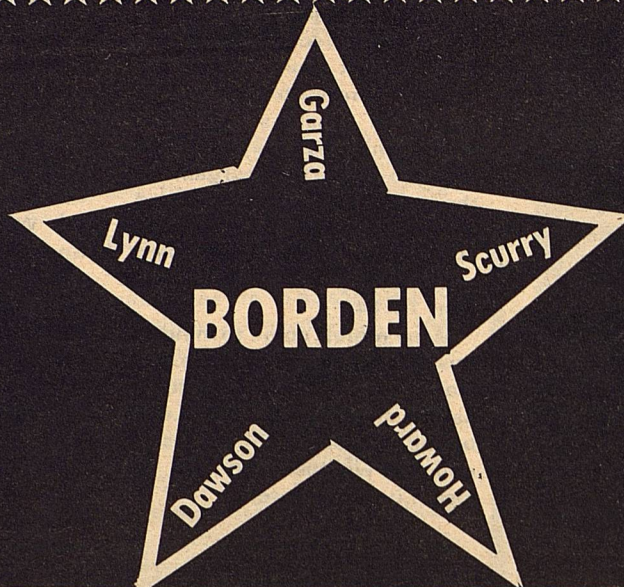


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## \$188,021 COLLECTED FROM SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES

State Treasurer Ann Richards Wednesday announced that the state collected \$188,021 during the first Treasury auction of unclaimed safe deposit boxes last weekend (May 11-12).

The auction far exceeded my prediction of what it would bring in," Richards said. "I said before the auction that I would be happy if we collected \$150,000. I am ecstatic that we did as well as we did. I think the bidders got some real bargains--but the real winners are the school children of Texas, who will receive the proceeds of the sale."

The State Treasury auctioned more than 11,000 items that it had collected from unclaimed safe deposit boxes. The most expensive item sold during the two days was a 3.25 carat diamond tie pin that sold for \$9,250 to an Austin couple.

The most unusual happening occurred during the Friday preview -- an Austin woman discovered items belonging to a relative of a sorority sister, including the gold brooch used

by Treasurer Richards in the widely distributed television announcements of the auction.

The items belonged to a woman who had died in 1899 and were pulled from the auction. They will be returned to the woman's heirs who did not know that the items even existed.

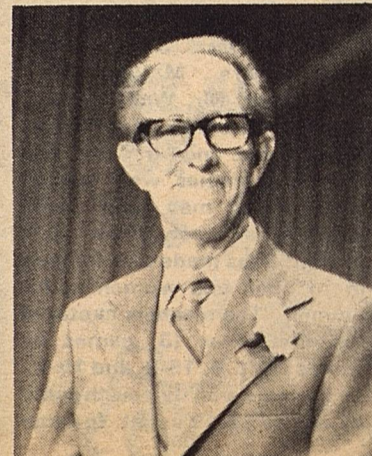
Under state law, the owners or heirs of any item sold during the auction can claim the sale price of the items at any time. But until or unless such claims are made, the money is used by the State of Texas. In this case, the proceeds of the auction will be turned over to the Foundation School Fund.

"During a time of severe financial strain for the state, I am extremely pleased that the State Treasury can add a little bit of non-tax revenue to help our taxpayers--and our public schools," Richards said.

An additional bonus, Richards said, is the sales tax collected from the sale, which came to \$8,929.



Marlon Vaughn and Tracie Leverett brought special music.



Rev. Dave Briggs-Speaker

## BACCALAUREATE SERVICES HELD FOR CLASS OF 1985

Baccalaureate Services were held Sunday, May 19, 1985 honoring the graduating senior class. Class members are Cam Stone, Glen Bacon, Becky Massingill, Shawna Vaughn, Doug Adams, Simona

Benavidez, Dennis Buchanan, Robin Hood, Nancy Martinez, Jeanette Massingill, Samantha Porter and Kirby Williams.

Rev. Dave Briggs gave the Baccalaureate Sermon. He talked on the "Reliability of the

Bible." He told the seniors and audience that God Is Not Dead, but is very alive and also eternal. Mr. Briggs was chosen by the class to deliver their Baccalaureate Services. He was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania and graduated from Altoona High School in 1945. He received a B.A. degree from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois and a Master of Theology degree from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas. He attended the Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio; Franklin-Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; and the University of Houston. Mr. Briggs pastored churches in his home town as well as in Alto Loma, Texas. He has 23 years teaching in public schools in Alief, Hobbs, and Gail, Texas.

Special Music was provided by Marlon Vaughn and Tracie Leverett. Marlon is a graduate of Borden County Schools. Marlon and Tracie sang,

## CHARLES STENHOLM ADDRESSES CONGRESS ON REA

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Congressman Charles W. Stenholm expounded on the importance of the Rural Electrification Association (REA) during an address to Congress last week. The congressman's remarks were made during special orders in the House of Representatives recognizing the 50th Anniversary of rural electrification programs.

A former co-op manager himself, Congressman Stenholm said, "The spirit of cooperation has been the secret of the REA movement from its inception in 1936. The Federal Government undertook a project to allow neighbors working with neighbors, farmers with farmers. Their dream was that all Americans -- whether they lived in the country or whether they lived in town -- could have electric power; or later telephone service."

Although most farms now

have electricity, Congressman Stenholm, who was the manager of the Stamford Electric Co-op for nine years, said REAs still have a role in rural America. He said 50 years later electric cooperatives still operate areas where other companies cannot, or will not, because of economic reasons.

"I point out that the rural electric movement is not suggesting that it should be exempt from what is necessary to bring about a balanced budget for the nation," the Stamford Democrat said. "We acknowledge that there are some costs involved. There always has been a cost involved in bringing electrical service to sparsely settled areas. But if you studied this program closely, you would reach this conclusion: it has been a good investment of our tax dollars."

The fourth-term congressman also acknowledged REA and its relation with small businesses.

"I think it is very fitting that we recognize both the rural electric program anniversary and Small Business Week at the same time because those rural electrics brought many jobs and business opportunities. We are talking about one and the same: small businesses; people working together," he said.

When Stenholm finished his speech, Congressman Kika de la Garza of Texas rose and said, "I thank the gentleman from Texas. He is part of our celebration in that he was a manager of a co-op. He has been an integral part of the process that we legislate. I wholeheartedly concur that America should be proud of its investment. This has been an investment in enhancing the quality of life for Americans, in enhancing the opportunities in rural America, of enhancing economic growth. This cannot be measured in dollars and cents."



Kate Phinizy



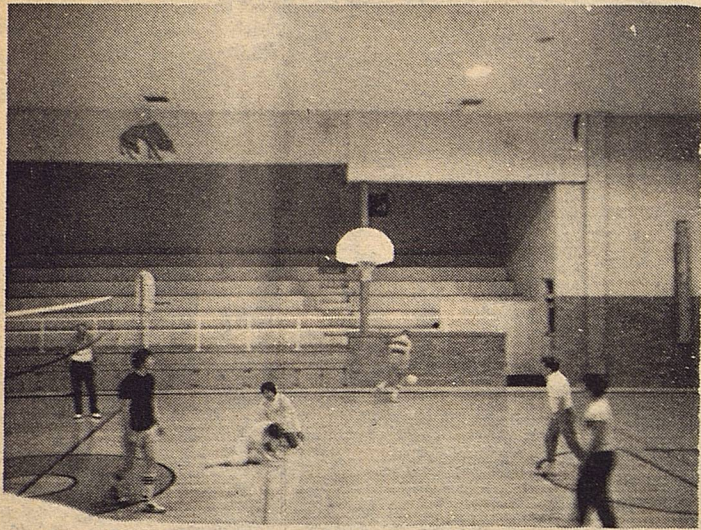
Randell Hollis

## JUNIOR HIGH HONOR STUDENTS

Kate Phinizy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phinizy has been named Valedictorian of the Borden Junior High School. She maintained a grade point average of 97.51.

Randell Hollis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eston Hollis has been named Salutatorian of the Borden Junior High School. Randell maintained a grade point average of 96.23.





## SENIORS VS SENIOR CITIZENS

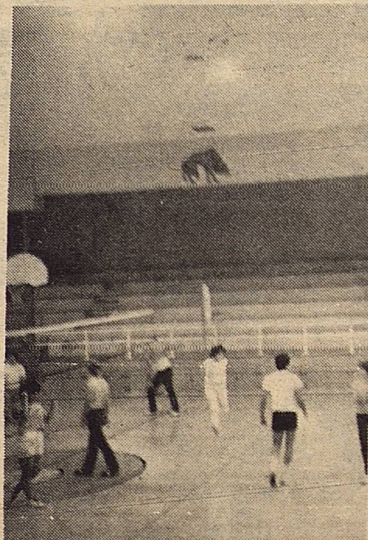
Looks can often be deceiving, so the Senior Class of '85 has found out this past week. Earlier in the week, the successful tennis doubles team of Shawna Vaughn and Becky Massingill challenged the doubles team of Joe Copeland (Science Teacher) and Sue Jane Mayes (English Teacher). Mr. aCopeland and Mrs. Mayes captured the Borden "Grand Slam" event by straight sets of 6-3, 6-3.

Then Wednesday night, the Senior class composed of Doug Adams, Glen Bacon, Simona Benavidez, Dennis Buchanan, Robin Hood, Nancy Martinez, Becky Massingill, Jeanette Massingill, Samantha Porter, Cam Stone, Shawna Vaughn, and Kirby Williams challenged the Teachers Volleyball Team

composed of Mr. Bouton, Mr. Copeland, Mrs. Jarrett, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Mayes, Mrs. McCathern, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wallace, Miss May, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. Frisbie, and Mr. May. The first four games were played with three men and three women on each team with substitutions made only for men in for men and women in for women. The teachers captured the first three (3) games by scores of 15-6, 15-8, and 15-2. The seniors won the fourth game by a close 15-12 count. In game

five, the senior girls played the women teachers and won by another close score of 17-15. Then the six senior boys were dealt a severe ego blow when the four men teachers and Mrs. Mayes and Miss May defeated them 15-10. In the final game of the evening, the seniors composed an all-star team to play the few teachers that were still standing by this time and won 16-14.

Many morals come to mind as this article comes to a close. (1) Don't count your chickens before they hatch. (2) Look before you leap (3) It doesn't matter whether you win or lose....until you lose.



The first and second year Spanish classes spent two weeks in May creating their own pinatas. Each student did the work on his own with minimum guidance from teacher Sue Jane Mayes. Pictured left to right are Lesly Hicks, Cindy Balaque with their clown, Jeanette Massingill with spider, Shawna Vaughn and Lady Bug, and Bric Turner with a 't.'

## DR. DON NEWBURY TO SPEAK FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Commencement Exercises for the class of 1985 will be held Thursday, May 23rd, at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium. Mr. Don Newbury, President of the Western Texas College in Snyder will be the speaker.

MR Dr. Newbury graduated from Early High School (near Borrownwood, Texas. He received his B. A. Degree from Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas. He received a Master of Journalism Degree from the University of Texas at Austin and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Higher Education Administration from North Texas State University in Denton, Texas.

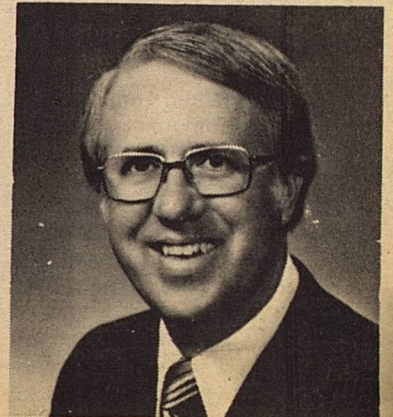
Dr. Newbury was Assistant Director of College Information and Instructor of Journalism, Howard Payne University from 1961-1963. He was director of College Information and Instructor of Journalism, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas from 1963-1967. From 1967-1981 he was Director of Communications, Tarrant County Junior College.

He is a Board Member of the Snyder and Et(West Texas Chambers of Commerce and Scurry County United Way. He is also Secretary-Treasurer, Western Juhior College Athletic Conference.

Newbury was chosen President of Texas Junior College Association, was Initial Recipient of the Dr. J. C.

Matthews Award for Excellence in Higher Education; Patst President of the Alpine Chamber of Commerce; Finalist in Forth Worth Jaycees' "Outstanding Young Men of Fort Worth Honors Program; Distinguished alumnus, Howard Payne; Recipient of the Bilo Vestal Memorial Award for Community Service, Snyder Chamber of Commerce; Lion of the Year in Alpine; and privileged to address many audiences in most states as educator and - or after-dinner speaker.

Dr. Nuewbury was born September 7, 1937, near May (Brown County) Texas. He married the former Brenda Pack of Alpine, Texas. They have three daughters, Julie Anna, Jana Dawn and Jeanie Carol. He is a member f ad e deacon and teacher of college student calass, First Baptist Church of Snyder, Texas.



DR. DON NEWBURY

## POND MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP AT WTC

An intensive Pond Management Workshop will be held at Western Texas College, Snyder, Texas on June 3, 12985. The workshop will be located in the Science Lecture Hall in building 2B. Management practices are aimed at ponds ranging from 1/2 to 1 acre in size, although ponds up to 5 acres will be treated accordingly.

Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. in the Science Lecture Hall. There is no charge for the meeting and refreshments will be served. The program will conclude at 1:00 p.m.

For more information call (915) 573-0171. UPPER COL. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Charlie Henderson, Chairman

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**BACCALAUREATE**

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High School Principal, Mr. Mickey McMeans, gave the welcome and asked the students to put God first in their lives to be successful and to be kind and gentele at all times.

Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent of Schools introduced the speaker, Rev. Pat Ray, pastor of The First Baptist Church, gave the benediction and Mr. Clarence Eckman, minister of the Plains Church of Christ gave the invocation. Mrs. Sallie Wilson, piano teacher played the processional and recessional.

Stage guests were Mr. Buddy Wallace and Mrs. Sue Jane Mayes, senior sponsors, Mr. Ben Jarrett, Elem. and Jr. High principal; Rev. Pat Ray, Mr. Mickey McMeans; Rev. Dave Briggs, Mr. Ralph Miller, President of the Baaord of Trustees, Mr. Marlon Vaughn and Miss Tracie Leverett.

Ushers were Cindy Balague, Teri Billington, Chris Cooley and Bric Turner, all from the Junior Class.

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**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on May 20, 1985 at 8:00 p.m.

Routine business of minutes and bills was reviewed and approved.

A contract was approved with the Education Service Center to provide educational films for the district for the 1985-86 school year.

Scores from the 1985 Texas Assessment of Basic Skills Test were reviewed. The Superintendent reported that he was generally pleased with the overall scores; although, there were a few areas to be checked.

The Superintendent led the Board in a review of the state law (House Bill 72) requiring school districts to place teachers on the career ladder. Local guidelines were also presented for the Borden County I.S.D.

After a thorough discussion of laws and guidelines, the Board voted to place all the teachers who qualify on level two of the

career ladder.

The Board also appointed the first three members of the selection committee. They are James McLeroy, Mickey McMeans, and Ben Jarrett. The remaining two members of the committee are to be selected by the three administrators. The career ladder was approved to be implemented by May 31, 1985.

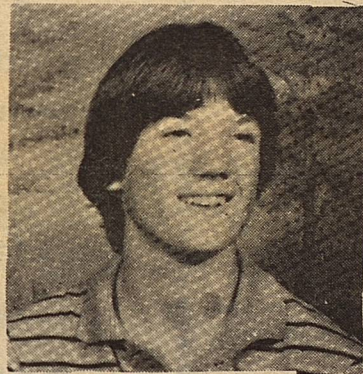
The Board heard the financial report and attendance report from the Superintendent. The 1984-91985 budget was amended and the attendance was reported at 154 in elementary and 63 in high school for a total enrollment of 217.

It was reported to the Board that the hospitalization insurance package selected was from the Texas Association of School Boards.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**CONGRATULATIONS,  
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| Cam Stone           | Glen Bacon       |
| Kirby Williams      | Simona Benavidez |
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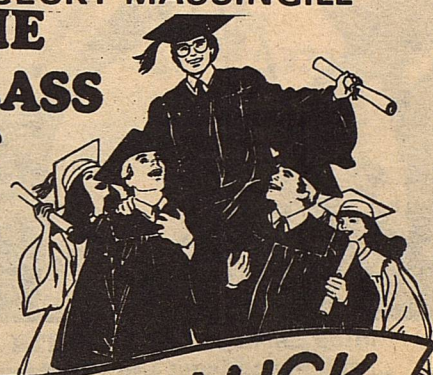
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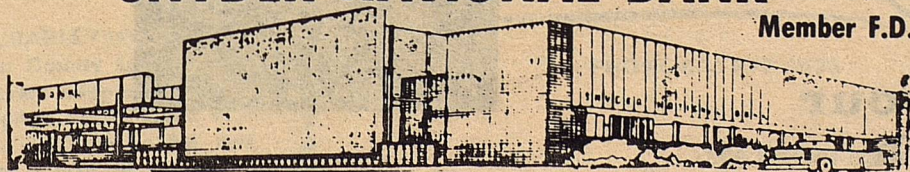


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Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Smith, Rt. 4, Paris, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tana Michele, to Quint Lee Creighton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Creighton, Rt. 3, Paris, Texas.

The couple will be married in an informal ceremony at 7 p.m. Friday, June 21, at the home of the future bridegroom, Creighton Ranch, Paris.

Miss Smith is a 1984 graduate of Delmar High School and is employed at Farm Bureau Insurance Co. in Paris.

Her fiancé is a 1982 graduate of Delmar and attended Paris Junior College. He is self-employed.

No invitations will be sent. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend the ceremony.

Dr. Jim Newman of College Church of Christ will be officiating. Quint is the grandson of Mrs. Irene Creighton and the late Vernon Creighton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ellison Lee of Dawson County.

**NEW A  
BABY BROTHER**

Amber Suzanne would like to announce the arrival of her brother, Casey Justin. He was born on May 1, 1985 and weighed 7 lb. 7 oz. The proud parents are Kelly and Lesa Rollins.

Grandparents are James and Sherry Telchik of the Plains and Max Rollins of Hollis, Oklahoma and Bob Barber, Co. of Dumas. Great-grandparents are Adolph and Effie Lee Telchik, also of the Plains.



Standard time wasn't established in the U.S. until 1883 and it was done then at the initiative of the American Railway Association.

**JEAN GREEN  
OIL PAINTING  
WORKSHOP  
IN POST**

Jean Green, of Olton, will instruct an intensive one-day workshop at the Algerita Art Center in Post May 25, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P. M.

Students will work through the lunch hour and complete a 16x20 painting during the day.

Mrs. Green has been teaching art for 20 years and teaches each summer at Carrizo Lodge in Ruidoso, New Mexico. She has developed a special technique of her own, which adds charm and a unique quality to her paintings.

The class is limited to 18, but, a waiting list will be kept. This class was originally set for 3 days, but has been changed to one day and the price changed accordingly.

**MARTIN, MILLER  
AND LEMONS  
ON HONOR LISTS**

Randy Keith Martin and Roger Don Miller of Fluvanna have been named to the Dean's List for the 1985 spring semester at Western Texas College. Trina Lemons of Fluvanna was named to the Merit List. Students on the Dean's List must have a grade point of 3.5 or higher while enrolled for a minimum of 15 hours of college credit work. Merit List students must have a grade point of 3.5 or higher while enrolled for a minimum of 15 hours of college credit work. Merit List students must have a grade point of 3.5 or more while enrolled for at least eight but fewer than 15 hours.

Summer classes at WTC will begin May 29 following registration on May 28.

**NEW BABY**

Debra & Ben Murphy announce the birth of their son Wesley Kyle. He was born May 11 in Cogell Memorial Hospital at 12:41 P.M. Wesley Kyle weighed 8 lbs. 12 1/2 oz.

Proud grandparents are Pat and Brent Murphy and Bobbie and Wallace Combest.

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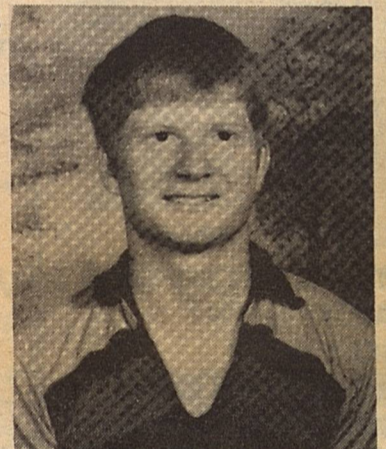
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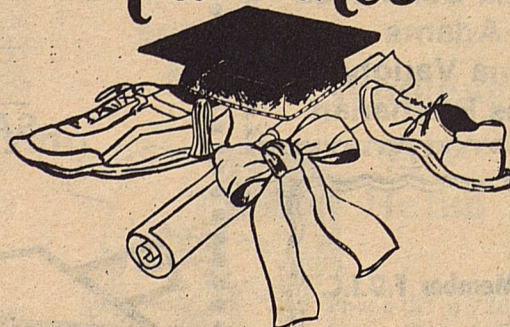
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### MID-YEAR CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORTS

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service will begin contracting 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 to 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.

### 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.

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.

### WHEAT, BARLEY LOAN RATES

Borden County farmers may obtain price support loans on their eligible 1985 wheat at a rate of \$ 3.30 per bushel, and barley for \$ 2.08 per bushel.

The rates vary from county to county in relation to cash prices, production and consumption.

The wheat loan rate is for wheat grading number one or better. The barley loan and purchase rate is for barley grading number two or better.

The price support loan program serves as a marketing tool for farmers by enabling them to take advantage of any increase in market prices at a later time.

### COTTON AND GRAIN SORGHUM LOANS

May 31st is the last day to put

cotton and grain sorghum into the loan. The May interest rate for these loans is 9.375 percent.

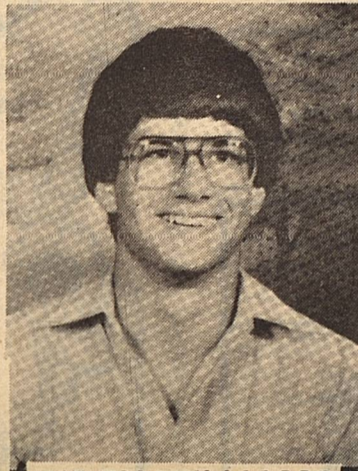
### HOLIDAY

We will be closed May 27th, Monday, in observance of Memorial Day.

### COURTHOUSE TO BE CLOSED

The courthouse will be closed Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

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# The Kandy Express

By Kandy McWhorter

## DECORATIVE TILES ADD CREATIVITY

Decorative tiles are showing up in what were once considered unconventional places. They are no longer to be found only on counters and back splashes or baths and showers.

Using decorative tiles for baseboards is different yet highly practical too. Insets on cabinet doors to match counter tiles also make a nice effect. Other new uses for tiles include lining door facings, outlining windows and covering fireboxes. With the popularity of houseplants, ceramic tiles are also a natural, waterproof way to cover window seats and tables.

Ceramic tiles may be used in a single pattern or a combination of patterns which create a new art form. There are now full wall patterns creating a scenic or floral effect which are adjustable according to the wall size. The scope of your creativity is really the only limit on using tiles.

Our proximity to Mexico makes Mexican hand-painted tiles a Southwest favorite. The tiles are handpainted and are often a bit out of square and slightly pillowed or warped. Mexican tiles are reasonably priced and can be installed by homeowners themselves.

The greatest producers of ceramic tiles are the Italians. Their tiles are usually 8 by 8 inches and vary from the strictly machine-made to the more expensive, decorative hand-painted variety. Most of the Italian tiles can be used for floors as well as counters and walls. The floor tiles are rated by the manufacturers as to

the toughness of their glaze -- residential, light commercial and heavy commercial.

Beautiful decorative tiles are also produced in Holland, Portugal and Spain. They are an art form that is finding new expression in contemporary American homes.

## BORDEN COUNTY AGENT RESIGNS

Alan Day, Borden County Extension Agent for the past 4 years and 4½ months resigned officially on Tuesday, May 14. He has taken a sick leave for an indefinite period of time.

Action has been taken by the Commissioners Court to acquire a new county agent as soon as possible.

## 4-H HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC

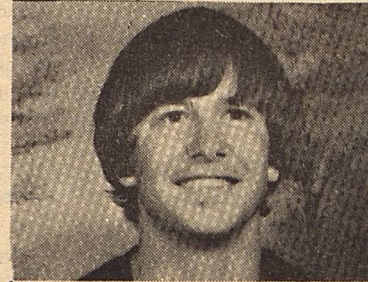
The Borden County 4-H Horse program is sponsoring a three-county 4-H Horsemanship Clinic, May 27-19, 1985 at the arena in Gail. Those 4-H'ers participating, will be from Borden, Scurry and Lynn Counties.

This clinic is being conducted by B. F. Yeates, Extension horse specialist, and several animal science students from A&M.

The clinic will focus on basic horsemanship skills for the first day and a half and will then concentrate on individual events. The clinic will begin each morning at 8:00 a.m. and conclude each afternoon at 5:00 p.m.

Those 4-H'ers to participate from Borden County are Stormy Gass, Shayne Hess, Kurt Hess, Tammy Voss, Jill Voss, Kate Phinzy, Will Phinzy and Monte Cheatam.

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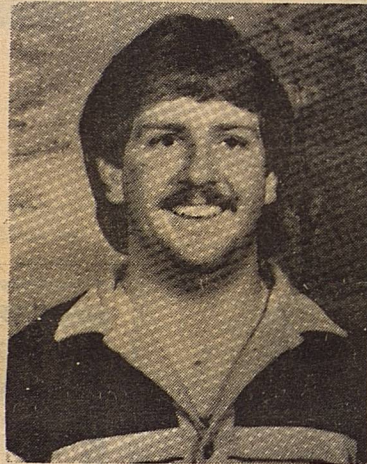


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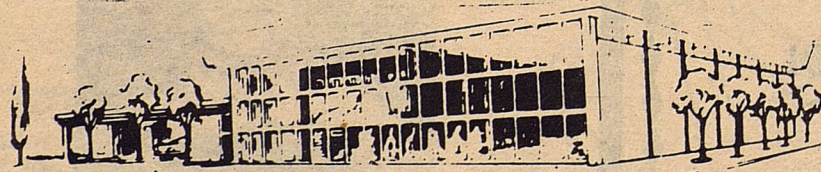
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As the 69th session winds to a close, one of the most significant and difficult challenges facing lawmakers this year has finally been resolved. Last week both the House and Senate approved the conference committee report to pave the way for the creation of a statewide water plan for Texas.

This water plan is designed to allow Texas to meet projected water supply and water quality needs well into the 21st century. The package consists mainly of two constitutional amendments and overall will provide almost \$1.2 billion for water projects. If approved by you at the polls the first one would authorize the state to sell up to \$980 million in bonds for water development, water quality and flood control

projects.

The second amendment would authorize the potential sale of up to \$200 million in bonds for an agriculture water conservation plan that would provide state loans for farmers to buy water saving irrigation equipment. The plan also contains provisions for a \$250 million state insurance fund to guarantee water bonds issued by cities.

The final version that was agreed upon contains language that will require existing reservoirs financed with state funds to release five percent of their water into the coastal bays during periods of high salinity to protect the ecological health of the marine life. The Texas Water Commission will also have to

take into account the health of coastal bays and estuaries when issuing permits to build inland lakes that would alter the flow of rivers into the Gulf of Mexico. The Commission would also have the authority to order owners of reservoirs within 200 river miles of the coast to release fresh water to the bays to nourish fish and shellfish.

The bays and estuaries issue was just one of several regional differences that this committee had to address. The East Texas and coastal legislators were more concerned about flood control and the environment while West Texas lawmakers concentrated on water development and conservation for agriculture.

To appease the House conferees, the water package will also establish the first statewide plan to regulate the underground pumping of water. It will give local voters the option of creating special underground water control districts and also require any city seeking state aid for water projects to develop a water conservation program.

After a lot of give and take from both sides, the members of the conference committee unanimously approved the plan, and I am pleased with the final outcome. I believe that the passage of this water package is a major step forward for the future water planning for Texas, and I hope that all of you will see its importance when you are asked to vote on this plan in November.

Another important hurdle was cleared recently when the House overwhelmingly passed a bill to repeal the state's 'blue law' which prohibits the sale of certain items on consecutive Saturdays and Sundays. The bill has successfully passed out of a

Senate committee, but still awaits action by the full Senate and approval of the Governor. If it is finally approved, the repeal will allow consumers to shop on Sundays for all items except motor vehicles.

As always, I welcome your

comments and questions on these or any other issues before the 69th Legislature. Please write: Rep. Larry Don Shaw, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Tx. 78769 or call (512)475-2617 or in Big Springs (915)263-2321. I'll look forward to hearing from you.



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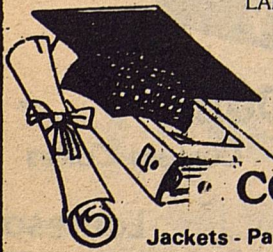
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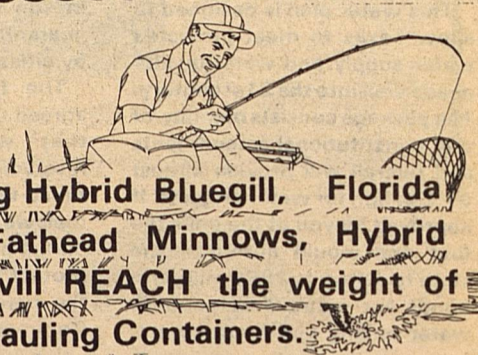
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