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1) Providing a collaborative de-

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1st Class stamp set to

increase to 37¢ on June 30

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letter will go up more than 8

when the U.S. Postal Service's ty mail. new 37-cent 1st Class rate goes new rate.

Other postal rates are going ter, will cost an extra 23 cents. Postal Service. And, a surcharge of 12 cents will

those paid by the Success, are go-scheduled increases.

The cost of mailing a 1st Class ing up an average of 10 percent, with most of the increase coming percent on June 30. That's in the price paid for out-of-coun-

The rate increase was apinto effect. A 37-cent stamp won't proved by the Postal Rate Combe available in time, however. In- mission on Sept. 10, 2001, one stead, a 3-cent Star Stamp will be day before the terrorist attacks in sold to bridge the gap between the New York and Washington, D.C. current 34-cent stamp and the and ahead of the subsequent Anthrax mailings.

Postal officials defend the inup as well. For example, each ad- crease as being necessary to inditional ounce in a 1st class let- sure the future viability of the

In recent years, especially be added on 1st class mail that since the development of the Inis oddly shaped or doesn't con-ternet and the widespread use of form to standard postal service electronic mail, 1st Class mail delivery has dwindled. Increasing-The cost for mailing single ly the Postal Service has relied on piece cards, commonly called bulk mail to offset the decline in post cards will increase from 21 revenue. Interestingly, bulk mail cents to 23 cents, or just over nine rates are set to go up an average percent. Periodical rates, like of 7.1 percent, the lowest of the

Postal rates, then and now

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Comptroller Rylander delivers sales tax rebates

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered this week rebate this month totalled \$306.4 million in monthly sales \$5,016.32, down 23.63 percent tax payments to Texas cities, coun- from the \$6,568.58 received in ties, transit departments and spe- June, 2001. Year-to-date, the councial purpose taxing districts. Sales ty has received \$35,833.69. That's tax allocations to local govern- down 25.46 percent from ments are up 4.1 percent compared \$48,077.49 received during the to June 2001. So far this year, lo-same period last year. cal sales tax allocations are down six months of 2001.

\$1.2 billion, down 6.8 percent od last year. compared to a year ago.

to 1,114 Texas cities, up 3.4 per- smaller decline in Health Service cent compared to June 2001. Year- tax rebate, is mostly attributable to-date, city sales tax rebates are to an overpayment the Comptrol-

10.84 percent from the June payment by the state. last year of \$6,109.87. So far this year, this point in the year.

The Schleicher County Health 0.9 percent compared to the first Service tax rebate for June was \$6,113.41, down 1.03 percent from June sales tax rebates include June, 2001's payment of local sales taxes collected in April \$6,177.13. The year-to-date total and reported to the Comptroller in for the Health Service tax stands May. The state's share of sales tax at \$35,028.71. That's a decline of collected during this period was 20.99 percent from the same peri-

As in the last five months, the Comptroller Rylander sent steep decline in Schleicher Counsales tax rebates of \$203.2 million ty's sales tax rebate, as well as the down 0.8 percent compared to ler made to the county last year. That money is now being with-In the allocation, the City of El- held, a practice that will continue dorado received \$5,446.96, down until the overpayment is recovered

The Comptroller's next sales the city has received \$40,448.46, a tax allocation is scheduled for Fridecline of 10.33 percent from 2001 day, July 12, 2002 and will be rewhen the city received \$45,110.58 at ported the following week in the Eldorado Success.

Workforce Development Board plans audit project here

for the purpose of determining ployers and employees. workforce development needs in Schleicher County, will be conducted by Kelly Barraza, a community auditor employed by the board.

Ms. Barraza will be mapping community assets as part of the community audit. This will assist in identifying existing services now available to meet workforce development needs and in identifying training needs and skills needed in Schleicher County.

The community audit will begin with an employer survey followed by worker interviews. The survey will determine what skills employers expect and need from their current employees in order

mine the type of training needed project as:

The Concho Valley Workforce by current employees to develop menting a "Community Audit cal companies. Additionally, the plan for Schleicher County; Demonstration Project" in Schle- audit will identify the existing sericher County. The project, aimed vices available to meet area work- source directory for Schleicher the Concho Valley Workforce Deat conducting strategic research force development needs of em- County;

> Barraza, community auditor for the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board will be conducting a research project aimed at identifying the needs of Schleicher County employers and employees. Ms. Barraza will be working out of the Schleicher County Community Resource Center.

Research project - Kelly

COURTESY PHOTO

force Development Board will present its findings to the commuto continue the growth of their nity stakeholders in the public and the community stakeholders. businesses, which in turn sup- private sector, educational and

During the course of the training institutions to provide cus- nity has any questions, please conproject, the Concho Valley Work- tomized training for currently em- tact Kelly Barraza at (915) 655ployed workers; and

4) Sharing tangible results with

Concho Valley Workforce De-

Schleicher County Judge Development Board will be imple- career paths or ladders within lo- velopment of a regional strategic Johnny Griffin says he is excited about the project and looks for-2) Providing a community re- ward to assisting Ms. Barraza and velopment Board. Griffin added 3) Linking educational and that he hopes that Ms. Barraza's research will confirm his long held belief that funding is needed in Schleicher County for worker retraining as well as on-the-jobtraining.

Barraza is tentatively scheduled to work out of the Schleicher County Resource Center, a development that also pleases Judge Griffin, who notes that the project could help offset funding lost when the Texas Department of Health moved out of the Resource Center.

For more information about the community audit or if the commu-

The Community Audit Demonstration Project is 35% federally funded by the Department of Laports expansion of the local training institutions, and commu-velopment Board asks that busi-bor in the amount of \$49,827,30% nity-based organizations. The nesses and the community become funded by the Concho Valley Worker interviews will deter- board defines the goals of the involved in the planning for the de- Workforce Development Board, velopment of a skilled workforce. and 35% by regional partners.

First annual Sagima Saim festival slated for June 28-30

been a Sagima Saim Festival in Eldorado before, it may be a little difficult to understand. But, when you take into account that the event has been planned by Jim Runge, Eldorado's resident visionary, and also consider that Sagima Saim is actually Mias Amigas spelled backwards, then you're probably on the trail figuring the whole thing out.

Runge assures that Sagima Saim is more than a tongue-incheek spoof of Mias Amigas. He explained that he carefully avoided scheduling conflicts so that per-Schleicher County's sales tax sons wishing to take part in the traditional Mias Amigas reunion may do so and still have time to enjoy the fun and games he has planned.

Sagima Saim will kick off at Dusk on June 28 with participants

Sagima Saim

Schedule of Events

Friday, June 28 Dusk-Snipe Hunt...participants

Saturday, June 29

1:45 - Hysterical District Dedication

2:00-Cruise Cars gather for judging

2:30 - 42 Tournament begins in old

2:45 - Judging of Cruise Cars,

distinctive trophies will be presented

3:05 - "Cruise the Drag" begins with

classic cars, antiques, clubs, jeeps, etc

3:15 - Trivial Pursuit Tournament

3:30 - All conventional cars may join

3:45 - Hall of Fame dedication in old

4:00 - Trophies presented to cruise cars

4:15 - Jackrabbit Chasing Seminar

4:30 - Roadside Parka Dedication

6:30 - X- Bar Ranch Dinner Show

Sunday, June 30

After church-pot luck in old pool hall

with visitation, pool, dominoes and

At the dance - UFO Watch

casual table games.

2:15 - Class Feud at old pool hall

gather on courthouse lawn

in front of old pool hall

begins in old pool hall

3:00 - Flyover

cruise

What in the world is Sagima gathering on the courthouse square lots are just a few of the things on do. For example, in October 2002, Saim? Well, since there's never for an old fashioned Snipe Hunt. the agenda.

The following afternoon, once the formalities of the Mias Amigas Reunion are over, there will be a series of other events, some slightly more serious than others.

Antique Cars cruising the drag, class feuds in the pool hall, a 42 tournament and a fly over by some

of Eldorado's most illustrious pi- ideas for spicing up life in Eldora- for Aug. 16-17 of 2003.

he plans an Armchair Decathletes Runge noted that Sagima Saim Festival. The following February is open to just about everyone who will be an Elgoatarod Festival, is interested. "If they are living loosely based on the famous Idiand breathing, then we want them tarod dog sled race. Of course, there," said Runge. He added that there will be an April Foolishness Elvis would be welcome, regard- Festival in April 2003, a Running of the Bulls Festival the follow-Runge says he has lots of other ing July and an Elvis Wake, slated

Lloyd & Sudduth claim \$10,000 Houston Livestock Show scholarships at 4-H Roundup

Eight Schleicher County 4-H Sudduth each received \$10,000.00 team was recognized on the cy Lester. Houston Livestock Show scholar-

Tabitha Lloyd is the daughter of Roy Gene and Melissa Lloyd. She plans to use her scholarship while attending Angelo State Uni-

Dest Sudduth is the son of Bill and Toni Sudduth. He plans to attend Texas A&M University.

Meanwhile, two senior "Share the Fun" entries from Schleicher County competed on the State level. Will Griffin, participated in the Poetry Division, with a cowboy poem. He gave and excellent presentation that was well received by both the judges and audience.

The "Beauty Shop Gossip" skit focusing on the six pillars of character also gave an outstanding performance in the Drama Division. Team members were Courtney Brown, Tabitha Lloyd, Courtney Sauer, Ross Hodges, Brittany Key, Dest Sudduth and Emily Newman.

Club members participated in Team consisting of Dest Sudduth, emony on Wednesday evening. State 4-H Roundup this past week Tabitha Lloyd, Brittany Key and Parents and friends who attended at Texas A&M University in Col- Emily Newman claimed 2nd Place State Roundup included Bill and lege Station. The highlight of the Honors at the State competition. Toni Sudduth, Toy Gene and Mel-Roundup for the local youths was They competed in evaluating conissa Lloyd, Curtis and Debbie the Scholarship Awards Assembly sumer decision making and also Griffin, and County Extension where Tabitha Lloyd and Dest gave reasons for their choices. The Agents Scott Edmonson and Nan-

The Senior Consumer Judging Roundup Stage at the Awards Cer-

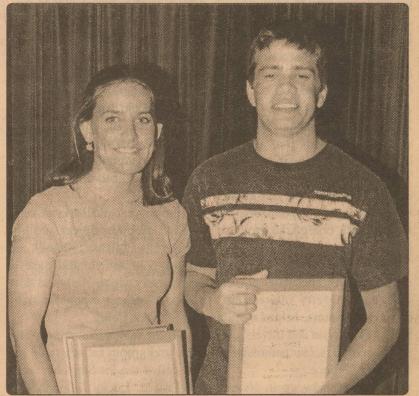
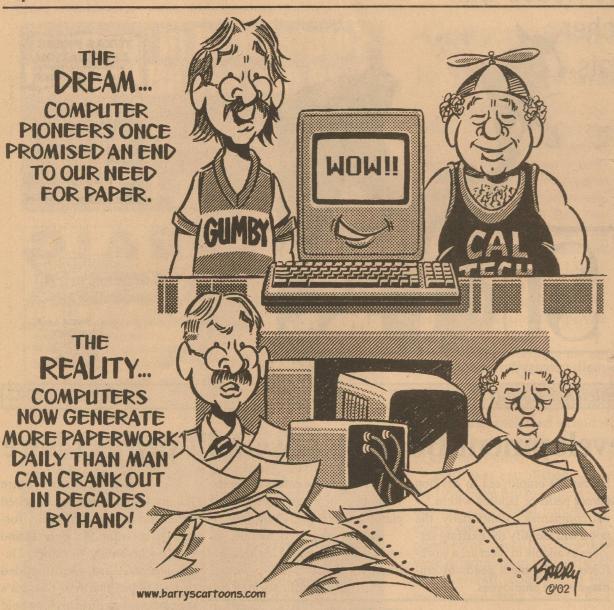


PHOTO BY KATHY MANKIN Money for college — Tabitha Lloyd and Dest Sudduth each received \$10,000 Houston Livestock Show scholarships last week during the State 4-H Roundup.



Looking for an easy read? Well, here is * a list of really, really short books!

Randy has been a little under the weather and is taking the week off from writing his column. In its place we offer an Over the Back Fence column that first appeared in the April 23, 1998 edition of the

We get lots of faxes here at the Success office. Mixed in with the news story. Besides, he said, its a an legitimate press releases are all manner of advertisements mas- its praises. querading as news items. One such

for what they really are, a thinly veiled attempt at getting a free ad.

obligation to our readers and in- you..for free. form them about his book in a



great book and he went on to sing

One of the books biggest sell- Bill Clinton came from an author who was ing points, according to the writhawking his latest book. The gen- er, was that it was short and easy tleman portrayed his work as a to read. I remembered hearing that "must have" in every home library. the average American doesn't read Dominance" Most weekly newspapers rec- books because they are too long ognize this type of press release and, too difficult to understand.

Maybe this guy had stumbled on to something, I thought. First, wardly Mobile Computer Genius" So, we usually toss them in the re- you write a book which is really cycling bin without too much short and easy to understand (that's the easy part), then you con-Killers" by O.J. Simpson But this fax was persistent. The vince some unsuspecting newspaauthor urged us to understand our per editor to advertise it for From Star Trek"

So, I've compiled a list of real-ness" by Billy Sol Estes ly short books. I know they would sell, if I could just convince some Songs" by Richard Simmons one to advertise them for me.

1) "Al Gore the Wild Years"

2) "Human Rights Advances in

3) "Things I Wouldn't Do for Get Along in the South"

Money" by Dennis Rodman 4) "Pork, the Other White Solicitors" by Randy Mankin

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2 Frosty

21 Russian river;

the Arctic Ocean

23 Appendage

25 Selection

32 Having or

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34 Pitch black

37 International

Atomic Energy

Agency (abbr.)

42 Rice genus

47 Willow tree

53 Liquid crystal

49 Savored

44 Shocking

39 Wanderer

interest

15 Aroma

16 Auricle

iceberg from a

Meat," by Mohamar Khadaffy

5) "Different Ways to Spell Bob" by Baub Robert

6) "Everything Men Know About Women" by Donald Trump

7) "Everything Women Know About Men" by Elizabeth Taylor

8) "My Favorite Motivational Speeches" by Dr. Jack Kervorki-

9) "French Hospitality"

10) "The Book of Virtues" by

11) "Amelia Earhart's Guide to the Pacific Ocean"

12) "Ethiopian Tips on World 13) "The Amish Phone Direc-

14) "Fashion Tips for the Up-

15) "My Plan to Find the Real

16) "Useful Things I Learned

17) "How to Succeed in Busi-

18) "My Favorite Honky Tonk

19) "I Just Don't Get It" by

Albert Einstein

20) "William Tecumseh Sherman's Collected Essays on How to

21) "My Favorite Telephone

22 Frappe

Lawmaker proposes tax on soda drinkers, makers

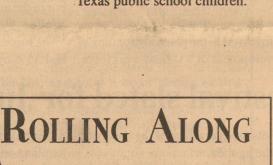
AUSTIN — The next legislative session is still six months State Capital away, with a general election before then, but a lot of thinking is going on in Austin and elsewhere. Much of that cerebral activity involves revenue, or a worrisome syrup used to make soft drinks and lack thereof.

As reported last week, state drinks in bottles. Sen. Judith Zaffirini (D-Laredo) crease on cigarettes.

Eddie Lucio of Brownsville, has would go to the fund that helps pay suggested a \$2 a gallon tax on the for free breakfasts and lunches for



has proposed a \$1-a-pack tax in- up from which soft drinks are dates of either party in contested made could raise \$180 million in Now another Democrat, Sen. revenue annually. The money Texas public school children.



It Was A Beautiful Wedding

covered winery in Sonoma. My with her right away, but Margaret My other son Kevin was best man. someone else. Kevin's son Jackson was a junior

day when we flew to San Fran- wedding preparations took place cisco. BZ and Margaret gave me a mostly by email. Margaret came cap that said I was the father of here for a shower and made many the groom. Margaret's dad got one new friends. that said father of the bride. We wore them with pride.

movie together and are all in- more often! volved in creative endeavors. BZ get married.

ulates people to do better at their nearly every dance. His white shirt jobs. She's pretty interesting. and vest became a popular sight She's done drama, helped open a on the dance floor. hotel in Malaysia and travels a lot

New York. BZ grew up in Big folks and friends. Spring, Texas. They met at a place in San Francisco where BZ was he chose Margaret as his bride.

California sunshine. An ivy- playing guitar. He was impressed guitar-playing, record-producing didn't become serious about BZ Shapleigh (D-El Paso) invited his are that health care costs will grow son BZ married Margaret Schultz. until she found out he was dating

WITH TUMBLEWEED SMITH

They took a trip to France and Spain last year and BZ proposed The activities started on Thurs- at a small cafe in Barcelona. The

The wedding had humor and beautiful words of commitment. It Thursday and Friday nights we was a formal affair held in the winstayed at a motel in Daly City, near ery's courtyard. Margaret's veil where the bride and groom will danced in the California breeze. live when they return from their One of BZ's music friends comhoneymoon in Hawaii. Saturday posed music especially for the ocwe made our way to Sonoma and casion. Portions were played durcamped out at a resort called The ing the ceremony. The full vocal Lodge At Sonoma. It is fabulous! arrangement was performed by Saturday night we held a re- four singers. The reception was a hearsal dinner at The Wild Thyme full dinner and dance, complete Cafe. About 75 people were there. with meaningful toasts and deli-Among the guests were Charlie, cious food and drink. For a couple Zane, Jance, Kevin and Brian, all of numbers, BZ played guitar. school buddies of BZ. They've Nobody danced during those. They been friends since kindergarten. all gathered around the bandstand. They've traveled together, done a That boy ought to wear a tuxedo

Eleven-year-old Jackson sang is the fourth one of the group to to band accompaniment and got thunderous applause. He took off Margaret is a trainer. She stim- his tux coat and tie and danced

All the tables had names. The giving seminars. Her parents have bride and groom sat at a table for two called the Pit Stop. My wife Margaret grew up in Nyack, and I sat at "Lucky 13" with kin-

BZ has had 3 fiancees. I'm glad

While the tax would affect wholesalers directly, the additional about the nachos, those spicy chocost would quickly be passed on lesterol raisers on a chip, some of to consumers. Lucio's plan is similar to one being proposed in Cal-

The cigarette tax increase and a 21-cent a gallon tax on soft the soda tax are being touted by Democrats not facing Republican still a Democrat. Under his plan, taxing the syr- candidates in November. Candiraces don't like the T-word being tossed around prior to an election.

> A Republican party spokesman summed it up nicely: "They (Zaffirini and Lucio) have the freedom High-lites... to speak what's on the minds of sue of taxes."

lawmakers convene in January, but \$142.2 billion in August 2000...

Nachos in the news...

As if the two mainstream political parties don't have enough then Governor Bush. to argue about, nachos are in the news in El Paso.

convention party at a restaurant decade.... known for its nachos and other Tex-Mex foods. The eatery, owned by one Nacho Padilla, is near the Tigua Indian reservation in the Ys-

While no one complained China' the invitees did find something distasteful: Padilla supported Republican George W. Bush in his presidential campaign.

Despite that, Padilla says he's

"I'm a Democrat, but I'm also an American citizen with a free choice and a right to choose," Padilla said of the restaurant-party loyalty flap.

That crashing sound you heard most Democrats. (Tony Sanchez was the tumbling value of six of and John Sharp) run as if they were Texas' nine major investment Republicans, especially on the is-funds. A report released by the Legislative Budget Board said the Both tax proposals could either nine funds have a market value of go up in smoke or fizzle out when \$127.2 billion compared with

the budget problem is there. Texas Health and Human Services Commissioner Don Gilbert will be stepping down in January. Gilbert was appointed in 1998 by

The replacement that Gov. Rick Perry appoints will have no Last week state Sen. Eliot shortage of problems. Estimates fellow Democrats to a post-state about 12 percent a year for the next



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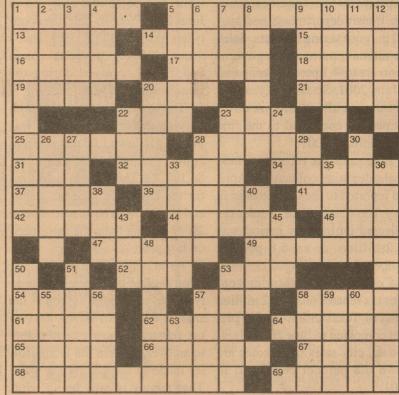
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measurement (abbr.) 23 Icelandic monetary unit 24 Maturate 26 Squirrel away 27 Be obedient to 28 Thighbone 29 Wane 30 Unbrace 33 Automaton 36 A three-foot-long measuring device 38 Relating to or containing the azo 40 Crash-land in 43 Fire residue 45 An informal term for a father 48 Verse line 50 Small piece of bread or cake 51 Of or relating to 53 Dipper 55 A tall perennial 56 Narrate 57 Puts down 58 Coquette 59 A domed or vaulted recess of a 60 Specification

63 Tokyo

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Mrs. Dorothy Faye Jenkins

othy was born to Dave and Corneers, Pete Poindexter of Youngtown, cy Jenkins on March 31, 1945, in great grandchildren. Ballinger. He preceded her in death in October, 1996.

ple Church in Center Point.

Barbara Faulkner of Center Point; tery. Funeral arrangements were four sons, Weldon Jenkins of El-directed by Grimes Funeral Chapdorado, Jerry Jenkins of Mansfield, els of Kerrville.

KERRVILLE - Mrs. Dorothy David Jenkins of Richland Springs, Faye Jenkins, 77 of Comfort, and Mickey Jenkins of Lexington, passed away Tuesday, June 11, Oklahoma; one sister, Florence 2002 at a Kerrville hospital. Dor- Fowler of San Angelo; two brothlia Poindexter in Oplin, Texas on Arizona, and Jack Poindexter of July 14, 1924. She married Quin- Ballinger; 15 grandchildren and 10

Services for Mrs. Jenkins were at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 13 at Mrs. Jenkins was a homemak- Calvary Temple Church in Center er and attended the Calvary Tem- Point with Pastors Randy Hector and Troy Way officiating. Inter-Survivors include: daughter, ment was at Center Point Ceme-

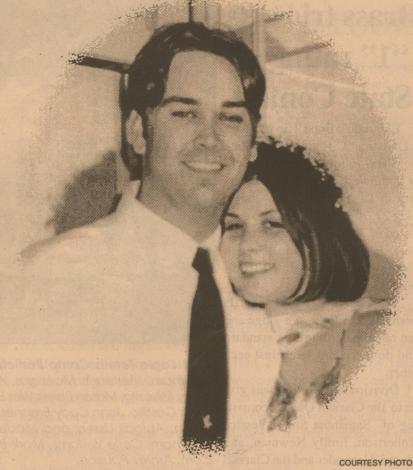
Eldorado-Divide SWCD hosts annual Hill Country Assn. tour

The Eldorado-Divide Soil and ciation's annual Spring tour on to show great interest in all aspects ried at the home of the bride's fa- lo. She has been attending Richland May 23, 2002.

The tour began at the Eldoraand wildlife operations.

Approximately 85 people from Water Conservation district host- 14 counties participated in this ed this year's Hill Country Asso- year's tour. Each of them seemed liams, both of Dallas, were mar- Central High School in San Angeof the tour.

do Woolen Mill for a guided tour. Water Conservation District ex-In conjunction with the tour Ron-tends its appreciation to all the lonie Sauer gave a demonstration of cal people and businesses for solar powered water pumps. From helping and participating in the Mrs. Milton Williams of San An- Dallas for Culinary Art. the Mill the tour proceeded to the Hill Country Association's Annu- gelo and Debra Williams of Dallas X-Bar Ranch for lunch and a pro- al Spring Tour. Without you this The groom's parents are Mr. and Cancun, Mexico the couple will gram on nature tourism, ranching, tour would not have been a suc- Mrs. Leroy Reeves of Eldorado.



Mr. and Mrs. Cory Reeves

Williams/Reeves exchange vows

Cory Reeves and Garland Wil-The Eldorado-Divide Soil & Estates in San Angelo on June 4, tute of Dallas for Interior Design. 2002. Dr. Byron Orand of Eldorado officiated the ceremony.

The bride is a 2000 graduate of ther at Bentwood Country Club Junior College and The Art Insti-

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Eldorado High School. He has Parents of the bride are Dr. and been attending the Art Institute of

> Following their honeymoon in reside in Dallas.

Library plans Open House

brary. The Schleicher Co. Public Li-use by students as well as others brary Board will be hosting an who want a cool place to spend Open House Saturday, June 29, some time. The library has six 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. to show off their computers for the public to use. new computer equipment recently purchased with the "TIFF" Grant. be unveiling a memorial for Clara The libraries automation system Mae Donaldson, long time assiswas also purchased with the "TIFF" tant librarian during the open Grant. The library is about 80% au- house. Refreshments will be tomated and hopes to be finished served. by the end of summer.

Joe Christian, J.D. Doyle and Debbie Griffin spent long hours getting the libraries computer sys-

Come see what's new at the Li-tem up and running for summer

The Board members will also

X BAR RANCH

DINNER SHOWS 2002

June 29-Jim Runge: a performance historian, will give an exciting presentation on Texas and local history focusing on some obscure facts. Having studied Texas history since 1981, Runge often wondered about some of the untold stories and has made it a details about some of these events. The presentation will begin with the Comanche through early Texas settlement, the revolution and westward expansion to Schleicher County. Runge's great-grandfather was Col. William L. Black, an early Schleicher County Settler, whose activities in the area will also be discussed. Meal: Beer Basted Chicken will

July 27-The Pards-Cowboy Musical August 24-Bill Hellen-Cowboy Stories! Place: Live Oak Lodge X Bar Ranch Eldorado, Texas Gates open at 6:30 p.m.Meal Served +/- 7:30 Entertainment Tickets sold in advance only for meal up to two days before each performance; Prices range from \$13 for adult/\$8 child for full evening.

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Farm Bill informational meeting scheduled Monday in Sonora

Ranch Lodge where they were welcomed by Stan Meador.

by Scott Edmonson,

County Extension Agent - Ag

There will be an informational meeting on Monday, September 24, 2002 at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the new

BIRTHDAY LIST

20th Mandee Wike, Stafan Barajas 21st indsay Beach, Scott McGregor, Sidney Reynolds, David Charboneau, Colten Behrens, Jeri

22nd Micky McGregor, Mildred Phillips, Betty Hanusch, Crissi McCormick, Mickey McGregor, Cari Green, Ramon Adame Jr., Lee

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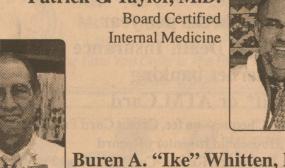
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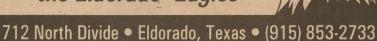
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Brass trio gets "1" rating at **State Contest**

Eldorado's Brass Trio received a Division "I" Rating at the State Solo and Ensemble Contest held at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos on Monday, May 27, 2001. The Brass Trio consisted of Maria Hernandez (trumpet), Hannah Robledo (French Horn) and Ashton Murr (Trombone.)

The ensembles and soloists performed in front of a judge and are rated according to a standard and do not compete against each other.

Division "II" Rating was given to the Clarinet Quartet consist-Robertson, Emily Newman, and Sheryl Alexander and the Clarinet Trio consisting of Samantha Smith, Tabitha Lloyd, and Andrea Robles. The Percussion Ensemble also received a Division "II" rating. They are Layna Murr, J.L. Mankin, Kolby Dombroski, Ashley Doran and Selina Rojas.

Soloist Maria Hernandez who played her solo by memory received a Division "III" rating.

These students received a Division "I" rating during the

Band Director Gina Muela, Assistant Band Director Ernest Bottlinger and Kara Sue Garltiz were sponsors for the trip.

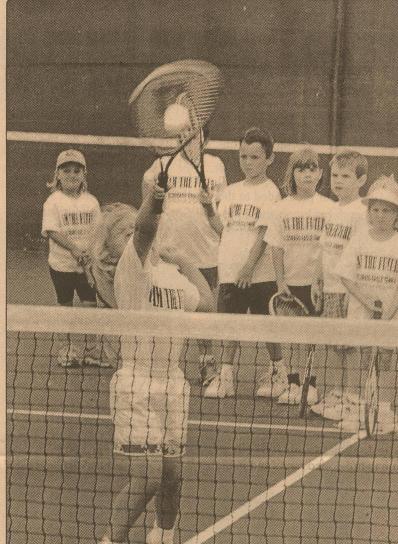
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2002 Eagle Tennis Camp Participants: (Sitting L-R) Michael Bilbrey, Maddison Bilbrey, Addye Chatham, McKenzie McAngus, Abbigal Spradley, Hank Dering; (Middle L-R) Dylan Dombroski, Macy Mikeska, Mason Baker, Wes Brown, Joshua Jurecek, Carli McAngus, Alison Jarrett, Lane Griffin, 🌘 Ryan Castillo, John Cody Brenner, Tyler Farmer, Miles Mikeska, Brianah Creek, Taylor Bilbrey, Avery ing of Samantha Smith, Jessica Nolen, Abigail Ussery and Madison Albin; (Back L-R) Kristina Dillard, Maygen Eubanks, Macy Chatham, Corie Williams, Mark Bybee, Logan Neal, Abel Montalvo, Madelon Osborne, Ashley Corn, Ashlev Paulson.

> Big hitter — Madison Albin returned this volley at the net while her classmates waited their turn during the 2002 Eagle Tennis Camp held here last week. Madison was among the youngest group of future Eagles tennis stars, some of whom were getting their first taste of tennis action.

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Eldorado students earn honors at Texas Tech

Sisters, Kayla Case, architec- the Dean's List. ture major, and Tiffany Case, multidisciplinary studies both made the President's List of the Honor List for Spring 2002. Also making the President's List is Andrea Sterling, majoring in visual studies.

Hillary Hodges, made the Dean's List and is majoring in landscape architecture.

Students earning a 4.0 grade point average, while enrolled in 12 or more qualifying semester hours,

Eldorado students at Texas made the President's list. Students Tech University found their way carrying 12 or more qualifying onto two of the university's prom- hours, with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9, earned their place on



A wet way to learn the fundamentals — Logan Jones demonstrated Coach Matt Rutherford's technique for developing a good back hand swing, by pouring out a bucket of water during the 2002 Eagle Tennis 🍙 Camp last week. The purpose of the drill was to teach the students how to control the swing.

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Tennessee rodeo All-Star has Eldorado roots

Editor's note: The following story and competed in pole bending, cut- and every one be at their best," Jim pens and then practice together about Jim Bowie Adcock first ting and western pleasure classes. Bowie explains. "You have two nearly every other weekend. appeared in the February, 2002 edition of the Tennessee Cooperator.

by Page Haynes

on almost any weekend. Their eyes es his entire life, and my late fa- the Year, All-Around Cowgirl and County High School senior who's porated in Warren County (Ten-sociation. Last year, in addition to roped up quite a name for himself nessee) near Rock Island." as a timed-event cowboy.

the Year by the Tennessee High — at her dad's rodeo." School Rodeo Association. In 2002, he ranked fifth in state steer- events. Additionally, Jim Bowie's the top eight in the state in at least wrestling competitions and in the uncles from the Adcock side - one event. Recently, Jim Bowie petition. top 10 in calf and team roping. In Bill, Jack and Joe — as well as his was selected by his fellow team-2001, he was named the Tennes- cousins, Ty, Jesse and Clark Adsee High School Rodeo Associa- cock, have competed in rodeos boys' team. Ashlee was the girls' tion's calf roping, steer wrestling across the state. The young rodeo and cutting state champion and contenders have only one or two ranked fifth in steer wrestling, ac- horses that are their favorite comcórding to the National Cowboy petitive partners, Jim Bowie is Association.

ite scores have also earned him pete in also determines the num- Horse of the Year honors. The several All-Around Cowboy titles. ber of horses you ride.

One-of-a-kind contender

tender and has represented Tennes- depends on which ones do the best state finals. see well in national competitions," says Diane McPeake, state secretary for the National High School is his favorite competitive event. usually practicing their roping and Rodeo Association.

event contender in calf roping', steer wrestling, team roping and cutting competitions. You just couldn't ask for a nicer contes- cause it's hard for two people and usually spends about three hours tant."

Though he's a regular contender throughout the Southeast as well as Oklahoma and Texas, Jim Bowie has competed all over the nation in pro-rodeo ranks and in high school rodeos. And, he's looking to qualify for the 2002 National High School Finals Rodeo in Farmington, NM, in July.

"I qualified for the national High School Finals Rodeo my first three years of high school and for the international Finals Youth Rodeo in Shawnee, OK., for two years," says Jim Bowie. "Shawnee is one of the top rodeo destinations in the nation and pays out more than \$200,000.00 in prize money to contestants. It was great just to be there. I liked the competition and the adrenaline. I'm looking forward to competing in the nationals and hope to get to the internationals again this year."

The modest 17-year-old athlete has been competing in rodeos nearly all his life. He took part in his first horse show when he was 1.5 months old, riding in a leadline class. In kindergarten, he began chute dogging, catching Young calves out of the chute and wrestling them to the ground.

As a fourth-grader at Westside Elementary School, he singlehandedly led Cannon County to fourth in the district in 4-H horse show competitions. He also calf roped, team roped, barrel raced

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Horses are family tradition

"Jim Bowie had to be a horse to make a good run." person because both our families When it comes to rodeo, Jim with a chuckle, nodding to her Ashlee Miller, a junior at Morrisonds and marking time at an arena granddaddy showed quarter hors- Ashlee was named 2000 Rookie of to visit relatives and friends. and their concentration are on their ther, Paul Hallcornb, later pro- Break-Away Champion by the Ozona as a young girl. Her grandson, Jim Bowie Adcock, a Cannon duced rodeos at Cowboys Incor- Tennessee High School Rodeo As-

in their latest workouts."

ficult sport to master.

two horses to work in total unity a day at their individual practice

people, two horses, and one cow

worked with horses," Koy says team roping partner in 16-year-old then you'll win together." their numerous winnings as a "I rode bareback broncs and team, Ashlee and Jim Bowie were Later, Jim moved into the timed rodeo competitors who ranked in mates to he the 2002 captain of the team captain for 2001.

Owns Horse of the Year

Additionally, Jim Bowie's ropcontinually training several hors- ing horse, Rex Straw, and Ashlee's Through the years, his composes. The number of events you comhorses were nominated by the "I normally take about three American Quarter Horse Associahorses to an event," Jim Bowie tion, based on each rider's earned "Jim Bowie is real tough con- explains, "and which ones I take points on that horse during the

Whenever Ashlee and Jim Jim Bowie says steer wrestling Bowie are not at school, they are He also enjoys working in calf and riding skills, Koy says. Both sets "He's a one-of-a-kind, four- team roping events, but says rop- of parents are a big part of the pracing a steer as a team is a very diftice sessions — always encouraging the pair by coaching or help-"Team roping is difficult be- ing around the arena. Each family

"You spend a lot of time with that all have to coordinate.together your partner," Jim Bowie says. 'You have to practice together a Jim Bowie says he has a great lot. If you practice well together,

The Adcock family owns ranch and Koy Adcock of Readyville, husband, Jim. "I came from a town East High School in Ham- property near Ozona and they TN, can be found counting sec- ranching family out West. My blen County. As a freshman, come to Texas as often as possible

> Koy Lee attended school in parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hallcomb and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jess Koy of Eldorado.

Koy Lee's mother, Zona Koy As a freshman, Jim Bowie was bulls in Koy's dad's rodeo," adds elected to be state representatives Hunt, owns the Jess Koy ranch named 1999 Rookie Cowboy of Jim, "and that's how Koy and I met on the Wrangler All-Star Team, a headquarters near Eldorado and select group of eight high school makes her home there. She has traveled to several national finals rodeos to see her grandson in com-



All-Around Cowboy — Jim Bowie Adcock, grandson of Zona Hunt of Eldorado, has made a name for himself in the Tennessee High School rodeo circuit. Here he poses with his roping horse Rex Straw

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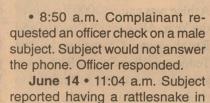
ASU releases Dean's List for 2002 Spring semester

sity in San Angelo, Texas.

The honorees, along with

The Dean's List for the 2002 Mindy Haynes, interdisciplinary Spring Semester has been an- studies; Sarah Mankin, biochemnounced at Angelo State Univer- istry and Michael Mayo, undecided.

To be eligible for the Dean's their majors are Joseph Bullard, List, students must be enrolled pre-engineering; Lavonne Espi- full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade nosa, interdisciplinary studies; point average on a 4.0 scale.



er responded. • 1:43 p.m. Complainant reported goats out on FM 1828. Officer

their backyard on FM 2596. Offic-

• 11:12 p.m. Complainant reported a domestic disturbance. Of-

ficers responded. June 15 • 5:59 a.m. Complainant stated they had stomach pain all night long and that it had occurred since the day before. Offic-

• 3:42 p.m. Complainant reported a domestic disturbance. Two officers responded.

· 8:34 p.m. Complainant reported man and woman fighting in parking lot of convenience store. Two officers responded.

• 10:04 p.m. Complainant reported a suspicious person walking. Two officers responded.

June 16 • 1:45 a.m. Complainant needed an ambulance. EMS 2

• 1:50 a.m. Officer reported a minor accident. Officer and wreck-

• 4:44 p.m. Complainant reported someone had run over a dog in front of store. Officer notified and was unable to contact Animal Con-

• 6:57 p.m. Complainant stated that there was a dog barking for the past few days and complainant was unsure if owner was at the residence or not. Also stated that dog may not have any water. Officer responded.

• no time — Subject reported a bird had flown up to him. Subject reported the bird is very gentle. Maybe a pet.

June 17 • 6:50 a.m. Complain- Hooray for the Red, White & Blue — Griffin Construction had the ant stated that there was a light on 3rd Place float in the Schleicher County Day parade last Saturday in one of the class rooms in the morning with this patriotically decorated all-terrain vehicle. middle school. Subject stated that the light was not on in the day time. Officer responded.

• 10:30 a.m. Complainant requested to speak with an officer about their daughter. Two officers responded.

• 1:16 p.m. Complainant report- by Scott Edmonson, ed a female black Lab was miss-

ant requested an officer because of a fight. Officer responded.

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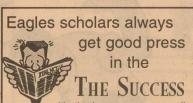
June 17 • Ramirez, Camilo Tellez, male age 72, arrested by SC Officer, charge Displaying Fictitious Registration.

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ant reported a possible intoxicatand was unable to locate.

• 6:16 p.m. Complainant report-

June 13 • 7:23 a.m. Complainant reported a stranded older type Cadillac type vehicle. Officer re-





The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Dept. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the Sheriff's office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Incidents of major impact will be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been er and EMS 2 responded. arrested are presumed innocent until ARRESTS

June 14 • Lozano, Lynn, male age 43, arrested by SC Officer, charge Class A Family Assault. Released on \$2,000 Surety Bond.

June 16 • Rodriquez, Jennifer leased on \$1,000 Cash Bond.

June 12 • 7:30 p.m. Complained pedestrian. Officer responded

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John Earl Flemming filed in the County Probate Court of Schleicher County, Texas, on the 13th day of June, 2002 Application to Determine Heirship.

Said Application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after expiration of ten days from date of Publishing this citation, the same being the 1st day of July, 2002, at the Schleicher County Courthouse, Eldorado, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Probate Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in Eldorado, Texas, this the 14th day of June, 2002. Peggy Williams, Clerk County Court Schleicher County, Texas

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2120 to 2220 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas

Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792.)

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The proposed initial rate for the ISA is 2.05 cents per MMBtu, and is proposed to take effect as of July 1, 2002. The rate will be adjusted each year to reflect the change in costs necessitated by the pipeline safety regulations, with an opportunity for those costs to be reviewed by the Commission. The ISA will remain in effect for ten years from its initial effective date. The ISA constitutes a major change as that term is defined in Sec. 104.101, Texas Utilities Code. The proposed rate will increase the total revenues of TXU LSP by 3.7%, representing \$4.1 million of additional revenues.

The ISA will apply to the following classes of customers: 1) TXU LSP's customers with gas consuming equipment at an end-use location physically attached to TXU LSP's pipeline system or to the system of a local distribution company physically attached to TXU LSP's pipeline system; 2) entities selling gas to such customers; and 3) local distribution companies served by TXU LSP's pipeline system. The ISA will indirectly affect all residential and commercial customers served by such local distribution customers, including TXU Gas Distribution. At the proposed initial rate of 2.05 cents per MMBtu, the bill of an average residential customer (6 mcf of gas consumption per month) will increase approximately 12 cents per month.

A Statement of Intent to implement the ISA has been filed with the Commission in GUD Docket No. 9304 and is available for inspection at the Commission's office at 1701 North Congress, Austin, Texas, and at the offices of TXU LSP at 301 South Harwood, Dallas, Texas. Any affected person may file written comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes in the rates with the Docket Services Section of the Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time on or before July 26, 2002. Any person or agency that has a justiciable or administratively cognizable interest in this proceeding who desires to be designated as a party may petition for leave to intervene and request to become a party to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this case shall be July 26, 2002.

Conservation funds available Federal Credit Union to Texas farmers and ranchers

(FSA) announced last week a sec-

this 'second chance' opportunity for federal financial and technical EOIP," said Fuston.

were determined to be beneficial ticipant's entered into long-term ture," stated Fuston. contracts and agreed to treat all planning.

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COLLEGE STATION — John contract. This gives them options Fuston, State Executive Director to address new or unforeseen confor the Farm Service Agency servation problems as they arise."

EQIP remains a voluntary, ond signup period for conservation competitive program. The new funding under the Environmental Farm Bill outlines significant Quality Incentives Program changes in program provisions (EQIP) that will run through June pertaining to length of contract 28, 2002. The 2002 Farm Bill and payment limitations. The Bill signed into law on May 13, fur- eliminates Geographic Priority ther extends USDA's allocation of Areas (GPAs) and the "bid-down" monies targeted for conservation option that enabled producers to couraged to act quickly if they of practice implementation. For wish to make application during Texas, cost-share is set at 75 per-

"To date, Texas FSA has alloassistance provided through cated \$60.2-million in cost-share assistance and incentive payments. EQIP was established under Proactive producers statewide the 1996 Farm Bill to address sig- used these funds to treat the most nificant agricultural natural re- environmentally sensitive farm source concerns through the ap- and ranchland, voluntarily reducplication of select practices that ing soil erosion, improving water quality and quantity, preserving to the overall protection of the wildlife habitat and insuring the tract of land being treated. Par- sustainability of Texas agricul-

using a "whole farm" approach to conservation practices and eligiyour local USDA Service Center. now has a more flexible approach. Information can also be found on Producers can treat specific re- FSA's website: http://www/ slaughter, Texas breeding cattle and Animal Health Commission, the

And, the winners are — Dorothy Dacy, branch manager at 1st practice application on private make their applications more Community Federal Credit Union posed Friday with the winners competitive by shouldering a of three door prizes awarded during the Credit Union's 7th "Interested producers are en- higher percentage of the total cost birthday celebration. Pictured (L-R) are: Dorothy Dacy; Lenette Doran, winner of a "boom box" stereo; Gene Nixon, winner of a cordless telephone; and Steve Nelson, who won a portable TV.

It's official, Texas loses cattle • **Tuberculosis 'Free' status**

terim rule that officially downgrad- the state. ed Texas' cattle tuberculosis (TB) For more information regard- status from Accredited-Free to cattle testing and identification reconservation issues identified by ing the EQIP application process, Modified Accredited-Advanced. quirement include weaned heifers, Texas' status was lowered because bred heifers, cows and bulls intendbility requirements, please contact TB infection was confirmed in two ed for breeding purposes," ex-Texas cattle herds in 2001. Now, plained Dr. Max Coats, assistant unless they are moving directly to executive director for the Texas

Texas ranchers will need more bison must be officially identified than a truck and trailer to move and be tested for cattle TB within breeding cattle and bison out of 60 days prior to being transported state for the foreseeable future. On across state lines (interstate move-June 6, the US Department of Ag- ment). Untested Texas cattle and riculture (USDA) published its in- bison still can move freely within

> "Stock covered by the breeding state's livestock health regulatory agency. "The USDA has delayed until January 1, 2003 additional restrictions on moving feeder cattle out of the state. Feeder animals include steers, bull calves and heifers destined for grazing and feeding for slaughter."

"This new federal regulation will require ranchers to plan ahead before selling or moving their breeding cattle out of state," he said. "Ranchers may find their breeding cattle to be more marketable if the animals are tested prior to arrival at the livestock market. Untested breeding cattle and bison will be restricted to movement only within the state or directly to a slaughter plant, unless a buyer makes arrangement to have the animals held and tested after the sale." said Dr. Coats.

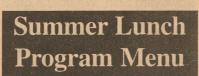
To conduct a TB skin test, an accredited veterinarian injects a tiny amount of tuberculin into the animal's skin near its tail, in an area called the "caudal fold." After a 72hour waiting period, Dr. Coats said the veterinarian examines the site for swelling that might indicate the animal has been exposed to cattle TB. If there is no response, the accredited veterinarian can issue a document as proof of testing, recording on it the test results and the animal's official identification either a brucellosis ear tag, or for purebred cattle, a firebrand or tattoo registered with the breed.

"There are three exceptions to the TB testing requirements for breeding cattle moving across state lines," said Dr. Coats, who heads up TAHC's field operations and animal health programs. "Nursing calves can move without a test, if they accompany their TB-tested dam. Cattle going directly to a slaughter plant from a farm or livestock market don't need a test. Ranchers also can move animals freely from a TB accredited-free herd, a status gained through annual herd testing."

Dr. Coats explained that Texas initially earned Accredited-Free status for cattle TB in November 2000, with the exception of El Paso and Hudspeth Counties, which were "zoned out" by the USDA, due to low levels of infection that recurred in several large dairies in the area. For purposes of cattle movement and cattle TB eradication, he said Texas will remain "split," as El Paso and Hudspeth Counties cannot apply for Accredited-Free status until at least three years after its dairies are depopulated and no additional infection is detected. On the other hand, he noted, the state's other 252 counties may reapply to the USDA for TB Accredited-Free status in two years, if no more infected herds are



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