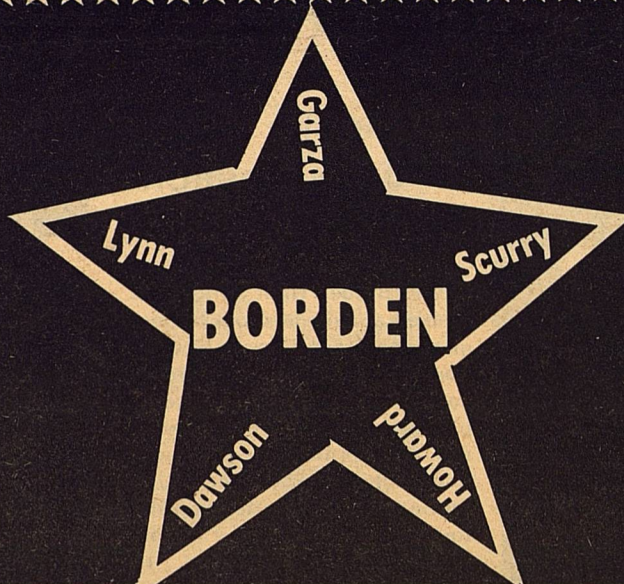


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President Shelton invites cattlemen to 108th annual TSCRA convention

TSCRA President John M. "Jack" Shelton III of Amarillo this week extended an invitation to all cattlemen and their families to attend the 108th annual TSCRA convention in Fort Worth March 17-20.

"It was only four years ago that cattlemen gathered in Fort Worth for our convention and dedication of our Foundation's new building and Association offices," Shelton said. "A great deal has happened in the Association and the cattle industry since then. I am honored to be a part of both in my first year as your president."

Recognizing the diversity of the industry and the issues facing us, TSCRA has assembled a program rich in content with a wealth of outstanding speakers, he said. "We are particularly proud that the Honorable William Clark will be with us at the keynote luncheon. Also, we are pleased that the Texas and the Livestock Marketing Association of Texas



WILLIAM CLARK

Former Interior Secretary William Clark, longtime adviser to President Reagan, will deliver the keynote address at Monday's luncheon.

are holding their meetings in conjunction with our activities."

"The Association is run by cattlemen for cattlemen, and this year's convention, trade show and Heritage Sale are living testimony of that creed. Please accept my personal invitation to sample the best we have to offer," Shelton said.

YOUNGBLOOD IS PRESIDENT ELECT OF HEREFORD ASSOC

Arlan Youngblood of Lamesa was elected president-elect of the Texas Hereford Association at the organization's 86th annual meeting held in Fort Worth during the recent Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show activities.

Youngblood is a manager and co-owner of the family-owned and operated Youngblood Ranch that has been raising registered Herefords since 1937. The herd was established by his father, Alton Youngblood and produces seedstock for both registered and commercial breeders. The operation is also engaged in the farming and ginning business.

The Youngblood Ranch was one of the early Hereford operations to introduce big game cattle into their operation and in the late 60's a 2500 lb bull called Mischief 119 was introduced into the herd. The bull, who became a prominent ROM sire, left many daughters in the Youngblood herd and it was after his prepotency was established that the cow herd was closed. Today, all females on the ranch have been raised by the Youngbloods. Since that

time only sons of the breed's very top performing sires, all ton-plus bulls, have been bought for use as herd bulls. The progeny of these bulls sell in the operation's annual fall production sale.

Youngblood maintains that Herefords are the best breed for covering rough country better and raising more calves per 100 cows, as well as having exceptional fertility with ease of handling. "Herefords are rugged more fertile individuals than any other beef breed I know of, and today's Herefords have size to compete with any breed," he says.

Youngblood, who has served as a director of the THA, belongs to the Baptist Church and the Texas Farm Bureau, has served as a director of the Lamesa Federal Savings and Loan Association, is a member of the A.S.C.S. Committee of Dawson County, and is a past president of the Lamesa Rodeo Association. When time permits, he participates in team roping and calf roping events.

The Texas Hereford Association, headquartered in Fort Worth, is the oldest and

largest single breed state livestock association in the United States. It serves close to 600 registered Hereford breeders mainly in Texas and reaches another 2,400 registered and commercial producers through its monthly magazine, The Texas Hereford.

The service organization promotes the breed, stages conferences and sales for its members, and also provides an advertising media through its monthly magazine. The association also provides graphics and advertising services to its members, publishing sales catalogs and ranch brochures and other printed needs, in addition to designing and placing ads for its members own promotional programs.

Youngblood and his wife, Avis, who was also born in Lamesa, have two children who are also actively involved in the ranch with their families. They are Kent and Sharon Youngblood; and Tom and Kelli Merritt who children are Kati and Ky.

Star Studded Collection Shines At Western Heritage Sale

The 1985 Western Heritage Sale is celebrating its 10th anniversary in the traditional Texas-style grandeur that attracts buyers, connoisseurs and celebrities from all over the world and where over the course of several hours, millions of dollars change hands. This year's commemoration of the American West at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel promises to be as exciting as the day Glenn McCarthy opened that historic landmark in 1949. The sale, which originated in 1976 as a Bicentennial tribute to the

American West's enduring and unique heritage, is recognized as the world's foremost sale and auction of superior Quarter Horses—America's only native breed of horse, fine Western art and Santa Gertrudis cattle—the original breed of American beef cattle. This year's tenth anniversary also marks a transition period for the Western Heritage Sale, with a new format and several added attractions to the spectacular three-day gala.

In addition to the outstanding American Western art auctioned each year, the 1985 Western

Heritage Sale will offer a selection of exceptional oils, watercolors and etchings from European and American greats such as John Singer Sargent, Sir Alfred Munnings, Walter Langley and Mark Fisher as well as other prominent artists from the period of 1880-1920. This year's sale, held in April instead of May, will also hold its first-ever auction of racing thoroughbred and Quarter Horse yearlings in addition to its regularly featured working Quarterhorses.



Chris Dunn, age 16 from Damon, TX, stock handler for the Western Heritage Sale auction. Photo by Larry Reese

BORDEN SCHOOL NEWS



"FOOLS" says Robin Hood during a scene from the One Act Play. Also pictured is Mickey Burkett and Jeanette Massingill. The play is tentatively scheduled to be shown before the public some day next week.

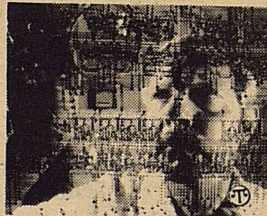


Wrestler Ed (Strangler) Lewis lost only 33 out of 6,200 matches in his 44-year career.

TECHNOLOGY AND YOU

Computers and Office Phone Systems

A single silicon chip the size of a baby's fingernail may soon be speeding phone calls more efficiently than ever before in offices across the nation.



A scientist inspects computer-produced layout of a silicon chip with thousands of components on it.

A private automatic branch exchange (PABX), usually about the size of a bookcase, is a private telephone switching system that routes calls in offices.

By early 1985, scientists at GTE Laboratories, the research unit of GTE Corp., expect to be able to build a 40-line PABX on a single silicon chip. This breakthrough in telecommunications will be made possible by "very large scale integration"—a technique that allows hundreds of thousands of microscopically small electronic components to be placed on a tiny semiconductor chip.

While the job of placing a half-million transistors on a chip and laying them out properly poses great challenges for scientists, the benefits make it worthwhile: the development of lower cost, higher capacity phone systems.

Lubbock-Cooper Speech Tourney

Two Borden High School UIL speakers and readers took honors in the Lubbock-Cooper Speech Tournament. Kristi Stone, sophomore, took 4th place in poetry, and Lesley Hicks placed 6th in informative speaking. The students are coached by Jan McCathern. Also attending the tournament were: Rene Telchik and Lynn Sternadel in Persuasive speaking; Vicki Hicks in Informative Speaking; Jeanette Massingill, Joanie Wilson, Mindy Williams, Kim Turner and Felicia Romero in Prose Interpretation; and Shelly Lewis in Poetry Interpretation.

Post Speech Tournament

Shelly Lewis captured second place in Poetry Interpretation at the Post Speech Tournament. Participating in the Tournament were Charla Buchanan and Lesley Hicks, Informative Speaking; Lynn Sternadel and Rene Telchik, Persuasive Speaking; and Jeanette Massingill, Prose Interpretation.

Becky Massingill and Samantha Porter, coached by Mrs. Mayes, placed 1st. Rocky Harbor also attended, competing in Feature Writing.

Students being coached by Mrs. Jarrett placed as follows: Jeanette Massingill, 1st in Shorthand, Charla Buchanan, 5th Shorthand and Cindy Balague, 2nd in Typing.



THE ONE ACT PLAY CAST AND CREW-Robin Hood, Jeanette Massingill, Jerry Green, Nancy Martinez, Mickey Burkett. Seated-Felicia Romero, Joanie Wilson, Shelly Lewis, Charla Buchanan, Teri Billington, Mindy Williams, Samantha Porter. Not pictured-Kristi Stone, Cathy York and Mondy Floyd.



About 40 members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletics were wearing shirts advertising their membership. Shown-GEJames Smith, Alex Lemons, Cody Stone, Ranelle Hollis and Lance Telchik

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Cooking Corner

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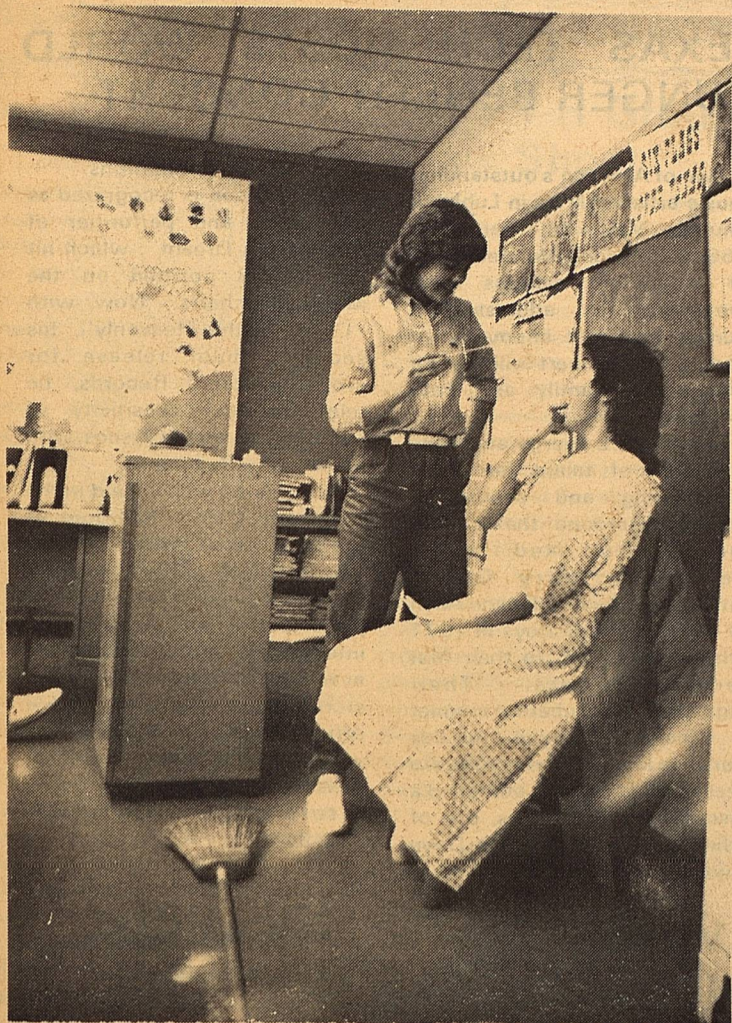
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Doctor Kristi Adcock doctoring a toothache for Elisha Sternadel during Prairie Days.

OLD TIME DOCTORS

In studying the settling of the Texas Prairie, students were amazed by the means of doctoring ills in those times.

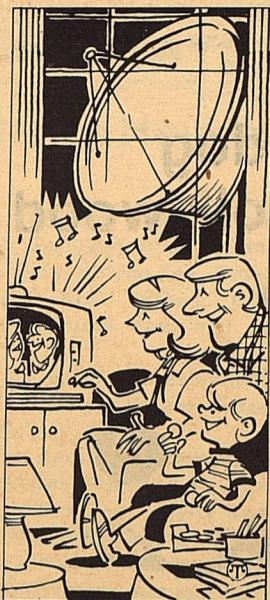
There were very few doctors and when one did find one, he was usually working at another job.

In 1837 a doctors call was \$5.00 per visit. After 9:00 p.m. the charges were doubled. For visits outside the city limits, \$1.00 was added to the price per mile f. if this was during the daytime. At night \$2.00 was added per mile at night.

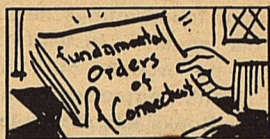
Some of the cures were as

follows in case you need a doctor here in Gail and cannot find one: Cold-eat sugar saturated with kerosene or turpentine Cough-Place some cow dung in water and bring to a boil. Gargle. Headache-Tie head of buzzard around neck (this should be easily found at this time) Hiccups-Lay a broom on the floor with the bristles pointing right. Jump over 3 times. Walk around it once and leave it where it lies.

Toothaches-put perfume on the tooth



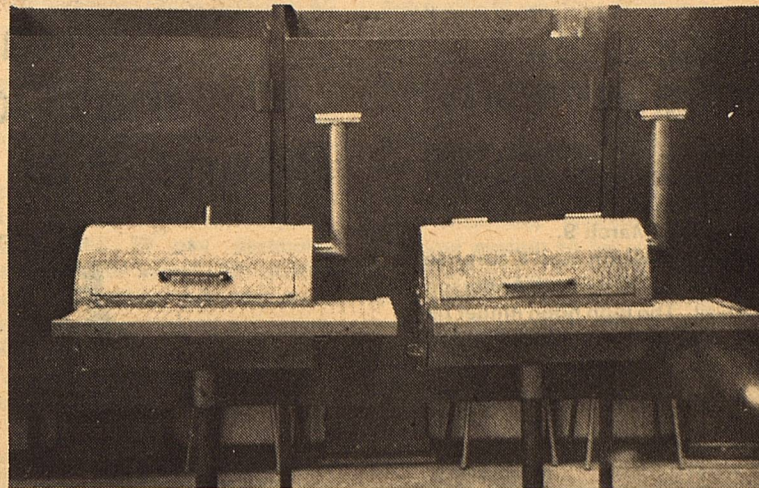
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The Senior Ag. Class would like to sell these two good looking Bar-B-Que pits. They are painted red and black and are about 2 foot long. The price is \$135.00 each.



A BEGGING SCENES FROM THE ONE ACT PLAY "TROJAN WOMEN". Shown-Jerry Green, Jeanette Massingill and Nancy Martinez during practice.

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Anderson Birthday Party

The Anderson-Bland ranch near Lovington was the site of an Anderson-Lee reunion held Saturday, March 9.

The occasion was a surprise birthday party for Rich Anderson of Gail. The high noon dinner on the grounds was hosted by the Anderson's daughter, Sally Bland, her husband John, and their children John, Sarah, Rebekah and Brooks.

Forty-nine relatives, comprising four generations celebrated not only Rich's March birthday, but other family Pisces and Aires as well. They included the Andersons youngest daughter Martha Wristen of Manchaca, Texas, an uncle, Roy Lee (83) of Lovington, a niece Lee Hughes of San Angelo and a first cousin once removed, Todd Christmas (7) of Wagon Mound, New Mexico.

Thinking he and Barbara were driving to Lovington to have a birthday dinner with their grandchildren, Rich was totally surprised to see all of these children; daughter Mary from Midland, son John and wife Kevva from Gail, and Martha and Bert Wristen, who had flown in from Austin; also his sister Brookie Lee Green and her family from Midland and a few close friends from Big Spring, as well as the relatives from Lea County and other parts of New Mexico

Nat'l Little Miss Nat'l Pre-Teen

National Little Miss and National Pre-Teen Pageants are now accepting applications for the state pageants to be held this summer. Both are non-profit pageants under new state and national directorship. National Little Miss and National Pre-Teen have combined their efforts with Little Miss North America, Inc. to provide a better pageant system. Our objective is to help develop the character and self-confidence of the contestants.

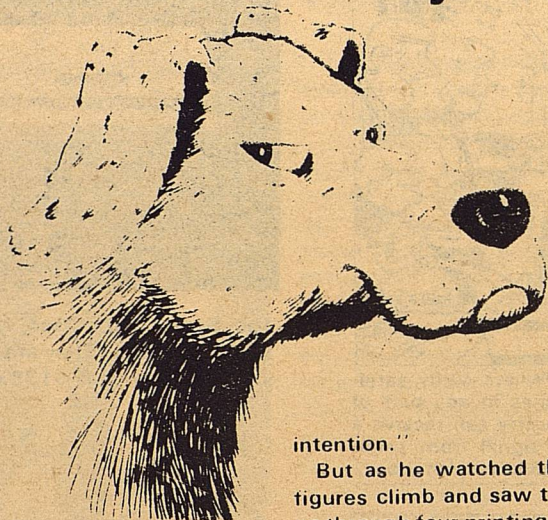
The contestants will be judged on Poise, Personality and Appearance. Talent Competition is optional.

Both state representatives in the National Pageants (to be held in Orlando, FL, 10 minutes from Disney World in November) will each receive \$1,000 for expenses. The National winner will receive a \$10,000 college scholarship to the college of your choice.

Determining date for age is December 31st. Little Miss is 5 through 8 years of age. Pre-Teen is 9 through 12 years of age.

For additional information and an application contact: Sue Scott, 207 Shepperd St., P. O. Box 764, Burnet, Texas 78611.

Hank the Cowdog Bound For Hollywood



It's ironic that Perryton, Texas, author John R. Erickson never intended for his book **Hank the Cowdog** to be a children's story--ironic because he has just signed a contract with CBS Television that will allow the network to make it into a 30 minute animated cartoon program.

In Hollywood, the Hank story will become one of 13 programs in a new series that will debut in March. The series, called "CBS Story-break," is described by CBS as "an attempt to upgrade our children's programing by bringing classic works of children's literature to Saturday morning cartoon time." The entire series will be narrated by Bob Keeshan, better known as Captain Kangaroo.

Hank the Cowdog, as you may know, is Head of a Ranch Security and the star character in a series of books written by Erickson and published by Maverick Books of Perryton. Hank thinks of himself as a detective, a hero, a protector of his ranch.

Among young readers, he has become the most popular dog to come out of Texas since Old Yeller, yet Erickson says he never would have predicted it.

"My wife was the first to read the manuscript, and her first comment was, 'This is a great children's story.' It made me mad because that wasn't my

intention."

But as he watched the sales figures climb and saw the book go through four printings, he got over his anger. Instead of arguing, he brought out two more Hank episodes, and Maverick Books has scheduled the fourth and fifth books for release in 1985.

Erickson, who got most of his ideas during the eight years he worked as a cowboy, is elated with the CBS contract.

He was also pleased to learn that one of the aims of "CBS Storybreak" will be to encourage children to read the stories they have watched on screen.

"That impressed me," says Erickson. "To be honest about it, I had reservations about turning my book over to television. I worked long and hard to build up an audience, and during our contract negotiations with CBS, we talked a great deal about maintaining the quality and integrity of the material.

"After talking with several of the people involved with 'CBS Storybreak,' I got the feeling that they were just as concerned about quality as I was. That was a relief."

The first "CBS Storybreak" episode will air on Saturday morning, March 30, at 10:00 A.M. Central Time. Hank the Cowdog is tentatively scheduled for Saturday May 4, at 10:00 A.M. Central Time.

TEXAS TECH HOSTS WORLD HUNGER BENEFIT CONCERT

Two of America's outstanding music artists will be in Lubbock Thursday March 28, to raise over \$5000 for World Hunger. Part of a student campus wide movement to address the hunger needs of impoverished people, the concert will feature The Cruse Family and Pete Carlson.

The Cruse's energy and wide spectrum of talent has been entertaining and captivating audiences around the country since friend and fellow performer Larry Gatlin introduced them to Duane Allen of the Oak Ridge Boys in 1971 who signed them to their first record contract. Their high-spirited, exuberant manner is clearly displayed in live performances and studio sessions. They have compiled a discography of 16 LPs, one of which has received two Dove Awards, and a number of other

Dove Award Nominations.

Pete Carlson is recognized as the writer and performer of "Dreamer's Dream", which hit the No. 3 position on the MusicLine charts. Now, with "Child of the Heavenly", his second album release for Word-DaySpring Records, he reinforces the sensitivity of relating day-to-day issues with day-to-day Christianity.

The concert will be held in the University Center Ballroom of the Texas Tech Campus. Tickets are \$45 per person with all proceeds going to world hunger projects of a local, national and international basis. Tickets are available at book and record stores, Texas Tech U.C. ticket office or can be obtained by writing 2420 15th, Lubbock, Texas 79401. For more information call (806) 762-8749.

OBITUARY

ARVIL BREWER

Services for Arvil (Babe) Brewer, 60, of O'Donnell will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Branon Funeral Home with the Rev. Pat Ray of Gail officiating.

Burial was in O'Donnell Cemetery under direction of Branon Funeral Home.

He died Friday in his home. County Judge J.F. Brandon in Tahoka ruled natural causes in the death.

He was born in Lynn County. He was a heavy equipment operator.

Survivors include a daughter, Sarah Sharp of Gail; three sisters, Alma Butler of Albuquerque, N.M., and Jewel Coursey and Ruth Mason, both of Lubbock; two brothers, Marvin of Levelland and G.H. of Little Rock, Ark., and a grandchild, Jason, age of 12 of Gail.

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Rust Epidemic In High Plains Wheat

Lubbock--The threat of a devastating outbreak of leaf rust in Texas High Plains wheat fields is the greatest it has been in more than two decades, a plant pathologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service warned.

"In 22 years in this area, I've never seen such active rust infections at this time of year," said Dr. Robert Berry, the pathologist.

Berry issued the warning to producers following a survey Thursday (Feb. 28) of fields in Hale County with Danny Nusser, assistant Hale County Extension agent. They found extremely active rust spore production in southern and western parts of the county.

The disease requires moisture on the plant leaf and suitable temperatures, such as have occurred across the Plains in recent weeks, Berry said. "At 70 degrees, infection can occur in four hours and the complete cycle, producing spores which then repeat the infection of other leaves, takes 10 to 12 days," the Extension specialist explained. At 60 degrees, the cycle takes twice as long, he said.

A fungus, the rust appears as small, round orange spots or pustules. They appear right at the groundline on the oldest leaves of the plant.

If the infection is heavy enough it will defoliate the plant. "Even light rust will interfere with development of the grain," Berry warned.

"Many fields which we saw in our survey have high weed populations. Many also have thin stands. These conditions don't promise a high yield potential," Berry noted.

He suggested that dryland producers who have thin stands and poor yield outlook may want to consider grazing out their fields hit by rust.

"If an irrigated crop with good potential develops rust, the producer might want to consider a fungicide application at the jointing state," he said.

"It is generally thought that, economically, fungicide should only be applied to wheat that has a potential for a yield in the 80-100 bushel range," he said. He noted that new fungicides, such as Bayleton, are very effective, but are rather expensive.

YOUR COUNTY AGENT SAYS

Large 4-H Group Attends Houston Stock Show

Twenty-four 4-H members participated recently at the Houston Livestock Show February 22-March 2.

Kristi Stone placed 10th in her middleweight Duroc Class and Cam Stone placed 22nd in his class. Both of these barrows made the premium sale. Others exhibiting barrows were Shayne Hess, Brice Key, Ralynn Key, Cody Stone and Tammy Voss.

In the lamb show, 4-youth got lambs into the sale. Kate Phinizy placed 8th in the lightweight finewool class. Will Phinizy placed 18th in the lightweight crossbred class. Brice Key placed 19th in the heavyweight finewool class. Simona Benavidez placed 25th in the middleweight medium wool class. Other exhibiting lambs

were Shayne Hess, James Smith, Gerry Smith, Cathy York, Dana Gray, Ralynn Key, Mickey Burkett, Kristi Stone, Cody Stone, Tammy Voss and Jon Herr.

HGuy Will Zant exhibited a medium weight Chianina steer but did not place.

Four pen of 3 commercial steers was exhibited by Cathy York, Will Phinizy, Gerry Smith and Mickey Burkett. These youth did an extremely good job on their written and oral tests. Each did well on the grade of the cattle and came away with about \$400 in prize money for their efforts. This prize money is in addition to what the steers bring for floor price.

Congratulations to all these youth for their fine efforts.

4-H'ers at San Antonio

Eighteen Borden County 4-H members attended the 1985 San Antonio Livestock Show February 5-16. These youth exhibited 11 barrows and 31 lambs at the show.

Cathy York placed 1st in the lightweight southdown class and received \$9.50 per pound for her lamb. Tammy Voss placed 17th in the heavy weight medium wool class and received \$3.50 per pound. Mickey Burkett placed 18th in the lightweight finewool class and got \$3.75 per pound for the lamb.

In the barrow show, Cody Stone placed 10th in the heavy weight hampshire class and

received \$2.50 per pound. Ralynn Key placed 12th in the heavy weight crossbred class and received \$3.50 per pound. Cam Stone placed in the Droc Class receiving \$ per pound for his barrow. A'Lise Lloyd placed 17th with her lightweight crossbred barrow and was paid \$3.00 per pound for her efforts.

Others attending the show were Shayne Hess, Gerry Smith, James Smith, DKristi Stone, Michael Murphy, Dana Gray, Brice Key, Kandy Belew, Jon Herring, M'Lys Lloyd and D'Lyn Lloyd.

Congratulations to all these exhibitors.

Check Soil Temperature Before Planting

One of the keys to getting spring crops off to a good start is to heed soil temperatures.

Soil temperatures have been shown to have an important effect on how well seeds germinate. Planting in cool soils often leads to poor seed germination and poor crop stands. Plants that do come up often lack vigor for early growth. And this opens the door to early season disease and insect attacks.

You should begin planting only after the danger of a late frost is past and the soil has warmed to temperatures favorable to the intended crop.

Farmers also need to keep attuned to weather forecasts prior to planting. A sudden change in weather conditions following planting can be detrimental to the crop, particularly a cool, wet spell that can lower soil temperatures drastically.

Just when is it safe to plant what crop?

Average minimum temperatures (at the four-inch depth) for planting are as follows: sorghum, 55 degrees and cotton, 65 degrees.

Hardy vegetables such as onions, cabbage and potatoes can be planted once soil

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temperatures range between 45 and 50 degrees while warm-season vegetables such as tomatoes, melons, beans and peppers need soil that has warmed into the 60s.

With early season planting, particularly when soil temperatures are still marginal, you need to pay particular attention to using high quality seed, fungicides and other seed protectants, and adjusting seeding rates.

How do farmers keep abreast of changing soil temperatures?

Daily readings are taken at various locations throughout Texas in cooperations with the Extension Service, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the National Weather Service and individual cooperators. Regional readings are made for the High Plains.

As temperatures are collected, they are included in daily

agricultural weather advisories issued for each of the regions by the National Weather Service's Southwest Agricultural Weather Service Center at Texas A&M University. The advisories are fed into the NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) weather wire teletype system to be received by commercial radio and television stations. The advisories are also carried over the NOAA Weather Radio Network.

Specific temperature readings for about 50 locations also are distributed daily through regular weather service dissemination channels.

Keeping tabs on the weather and soil conditions can help you get off to a good start with spring planting. With the high cost of farm inputs, it's information that should be put to good use.



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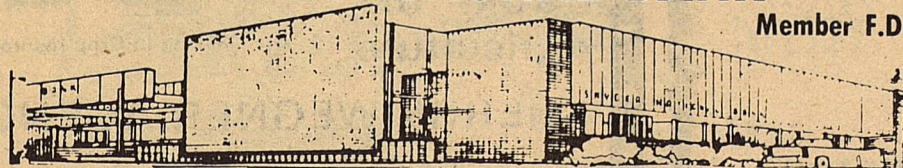
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The Kandy Express

By Kandy McWhorter Money Problems

Money has a major impact on family relationships. Research indicates that it is a major cause of family arguments. In addition, people worry about money more than any other problem.

Money affects our personal relationships, standard of living, ambition and attitudes. It impacts each and every family member-- including children.

Recognize your own attitudes toward money and the message you are conveying consciously or unconsciously to your children. A healthy viewpoint toward money neither overvalues or undervalues it; neither is overconscious of it nor too lax with it. Parents holding this viewpoint and serving as competent financial managers provide sound examples for their children.

In addition to learning that money is a means, not an end, many parents are concerned about helping their children learn to use money wisely. To develop the coping skills necessary to function in an economically changing world, children need to know:

- What money is and is not.
- How to learn from financial mistakes.
- How to reconcile the fact that some families or individuals have more money than others.
- How to make use of limited funds.
- How to enjoy spending.
- How to share with others.
- How to plan and save for goals.

It is easy to see that children today rely more on money, experience more pressure to buy and more demands within the family unit than did their parents when they were children. But with positive guidance and some coaching by their parents, children can become good financial decision-makers.

***** Freeze Dried Bacteria

The hottest thing on the ski slopes this winter may be freeze-dried bacteria that produce man-made snow at temperatures up to 13 degrees higher than normal, reports National Wildlife magazine. The magical microbe is ubiquitous in nature, where it causes an estimated \$14 billion worth of crop damage a year by inducing frost formation on plants.

COTTON TODAY

MINI-ORIENTATION TOUR SET: Cotton Council International will host a mini-orientation tour of the Cotton Belt for nine textile mill executives from France, Germany, and Italy April 9-20.

The group will meet with government officials in Washington before journeying to Memphis, Lubbock, and Fresno for sessions with National Cotton Council representatives, cotton merchants, producers, and cooperative officials. The April mini-orientation tour is one of two being arranged by CCI and USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service this year in an effort to capitalize on market expansion opportunities for U.S. cotton in Europe. A similar tour for a group from Eastern Europe is planned for July. The two mini-tours are in addition to the larger annual orientation tour which this year will include participants from Far East.

GROUP TOURS WINTER COTTON NURSERY: A U.S. team has just returned from an inspection of the Winter Cotton Breeding Nursery in Mexico.

Team members represented the National Cotton Council, USDA, and Cotton Belt state established the original nursery in 1950. They viewed the seed-increase cotton crop that will soon be harvested and met with Mexican agricultural research leaders and U.S. embassy officials.

The nursery speeds private and public development of improved cotton varieties, helping provide breeders with two generations of promising strains each year--one grown in the U.S. during the normal

season and the other in Mexico during the winter. Forty-four current users of the nursery share in the project costs.

SIGN-UP DEADLINE EXTENDED ON 1985 FARM PROGRAMS

The sign-up deadline for the 1985 acreage reduction programs has been extended from March 1 through April 1, 1985.

This extension will provide producers with additional time to plan their farm credit needs for the 1985 planting season.

NEW CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS NAMED TO TEXAS STATE ASC COMMITTEE

Secretary of Agriculture John Block has named a new chairman and members to the Texas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee. Harold W. Thomas, of Eagle Lake, was named chairman and Allan R. Anderson, of Raymondville, George W. Eller, of Panhandle and Jerry D. Harris of Lamesa were named as members. The Committee administers Federal farm programs in Texas.

Thomas has been a farmer and rancher for 50 years in Colorado County. He presently has 800 acres in rice and is managing partner in a 300 head cow-calf operation. He served on the Texas ASC Committee as a member, 1972 and as chairman in 1976.

Anderson has been farming full-time since 1975 and has a 3,000 acre row-crop farming operation in Willacy, Cameron and Hidalgo Counties. He is a graduate of Texas A&M with both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Agricultural Economics.

Eller has been farming in Carson County for 36 years and currently has 1,700 acres in cropland, wheat and grain

sorghum, along with cattle. He is a 25 year member of the

ASCS NEWS

by Jerry Stone

Carson County Farm Bureau.

Harris farms 7,000 acres in Dawson and Gaines Counties with his son and son-in-law. He raises cotton and milo and has interests in cotton ginning, warehousing and merchandising. Active in many producer organizations, he serves on the Board of Governors of Lubbock Christian College.

Worth L. Matteson III of DeKalb will continue to serve as a member of the Committee.

USDA PERMITS HAYING, GRAZING OF 1985 ACREAGE CONSERVATION RESERVE ACRES (ACR)

Farmers in areas where severe weather conditions have led to a critical lack of hay supplies will be permitted to hay and graze 1985 acreage conservation reserve acres.

Some areas have experienced substantially reduced normal hay production and pasture development because of adverse weather.

State officials of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service will determine which counties are eligible to participate under this special acreage conservation reserve provision. Farmers in the eligible counties need to apply to their local ASCS county office for permission to hay and graze their reserve acres.

In addition to haying and grazing their conservation reserve acres for their own livestock, today's ruling permits farmers to allow haying and grazing to these acres by another producer. However, participants using this provision may not charge for the value of the hay or other vegetative growth.

The decision on the 1985 acreage conservation reserve

should alleviate current shortages of hay and allow producers to replenish depleted hay stocks.

CCC LOAN INTEREST RATE REMAINS 9 1/8 PERCENT

Commodity loans disbursed in March by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation will carry a 9 1/8 percent interest rate, the same as the rate in effect for February. The 9 1/8 percent rate reflects the interest rate charged CCC by the U.S. Treasury in March.

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WIND NOT ONLY CULPRIT

The forces of wind and water are not the only causes of soil erosion, says National Wildlife magazine. For instance, off-road vehicles, like the "dune buggy," have scoured more soil off parts of California than nature will replace in 1,000 years.

J.O. Reed Lamesa

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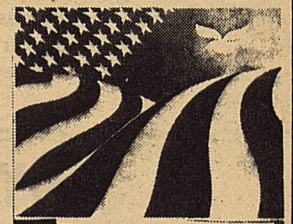
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Estate Management Workshop Offers Tax Planning Help

Abilene--Ways to reduce a taxable farm or ranch estate and to pass an operating business on to the next generation without burdens on taxes will be explained in a two-day seminar here March 19-20.

The seminar is one of four being presented across the state by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Each day's program at the Holiday Inn, 1625 I-20 East, will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 4:30 p.m. The \$60 registration fee covers all seminar materials, refreshments and lunches for both days.

"The seminar will explain a wide variety of estate tax savings and estate administrative features to farmers, ranchers and agribusiness people," said Dr. Wayne Hayenga, Extension economist and an attorney, who conducts the program.

"Of major importance is how every farm estate will be affected under current estate tax laws," Hayenga said. "The best tax planning of the past may be the worst under the present law."

The seminar will begin with a discussion of estate taxes, including deductions, expenses

and tax rates. Basic estate planning devices will be explained in detail. These include by-pass trusts, estate tax deferral, gifts, disclaimers and property titles.

The program also will include discussion of treating beneficiaries fairly and details of the estate planning process. Another segment will examine planning tools for agricultural estates, including use of corporations, partnerships, selling part of the business to heirs, and oil and gas interests.

The seminar will focus upon special estate tax rules for agriculture. These include special farm land evaluation, rules for deferred estate tax payment, life insurance, "flower" bonds, stock in cooperatives, and other property.

"There will be plenty of time to discuss individual situations throughout the seminar," Hayenga said.

Registration forms and additional information about the seminar may be obtained from county Extension offices.

One seminar already has been held in McAllen. Others will be April 2-3 in Victoria and April 23-24 in Denton.

MAIL OFFER SCAM HITS SOUTH PLAINS

Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of South Plains consumers have received a mailing from AMERICAN HERITAGE REDEMPTION CENTER, INC. of Los Angeles, California. The mailing offers consumers their choice of a RCA Model PKC-600R 45" projection television for \$89.00 or two ATC110 three wheel Honda motorcycles for \$264.00. The mailing includes a \$1,500 look-a-like check to be returned with the consumer's check. Locally, the television set sells for \$2,700 and the motorcycles sell for around \$1,000 each. American Heritage is making the offer, so they say, as an advertising test.

The BBB advises extreme caution in accepting this offer. Not only is the offer completely illogical from a business standpoint; but the company's phone number has already been disconnected after being in operation for five days. Local Honda dealers have received a mailgram from American Honda informing them that Honda has no arrangement with American Heritage to distribute the motorcycles through American Heritage and does not support the program. The BBB of Los Angeles has been unable to identify the company and is coordinating efforts in investigating the company. Customers who have sent in money should contact the BBB-South Plains for more information.

DOCTORS SUPPORT SAFETY BELT BILL

Austin--Proposed state legislation to require use of safety belts has received strong support from the Texas Medical Association.

"There are two important facts here," said Dr. E. Don Webb, a Houston family physician representing TMA. "First, safety belts save lives and reduce serious injuries. And second, the Texas Poll recently found that 62 percent of Texans support a law requiring the use of safety belts."

"It's time we take action to prevent these needless deaths and injuries," Webb said during a Capitol news conference announcing the legislation on Feb. 26. House Bill 941 is sponsored by Rep. Bill Messer (D-Belton), and Sen. Ted Lyon (D-Mesquite) is the sponsor of Senate Bill 500, the same bill.

The legislation would require front-seat occupants of passenger cars to wear safety belts. Back-seat passengers would not have to wear them. The legislation would not apply to trucks and off-road vehicles.

If passed, the law would take effect on Sept. 1, but the \$25 to \$50 fines would not be issued during a three-month grace period ending Dec. 1. The use or non-use of safety belts could not be admitted as evidence in a civil trial.

Despite Texans' support for safety belt legislation, about 60 percent do not use them, according to TMA. When seat belts are used, the chances of surviving a crash increase by more than 50 percent.

The 24.00 member

association of physicians and medical students also strongly supported the new child safety seat law.

TMA cited these national statistics that point to the need for a safety belt law:

-Between 12,000 and 15,000 lives could be saved each year if all passenger car occupants used safety belts at all times.

-Every hour, five persons are killed in motor vehicle accidents.

-Most motor-vehicle accidents occur within 25 miles of home--at speeds of less than 40 miles per hour.

-Motor-vehicle accidents are the number one killer of persons ages 1 to 38.

-Motor-vehicle crashes cost the United States an estimated \$43.3 billion each year.

Citizens pay for this through higher taxes for police services, emergency medical services, medical care and rehabilitation, public health and highway safety programs, higher hospital costs, and increased insurance premiums.

The TMA Committee on Emergency Medical Services and Trauma initiated the association's policy that strongly endorses mandating the use of seat belts or seat-shoulder belts.

TMA's support of safety belt use also includes free educational information on the topic. Almost 340,000 copies of a brochure, "Clintck-The Sound of Saving a Life," have been distributed. A poster with the same message also is available.

Children Trust Fund Bills

Children's Trust Fund bills have recently been filed in the Texas Senate and House of Representatives by Senator Chet Brooks and Representative Stan Schlueter.

Senate Bill 371 and House Bill 1185 will establish this special fund to finance programs to prevent child abuse and neglect. Recognizing the need for planning at the local level, the Children's Trust Fund will emphasize community-based programs.

If passed by the legislature as proposed, the bills would establish the CTF and the council on child abuse and neglect to direct the funds and establish guidelines for grants to be awarded from the CTF.

Proponents of the bills point out that in 1984, the Texas Department of Human Resources (TDHR) assisted over 105,000 victims of child abuse and neglect and that the CTF monies for prevention programs would keep thousands of children out of this tragic statistic.

Funding for the CTF would come from several sources: an increase in marriage license fees, grants from private and public sources, and individual contributions. Also, over the next five years, the Federal Challenge Grants Act of 1984 will provide \$1 in matching federal funds for every \$3 that a state puts in a trust fund such as CTF.



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Washington, Virginia--1) General William Westmoreland conspired to deceive his Commander-in-Chief and trick his country into sending young men to their deaths in the jungles of Southeast Asia. 2) General William Westmoreland is a patriotic servant of his country who has always upheld the highest standards of his profession.

If you believe CBS, you believe that both statements are true.

When the documentary "The Uncounted Enemy" was aired back in January 1982, newspaper advertisements proclaimed: "CBS Reports reveals the shocking decisions made at the highest level of military intelligence to suppress and alter critical information on the number and placement of enemy troops in Vietnam. A deliberate plot to fool the American public, the Congress, and perhaps even the White House..."

During the program, Mike Wallace looked into the camera and told us that "tonight we're going to present evidence of what we've come to believe was a conscious effort...indeed, a conspiracy-- at the highest levels of American military intelligence to suppress and alter critical intelligence on the enemy..."

Since a conspiracy is, by definition, a joint effort by two or more persons to commit an evil or unlawful act, CBS was making a serious charge. A conspiracy like the one CBS described would have been

worthy of a court-martial, or perhaps a trial for treason. At the center of the alleged conspiracy was General Westmoreland, U. S. commander in Vietnam from 1964 to 1968, who was cast as the villain of "The Uncounted Enemy."

Three years later, in exchange for the General's agreement to drop his \$120 million libel suit, the network issued a statement that "CBS respects General Westmoreland's long and faithful service to his country and never intended to assert and does not believe that General Westmoreland was unpatriotic or disloyal in performing his duties as he saw them."

If, in fact, Westmoreland was and is a patriot, loyal to his country--then CBS; end-of-trial statement contradicts its earlier documentary. I would call it a retraction, except that CBS spokesmen have spent the days since the trial's end frantically denying that any retraction was made. All along, the network based its defense on the Supreme Court's rule of "actual malice." A public figure such as Westmoreland cannot win a libel suit even if he proves the allegations are false and defamatory...unless he can also prove that the news organization (CBS in this case) knew that it was false, or didn't care whether it was false or not.

That's known as an "idiot" defense because it boils down to this: All the news organization has to prove is that it was stupid

enough to swallow somebody's charge against a public figure, and it is absolutely immune from a successful libel suit, even if the accusation later turns out to be false.

Even though a CBS victory seemed certain--how could Westmoreland prove Mike Wallace and Company knew they were lying? --the network was scared enough of the possibility of losing the case that it made its (non) retraction.

That's because juries sometimes make decisions based not on legal technicalities but on justice. "The Uncounted Enemy" was one of the most unfair attacks ever conducted by the news media. A consultant was paid \$25,000 to help put the show together, and then appeared in the program as one of Westmoreland's acusers; contrary to CBS policy, he was allowed to rehearse his answers. Another Westmoreland critic was given the opportunity to review previously-filmed comments before being interviewed. Quotes were pulled out of context. When the producers interviewed Westmoreland, they neglected to tell him the specific topic in advance, so he was not prepared and seemed confused trying to remember events 15 years earlier. According to an award-winning story in TV Guide and according to CBS' own investigation, the producers ignored evidence that contradicted their theory and slanted the documentary as if they were making an argument rather than reporting a news story.

And the very thesis of the program, that defeat in Vietnam was Westmoreland's fault, was absurd. Westmoreland opposed the "no-win" policy that dragged out the Vietnam War. Under orders from President

Johnson, he downplayed enemy strength in his public statements, but--as the Pentagon Paper made clear-- he fought hard for a U.S. commitment to end the war quickly. If the Vietnam War was the fault of any individual, it was

the fellow who sat in the Oval office deciding which bridges were going to be knocked out each day. It was not the fault of professional military officers like the heroic William Westmoreland.

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