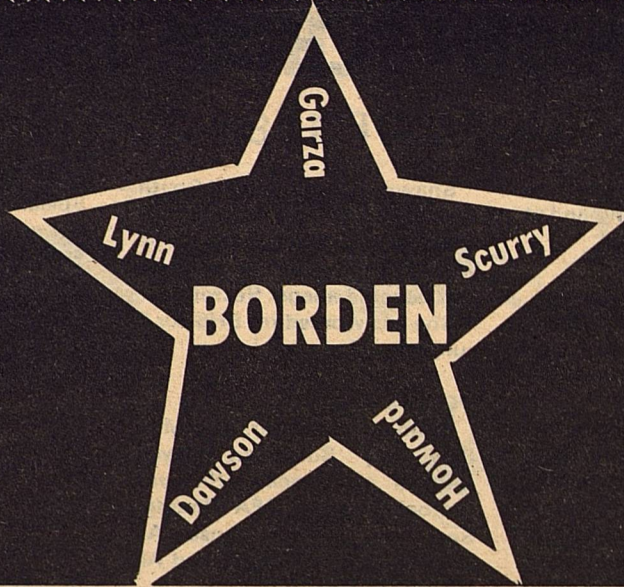


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HORSEBREAKING CLINIC HELD ON MULESHOE

The Muleshoe Ranch was the setting for a horsebreaking clinic last week.

Cliff Crago of Graham, Texas hosted several local people and a few out-of-towners in this clinic. Butch Gass, Joe Kropp, Mike and Susan Stephens of Gail all attended as well as Joel Ham of Big Kake, Wendell Culp of Welch, Jay Lott and Rex Cash of Post, Kid Koger of Lamesa, and Jack Eden of San Angelo.

Cliff Crago is 35 years old and has been putting on clinics for about 1-2 years. He is originally from South Dakota from a ranching family. Cliff breaks outside horses and keeps about 20 horses. His wife and children also help ride the horses that he breaks.

Mr. Crago's objective in breaking horses is to learn how to get more out of your horses by keeping them in a learning state of mind, through feel.

The clinic progressed very

well. The first day, the group learned to saddle and ride their unbroken horses in the round pen. The horses learned to get used to supporting a man's weight. The second day they rode their colts into the big arena. On the third day they relaxed the horses and taught them to lay down.

The last two days the riders took their horses into the pasture and worked cattle on the green horses.

Joe Kropp, one of the horse breakers, said, "You learn to give your horse a chance to learn instead a making him do what you want." Kropp also said that if a horse is given a chance to do something without being forced, he learns twice as quick.

Everyone enjoyed the clinic, in spite of a few days of bumps and bruises. Mr. Crago will be holding another clinic at Post in July.

FEE BILLS DIVERT COUNTY REVENUE

Fee bills are becoming a handy way for legislators to finance programs this session. One type

of bill serves a special group, or in another case, helps finance reform of the judicial system, especially new court managers and computerization of district court dockets.

A fee may be increased with the additional portion going to a special fund or deposited in the state's general revenue. The special fund bills aid both the special groups or the judicial reform proposals.

Other bills simply raise revenue for the state. In some cases, the bills order the commissioners court to finance the proposals from fees, fines or other sources of revenue and do not spell out specific fee or fine increases.

The purpose of all of these bills, however, is to finance the proposals from fees, fines or other sources of revenue and do not spell out specific fee or fine increases.

The purpose of all of these bills, however, is to finance state programs using the county as a funding vehicle since the legislature is reluctant to raise them money at the state level by increasing taxes. The impact of the bills on counties could be devastating, however, since using counties to finance state programs limits county flexibility in raising money for its own needs. Also, at some point counties with increased state burdens will run head on into the 8 percent rollback provision in the tax code when they have to raise revenue to finance the increased costs of their own operations and programs.

The strongest defense against this type of legislation is to stay in constant contact with your legislators, urging them to



JEANETTE MASSINGILL



SAMANTHA PORTER

VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN OF BHS HONORED

Jeanette Massingill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Massingill, has been named valedictorian for Borden High School. Jeanette has maintained a grade average of 92.57 over a four year period. She is a member of the National Beta Club, band, and Future Homemakers of America. She has participated in track, basketball, one-act play, writing and speaking events.

Jeanette plans to enroll in Western Texas College in the fall.

Samantha Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Porter, was named salutatorian for Borden High School. She maintained a grade average of 91.71. Samantha is a member of the

national Beta Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is active in Future Homemakers of America where she holds the office of vice president and she was drum major for the Coyote Band. Samantha was a commended student in National Merit Scholarship competition. She has participated in basketball, debate, one-act play and writing events in U.I.L.

Samantha plans to enroll in Trinity University in the fall.

Baccalaureate service will be at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, May 19th in the school auditorium. Commencement exercises will be Thursday, May 23rd, at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

BORDEN COUNTY MOST WANTED

The Borden County High School class of 1970 is planning a 15 year reunion to be held sometime this summer.

Chairman Lisa Dennis Mahler has located all but three of her class.

The "missing persons" are: Xavier Benavidez, Steve Summers and Elisidora Villanueva.

Lisa hopes that some of our

readers might know the where abouts of these most wanted ex's. If so, you may contact Lisa by calling 915- 3366-944 or writing Mrs. Keith Mahler, Box 1541, Fort Stockton, Texas 79735.

Plans tentatively call for the reunion to be held during the Gail rodeo so please contact Lisa promptly with any information you might have.

BORDEN SCHOOL NEWS

SENIORS OF 1985 OUTLINED

JEANETTE MASSINGILL

Jeanette Massingill, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Don Massingill, of Gail has participated in track, basketball, Debate, Prose, Feature Writing, Editorials, Typing, Shorthand, and Drama. She was FHA Reporter 2 years and a member of the Beta Club. Jeanette will receive the Valedictorian Award. She was on the One Act Play All Star Cast and received the Bobbie Briggs Encounter Award.

Jeanette feels that she received a good education and a sense of belonging at BHS. She plans to attend WTC in Snyder upon graduation. She worked at Borden County School for 6 years and now is employed by the Shack restaurant in Snyder.

SAMANTHA PORTER

Samantha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Porter sometimes answers to the name "Sami". She played basketball, was a member of the band, on the debate team, member of One Act Play, and participated in headlines and spelling. She was president of FHA and FCA, Vice-Pres. of FHA and drum major.

Samantha received the National Merit Scholarship.

She feels that she received a good education from BHS.

Sami plans to attend Trinity University in the fall. She plans to enter the field of education or law.

Sami has worked for GOSH-YES in Big Spring and at the Gail Texaco Station.

REBECCA MASSINGILL

Rebecca, daughter of James and Sharon Massingill participated in basketball, tennis, Newswriting and Debate. She class offices and was FHA Vice-President.

Becky received Honorable Mention in basketball, Regional in Debate, State in Newswriting and Regional in Headlines.

Becky feels that her education is very valuable. She also feel that a relationship with others has been important at BHS.

She plans to attend Angelo State University.

Becky has been employed by M&M General Contractors and Permian Answering.

CAM STONE

Cam, son of Dan Stone of Gail, sometimes answers to the name "Stoner." He played basketball and was ma member of the Coyote Band. He was 4-H President, FFA President, FFA Secretary and a member of the Student Council.

Cam achieved the Beta Achievement.

He feels that an education and friends he has made at BHS is, very important.

Cam plans to attend San Angelo University or WTC in Snyder and pursue a law career (maybe).

He has worked for Borden County Precinct 4 and takes care of the courthouse lawn in Gail, also helping out in that prcencinct.

DOUG ADAMS

Doug, son of Clay and Kathy Adams has enjoyed sports and music while at Gail.

He received All District in Football.

Doug feels that the mo t valuable thing he received at BHS in an education.

He plans to attend San Angelo and ehereither farm or go into realestate.

He has worked for American aMagnesium and farmed.

SHAWNA VAUGHN

Shawna or (Squiggy) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vaughn. She played basketball, was a cheerleader, played tennis, participated in drama, on the Annual Staff, 4-H, FHA, Band and UIL. She was the F.H.A. Historian, FHA Recreation Leader and a Class Officer.

Shawna was on the 1st Team All-District Basketball Team, Chosen Most School Spirit, and Band Sweetheart.

She feels that she has received an education which will be very helpful in the future. She also feels that wshe learned "who I was."

Shawna plans to attend South Plains College or a Commercial College in Central Texas. She would like to major in business and become a legal Secretary.

She has worked for BHS for 2 summers.

DENNIS RAY BUCHANAN

Dennis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Buchanan played football and track. He was football captain, FFA Chapter Secretary. He was chosen All District Defensive End, and All District Punter.

Dennis feels lthat he has learned to except responsibility at BHS.

He plans to go to WTC next fall to take a few welding courses or go to San Angelo State.

Dennis has worked for his uncle last summer building walls aronund tank batteries. He is now farming for his dad.

CARL GLEN BACON

Glen is the daughter of Connie Boyd and Casrl Bacon. He played football and track, was a member of color guard, was in persuasive speaking, number sense, colaculator and science competition.

He was class Vice-Pres., and FFA Vice-President.

Glen was chosen Most School Spirit, was a Beta Achievement member and received the Bob Ludecke Memorial Award.

He considers the friendship that he have acquired to be the most valuable thing he received in high school.

Glen plans to attend TSTI or the University of Texas. Computer Maintenance or Programming are possible fields for Glen.

He was employed by Weaver Services, Inc., Borden County, Precinct 4, and Lewis Dozer Service.

NANCY MARTINEZ

Nancy, daughter of Ben and Lucy Gomez played basketball,

track, One Act Play, Band, UIL Spelling, Debate, Cheerleader. H wasShe was a class officer in 10th and 11th, FHA officer and church secretary.

Nancy was a Regional Qualifier 1981 and 82 in Debate and received the Bobbie Briggs Encounter Award.

She feels that being yourself is the best way of making friends. She feels that she has gotten a good education at BHS.

Nancy will tn attend Commercial College at Lubbock or Central Texas Commercial College at Brownwood.

Nancy was employed by Asteroid World.

KIRBY WILLIAMS

Kirby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mary Lynn Williams participated in football, basketball and band. He held both FFA offices and class officers.

Kirby was FHA Beau. He feels that the friendships that he has established and his education are important.

Kirby will attend Texas Tech this fall.

He has been engaged in farming with his Dad.

ROBIN HOOD

Robin Hood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duke Frisbie of Gail participated in football, basketball, track and one act play as well as band.

He was a reporter and calss president. Hwse was All District in Football; All State In Football, All District in Basketball; All Star Game n basketball.

Robin feels that the most valuable thing he received at BHS is to watch who you associate with.

Robin will attend either Angelo State, WTC, Texas Tech or Howard college and pursue a career in Mass Communications.

He worked for ENOC Gas Stations, Forsan High School and Borden High School.

SIMONA BENAVIDEZ

Simona, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Benavidez participated in basketball, track, UIL, Band, FFA, FHA, 4-H, Annual Staff and Drama. She was FHA Pres., FHA Reporter, Class Officer, Parliamentary Procedure Secretary. She also received the Bobbie Briggs Encounter Award, Regional Qualifier Informative Speaking, FHA Awards, Showmanship Award.

Simona feels that the most valuable thing that she received in BHS is the ability to take challenges in life, but also that being yourself is the best person you could ever be and that she received an aeducation that will help her expand her education and be successful.

She plans to find a good job and attend college some day in Physical Education and become a coach. She would also like to help kids, teenagers and older people.

Simona worked at school during the summer and baby set during weekends.

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JUNIOR HIGH TAKES DISTRICT TENNIS TITLE

Just looking at the finals, it seemed as though only two schools entered the District 5A Junior High Tennis Tournament. But in reality, Borden and O'Donnell dominated the spring event with each capturing two titles and also two runner-up titles. Winning the district championship in girls singles was Kate Phinizy. In girls doubles it was Elvira Balague and Susan Gwinn winning for the second year in a row.

The girls singles final was all Borden, as Kate Phinizy and Christy Holmes lost a combined total of nine games in reaching the finals. Kate defeated a girl from O'Donnell the first round, whom had won her last year's AAA district. Kate held a 5-0 lead in both sets before settling for the 6-1, 6-3 win. In the second round she played Southland's number two girl, who had defeated the Number one player from Klondike the previous round. Kate opened up a 2-0 lead before dropping a game and then won the next 10 games for a 6-1, 6-0 score and then met last year's district champion from Southland. The first set lasted only 15 minutes as Christy held her opponent to 1 and 2 points per game in the 6-0 opener. The second set lasted only a little longer as Christy won her semi-final match 6-0, 6-3. In the final, both girls lost more games against each other than they did the whole district tournament. Kate captured the title over Christy by a 6-3, 6-3 score.

Elvira and Susan opened up the defense of their district title with a 6-1, 6-2 win over Southland, who had earlier defeated Klondike. In the semi-finals, they defeated O'Donnell's number two team by a 6-0, 6-1 count. In the finals, they defeated O'Donnell's number one team by a relatively easy 6-1, 6-1 score to win their second district championship in as many years. Amy Lewis and

Rachel Romero also placed in the girls doubles division as they won third place. In the first round, they defeated Klondike's number one team by a 6-3, 6-1 score. Then in the semi-finals they lost to O'Donnell's number one team by a 6-4, 6-3 score before defeating O'Donnell's number two team in the third place game 6-1, 6-2.

Lance Telchik and Chad Williams won second place in the boy's doubles division as they first defeated O'Donnell by a close 7-6, 6-4 score. Then in the semi-finals, they completely dominated Klondike by a quick 6-0, 6-0 score. In the finals, they dropped a close 6-3, 6-4 score over O'Donnell's number one team. This gave Borden its highest place finish in many years in Junior High boys tennis. Cody Stone and Jon Herring also competed in the district tournament but dropped a 6-1, 6-1 decision to the tournament champion O'Donnell in the first round. Final results of the District 5A Junior High Tennis Tournament were as follows:

Girls Singles
1st-Kate Phinizy (Borden County)
2nd - Christy Holmes (Borden County)
3rd-Jenni Gast (Southland)

Boys Singles
1st-Brad Snellgrozve (O'Donnell)
2nd-Dan Bessire (O'Donnell)

Girls Doubles
1st-Elvira Balague and Susan Gwinn (Borden County)
2nd-Brandy Rogers & Christi Parker (O'Donnell)
3rd - Amy Lewis & Rachel Romero (Borden County)

Boys Doubles
1st-Matt Bessire & David Easker (O'Donnell)
2nd-Lance Telchik & Chad Williams (Borden County)

KELLI WILLIAMS QUALIFIED FOR STATE TENNIS MEET

For the second consecutive year, Kelli Williams, a sophomore at Borden County High School, has qualified for the state tennis tournament to be held in Austin, May 10 and 11. This year, though, it will be in singles competition, as she and Tammy Miller captured runner-up honors in doubles last year losing to Nazareth in the finals of regional and the finals of state. Kelli, the winner of district 5A met Susan Blalock of Garden City the first round, the runner-up of district 6A. Kelli won the first eleven games, holding a 6-0, 5-0 lead, before dropping one game. She closed out the match the next game to move on to the quarter-finals in her 6-0, 6-1 victory. She then

met Bonnie Quintanilla of Tornillo. Miss Quintanilla defeated Melissa Stubbs of Lefors in the first round. Kelli jumped out to a 6-2 first set lead and held a 4-1 lead in the second before her opponent began to hit numerous winners off the forehand side, to pull close in the match. The simple solution was to hit to her backhand, which Kelli did to close out with a 6-4 win in the second set. The match of the tournament came the next morning as Kelli faced Traci Hill of Nazareth, with the winner earning a trip to the state tournament. Miss Hill defeated Shana Jacobsen of Wink in the first round, whom last year had won the regional title and had reached the state semi-finals.

She won that match 6-0, 6-4 and then defeated Angela Matthews of Anton in the quarter-finals by a score of 6-2, 6-3. Kelli jumped out ahead of Miss Hill 3-1 before Traci came back to take a 5-4 lead and held two set points. Saving off both of them, Kelli pulled back even and eventually forced the first set into a tie-breaker. It was won by Miss Williams by an 8-6 count. In the second set, Nazareth jumped out to a 5-2 lead, and split sets looked inevitable. But then Kelli came back to take the next four games to go ahead 6-5 and held three match points. Miss Hill saved off all three and won the next two points to pull even at 6 all, forcing a second tie-breaker. Nazareth won it 7-2 on strong service points, to tie up the match, forcing a third set. Two hours had already elapsed and all other semi-final matches concluded as Borden and Nazareth started the third and deciding set. Kelli jumped out to a 3-0 lead, and after both holding serve, held a 4-1 lead. But Miss Hill took the next two games, before Kelli held serve, and then took the next two games to tie up the third set at 5 each. Miss Williams held serve and then held triple match point in the next game on Miss Hill's serve. Traci held off two of them before Kelli put away an overhead off a weak lob to win the match 7-6, 6-7, 7-5 and earn her trip to Austin.

After the three hour match, Kelli had to be back on the court in less than one hour to play Johannah Thompson of Hartley to see which would represent our region as 1st nor thiwnd place at the state tournament. Thompson had defeated Gwen Hayhurst of Sundown 6-2, 6-1 in the first round. In the semi-final she defeated Andrea Whitabkker of Gruver 6-1, 6-0. The semi-final saw a quick 6-0, 6-1 win over Danette Hodamp of Garden City. Fatigue clearly showed as Thompson jumped out to a 6-1 first set win over Kelli and then held a 4-0 lsecond set lead. But just when everyone had counted Kelli out, she came back to tie up the set and forced it into a tie-breaker. Kelli won it 7-4, forcing a third set. This match, which lasted two hours, finally took its toll on Miss Williams as Thompson closed out the third set with a 6-3 win. Johannah reached the state tournament last year as the runner-up from our region, and lost a split set decision to the eventual state champion in the first round.

Congratulations to Kelli on reaching the state tournament for the sdecond time. And a special congratulations on a win long awaited for---a win over NAZARETH!!!!



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Wednesday	Lasagna Vegetable Salad Buttered Corn Fruit Cobbler Hot Bread Milk	Salad Bar
Thursday	Hamburger Meat & Beans Cole Slaw Fruit Cornbread Milk	Salad Bar
Friday	Hamburgers French Fries Lettuce & Tomatoes Cookies Milk	Salad Bar



ASCS NEWS

by Jerry Stone

Herbs and Spices and Flavorings

The remarkable properties of herbs and spices have been appreciated by nearly every civilization since ancient times. According to historians, herbs were used by early civilizations as long ago as 3000 B.C. The Assyrians, Egyptians, Greeks and Romans all used herbs in a number of different ways. The ancients regarded herbs as being endowed with numerous almost-magical properties which made them valuable in cooking, medicines, cosmetics, perfumes, dyes and embalming. Herbs even had a place in that most famous of all gardens -- the Garden of Eden.

The popularity of herbs was not limited to the East. Beautiful formal herb gardens were found in the grounds of every English monastery and castle during the Middle Ages. The garden was usually located close to the kitchen so the cook had easy access to fresh herbs to add to his pot.

The aromatic qualities of herbs made them valued as a means to flavor and preserve foods. This sought-after property comes from the essential oils of the plant. The application of heat encourages the release of these oils and their flavors are readily absorbed by food they are cooked with. When you add fresh or dried herbs to your dishes, it is always a good idea to crush the herb in the palm of your hand to promote the release of these flavorful oils.

In Europe, as in earlier eastern civilizations, herbs were not prized for their culinary uses alone. Their medicinal properties were described at length in several sturdy volumes in the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Among the notable authors of these "herbals" were John Gerard, John Parkinson, Nicholas Culpepper and Elizabeth Blackwell. Their scholarly writings make fascinating reading today. It is obvious from these works that the physicians of the day were also the first botanists. A thorough knowledge of the healing and soothing properties of plants was an essential part of the primitive science of medicine.

The European settlers who came to the New World in the seventeenth century cultivated herbs as they had done at home.

In their journals they noted that the Indians made similar use of native herbs particularly in herbal teas and therapeutic mixtures.

Spices have an even more romantic history than herbs, although the histories of both are frequently entwined. Spices have been highly prized and bitterly fought over for centuries.

Throughout the centuries, spices have been used for purposes similar to herbs. Ginger gave its distinctive flavor to the first gingerbread -- a great favorite with the Greeks and Romans. Many other spices were key ingredients in healing potions and perfume oils.

The popularity of both herbs and spices is on the rise again today for several reasons. More and more people are enjoying good cooking. And since flavor is a vital component of good food, herbs and spices are called upon increasingly by the creative cook. In recent years, the addition of salt has been our chief method of seasoning food.

A new awareness of the detrimental effects on our health of high sodium consumption has lead many people to search for a low-sodium seasoning alternative. This is where herbs and spices come into their own. They can provide whatever flavor intensity that cook desires. A more widespread familiarity with international cuisines has also focused our attention on herbs and spices. It is often the addition of a particular herb or spice that gives a dish its ethnic identity.

Indoors and out, mankind's favorite pastime is eating. Without salt and the dozens of flavoring agents we have discovered and learned to use over many generations, all that beautiful food would be flat and have a sameness very disappointing to our palates.

Chief among the rules that govern the use of flavoring and seasoning agents is this: Restrain yourself -- a little goes a long way. A little salt brings out the flavor of a dish; too much salt makes it bitter and inedible. A little spice or herb, a small portion of juice or peel, a modicum of extract, a touch of onion -- all these give zest and bring a good dish to perfection. But, an excess of anything is overpowering.

FILE ACREAGE REPORT

We encourage all farmers, whether they participate in our programs or not to file an acreage report and protect their crop acreage bases.

By certifying crop acres, farmers establish documentation for future crop acreage bases as well as eligibility for different benefits if they participate in farm programs.

It is very important for farmers who are participating in the 1985 programs to file an acreage report, because without an acreage report farmers are not really participating. We must have the report in order to determine the level at which farmers are eligible for price support loans, deficiency payments and other program benefits.

Program participants are required to report crops and acreage planted, the uses to be made of these crops, and cropland acres to be devoted to the acreage conservation reserve. When farmers report to the county ASCS office, they can review aerial photographs of their farm and pinpoint the fields in which the crops are grown. This information is then documented for program compliance and crop acreage bases. In addition to history purposes, the reports are also necessary to prove crop yields.

The final certification date for program crops along with required ACR acres in Borden County is July 15, 1985.

Farmers not participating in the 1985 programs are encouraged to report their crop acreages to insure future benefits and protect acreage bases.

ACSCS PREPARES FOR WHEAT REFERENDUM

Conforming with permanent farm legislation until the 1985 farm bill becomes law, the U.S. Department of Agriculture recently proclaimed an acreage allotment of 54 million acres and a marketing quota of 1,955 million bushels for the 1986 wheat crop.

Unless new legislation prevents it, quotas will be required if approved by at least two-thirds of the producers voting in a referendum to be held July 19-26. While new farm legislation is being enacted, farmers need to know the program provisions that could be in effect.

If marketing quotas are approved, the 1986 wheat program would include mandatory acreage controls with stiff penalties for overplanting of the allotment, a two-tiered price support system, a domestic and export certificate program financed by processors and exporters, and, under certain conditions, a mandatory land diversion program.

If more than one-third of the eligible producers voting in the referendum reject marketing quotas, the basic wheat program would contain a price support loan program set at 50 percent of parity. This would be available only to farmers planting within their acreage allotment, with no acreage controls or penalties for overplanting, no domestic or export certificate program, and no land diversion authority.

Eligible farmers are those who have an interest in a farm with an established acreage allotment that will be derived from the wheat allotment history that has been suspended since the 1977 crop.

Used under large crop conditions, marketing quotas allocate the market among farms growing the crop. They are made effective through farm acreage allotments and monetary penalties on production or marketings from excess acreage if the acreage exceeds the farm allotment.

ACP SIGN UP

Producers interested in signing up for an ACP practice still have time to do so. Request filed by May 13, 1985 will be considered for approval by the committee on May 14, 1985.

Producers may sign up for any of the practices offered under the 1985 program, including:

1. Establishment of a permanent vegetative cover.
2. Improving permanent vegetative cover through root plowing, grubbing, aerial spraying and re-seeding.
3. Constructing terrace systems both standard and parallel along with diversion terraces and water ways.
4. Wells, pipelines and storage facilities for livestock water
5. Constructing water impoundment reservoir.

MID-YEAR CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORTS

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service will begin contacting farmers and ranchers across the state in mid-May for 1985 crop information and mid-year livestock inventories.

Information from these surveys is very important to the entire agricultural industry. The current economic uncertainties of agriculture are weighing heavily on most producers' production and marketing decisions. These mid-year crop and livestock estimates will provide farmers and ranchers with information they can use to adjust their plans for 1985.

Results of the confidential interview, conducted by mail or in person by field enumerators, will be published in July.

To reduce survey costs farmers and ranchers are urged return the mailed questionnaires as soon as possible. The reported information will be combined for state and county estimates.

Annual county estimates are published for livestock, dairy, poultry, cotton, field crops, small grains, fruits and pecans, vegetables, and cash receipts from the sale of farm products.

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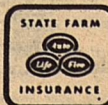
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Texas High School Team Named Decathlon Champions

(Los Angeles, April 12, 1985)...In a major test academic brawn, J. J. Pearce High School of Richardson, Texas was named 1985 U. S. Academic Decathlon (USAD) champions today in Los Angeles, CA. The team of high school juniors and seniors squaeeked past rival Beverly Hills High School, Beverly Hills, CA, to win the title for the second year in a row. Mentor High School, Mentor, OH, placed third in the fourth annual Decathlon, April 10-12 at Loyola Marymount College.

Thirty-four states were represented in the national competition which required teams to include two A students, two "B" students and two students with a "C" or below average.

"The Decathlon is great because it involves students at all academic levels of achievement. And because it covers the whole curricular spectrum of the high school education and even beyond," said A. Robert Paltiel, vice president, marketing, World Book, Inc., and a member of the USAD Board of Directors. "It's also great because of that special relationship which develops between coaches and students, and because it has the best of both individual competition and team solidarity," he added. World Book, publisher of The World Book Encyclopedia, is a major supporter of the Decathlon, and authenticated all of the test materials for the competition.

During the competition students were tested in six academic areas: economics, fine arts, grammar and literature, mathematics, science and social science. In addition, each student wrote an essay, was interviewed by judges and presented a speech.

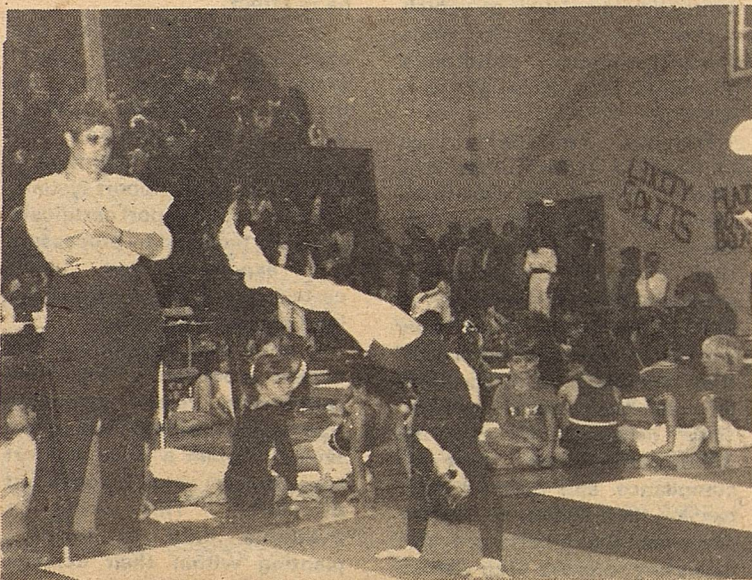
The final event was the Super Quiz, won by Chaparral High School, Scottsdale, AZ. Students and spectators

gathered in Loyola Marymount's Gersten Pavilion to cheer and shout for team members as they responded to questions on the 1985 Super Quiz topic, futurism. John Naisbitt's best selling book, Megatrends, was the reference source for the Quiz. J. J. Pearce and Beverly Hills high schools placed second and third, respectively in the Super Quiz.

Students were recognized for their academic efforts at an awards luncheon today at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton where they were presented with gold, silver and bronze medals. Individual students also received medals for academic excellence.

The USAD was created in 1968 as a county-wide competition by Dr. Robert Peterson, County Superintendent of Schools, Orange County, California. In 1979 it was expanded to include schools from around the state, and in 1982 students participated in the first national Decathlon. Last year 29 states were represented at the finals in Los Angeles.

For further information about how to participate in the 1986 U. S. Academic Decathlon, contact: UDAUSAD, c/o World Book Inc., Merchandise Mart Plaza, Station 99m Chicago, IL 60654, 800-227-USAD.



ASHLI FARMER

County Girl Qualified for State

Miss Ashley Farmer, daughter of Matt and Diane and Granddaughter of Shorty and Barbara Farmer has qualified for state competition in tumbling. She will compete in Amarillo

She will compete in the regionals in Amarillo May 11th. She was one of 11 qualifiers from Lamesa Jumping Jacks. Ashli has been moved up to advanced level for the Regionals meet.

She has placed at the following meets:
Lamesa-2nd trampoline and 4th floor
Wolforth- 1st medal trampoline and 2nd in floor
Plains- 2nd floor
Plains mee- 2nd place medal in trampoline and 1st medal in floor

District -1st place medal in trampoline and 2nd medal in floor

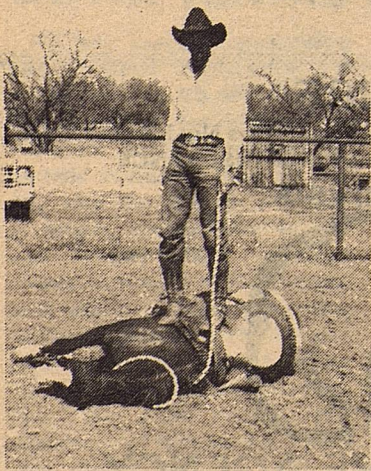
State Qualifying Meet-2nd place medal in trampoline and 3rd medal floor.

Congratulations and good luck to Ashli

NEW BABY

Mary Michele was born to Terry and Mary Bond on March 19 in Methodist Hospital of Lubbock. She weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was 20½ inches long. Michele has a brother, James who is 2½. They reside in Lamesa.

Grandparents are Herman and Christeen Ledbetter of the Plains Community.



After a Cliff Grago Clinic one may have his colt lying on the ground to be dstood on.



Say Hello To RT Texadielo

Say hello to R. T. Texadillo, the new mascot of the Texas Sesquicentennial!

Texans will be seeing a lot of R.T. in 1985 and 1986 through special appearances, a selection of products, and printed material. The whimsical armadillo character was designed specifically for the Sesquicentennial.

According to Sheila Lyons, president of Lyons Share Marketing Group, R.T.'s name was derived from the words "Republic of Texas Armadillo." R.T. Texadillo will be a unique breed of armadillo known only to Texas," said Ms. Lyons. The Houston company developed the mascot and is handling publicity, product endorsements and public appearances of the character.

The live costumed character will be available to local Sesquicentennial committees for a variety of uses. Special appearances of R.T. Texadillo will enhance any local celebration or festival and will present photo opportunities and Sesquicentennial leaders. Visits to hospitals and schools and promotion of charity benefits or fund-raising programs will also keep Texadillo busy.

The mascot is also expected to gain national exposure and attention by appearing at functions outside the state. "Texadillo will be a true representative of our famous Texas hospitality and should draw a tremendous amount of

tree publicity to the celebration by appearing at all the major Sesquicentennial events such as the Cotton Bowl. San Antonio Fiesta, professional sports events, and rodeos," said Ms. Lyons.

The state of South Australia, also celebrating a Sesquicentennial in 1986, has adopted J.W. the Hairy-Nosed Wombat as its mascot, and plans are under way to develop a mascot exchange program with Texas. "For example, a community could send a special gift commemorating our joint Sesquicentennials with our mascot to their sister city in Australia, and sponsor J.W. the Wombat's visit in return," said Ms. Lyons.

A variety of R.T. Texadillo promotional items will be available to Sesquicentennial communities, and Lyons Share Marketing has developed a retail outlet market for Texadillo products. The communities will be able to generate extra revenues from the sale of the products, in the same manner as the other Sesquicentennial promotional items.

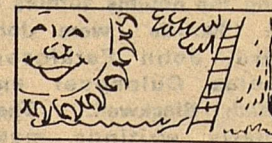
As Ms. Lyons emphasized, communities and other groups are encouraged to book live appearances of R.T. as soon as possible, as there will be only a limited number of costumed mascots. All sanctioned Sesquicentennial communities, associations and other groups should receive Texadillo guidelines and information regarding character appearances soon, Mrs. Lyons said.

Any questions about R.T. Texadillo should be directed to Ms Lyons, c-o Lyons Share Marketing Group, Inc., P. O. Box 920952, Suite 442; Houston, Texas 77292-0952; 713-937-9971.

"RT Texadillo will be our own good-will ambassador, relaying the message of the Texas Sesquicentennial and providing a continuity to our celebration," said Ms. Lyons.

RUMMAGE SALE

There will be a Community Rummage sale on Saturday May 11 in Gail. The sale will open from 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. on the courthouse parking lot.



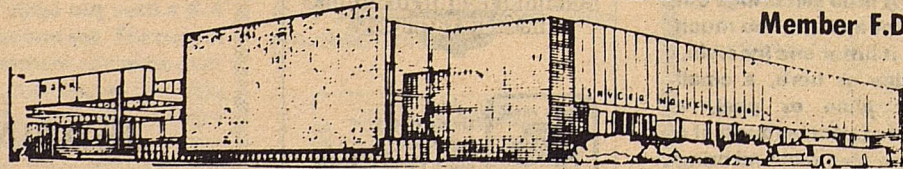
Some people believed the sun came down to earth once a year—and left a ladder leaning against a tree for its convenience.



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ALAN DAY EXCELLENT YEAR FOR MESQUITE CONTROL

Above average rainfall received throughout the county since last October has provided growth conditions that should make 1985 an excellent year for control of mesquite with foliar applied herbicides. Data obtained from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station research shows that high plant kills occur when monthly rainfall exceeds the average 6 months prior to spraying. To take advantage of these optimum conditions, herbicides should be applied at the correct time and with proper application.

Abundant moisture received last fall should allow mesquite plants to develop a large quantity of leaves. Before herbicide is applied, these leaves should be fully extended and should have turned from light green to dark green in color. This usually occurs about 40 days after bud break. Research from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Tech University has shown that soil temperature at 12-18 inches of depth at time of spraying should be 75 degrees F. or above to obtain best control. Soils may be slow to warm this year because of the high moisture levels. Results from Texas Tech research show that

poor control of mesquite is obtained if herbicide is sprayed when soil temperature at 12-18 inches is below 75 degrees F.

According to research reported by Texas Tech University, food reserves are utilized during the period of pod elongation and application of herbicide during this period usually results in poor control. After the pods have elongated, storage of food reserves is again initiated and excellent control is obtained during this period. About 90 days after bud breaks, control with foliar applied herbicides decreases because of build up of wax on the leaves and a general decrease or hail, do not spray until new foliage has developed and matured.

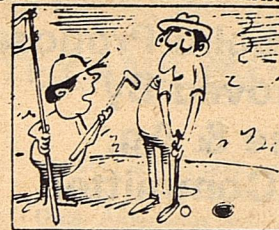
With the registration of Grazon ET (triclopyr), four herbicides are registered and effective for control of mesquite on rangeland. These herbicides are 2, 4, 5-T, Grazon ET (triclopyr), Grazon PC (picloram) and Banvel (dicamba). 2, 4, 5-T, Grazon ET and Banvel, may be used alone for control of mesquite. However, a higher degree of control may be obtained by utilizing a 1:1 mixture of 2, 4, 5-T and picloram, a 1:1 mixture of dicamba and picloram, or a 1:1 mixture of triclopyr and

picloram. The 1:1 mixture of 2, 4, 5-T and dicamba may also be used. However, the control obtained is generally less than with the other mixtures.

The success of controlling mesquite with foliar applied herbicides depends on many

factors. Therefore, to make sure that the maximum benefit is obtained from money spent, apply herbicides at the proper time, with the proper method, followed up with good range management.

The Borden Star, Wed. May 8, 1985, p. 7



There are more than ten thousand golf courses in the United States.

COUNTY REVENUE

consider the difficulties counties face when they have to finance both state and county programs. Take a look at the following list of bills and contact your legislators about them.

HOUSE BILL
BVHB86-Jones *SB 485-Santiesteban--relating to the assessment of special costs for certain offenses to fund driver education courses in public schools. Assesses a special cost of \$5 for each \$20 of fine as an additional fine for violating a state, county, or municipal law relating to the operation of a motor vehicle or the licensing of motor vehicle drivers. Funds are deposited in the municipal or county treasury. The county treasurer may retain 10 percent of the funds collected as a service fee for collection and all interest accrued on the funds.

HB 1593-Rudd- Increase in various fees collected by certain state agencies, imposition of new fees, and an increase in the tuition collected by institutions of higher education and Texas State Technical Institute. Raises to \$12, \$2 of which can be retained by the county, fees for the execution of an arrest by a sheriff or other peace officer. Requires the deposit of this additional \$10 and all fees accruing as a result of any action taken or arrest made by a peace officer employed by an agency of statewide territorial jurisdiction, to the State Comptroller for deposit in the general revenue fund of the state.

HB 2051-Schlueter- Proposes to finance campaigns for certain judicial offices by increasing district court filing fee to \$100 and requiring deposit of the entire \$100 fee in the state Judicial Campaign Fund.

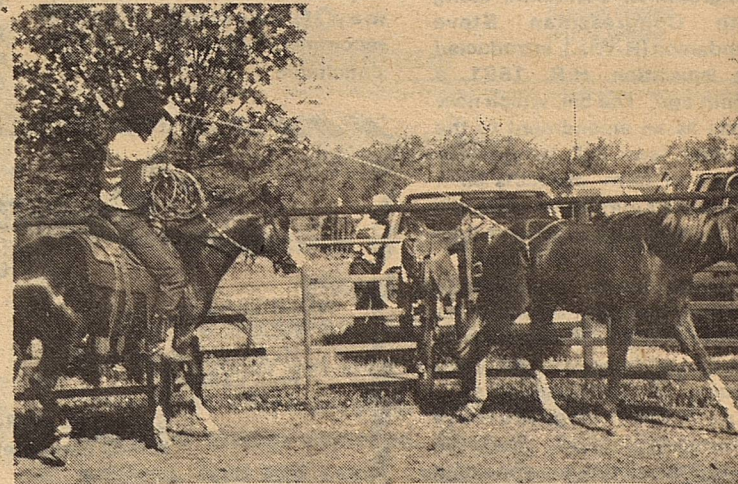
SENATE BILLS
SB 321-Jones- Proposes an increase in district clerk's filing fee to \$100 from the current \$25. Proposes that 75 percent of all fees collected would be transmitted to the State Comptroller to be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Increases various fees collected by certain state agencies, imposes new fees in connection with regulatory functions of certain state agencies, and increases the tuition collected by state institutions of higher education.

SB 331- Caperton- Fees collected by district clerks and funding use of the district court supplemental salary on the

judicial system support funds. Increases filing fee in Article 3927 from \$25 to \$65. The additional \$40 goes into a District Court Supplemental Salary and Judicial Support Fund. Each district judge will receive a supplemental state salary from the fund in an amount sufficient to make the state's contribution 85 percent of the salary of a Texas Supreme Justice. The Judicial Budget Board under the supervision of the Supreme Court will allocate the fund. The fund can also be used to pay the salaries of employees and other necessary expenses in each district not to exceed \$27,500 per year. Any person employed under these provisions will be an employee of the state. The county may retain 5 percent of the funds collected in this fund as a collection fee. The bill states that its purpose is "to increase funds available for the administration of justice in each county of the state"; therefore,

the commissioners court shall not reduce the amount of funds provided for that purpose by reason of these funds being made available, except to comply with any salary differential provided by the General Appropriations Act BSB 1174- Farabee- Administration and financing of a program to provide representation by counsel and transcription services for indigent defendants in criminal cases. In addition to other court costs, proposes an additional \$20 fine, in the case of felony convictions, to be deposited by the State Comptroller into the indigent Defense Fund. 10 percent to be retained by the county.

Local government taxpayers will be paying the bill for state government, not with increased state taxes, but with increased local taxes raised by counties to take up the slack created by revenue loss from fees.



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Stenholm Proposal Approved By House & Ag. Sub Committee

Washington, D.C.--A House agriculture subcommittee last week approved a proposal by Congressman Charles W. Stenholm that would provide protection to purchasers of farm products similar to that afforded purchasers of other products under the Uniform Commercial Code.

Under the current law, if the seller of mortgaged farm commodities fails to repay his lender, the buyer can be held responsible by the banker, effectively forcing the buyer to pay twice for the same goods. Congressman Stenholm said, "It is unfair for purchasers of farm products to be forced into paying twice for those products as a result of circumstances beyond their control, particularly when purchasers of all other products take title free and clear."

The clear title proposal now awaits consideration by the full committee as it takes action on the credit title of the 1985 omnibus farm bill. Congressman Stenholm, along with Congressman Steve Gunderson (R-Wis.), introduced the legislation, H.R. 1591, a month ago. The bill, which now exists as an amendment to the pending farm bill, would give buyers of farm products clear title to their purchases while still allowing lenders to protect their liens on the products. "Consequently we would establish a system whereby this liability would be more equitably distributed between the three parties," the congressman said.

In other Agriculture Committee action, the full committee voted to appoint a task force to study the Stamford



Democrat's proposed bases and yields legislation, H.R. 1912. Some members of the committee expressed concern about various portions of the proposal, which would revise the formulas used to calculate acreage bases and farm program yields. The task force will work out differences and file a report.

"Throughout the hearing on H.R. 1912 last week, it was apparent there was a consensus that the reforms contained in this bill are needed. I believe the task force will work to resolve any differences as soon as possible so the full committee may consider their recommendations," Stenholm concluded.

SHAW TRYING TO KEEP ED FUNDING

Austin--The Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) in Big Spring will have more flexibility in how they spend state funds as a result of a rider to the House Appropriations Bill, Rep. Larry Don Shaw (D-Big Spring) announced today.

Shaw said he proposed the rider during the floor debate on the state budget because it will allow SWCID to use their state funds in a discretionary manner that will help them in the areas of maintenance and operations in the dormitory and food service areas. Under present law, SWCID's state funds are limited to instructional needs.

"The adoption of this rider is an important step for SWCID," Shaw said. "Currently, SWCID's enrollment is not to the point where it can generate enough revenue to make these two areas self-supporting."

Shaw said he is confident that the rider will remain intact during the conference committee negotiations since it has also been adopted in the Senate budget.

Another boost for SWCID, Shaw said, will be the passage of Senate Bill 265 that he is sponsoring with Senator Montford. This bill has already passed the Senate and is scheduled for a public hearing in the House on Monday, April 29.

EDWARDS LOCAL MEASURED SERVICE BILL PASSES COMMITTEE

Austin--State Senator Chet Edwards (D-Duncanville) gained a major victory in the Texas Senate when the Committee on Economic Development voted in favor of Senate Bill 46, Edwards' bill to prohibit telephone companies from charging customers on each local call made in their own home or business. The bill passed the Committee on Wednesday, April 24th, and will be considered on the Senate floor within the next two weeks.

"I am extremely elated at the Committee's decision. Many people said it could not be done, and that we could not win a battle against the phone companies," Edwards said. "The people of Texas won the battle today, and I am very hopeful that the full Senate will uphold the decision," Edwards added.

Senate Bill 46 prohibits proposals similar to Southwestern Bell's recent request for Local Measured Service (LMS), which would have almost tripled the average phone bill for Texas households by measuring the duration, distance, and time of day of each local call. "The telephone companies may call it local measured service, but I call it local long-distance service," Edwards stated.

During the Senate hearing, Don Butler, an Austin attorney who represents Texas cities before the Public Utility

Commission testified that "The Public Utility Commission should not make a public policy decision that will affect telephone service as we know it. The Legislature makes policy which the Commission follows, and this bill represents a public policy decision." Edwards commented that "just as we would never let the Texas Highway Commission decide that toll booths should be put on our highways, we should not let the PUC decide to put pay phones in our businesses and homes."

Edwards added that "LMS will affect every man, woman, and child in Texas for many years to come. It could seriously hurt businesses and consumers alike and especially our senior-citizens. I am suggesting the prudent approach. Let's not act in the haste and uncertainty of diverstitude to implement a major change that will impact all of our citizens."

The Senator quoted a 1979 letter from the President of Southwestern Bell to the President of AT&T when LMS was in its infant stages. The letter stated, "Once the Bell System concept is in place, we plan to seek the regulatory authorization of higher rates for flat rate service....we will continually reassess our interim optional strategy, looking toward the eventual withdrawal of business flat rates."



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10,000 ACRES OF TRIANGLE RANCH BURNED

Lubbock--Henry A. Wright recently burned 10,000 acres of the Triangle Ranch.

Wright didn't set the fire for fun, he was studying fire as a range management tool.

"This burn is the biggest we have done to date and covered the roughest terrain," said Wright, Horn professor and chairperson of Texas Tech University's Range and Wildlife Management Department.

Previous prescribed range burns have been lit with hand held torches, but the Triangle Ranch burn was accomplished with the aid of a helicopter.

"Using a helicopter to start the fires enabled us to cover a lot of country and negotiate the many canyons and steep cliffs that would lserve as natural breaks for the fire," Wright said.

Fire was used to top-kill Redberry Juniper trees and remove chained debris. The fire also will make the little bluestem grass on the ranch more palatable and productive. Wright has been working with prescribed burning for 18 years in Texas to control many types of unwanted trees, brush and grasses.

"It can be difficult to graze cattle or work livestock on a horse when the pasture has a large accumulation of trees and brush," Wright said. "With fire we can kill about 70 percent of the pricklypear cactus and effectively do away with most of the chained debris and top-kill unwanted brush."

Wright says that where burning is possible, it is much less expensive than chemically controlling the same unwanted plants. Chemical control

application can run about \$14 per acre and ranchers are left with the problem of what to do with the dead debris which also can cause grazing problems. The burn using the helicopter costs about \$3 per acre and will clear away debris left from previous chemical or chain clearing efforts.

Ranchers should leave a field vacant for a year before prescribed burning so that grasses, needed to fuel the fires, can grow sufficiently. Wright notes that lost grazing time needs to be figured into the economic considerations of the burn.

"Once we do a burn, cattle can return to grazing that pasture in about four months. The longest we have ever had to wait is seven months," he said.

Wright also pointed out that after burning, if proper grazing management techniques are used, ranchers shouldn't have to burn the land again for 10-15 years.

"Ranchers can double their grazing capacity after burning. Besides allowing fresh green growth after a burn, our research has shown that cattle will more readily eat coarse grasses such as little bluestem and tobosa grass that they normally avoid before the grass has been burned," Wright said.

Wright does most of his burning in the late winter and early spring before most grasses have begun to grow. To perform the actual burn, Wright needs to have temperatures in the 70s, humidity in the 20-40 percent range and southwest winds from 10-20 miles per hour.

BORDEN COUNTY CANCER SOCIETY MEETING

A meeting of the Directors of the Borden County Cancer Society was held in Lamesa last week. The purpose of the meeting was elect new officers.

Shorty Farmer, outgoing president informed the members that the Borden County Cancer Society has received the Golden Achievement Award for exceeding the quota once again \$300 to \$400.

New officers were elected as follows:

President-Lisa Ludecke
Vice President-Carolyn Stone
Secretary-Treas.-. and Membership Chairman-Dorothy Browne.

A special fund has been set up for the steer raffle contest called "Beef Pot". Rube Smith is in charge of the fund, which is to insure the funds for a raffle steer each year or a donation of a calf for butcher.

The members showed appreciation to Vestal Meeat Company of Lamesa for donating the beef processing for the last raffle contest.

The amount of funds brought in by the Borden County Cancer Society for the needy organization was discussed. The Borden County Barn Dance, concession stand and raffle have brought in the following from 1981-1985:

1981	\$4081.00
1982	\$5800.00
1983	\$4997.00
1984	\$6741.00
1985	\$4789.89

The local association appreciates the generosity of the local people in Borden County and surrounding areas.

MAY IS (OLDER L TEXANS MONTH

Governor Mark White has recognized the social, intellectual and economic contributions of Texans over 60 years of age by designating May as Older Texans Month.

White's official proclamation reads in part, "Our state's over two millions older Texans...demonstrate the values all Texans hold dear. Independence, pride, self-reliance, compassion, hard work and loving guidance are but a few of the attributes we have grown to expect from this important segment of our population."

"It is fitting and proper that we call attention to the 20th anniversary of the Texas Department on Aging by urging all older Texans to remain as active and independent as

possible and to take note of the services available through the Older Americans Act."

White also proclaimed the week of May 12-18 as Senior Center Week in recognition of the nutrition, transportation, health, information, and recreational services offered at more than 400 senior activity centers in Texas. The Department on Aging is a major funding entity for most of these centers.

Information about Older American Month and Senior Center Week celebrations and activities in your area can be obtained by calling the Department on Aging's toll-free information and referral number (1-800-252-9240) or your nearest area agency on aging.

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JOE RUSHING TO BE WTC SPEAKER

Snyder--Dr. Joe B. Rushing, chancellor of the Tarrant County Junior College District, will be guest speaker for the Western Texas College commencement exercises on May 10.

The ceremonies will be held in the Central Courtyard starting at 7:30 p.m.

Rushing grew up in Brown and Comanche counties. He holds the bachelor of arts degree from Howard Payne University, the master of arts degree from East Texas State University and the Ph. D from the University of Texas.

From 1946-50, he served as a public school teacher and principal. After two years of full-time doctoral study at the University of Texas in Austin, he entered college administration.

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ON SOVIET JEWRY: "HOPE I AM WRONG"

By Edwin Feulner

In view of the Soviet Union's repressive state campaign against Soviet Jewry, it's not surprising that leaders of the U.S. Jewish community were perhaps more concerned than most with the recent change in Kremlin leadership.

According to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA) news dispatch from New York, "a mood of cautious optimism prevailed among officials involved with Soviet Jewish affairs as they speculated on the effect the new Soviet leader, Mikhail Gorbachev, will have on Soviet policy toward its Jewish community." Optimism?

Reading Soviet tea-leaves, of course, is never easy. But it's hard to be optimistic about the intentions of the man who for all practical purposes was responsible for turning the screws on the Soviet Union's Jewish community while Konstantin Chernenko lay on his death bed these many months.

Though William Korey, director of international policy research for B'nai B'rith International, argued that "there is no record of any kind" on Gorbachev's attitude toward Jews, the record is clear. Fifty-four-year-old Mikhail Gorbachev — as "smooth, charming, and healthy" as he may be (to quote *Newsweek*) — is part of that small ruling clique that spent most of the last decade (or more) purposefully trying to destroy Soviet Jewish life. He is cut from the same cloth as his recent predecessors — Yuri Andropov and Konstantin Chernenko — and there is nothing to indicate that in the short run, at least, he has any intention of changing the Kremlin's policies.

He may be younger than his most-recent predecessors, but a reform-minded "democrat" he is not. As one British observer put it: "He is a serious and cultivated man with a great deal of style. Nevertheless, he is as tough as old boots — that's important to remember." And remember we should.

The Soviet state's vicious campaign to crush the Soviet Union's vibrant Jewish community is one of the most tragic human rights abuses of our time. But like other human rights abuses involving the Kremlin, it has been systematically ignored by the United Nations and other world forums that would rather rail against U.S. "imperialism."

According to a State Department report issued earlier this year, the Soviet Union has intensified its campaign against Jewish "citizens" during the past year. Many have been arrested on trumped-up charges and sentenced to labor camps. Treated most harshly have been Russia's Hebrew teachers, who have been (unlawfully, of course) attempting to teach the young to read their ancient biblical language so they could participate in religious services.

Their arrests were "accompanied by a series of searches, beatings, and threats which have sent shock waves through the Soviet Jewish community," the report said. It was acknowledged to be part of "a deliberate and ongoing campaign of arrests and intimidation targeted at the activist Jewish community," said deputy State Department spokesman Edward P. Djerejian.

While some U.S. Jewish leaders were perhaps engaging in wishful thinking — I hope I am wrong! — Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union were more cautious on the Soviet leadership change.

Yosef Mendeleovich, chairman of the Jerusalem-based Israel Information Center on Soviet Jewry, who served time in Soviet prisons for his activities on behalf of Soviet Jews trying to emigrate to the West, noted that Gorbachev's immediate succession to the office of General Secretary of the Communist Party indicated that Gorbachev was already at the Soviet helm at the time of Chernenko's death. He also noted that conditions had grown worse for Soviet Jews in recent months.

I'm afraid I don't share the "cautious optimism" that the JTA correspondent found among American Jewish leaders. Instead, I have to report measured pessimism. For once, I hope I am very, very wrong.

(Feulner is president of The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.)

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MAURO PRESENTED CITY OF PEACE AWARD

Houston--Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro was honored by the State of Israel Bonds organization in Houston with the prestigious "City of Peace" award--the first elected Texas state official to receive the honor in the last 20 years.

Mauro was presented with the award, the highest honor given by the State of Israel Bonds, for his work with Israeli water conservation experts in developing a pilot project to test the feasibility of advanced irrigation techniques on arid state land in West Texas.

The agreement between Texas and Tahal Engineers of Tel Aviv, an Israeli consulting firm, came about after Mauro visited Israel and was impressed with the advances that Israeli scientists had made in technology originally developed in Texas in turning the desert into productive farm land.

"At the General Land Office, we consider ourselves problem-solvers and we consider Israelis problem-solvers as well," Mauro said.

"The Israelis are recognized as world leaders in boosting agricultural production of arid lands," Mauro said, "and I'm looking forward to working with them on the completion of this exciting project."

The General Land Office has about 200,000 acres in arid West Texas that produce little in the way of income. Mauro said the three goals of the water conservation project are to increase the value of this virtually unproductive state land and to produce more income for the Permanent School Fund, to make better use of the state's water resources, and to produce more food and fiber for Texans.

With the successful identification of two potential experimental farm sites in West Texas now completed -- at a cost of \$16,000 -- the General Land Office is now in the process of finalizing details of Phase II. Details of the second phase, which involve drafting blue-prints for the irrigation process and in-depth studies to determine feasibility of the project, will be announced within the month.

BIG SPRING ISD HEAD START PROGRAM

The Big Spring Independent School District has submitted an application to the Department of Health and Human Services for the continuation funding of the district's Head Start Program.

The School District is requesting \$347,123 from the funding agency with the applicant supplying a match of \$69,424 for a total project budget of \$416,547. The 12 months program year is September 1, 1985..August 31, 1986.

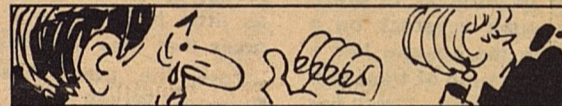
The primary objective of the Big Spring ISD's program is to insure that no young child lacks environmental stimulation and opportunity to develop his or her full range of abilities. The secondary objective is to increase knowledge among parents and involve them in the basic educational opportunities of their child. Physical and dental examinations are administered to students upon enrolling in the program and these are often the first complete examinations the children have received.

The program will serve 215 children ages 3 and 4 years with 10 percent of this number being handicapped. Approximately 66 percent of these children are Spanish speaking, while 12

percent are Black and 22 percent are Anglo and other; 90percent of these children will be from homes below poverty level.

The program seeks to employ personnel who are academically qualified and are also sensitive to the needs of Head Start children. A high percentage of the teachers will be former parents and aides who hold a college degree with a major in elementary education and kindergarten endorsement. The funding requested will provide for the following personnel: 1 nurse, 1 director, 11 teachers, 11 teacher's aides, 1 social aide, 1 clerk and 1 part-time clerk.

The Big Spring Head Start Program is a Center Based, full year, part day program and has the support of the Big Spring ISD. Presently, the most critical problem faced by the program continues to be inflation. Money has not always been available to replace worn out equipment and past increases in funds received have not kept pace with wage requirements. Consequently, when a staff member gains several years experience, they often transfer to other school programs with better pay.



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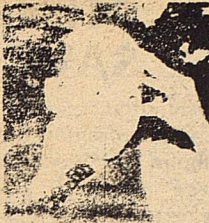
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Washington, Virginia--Did we fight World War II to stop Hitler's National Socialists from conquering the world and put an end to the Nazi's evil empire...or did we just want to kill Germans?

Strange as it seems, so many years after the issue ought to have been settled, that question is the essence of the debate over President Reagan's visit to a military cemetery in Germany. If our war was against Nazism, then Mr. Reagan is right to visit the cemetery where so many teenage draftees are buried. He should go there not to honor the cause for which they fought, but to absolve them of responsibility for a vicious regime that came to power when most of them were five or six years old.

They were not heroes; the German heroes of that era were people like the members of the White Rose movement, and clergymen like Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Father Alfred Delp, and military men like Colonel Claus von Stauffenberg--people who went to the guillotine or the gallows for their opposition to National Socialism. The young soldiers did not suffer like the people in the concentration camps, but they were nonetheless victims of Nazism. They were torn from their families and used as cannon

fodder in the desperate final days of the Third Reich. They were innocents, like the children who today are fighting the Ayatollah Khomeini's war against Iraq.

Contrary to what his critics have charged, President Reagan never equated concentration camp victims and German soldiers. What he said was "Those young men were victims of Nazism also, ... just as surely as the victims in the concentration camps." ("Just as surely" does not mean "in the same degree." Alaska is warmer than Antarctica, just as surely as Death Valley is warmer than Antarctica.) As for the 47 SS troops that are among the 2,000 buried at Bitberg: Does the presence of General Sherman, who introduced terrorism to modern warfare, somehow taint the graves of Tennessee Williams, Dr. Tom Dooley, and the explorers Lewis and Clark, who are buried in the same cemetery? Is the honor of the heroes at Arlington diminished because one of the men buried there was killed while threatening to blow up the Washington Monument? It is a fact of death that a person sometimes has little control over his gravemates.

Who benefits from this controversy? Obviously, the

Soviets jump at the opportunity to drive a wedge between the U.S. and Germany on the eve of the opening of a new U.S. missile base. They relish the chance to rewrite history and make people forget about the Nazi-communist alliance in the early days of World War II, an alliance that ended only when Hitler double-crossed Stalin. They are quite pleased to paint President Reagan, the most anti-fascist President since Coolidge, as a fascist.

Some of those who complain about the cemetery visit are pure of heart but greatly mistaken about the meaning of the Holocaust. One can never say "Never again!" without irony, because the Holocaust has happened again and again throughout this century. The communist Chinese virtually wiped out the nation of Tibet; the Soviets killed millions of Ukrainians and are now hunting down every last Afghan; the Sandinistas committed genocide against the Miskito Indians; a million Ibos died in Nigeria and 200,000 Hutu in Burundi; one in three Cambodians perished in the "Killing Fields" terror, and the ones who remain are being forcibly assimilated by Vietnamese occupation forces.

It trivializes the Holocaust to commemorate it as a one-time aberration, something that is unlikely to be repeated anytime soon. It trivializes the Holocaust to blame it on the German people, on seventeen-year-old boys who died in 1945 and on Germans who weren't even born then. It trivializes the Holocaust to remember it as something that happened only to Jews, Slavs, Gypsies, homosexuals, trade unionists, and other unfortunates who didn't run fast enough when Hitler advanced.

What happened at Dachau was not simply a crime against Jews and other groups the Nazis considered to be misfits or inferiors or subversives; it was a crime against the human race as a whole. It was a crime committed not by the German people but by a band of losers who thought they could make the world "fairer" at the point of a gun. The Nazis were defeated, but their allies from 1939 to 1941, the communists, today own half the world.

It is easy, and oh-so-safe, to dance on Hitler's grave. He, long ago consigned to Hell, poses no threat to us. On the other hand, it is dangerous to stand up to Hitler's bastard children in places like Afghanistan and Angola and Nicaragua...so dangerous that, most of the time, we do nothing, and the

Holocausts keep on coming.

How many of the people who wanted Reagan to cancel his trip to Bitberg also opposed giving \$14 million to help the freedom fighters in Nicaragua? That's the problem with some of the members of the anti-Bitberg Lynch mob: They're not against fascist monsters, only dead ones.



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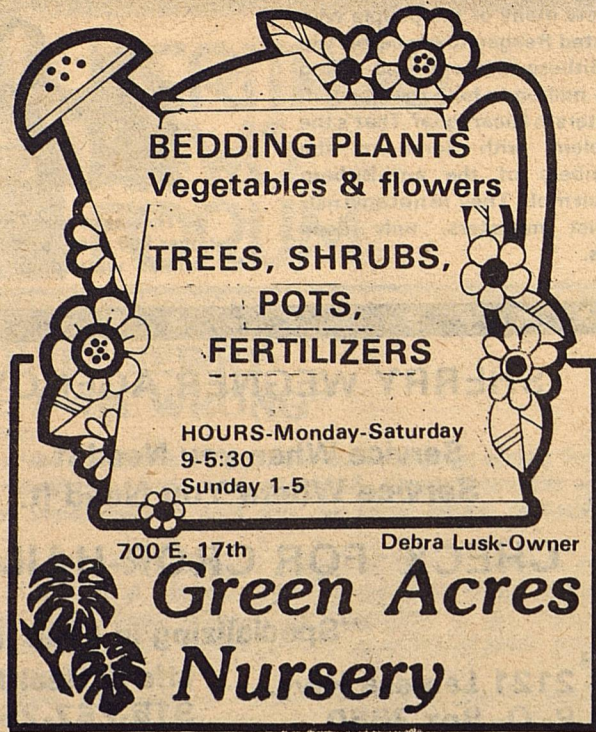
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AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. ("AT&T Communications"), in accordance with the Public Utility Regulatory Act and the rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") hereby gives notice of its intent to implement a new schedule of rates for its services. The new rates will be effective May 14, 1985, unless otherwise determined by the PUC. All customers and classes of customers would be affected by the proposed rates.

AT&T Communications has filed a reprice of its tariffs designed to more closely recover access and other costs for WATS and 800 Service and all private line services including Channel Services, Foreign Exchange (FX), DATAPHONE* Digital Service, and OCC Facilities.

Also proposed is the institution of a charge for Directory Assistance to begin to recover access costs incurred for such service and increases in rates for operator assisted AT&T Long Distance calls. The initial minute charge for all AT&T Long Distance calls and additional minute rates for AT&T Long Distance calls 51 miles or less are proposed for increases to reflect the access charges approved by the PUC for such calls.

The proposed new rates for all services would result in an increase in adjusted test period revenues of \$139 million or 12.7 percent.

A complete copy of the proposed tariffs are on file with the Texas Public Utility Commission.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene or participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.



STENHOLM ASKS HOUSE TO SAVE \$200 MILLION YEARLY

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Charles W. Stenholm last week asked the House Armed Services Committee to consider legislation that could save taxpayers \$200 million a year. The savings would come from the reform the 50-year-old law, was testifying before the Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities when he made the comments. The Representative for the 17th District offered his support for freezing national defense spending at current levels and cutting unnecessary expenditures.

"Modifying the Davis-Bacon Act could save hundreds of million dollars in the military construction budgeget," Stenholm said. "This can be done without compromising our defense capability, without reducing the quality of work and without threatening the quantity of housing for military personnel."

The Stamford Democrat said estimates show that Davids-Bacon currently increases military construction costs by \$200 to \$300 million per years. The Department of

Defense estimated in 1983 that the act accounts for five percent of its construction costs.

Along with inflating construction costs, the outdated legislation limits job opportunities at a time when unemployment is still too high, Congressman Stenholm said. In its current form, Davis-Bacon sets construction wages on federal contracts at artificifi ally higher levels in many areas. "This discourages job-creation for the very people most in need of job opportunities: minorities, women, the long-termed unemployed, less-skilled workers, persons just entering the job market and other disadvantaged individuals."

Another advantage to the Stenholm revision would be an updated "threshold" contract amount, the minimum figure at which bids on federal construction contracts are subject to Davis-Bacon. The current threshold, \$2,000 was enacted in 1935, during the depths of the great depression. Although costs have skyrocketed in the last 50 years, the figure still applies, thus requiring higher wages for such

small jobs as painting, recarpeting and redodecorating.

Congressman Stenholm's bill, H.R. 472, would bring the threshold figure up to \$1 million.

"This would remove the onerous burden placed on many small firms which want to bid on small contracts. The revision still ensures meaningful protection on large contracts, where the greatest danger of abuse is possible."

The area's Representative concluded his remarks by telling the subcommittee, "I know we are all concerned about how we can reduce the deficit, how we can cut spending and still meet our defense needs. I believe I have outlined some options that would allow us to do just that."



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The tariff will become effective upon approval from the Commission.

If the tariff is approved, the Company would not place new on-premises channel facilities in order to provide on-premises Private Line Service. The company will continue to offer on-premises Private Line Services which are currently being offered. In addition, no change in rates for these services will result from the proposed tariff.

The company does not anticipate any net change in revenues as a result of this tariff.

The Commission has assigned this matter to Docket 6015. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223, or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

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ACERCA DEL CAMBIO EN EL SISTEMA TARIFARIO PARA LOS USUARIOS DE LINEAS PRIVADAS

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La nueva tarifa tendrá vigencia a partir de la aceptación de la Comisión.

De aprobarse la nueva tarifa, la compañía no colocaría instalaciones de transmisión nuevas en el sitio del usuario con el objeto de proporcionar Servicios de Línea Privada en el sitio del usuario. La compañía seguirá proporcionando los mismos Servicios de Línea Privada en el sitio del usuario que actualmente se proporcionan. Además, la tarifa propuesta no ocasionará ningún cambio en las tarifas que se cobran por dichos servicios.

La compañía no anticipa ningún cambio real en los ingresos como consecuencia de este cambio en el sistema tarifario.

La Comisión ha registrado este asunto bajo el Docket 6015. Toda persona que desee intervenir o participar en el presente proceso debe notificar a la Comisión lo antes posible. Las solicitudes de intervención, participación o información deben dirigirse a: Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Para obtener mayor información debe llamar a Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division, (512) 458-0223, o (512) 458-0227, o al (512) 458-0221 si requiere teletipo para personas con impedimentos de audición.

