunlight and rainfall, increases water intake by the soil, and reduces evaporation. Soil water measurements taken during and at the end of the growing season showed no significant difference in soil

water content between narrow and conventional row spacing. This suggests that sorghum planted in closer rows uses water more efficiently than sorghum planted in conventional rows.

Spacing sorghum in 27 to 30 inch rows instead of the usual 40 inch rows increased the value of the yield approximately \$30.00 per acre in an ARS study in Central Texas. Moreover, narrow row spacing involved no additional production costs, and was accomplished with conventional

farming equipment.

The study was conducted by soil scientists John E. Adams, Joe T. Ritchie, and Earl Burnett, and agricultural engineer Clarence W. Richardson of ARS in cooperation with agricultural engineer Gerald F. Arkin, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Temple.

The research team found that besides increasing crop yields and conserving water, narrow row spacing cut down soil erosion significantly by reducing runoff. — B.D.C.

Lindsay Girl Wins Essay Contest on Conservation

NOTE: Carla Haverkamp is first place winner in the 17th annual essay contest sponsored by the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District. Joanie Schrad of Lindsay won second place and Johnny York of Prairie Valley won third.

There has never been a nation in the history of the world so blessed with resources as America. So generously has the United States been supplied with the natural resources that make for prosperity and comfort, there has been no incentive to save. As a direct result, our record is a tale of waste. America's story is a tragedy of waste. But America is starting again.

Water is life and we cannot live without it. It is so essential to modern life that we must plan to conserve the supply near where it falls upon the earth's surface. Our need for water increases as our population increases. This greater requirement places greater demands upon water resources. To provide for everyone, our water must be conserved and protected.

One method for conservation of water is the reclaiming of arid lands. Water conservation also depends upon controlling water pollution. Three primary sources of water pollution which need to be stopped are agricultural, domestic and industrial wastes.

People give value to natural resources. America must conserve these resources or perish. Americans must choose whether we shall continue as a world power with a high standard of living, or whether it shall follow the path that leads to destruction. Every American must pledge to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of our country, particularly its soil and water.



The age of exploitation has nearly passed, today we are entering an era of conservation.

Conservation is usually defined as the wise use of natural resources. This definition is acceptable, but is incomplete. It states no responsibility for maintaining the resources used. "Conservation", in the opinion of Henry Jackson Waters is "taking thought for the future." Future generations will condemn us if we fail to conserve the resources entrusted to us. Consideration for others is the cardinal principle of any conservation policy.

Land is the most important of all natural resources. Upon land we are dependent for food. Fertile land yields abundantly. Fertility of the land is maintained by controlling soil erosion and by following practices which make the land richer with use.

Soil erosion is the movement of soil by wind and water. Therefore, the task is to prevent erosion by these elements. Wind cannot move soil covered by vegetation and water moves no soil when it is percolated into the ground. Important methods for the control of water on cultivated fields are contour planting, strip cropping and terracing. Conserving the nation's soil resources is not a problem in which farmers alone are interested, but is a concern of all people, rural and urban alike.

Gully Converted Into an Asset

Adam Wolf and Alvin Blakley, whose farms are located south of Bulcher, had a large problem that needed attention.

It was a gully that was 32 feet deep in the deepest place. The widest point was 150 feet. After seeking assistance a grade stabilization structure was surveyed and designed and installed.

The dam was constructed on the Blakley farm because the gully narrowed at that point. Both property owners will benefit from the joint venture and will have livestock water as well as gully control. Some shaping will be done after the structure is complete.



Gene Foster, director of the evening division of Grayson County College, is master of ceremonies of the conservation awards banquet.



The Muenster Enterprise congratulates the champ farmers and all cooperators of the Upper Elm-Red District



Best Wishes to Our Conservation Farmers



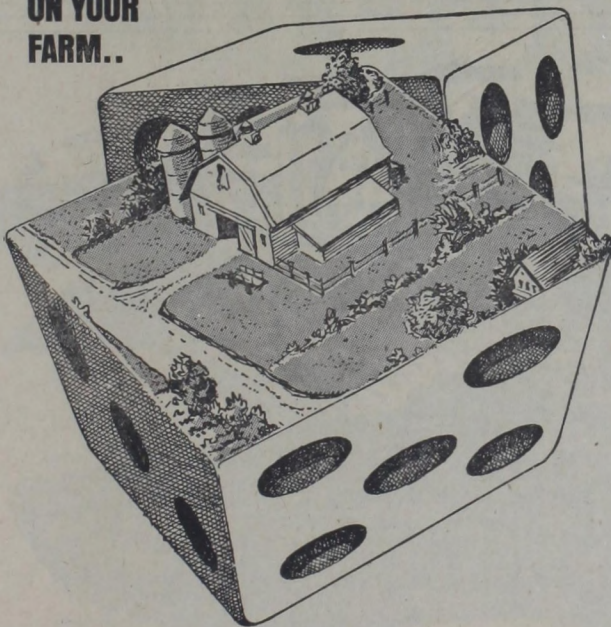
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Conservation News Award Goes to Saint Jo Tribune

THE SAINT JO TRIBUNE of Saint Jo, Texas, has made a valuable contribution to the conservation efforts of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District during 1976. They printed a conservation edition, printed a weekly conservation news column along with other agricultural news.

The paper is owned by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cole. Mr. Cole is the publisher and Mrs. Cole is the circulation manager. They have owned the paper for three and one-half

years. Their daughter, Mrs. Judy Chism, is the paper's editor. Special conservation editions were started by the TRIBUNE in the early 1960's and have been published annually since. In 1969, the Special Conservation Edition won first place in the Fort Worth Press Awards. The 1976 special edition carried 32 conservation stories, 23 conservation pictures and 26 conservation ads. Approximately 40 conservation stories were printed during the year in its weekly

conservation column. The paper covers all agricultural events — printing articles from the county agents, county 4-H news, Forestburg and Saint Jo FFA news and other special agricultural news. A Distinguished Service Award for 1976, given by Future Farmers of America, was awarded to the Tribune.

Saint Jo, Texas, is a city of 1100 residents located in a farming and ranching area. The area is noted for its fine conservation farmers' and ranchers. Part of the credit for this distinction can be attributed to the TRIBUNE for keeping its readers informed about conservation. Clear Creek, Farmers Creek,

Elm Fork Creek and Denton Creek Watershed are located in the circulation area of the TRIBUNE. The paper contributed to the success of the local sponsors in these watershed programs.

The location of the TRIBUNE is situated so that its readers are served by three Soil Conservation Service field offices. They are Bowie, Nona and Muenster and the paper assists each one of these offices working with the district in their conservation information program.

The district depends on many people, businesses and institutions to assist them and THE SAINT JO TRIBUNE has made a significant contribution.



C. E. Cole, winner of news media conservation award.

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You and 5 Acres

Whether you know it or not, you've got a big stake in five acres of land. You don't own it nor pay taxes on it, but chances are — if you realized how vital it is to your well-being — you'd be doing everything you can to see that the fellow who's taking care of it for you gets the right kind of encouragement.

That five acres is the amount of farmland each one of us depends on for most of the food we eat, a lot of the clothes we wear, and much of the lumber that goes into the roof over our heads.

It's the farmer, of course, who takes care of that five acres and sees that it produces the food, fiber, and forestry products each of us needs. To do this requires the farmer's hard work, know-how, and a big cash investment.

Last year, as an average consumer, you paid him \$427.54 for doing this. Three-fourths of what you paid him went for production expenses. That left him \$74.97 — less than 3½ percent return on his investment — and he threw in his own labor.

Fortunately, your farmer friend out there has been increasing his efficiency at a rapid pace. Fifty years ago, it took an average 10 acres of cropland to meet your needs.

Today, on just five acres, he can produce about three times as much wheat as you can eat, twice as much rice, about 40 percent more cotton and soybeans than you can use, and a fourth more feed grains than it takes to feed the livestock and poultry which produce your meat, milk, and eggs.

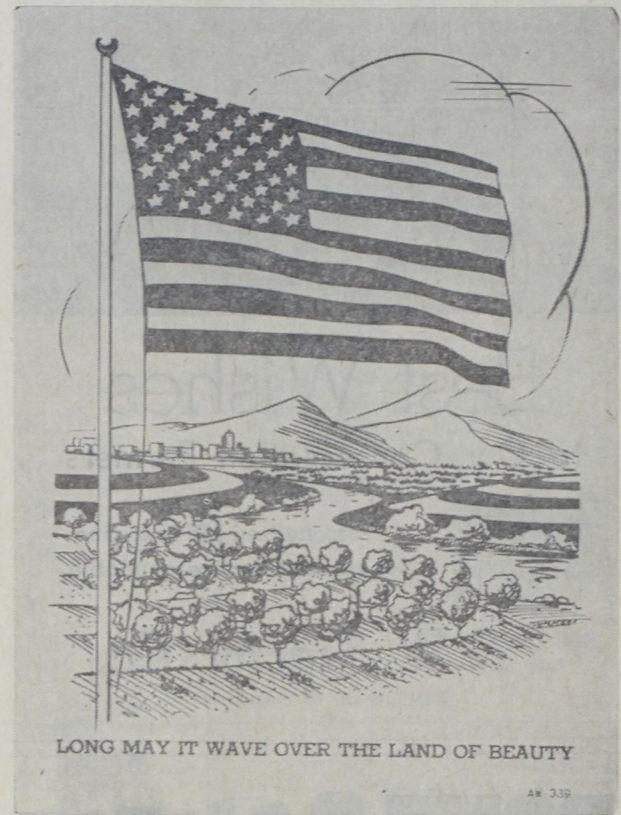
Since you can't use all the food, feed and fiber raised by your farmer friend on those five acres, he looks for an export market overseas. If he finds it, he can increase his production and spread his costs over more acres. If he doesn't then he has to cut back his production and this means his cost of producing a bushel or a bale of your food or fiber goes up. As this happens, the farmer's incentive to stay in the business of producing your food and fiber just naturally goes down.

That's why each of us needs to be concerned about whether the farmer taking the risk on our five acres of land is going to be able to maintain the fertility of his soil and invest in the mechanization and new techniques necessary to maintaining our supply of food, fiber, and forestry products.

He's doing a good job of it now, but as population grows and demand increases, we're going to have to share part of that five acres with other people. Somehow we are going to have to find ways to make our farm acreage even more productive than it is now.

Seeing that the farmer has the equipment, supplies, know-how, and incentive to do the job is where you come in.

Getting involved on the side of the farmer on public issues that affect his ability to produce efficiently and profitably isn't meddling. It's minding your own business.

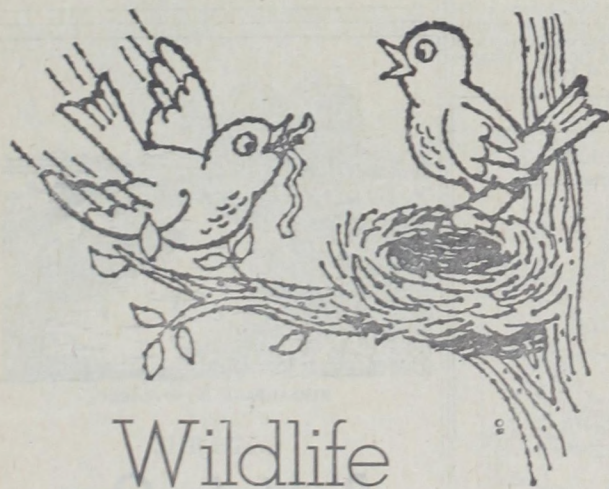


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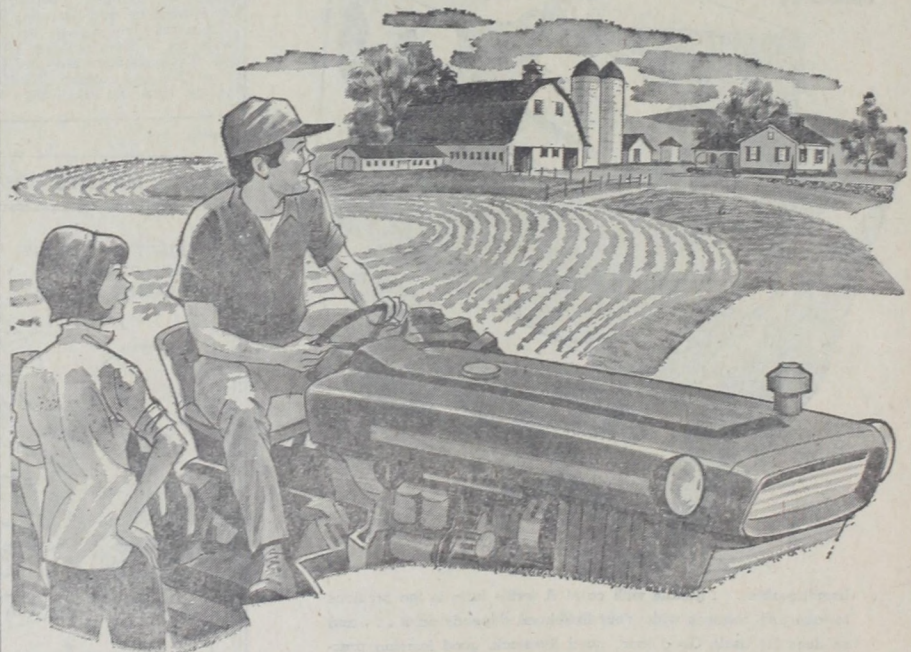
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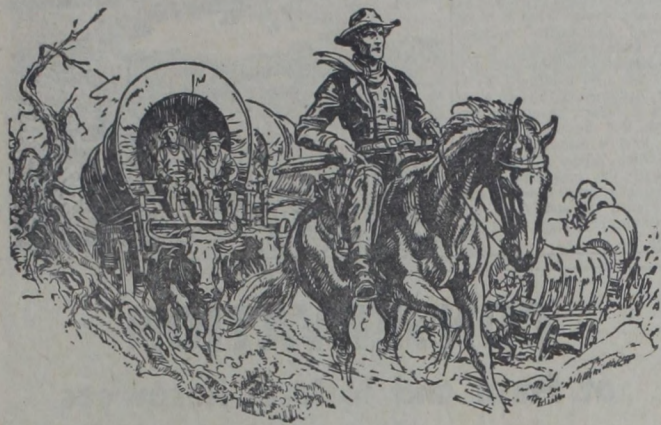


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Winter Pasture Grass Pays Off in Cattle Business

Resting one or more native pastures during the growing season and utilizing them during the winter season is one way to help solve some of the cost of wintering livestock by leaving some grass on the land. When using this method, protein will need to be fed during the winter because the dry grass does not have enough protein to meet the animals' needs.

Managing Water

There is enough water for every need if it is properly managed. The requirement is to assure adequate storage and transport. Much water can be saved by covering the soil with the right kind of vegetation that will slow down the flow of runoff, allow more precipitation to enter the soil, and prevent loss of topsoil to streams where it impairs water quality. Water runoff results in loss of fertile soil and deterioration of the land. We are losing the equivalent of 400,000 acres of good land a year from erosion and other forms of soil deterioration.

Sediment is a terrible example of a resource out of place. It hurts the land where it came from and hurts the water where it goes. Keep sediment from polluting streams and reservoirs.

Bowen is Champion of Zone 5

W. H. Bowen, rancher and businessman of Dallas, has been chosen the outstanding conservationist in Zone 5 of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District for 1976.

Mr. Bowen owns and operates 1735 acres of pastureland and 65 acres of cropland. In addition to this he leases about 1000 acres.

Mr. Bowen purchased these places in 1953 and immediately requested assistance from the Upper Elm-Red SWCD. He also bought four other farms. Mr. Bowen developed his conservation plan which included gully shaping, pasture planting and fencing. After establishing these four farms to grass and getting them in good shape, he sold these farms leaving his present places to complete his conservation plan.

Roy Chumbley became manager of the Bowen Ranch in 1964. Mr. Bowen and Chumbley have established 700 acres of coastal bermudagrass, seeded 250 acres of fescue, overseeded 200 acres of bermudagrass with Yucchi Arrowleaf clover. They have a 36-acre plot of Yucchi Arrowleaf clover which is used for seed production to be used to overseed the bermudagrass. Roy is very optimistic about the benefits of Arrowleaf clover. The other land was in native bermudagrass which has been improved by management to protect the land and produce grazing.

This ranching operation produces all of the feed for the cattle operation except for the 20 percent range cubes fed during the winter. The cows are wintered on hay, ensilage and three pounds of 20 percent

cubes each day. Stocker calves are fed about the same ration except they are given the green grazing during the winter which is produced by Yucchi Arrowleaf clover, fescue and ryegrass overseeded in bermudagrass. Calves are kept on the ranch until they are heavy feeders about 700 to 800 pounds and then sold.

The ranch is presently stocked with 450 cows and

300 stockers are bought each year. Approximately 20,000 bales of hay are produced and 1500 to 2000 tons of ensilage is stored for winter feed.

The present plans are to reduce the cow herd and increase the number of stocker calves to increase the flexibility of the ranching operations.

Mr. Bowen has several of the exotic breeds in his herds. He has one-half beefalo and three-fourth simmental cows and calves which have been artificially inseminated on the ranch. Roy does the artificial insemination on selected cows each year to improve the breeding herd.

Mr. Bowen and Roy have a "farrow-to finish" hog operation where they keep about 80 to 100 sows. They sell about 1000 to 1200 finished hogs each year. All feed for the hog operation is bought except the grain sorghum produced on the farmland.

W. H. Bowen is married and has three daughters. Roy Chumbley, his wife Warda and his two daughters, Lisa and Christie, live on the ranch located about six miles east of Sherman.

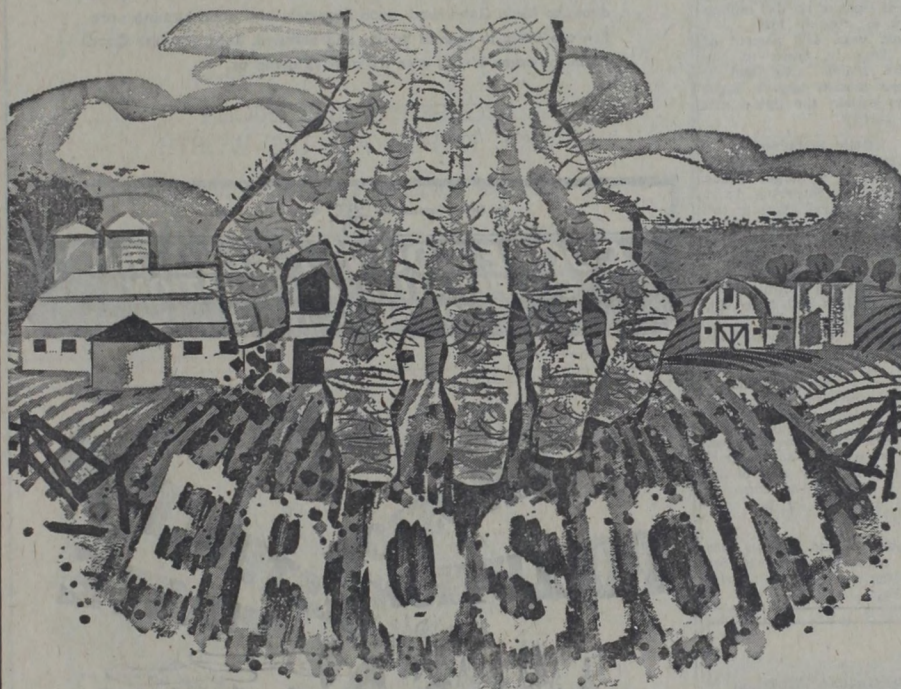


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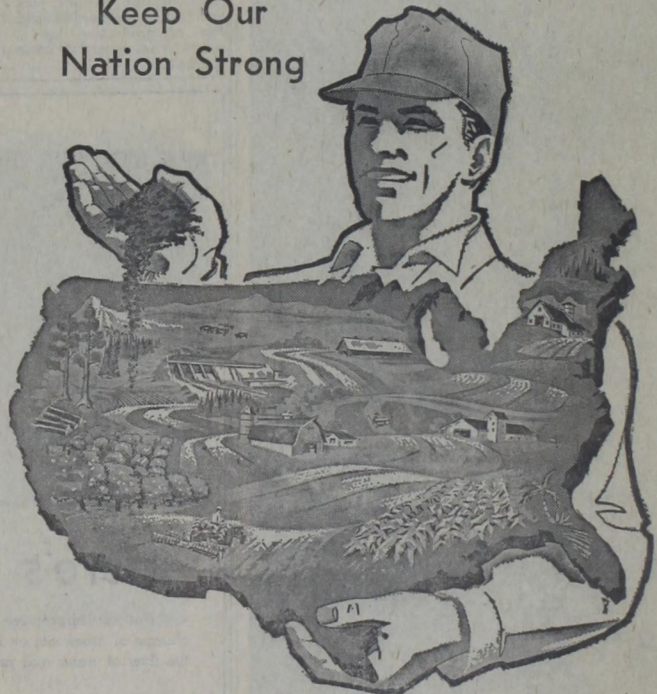
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Quail and Dove are at Home On the Gene Bennett Farm

Wildlife habitat is gaining popularity as a land use. For example, Gene Bennett of Bowie, devotes his entire 67 acre farm for wildlife habitat. Mr. Bennett is primarily a lover of game birds such as dove and quail. Except for one fish pond, the entire farm is used for bird food produc-

tion. Much of the farm is in native grasses with a healthy stand of ragweed, a primary food for dove and quail. Scattered brush has been preserved for bird cover. Contour strips were laid off where Mr. Bennett plants corn, milo maize, sunflower,



Vast Acreage of Cropland Returns To Pasture, Range

The land in crops and forest in Texas and Oklahoma decreased substantially from 1967 to 1975, with most of it going into pasture and rangeland. Cropland totaled 41 million acres in 1975 — 7 million less than in 1967. Forest acreage was more than halved, dropping from 39 million acres to 16 million. Pasture and rangeland, however, increased 20 million acres to total 139 million acres.

In the study, SCS determined nearly 11 million acres — most now in pasture and range — have a high potential for conversion to cropland. Another 140 million acres have little or no potential for conversion because of lack of dependable water, high erosion hazards, or commitment to noncropland use.

These two states have 67 million acres of prime farmland, 29 million of which are now in crops. Another 33 million acres are in pasture and range, with 6 million acres of that being readily convertible to crops. This is the greatest reserve of prime land of any region.

Progress in converting land poorly suited for crops into other uses showed up clearly in the 10-state Great Plains area. While marginal land accounted for more than one out of four acres of the 204 million acres in crops in 1967, it accounted for less than one out of eight of the 163 million acres in crops in 1975.

Last year, 41.8 percent of the land in crops in the Great Plains area had a severe erosion hazard. Eight years earlier, the figure was 43.5 percent.

Gully Stabilized

Jerry Davis of Forestburg constructed a large Grade Stabilization Structure last fall on his farm. It is at the lower end of a large gullied area that he shaped and planted to coastal bermudagrass earlier. The structure will give grade control to the shaped gullies and keep silt, which will be caught by the dam, from being deposited in a bottomland pasture he has. This dam was constructed with cost share assistance through the Clear Creek Critical Treatment Area Program.

Where erosion has occurred, rain is no longer an unmixed blessing. In many parts of the world drought has come to stay, regardless of the weather.

Legumes and grasses are two nature's best tools for building and maintaining soil fertility.

Big Dining Table

If everyone in the world sat down at one table to eat, it would stretch some 30 times around the earth's equator. The table would need to be lengthened 38 miles each day for the new additions coming to dinner. Today we have over 4 billion people on the earth and by the year 2000 the total is expected to reach 6 billion. These figures emphasize the importance of a good agricultural economy and of a good soil and water conservation program on all the land.



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soybeans and millet for additional bird food. The millet looked outstanding last year and made a bumper crop of seed for bird food.

Mr. Bennett dug a pond for fish production and for a watering place for the coveys of quail attracted to the farm. In order to get the pond to hold water, it had to be lined with drillers mud. The pond was dug in a dry period, so it was pumped full from a nearby well. The pond has been stocked with catfish which Mr. Bennett feeds daily.

Shrubs are being planted that will beautify the farm and provide food for other kinds of birds.

Mr. Bennett likes to share his bird haven with his friends and has installed a skeet range for their use.

Mr. Bennett likes to hunt birds and has two well trained bird dogs for hunting quail.

Mr. Bennett became a member of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District in 1974 when he purchased his farm, and began to make improvements soon after.

Mr. Bennett is in the oil production business with his brother, John, in Bowie.

Klement Brothers Plan Waterways

Topographic maps of two different fields on the Klement Brothers farm north of Hood have been completed. A system of waterways and parallel terraces have been designed. They are awaiting the harvest of crops now on the fields to begin construction of waterways to be used as terrace outlets.

Kenneth and Robert have been carrying out a good conservation program on their cropland and pastureland for a number of years. They operate a dairy and small grain farm at Hood.

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**Stephenson Receives
Claude Jones Award**

F. A. Stephenson, Jr., is this year's winner of the Claude Jones award. This is a cash award of \$200 which is presented to the landowner or farm operator who is selected as the best conservation farmer in Cooke County.

The Claude Jones award which is presented by the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District, was made possible by a \$2000.00 trust fund set up by the late Mr. Jones to be paid out over a ten year period. This is the eighth winner of this award.

Junior Stephenson has been farming in the Era Community all his life. He has been a cooperater with the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District for seventeen years.

When Junior took over the 209 acre family farm about 17 years ago, it was like many cotton farms in the area with every acre in cultivation that was possible to cultivate. Some of the land was subject to flooding from Big Duck Creek and the land was eroding because of uncontrolled runoff of rainfall. Junior put 35 acres of this overflow land to permanent pasture by sodding coastal bermudagrass and constructed three waterways on this farm to handle the runoff of 10,972 feet of parallel terraces and 16,122 feet of gradient terraces that has been constructed.

In 1975, Junior purchased a 70 acre farm that he had been renting several years.

This farm had a problem with outside water and eroding cropland. Junior constructed two waterways and established them to coastal bermudagrass to handle the outside water and terrace outlets. He has completed 3,448 feet of parallel terraces and has 3,500 feet of parallel terraces designed and ready to apply as soon as the land is clear of crops.

Junior installed a conservation cropping system which includes cotton, grain sorghum and smallgrain. All crops are fertilized for maximum production and the crop residue is maintained on the surface of the soil to assist in controlling erosion. All row crops are planted and cultivated on the contour by following terraces.

Sixty seven acres of pastureland has been developed to coastal and common bermudagrass plus 10 acres of waterway development and 12 acres of hayland that remains to be developed to coastal bermudagrass. This grassland is managed by fertilization, weed control and proper use of grasses to run a herd of beef cows. Three farm ponds have been constructed to provide livestock water.

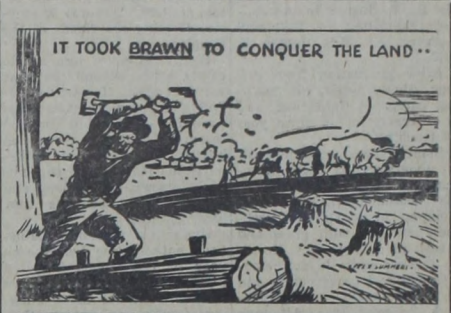
The Stephenson farm is a well balanced operation that includes beef cattle, grain sorghum, smallgrain and cotton.



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Hughes of Callisburg Is No. 1 Conservation Teacher

Shelly Hughes has been selected as Outstanding Conservation Teacher in the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District for this year. Shelly Hughes grew up at Whitesboro, and attended both elementary and high school there. Following graduation from high school, he attended Cooke County College, for two years prior to going to East Texas State University, where he received his B. S. degree in Agriculture Education in 1968 and received his M.S. degree in 1973.

After graduation from college, Shelly began his teaching career at Callisburg, and is currently in his ninth year of teaching.

Shelly places great emphasis on understanding and conserving our natural resources. In his vocational agriculture curriculum, he starts his freshman students with grass and grassland management. He also teaches units in soil management and conservation and water resource management and conservation. Although

much time is spent in classroom activity, he devotes time to field studies to better acquaint his students with soils, plants and the environment.

Hughes believes that being able to express one's self about conservation views is important. He stresses writing conservation essays. In the 1973 Upper Elm-Red Essay Contest, one of his students placed second out of 211 district-wide entries with the essay entitled, "Natural Resources, Meeting the Needs of the People."

Shelly stresses interest in conservation beyond the time spent in class. He spends several hours a week after class training students in natural resource contests. Since he has been teaching at Callisburg, his teams have continuously placed high in land and grass judging contests they have entered.

Under his leadership, Callisburg entered two teams each year in the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District's Annual Grass Judging Contest in which they



competed against all other FFA and 4-H teams in the three-county district. In 1969, his junior team won first place in the contest. In the 1971 and 1972 contest Callisburg swept the contest winning both junior and senior divisions. This past fall his senior team placed third and his junior team placed second in the local contest. Shelly teaches four years of agriculture at Callisburg.

Shelly's teams have also participated in plant identification contests at the Heart of Texas Fair in Waco, the Fort Worth Livestock Show, the Houston Livestock Show and the State Fair of Texas and San Angelo Livestock Show. Compiled in these contests his teams have one first place, four second places, three third places, three fourth places and one each of fifth, sixth and seventh places. He also has to his credit two first place wins at the Area V FFA Grass Judging Contest at Denton.

The Callisburg FFA Chapter entered two teams each year in the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District's Annual Land Judging Contest. The junior team won fifth place in 1969 and first place in their division in 1970. In 1971 the senior team placed fifth and the junior team placed fourth. Callisburg in 1972 had the fourth place junior team and the second place senior team. In 1973, the junior land judging team placed third and the senior land judging team placed first in this local contest.

Callisburg enters a team annually in the FFA land judging contests. In 1971, Hughes' team won third place in the State FFA contest. This placing enabled them to participate in the national contest

in Oklahoma City where they placed seventeenth in the nation. Shelly Hughes participated in the adult division of the contest and was the second high individual in the nation out of 180 participants. In 1972, his land judging team won sixth in the area contest and missed making the state contest by only one point. In 1973 Callisburg placed fourth in the area contest and nineteenth in the state contest.

Shelly Hughes credits the success of his students to their own desire to excel. He has

had several students who received the Lone Star Farmer award in FFA work and the Callisburg FFA Chapter has been a Texas Gold Emblem Chapter since Shelly has been teaching there. Approximately 20 percent of the students he has taught went to college to further their education and approximately twelve percent of his students went into agriculture work.

Shelly feels that conservation education is also needed for adults of the Callisburg community. He sponsors sev-

eral four-night short courses with specialists from Texas A & M University. He has a short course scheduled for May on pastureland and pasture management. To share common agriculture and conservation problems he organizes two or three adult meetings per year.

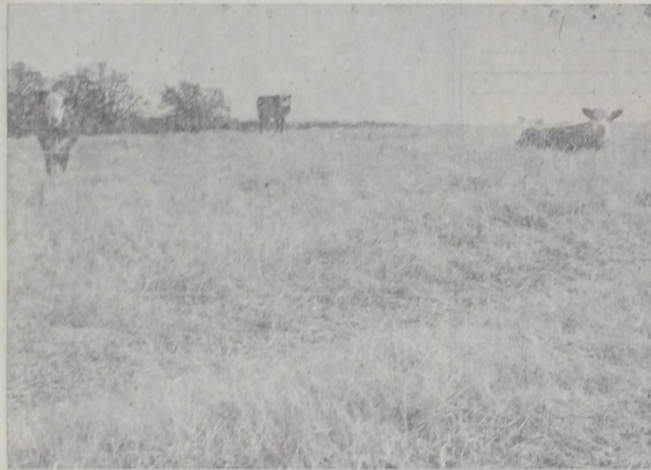
Ted Vogel Builds a Pond
Ted Vogel completed another pond on his farm southwest of Muenster. It will serve as a livestock water supply for a bermudagrass pasture. The addition of the pond will allow Vogel's livestock to better utilize the forage he has grown for them.



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Callisburg's grass judging team was Number 1 in the annual contest sponsored by the Upper Elm-Red Soil Conservation District. Advisor Shelly Hughes is shown here with Glenda Delashaw, Pam Petty, Timmy Kemp and Steve Brooks.

Burnette Is Zone 4 Top Farmer

Mark I. Burnette, Jr., has won the award as Outstanding Conservation Farmer for Zone 4 of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District for 1977.

Mark is an airline pilot who bought his farm in 1971 and moved his home there. This 158 acre farm has 75 acres of native grass, 81 acres of unprotected cropland and approximately 2 acres of farmstead.

In developing his conservation plan, Mark decided to keep 46 acres of his best grassland in native rangeland. This pasture had a composition of good range grasses and has improved constantly with deferred grazing periods and proper grazing use. A new pond was constructed in this rangeland.

A well balanced program is carried out on the Burnette farm, and one phase of the program was to establish improved pastures of coastal bermudagrass on some of the old cropland and old pastureland that did not have a stand of productive grasses. In all, 69 acres of coastal bermuda-

grass was established and 83 acres of coastal and common bermudagrass is being managed by fertilization, weed control and proper grazing use. One old existing pond is being utilized and two new ponds have been constructed to water livestock.

There was 81 acres of unprotected cropland on the Burnette farm when he purchased it, but only 26 acres remain in cultivation today. It is protected by a one acre waterway that was shaped and sodded to coastal bermudagrass to provide outlets for some of the 5,914 feet of parallel terraces that was constructed on this field. The cropping system consist of smallgrain planted each year for grazing and grain production.

Mark raises Black Angus cattle which carry the Emulous blood line. They are known as the large Angus cattle. Mark has developed a herd of fine and gentle cattle on this farm.

Although this farm is not large in size by some standards, it demonstrates a well balanced farming operation that shows conservation practices being applied on rangeland, pastureland and cropland. This farm is a good example of a conservation farm and Mark Burnette, Jr., is a good example of a conservation farmer.

Million Farmers Receive SCS Help

As farmers and ranchers stepped up production last year, the Soil Conservation Service provided technical assistance in soil and water management to more than one million land users through 3000 local conservation districts. Nearly 55 percent of the nation's land is now

termed by the SCS as "adequately treated" against erosion from wind and water. Conservation districts now have 2.3 million voluntary cooperators who are applying and maintaining soil and water conservation practices nearly 793 million acres of

The problem of land utilization and soil conservation is not a farm problem — it is the Nation's problem.

Profit on Cattle Estimated to Be Year or Two Away

Although cattlemen are starting to see better prices again, it may still be a year or two before they start making profits.

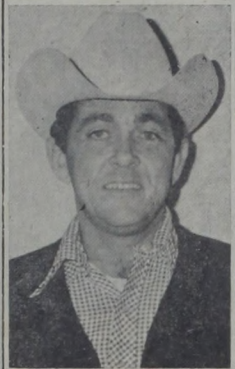
That's the contention of Dr. Ed Uvacek a livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Uvacek, who has been in the business of analyzing cattle cycles for some time, is basing his projection on the assumption that a new cycle is just now beginning, and that the second to the sixth year of the cycle is generally the most favorable period from the price standpoint. Historically, cattle cycles have been highly consistent in both duration and magnitude, generally lasting about seven-to-eight-years during this build-up phase.

"Cattle numbers peaked in 1975," points out Uvacek, "and since then, there has been a liquidation which now looks like it is coming to an end. With a new cycle about to start, the years 1978 to 1982 should provide fairly good price years for cattlemen, if history repeats itself. Of course, this doesn't take into consideration such factors as droughts, depressions or similar catastrophic situations."

Although 1977 won't be a banner year for cow-calf operators, they should at least be able to realize incomes large enough to cover out-of-pocket costs, believes Uvacek. Of course, they will have to keep a wary eye on inflation — the real villain during the past several years and one which remains a constant threat. Improved price levels, therefore, may not be sufficient enough to offset rising production costs.

"In order to survive in this new cattle cycle, cattlemen will have to muster whatever technological, financial and marketing innovations they can get their hands on," contends Uvacek. "The cattleman of the 1980's must, by necessity, become market-oriented and be extremely progressive. Otherwise, he had better find another vocation."



Many cooperators of the Upper Elm-Red Soil & Water Conservation District enjoy fishing, boating and swimming in farm ponds. Technical assistance in constructing these ponds was provided by the Soil Conservation Service.

PIONEER AGE



DESTRUCTIVE AGE

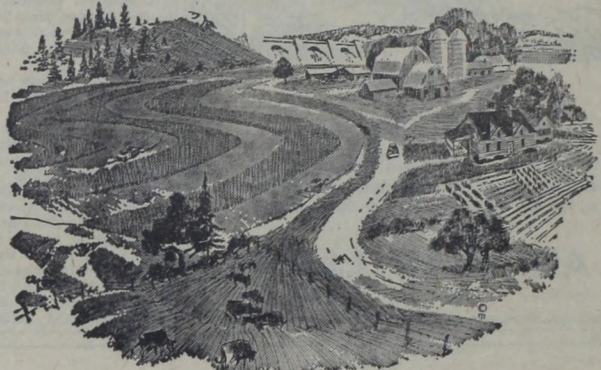


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"For truly, the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, but the responsibility for its stewardship is vested in man."

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Slide Program on Soil Conditions Available at SCS

How builders can avoid the problems of flooding homes is one of the principles covered in a slide talk available from the Soil Conservation Service, according to Arlin Naegeli, local soil conservationist.

"This presentation, Soil Basics for Builders, informs people of some of the hazards of construction caused by soil conditions," Naegeli said. "In addition to flooding soils, the 12-minute presentation covers septic tank soil selection, shrinking and swelling soils, corrosive soils, and sliding soils."

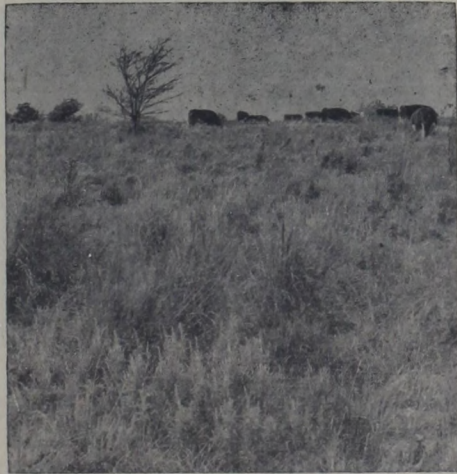
"All of these problems are present in the Muenster locality," Naegeli said. "According to our Soil Conservation Service soil scientists, the location of these conditions can be identified and mapped. Building plans can be adjusted to avoid flooding, cracking houses, underground damage by corrosion, and other soil related difficulties."

"The use of soil survey information to avoid building problems is not experimental," Naegeli said. "In some areas, millions of dollars in public and private money have been saved by simply avoiding known problems or by making the adjustments necessary in construction details."

"Where field work has not been done, we can give basic information on soil conditions on request," Naegeli said.

The slide presentation, Soil Basics for Builders, with a taped script may be scheduled for groups or programs by contacting the Soil Conservation Service office at 759-2515.

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Crenshaw Receives Dual Award For Zone 2 and Entire District

C. B. "Sass" Crenshaw, Blecherville, Texas, is a full-time cattleman and part-time banker. He works half time in public relations and livestock loans. The rest of the time is spent running his 1365 acre ranch west of Nocona.

Crenshaw has been a mem-



ber of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District since 1956. This year he is selected as Outstanding Conservation Farmer in Zone 2. He is also selected as Sweepstakes Winner for the District. Ranch improvements went along steadily until 1970, then improvements began in earnest. At that time, he entered into a Great Plains Conservation Program contract with the Soil Conservation Service. His ranch operation was completely revised and things got rolling.

Brush and ditches were a problem. Calves got lost in the gullies and not much grass grew on the brush land. There were no improved grasses to supplement rangelands. Brush control began first with 250 acres of mesquite and oak dozed out, and 514 acres of aerial spraying. A followup or second spraying was done on 375 acres of oak. Deep gullies criss-crossed 42 acres in two fields planned for pastureland. The ditches were shaped and sodded to

coastal bermuda, along with 232 acres of old cropland and brush. Lovegrass was planted on 143 acres. An erosion control structure was built to help stabilize the gullies. About a mile and a half of fences and six pounds were built to create seven improved pastures and four rangeland pastures. Thirty acres were kept in cropland. C. B. just needed something to plow and plant — but winter grain gets his calves off to a good start.

That sounded easy, but it took lots of work, six years and a little money. Were all the time, efforts and costs worth it?

Crenshaw says "yes". Before I started on the Great Plains Program, I was hard pressed to graze 50 mother cows. Now, I have grass and my own hay for more cows than I really want to own. I had big pastures that wouldn't

graze five head. Taxes were more than I could make off some parts."

"All I have to do now is carry out some maintenance and management and look after livestock. The maintenance was written into the contract along with a grazing plan the SCS and I figured out. I still follow the plan. Now, I don't wake up in the morning and wonder where I'm going to put some cows and what pasture to go into. Everything is working fine."

"I don't mean to imply that there isn't anything left for me to do, there is," Crenshaw said. "There are always plenty things to do in ranching. But, it is easier now."

C. B. and his wife, Doris Rose, are justly proud of their ranch and feel their efforts were all worth while. Both are quick to tell you they think so.



The Forestburg team won first place in this year's land judging contest sponsored by the Upper Elm-Red Conservation district. Pictured here are the advisor, Charles Edwards with Chris Grisham, Gordon Griffin, Johnny Lanier, and Chairman J. H. Bayer of the district.

Awards Program . . .

And F. A. Stephenson of Era is winner of the Claude Jones Memorial Award.

Shelly Hughes of Callisburg is being honored as the conservation teacher of the district and C. E. Cole of Saint Jo is winner of the conservation news media award.

Students honored are Carla Haverkamp of Lindsay as first place winner of the conservation essay contest; the Number 1 Callisburg grass judging team; and the Number 1 Forestburg land judging team. The Callisburg team includes Glenda Delashaw, Pam Petty, Timmy Kemp and Steve Brooks, coached by Shelly Hughes. The Forestburg team includes Chris Gresham, Gordon Griffin and Johnny Lanier, coached by Charles Edwards.

The feature of the program will be the conservation stories of the champions narrated by Pat Bolin, operations manager of Radio Station KGAF, while colored pictures of the winners' achievements are flashed on the screen. When each champion's story is finished he will receive his award from a program sponsor of his zone.

Heading the program as master of ceremonies is Gene Foster, director of the evening division of Grayson County College. Frank Atkins, manager of the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce is opening chairman. John Allen of Whaley United Methodist Church will give the invocation, and Glenn Wilson of Cooke County College will provide the dinner music.



Pat Bolin of Station KGAF will narrate the conservation stories of champion farmers at the awards banquet.

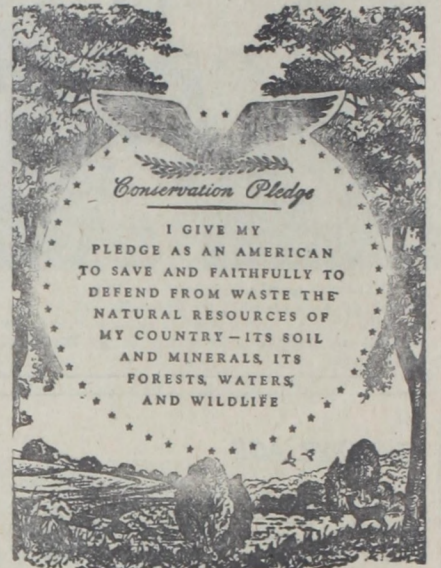
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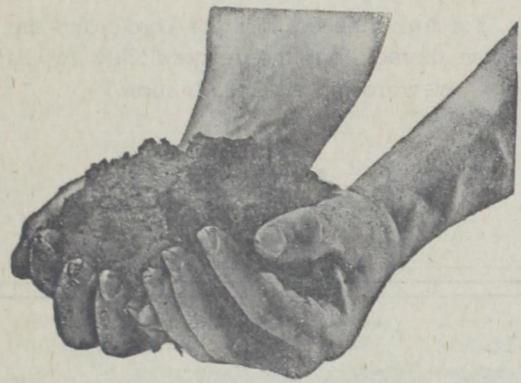
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