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# Robin Hood Alive and Ahead

Speaker Gib Lewis says that "as flawed as it is," the State Board of Education's proposed school-finance plan-- or something close to it -- is most likely to win approval in the House. It's the simplest of the suggestions and the least difficult for legislators to defend back home, Lewis says, and yet is the only one that doesn't require a constitutional amendment. Plus, as some of rich-schooldistrict representatives admit, it's a straightforward Robin plan from the rich districts flow

from there to the poor districts. But Gov. Bob Bullock, Lewis' Senate counterpart, still is suaded that the Legissuch a lature, on controversial policy, of public should ask the voters for approval. And Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port that's Arthur. necessary, anyway because of a 1930's Supreme Court decision on property taxes. A footnote: SBoE school-Davis of Austin sells the proposal, in part, on the fact actually would reduce drain the on the state's general revenue



PART OF THE OVER 240 CONCERNED CITIZENS THAT ATTENDED THE MEETING THAT WAS HELD LAST TUESDAY IN THE AUDITORIUM. THEY WERE MEETING IN REGARD TO THE SCHOOL FINANCE PROBLEM.

# BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL COMMUNITY RESIDENTS SHOW SUPPORT TO SAVE SCHOOL

Approximately 250 concerned citizens of the Borden County School Community showed their support to save the Borden County School and Community at an emergency community meeting that took place in the high school auditorium of the Borden County School on February 19, 1991.

Jimmy Thomas, the Superintendent of the Borden County I.S.D. gave an overview of the current issues that are facing the Borden County School System and Community. The possibilities range from having to close the school as a result of inadequate funding options to forced consolidations. It was also emphasized that the recent decision of the supreme court and the present mood of the legislature make it seem inevitable that school taxes will be well in excess of a \$1.00 rate across the state with the primary objective being to eliminate "tax-haven" school districts and sharing the wealth of property-rich school districts with property-poor school districts.

It was emphasized that it is of paramount importance for the residents of the Borden County School Community to write members of the legislature to express their concerns about this potential demise of our school and community. Points that were emphasized as being extremely important to the Borden County School Community were as follows: (1.) Caps should not be placed on spending levels in school districts. This situation alone could have a devastating effect on the Borden County School. (2.) Unequalized local enrichment is simply imperative to the continuation of the Borden County I.S.D. (3.) Consolidation of the Borden County I.S.D. should not be a part of the plan to equalize the system. (4.) A four or five year phase-in period is extremely important to allowing our school and community to make the transition from being a property-wealthy school district to that of being equal to other districts throughout the state.

Names, addresses, and phone numbers of legislators were made available to all in attendance. It was emphasized that the Borden County School Community is going to have to make a concentrated effort to be heard in Austin. Questions were answered at the conclusion of the meeting.

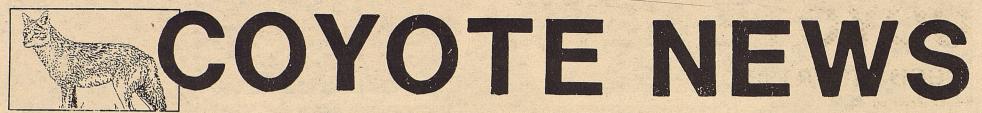
Letters are presently flooding the legislators as a result of everyone's efforts to save our school and community. It needs to be emphasized that the efforts of our community continue to be as important at this time as they were at last week's meeting. The February 25th supreme court decision that clarifies that unequalized enrichment is allowable is a major victory for our school and community. The issue that we must pursue at this time is to make sure that the members of the legislature allow for the maximum amount of unequalized enrichment. The support and initiative that has been taken by the residents of the Borden County School Community concerning this issue is definitely indicative of the wonderful people that dignify Borden County.

You may contact Jimmy Thomas at the Borden County I.S.D. if you have questions concerning the present legislative campaign. Your support is sincerely appreciated.

(most taxes) fund by about \$250 million a year, although the final school-finance bill definitely will cost more money than the Legislature approved last year.

The State Board of Education plan, some version of which will be passed this spring if the voters endorse the Robin Hood approach, would permit a system in which the Legislature, which is apparently headed that way, no matter what, would create regional tax-base districts and then require that the

money raised within those districts be parceled on a perstudent basis. From extra rich school districts within the taxing entities, "recaptured" school funds would be socialized among the less-rich cont. to pg. 6



## ALL DISTRICT TEAMS SELECTED

point

The 1990-91 All-District team has been selected. Jimmy Rios and Cole Vestal were picked on the All-District team. Shane Kemper received an Honorable Mention.

Jimmy is a senior guard who scored 15 points a game and 7 rebounds a game for the Coyotes.

Cole is a senior post who scored 15 game and points a pulled down 11 rebounds per game for the Coyotes.

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Mr. Dan K. Turner, and The Borden County I.S.D.

1990-91 Borden County Shane Kemper senior guard was the three Lady coyotes

shooter. he whipped in 8 points per outing and was good for 3 rebounds a

Other statistical leaders were Junior, Juve Balaque who scored 5 points a game and 5 rebounds.

Sophomore John Paul Harris contributed 6 points a game and 6 rebounds.

The Coyotes finished the season with a 9-10 record. They were third

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Three members of the

Lettering for the

Coyotes were Rod

Jeter, Juve Balaque,

John Paul Harris, Will

Shafer, Jimmy Rios,

Shane Kemper, Chad

Conner, Cole Vestal

and Paul Sturdivant.

COYOTES District 13-A Coaches held at Sands High

School. Lady The awarded All-District Basketball honors at a are: Jeana Senior point guard, recent meeting of the who averaged 7.6 per Shayne Hess, Junior place in district play forward, who averaged behind Sands and 12.3 points per game; O'Donnell with a 4-4 and Amanda Anderson,

Coyotes Jones, game; Junior post, who averaged 9.7 points

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per game. Each of these players started all 24 games this year. They provided good leadership for the team and have excellent attitudes toward the game. congratulations beard to Jeana, Shayne and Amanda.

The complete District 13-A Girls' team for 1990-91 are:

#### The Et Hasen thegate ALL-DISTRICT

CHANNA COPE	KLONDIKE	FRESHMAN
SHERRIE FRANKLIN	KLONDIKE	FRESHMAN
JODI BARTON	KLONDIKE	JUNIOR
LEA BESSIRE	O'DONNELL	SENÍOR VLode
SHERRIE McMORRIES	GRADY	SR. M.V.P
LAURIE ROMINE	GRADY	SENIOR
MISSY ROMINE	GRADY	SOPHOMORE
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AMANDA ANDERSON	BORDEN CO.	JUNIOR
SHAYNE HESS	BORDEN CO.	JUNIOR
JEANA JONES	BORDEN CO.	SENIOR
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ROBIN WOOTAN	SANDS ATT A TAY	JUNIOR
LEANN MAXWELL	SANDS	JUNIOR
COURTNEY FRYAR	SANDS	FRESHMAN

#### ALL-DISTRICT 13-A

record.

FELIX RODRIQUES	SANDS	6'3"	SOPHOMORE
JIMMY RIOS	BORDEN CO.	5'9"	SENIOR
CODY BOGLER	KLONDIKE	6'3"	SENIOR
LEN GARZA	GRADY	6'0"	SENIOR
CHAD SUMNERS	O'DONNELL	5'10"	SENIOR
RENEE HERNANDEZ	O'DONNELL	5'10"	JUNIOR
WES HUGHES	SANDS	6'0"	FRESHMAN
COLE VESTAL	BORDEN CO.	6'1"	SENIOR
DANNY VALLE	GRADY	5'10"	SENIOR
CADE ROBERTSON	GRADY	6'1"	SENIOR
ERIC HERM	SANDS	5'10"	JUNIOR

#### HONORABLE MENTION

PANK GRIGG	SANDS	6'0"	JUNIOR
SHANE KEMPER	BORDEN CO.	5'7"	SENIOR
AARON COWLEY	SANDS	6'0"	JUNIOR
BRANDI O'Brien	KLONDIKE	5'7"	SENIOR
RAMIRO SERRATO	KLONDIKE	5'6"	JUNIOR
MONTY GARRETT	O'DONNELL	5'11"	SENIOR
ERNIE CRUZ	O'DONELL	5'8"	SOPHOMORE
ANDY GUERRA	KLONDIKE	5'8"	SENIOR

WHO: The Borden County Parents Club & The Borden Booster Club

WHAT: Pancake Supper and Talent Show

WHEN: Saturday, April 6th.

WHERE: Borden High School Cafeteria and Auditorium

> PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS PLAYGROUND EQUIPTMENT AND PARENTS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

OPEN TO ALL NON-PROFESSIONAL TALENTS!



COME OUT AND ENJOY THE PANCAKES AND ENTERTAINMENT

> FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Story - 856-4466 Kim Thomas - 856-4316 or Pam Miller - 399-4476 or send to P.O. Box 296 Gail, Texas 79738

#### COLLEGE ATHLETES LEARN TO BALANCE WEIGHT WITH NUTRITION

People who exercise regularly, even strenuously, still can have trouble losing weight if they don't eat the proper foods.

Poor diet practices can make problems even for college athletes. For the athlete, even a relatively small loss in weight, depending on how quickly it is lost, can make a difference in stamina and fitness.

Last spring, when Texas A&M University athletes--particularly, several football linemen--needed to slim down, "the coaches thought that very restrictive diets were

They wanted to take off the weight fast, but you risk losing more muscle than fat. Quick weight loss rarely pays off for

Quick weight-loss diets also increase the reisk of dehydration, which affects the body's ability to cool off, low blood pressure, loss of stamina and mood swings also can occur. As a rule of thumb, a dieter should lose not more than 1.5 pounds per week.

As an alternative, a change in diet designed for a more gradual weight loss is recommended. After working with a strenght and conditioning coach in the athletic department athletes were put on a diet high in carbohydrates and low in fat.

Players were taught how to reduce the number of calories they consumed and to maintain some type of exercise.

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Simple rules were given -- avoid fried foods, have a dessert once or twice a week, eat high-carbohydrate foods for breakfast and eat two servings meat and four servings of vegetables and fruits each day.

A lot of people are confused when it comes to eating red meat. believe that Some eating meat can make you fat, but all they need to do is eat proper quantities.

Meat does contain fat that can contribute to weight gain, but it provides high-quality protein and too many nutrients to be completely left out of a

Trimming all outside fat and fat surrounding the muscles prior to preparation by either broiling, stir frying, baking or grilling is essential.

The players learned not there's much difference fish, in poultry and lean meat, but once you fry them, you mess them all up.

about Learning proper nutritioan will help athletes later in life. In too many football instances players are still consuming 3,600 calories a day when their competitive careers

Activity levels drop ballon up and they big time, and that's see great you athletes in dying their forties of heart attacks.

Excessive fat harmful to everyone's health and can shorten a person's life. Being increases overweight the risk of high blood diabetes, pressure, heart disease and certain cancers.

Offensive quard Keith Alex never had to pay attention to what he ate before. The senior from Beaumont. who is 6'5" and weighed 308 lbs., was told he would be a better player if he lost 20 pounds.

"The nutrition information was pretty new, Alex said. "What I learned is what to eat and not to eat and the importance of having a low-fat intake."

The college senior slimmed down to 284 pounds and improved his game tremendously. "I had a lot more energy and stamina," he said.

Alex and Matt McCall ran the fastest time they had ever run on three first their trials of a conditioning test, of ten, 40-yard springs, Mike Clark their

said. These athletes just crushed that test. They both ran under 5.2 seconds for the first three times."

For Matt McCall, at 6'8" and losing 20 pounds mrked a turning point is his career.

"My speed was hindered (before) because I weighed 306 pounds," said the offesive tackel from Lufkin. "If I wasn't playing football, I would be too big because when your're not playing, the fat pulls against your heart."

"We didn't have a specific diet, but learned to watch what we eat," McCall said. He now eats only three meals a day and snacks mostly on fruits or an occasional "lean roast beef sandwich instead of potato chips."

#### Fast Facts...

The teen birth rate in the U.S. is twice that of any other Western nation.

Families with children now make up the largest and fastest growing segment of the homeless.

More than 70% of U.S. teens have experimented with drugs in some form. The U.S. has the higest rate of teen drug use in the industrialized world.

## MATTERSON BENEVAL

ABILENE, TX -- Hardin University will be holding Spring Round-Up March 8 and

Round-Up is held each semester and is opportunity for school students interested in HSU to experience come and college life.

According to Admissions Counselor Kris Bromley, "Students will be able to stay in the dorms overnight, attend mock classes, attend sessions with admissions and financial aid, and tour the campus." A special highlight of the weekend will be a concert by contemporary Christian artist, Morgan Cryer.

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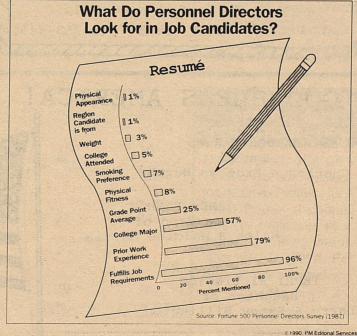
Students interested attending this weekend, should contact HSU Admissions Office at 915-670-1206.

## STUDENT'S PRAYER

Now I lay me down to study, I pray the Lord I won't go nutty. If I should fail to learn this junk, I pray the Lord I will not flunk. But if I do, don't shed a tear, Just put a rose behind my ear. Tell my teacher I did my best, Then pile my books upon my chest. If I should die before I wake, That's one less test I'll have to take.

-Anon

# **FAST**FACTS



#### School Menu

March 4 - 8, 1991

MONDAY

Lunch

Steak Fingers with Gravy Sweet Potatoes Blackeyed Peas Hot Rolls Fruit Cocktail Mi1k

Breakfast

Muffins Juice Mi1k

#### TUESDAY

Lasagna Vegetable Salad Corn on the Cob Jello with Fruit Hot Rolls Milk

Toast. Fruit Mi1k

#### WEDNESDAY

Chalupas Pinto Beans Lettuce & Cheese Cobbler Mi1k

Pancakes Juice Mi1k

#### THURSDAY

Fish Sticks Slaw French Fries Corn Bread Twists Fruit Salad Mi1k

Cereal Toast Juice Milk

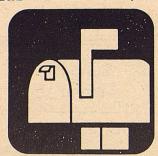
#### FRIDAY

Hamburgers Tator Tots Lettuce-Tomatoes & Pickles Milk

Oatmeal Toast Fruit Mi1k



Among most adults there is almost no difference in eve size. Some appear to have larger eyes because of such factors as position in the skull or prominence of eyebrows.



Mr. Clayton Yeutter Secretary of Agriculture Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

My friends, Wayne and Janelle, over at Wichita Falls, Texas, received a check the other day for \$1,000 from the government for not raising hogs. So, I want to go into "not raising hogs" business next year.

What I want to know is, in your opinion, what is the best type of farm not to raise hogs on, and what is the best breed of hogs not to raise? I want to be sure that I approach this endeavor in keeping with all government policies. I would prefer not to raise Razor-backs, but if that is not a good breed not to raise, then I can just as easily not raise Yorkshires or Durocs.

As I see it, the hardest part of this program will be in keeping an accurate inventory of how many hogs I havent' raised.

My friend, Wayne, is very excited about the future of this business. He has been raising hogs for twenty years, and the most he ever made was \$422 in 1970, until this year when he got your check for \$1,000 for not raising hogs.

If I ever get \$1,000 for not raising 50 hogs, I will \$2,000 for not raising 100 hogs? I plan to operate on a small scale at first, holding myself down to about 4,000 "not raised" hogs, which will give me \$80,000 income the first year. Then I can afford an airplane.

Now another thing, these hogs I will not raise will not eat 100,000 bushels of corn. I understand

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that you also farmers for not raising corn and wheat. Will I qualify for payments for not raising wheat and corn not to feed the 4,000 hogs I am not going to raise?

I want to get started not feeding as soon as possible as this seems to be a good time of year to not raise hogs and grain.

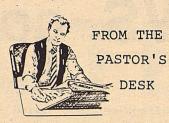
I am also considering the "not milking cows" business, so please send me any information on that also.

In view of these circumstances, I understand that the government will consider me totally unemployed, so I plan to file for unemployment and food stamps.

Be assured that you will have my vote in the coming elections. Patriotically yours, Otis Deal

P.S. Would you please notify me when you distribute plan to more free cheese?

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P.R.A.Y.E.R.

The time in which that we live today, may perhaps be one of greatest times the the Lord is that gain trying to the attention of people.

We have seen some of life's greatest tragedies in the past few years. We have witnessed Hurricanes Hugo and Jerry. We have also witnessed one of California's worst earthquakes in it's history on prime-time television, and now a major war while America suffers from a reces-

Could it be that God is trying to gain the lost attention of a nation that was once considered to be a Christian Nation? It would seem that the time to take notice of the warnings given to God's people to repent of sins and seek the face of God through prayer is at hand. It

appears that it is time for our country, communities. churches. and families to humble themselves in prayer before the Lord God Almighty.

One community that was oppressed by the powers of men was Israel approximately 480 B.C., during the time of Esther. The remaining Israelites in Persia nearly met total destruction unde the rule of King Xerxes.

Haman, a high official under the rule of King Xerxes sought the destruction of the remaining Israelites in Persia. Haman, sought to destruction of the Jews because of a Jew by the name of Mordecai who refused to bow down to Haman.

After learning of the soon to be destruction of his people, Mordecai requested that Esther (Mordecai's Niece) ask the King for a reprieve. Esther then in turn requested of the Israelites to fast for three days and pray for her and she made the request of the King. The Israelites were spared their lives of because their prayers before God.

This incident in the history of Israel bares some resemblance situations that today. confront us throughtout People history have sought fulfilment of selfish desires at the expense of others. it would seem that people have not changes much over the past few centuries. What remains to be a constant in life is

the nature and character of God Himself.

We today can find a positive solution to negative the many things that confront us today using the same method used by the Israelites over thousand years ago. That method of receiving relief is the method of PRAYER.

2 Chronicles 7:13,14 says; "When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among people, if my my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." If God is going to heal our land then we, His people, must humble ourselves before Him, and pray and seek His face. Prayer gives us the insight of who God is and how He works in the lives of people today. LATITY

PRESENTED CIRCUMSTANCES; God often presents circumstances before us that His will and glory might be revealed to us. Mordecai expressed this thought to Esther in the book of Esther 4:14b by stating, "...who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?" The difficulties that are faced with today may be presented

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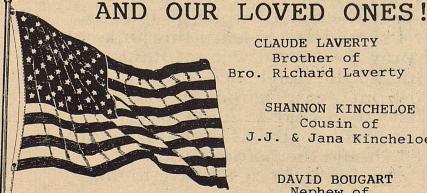
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DAVID BOUGART Nephew of Beverly Herring



BLANE DYESS - Gail and JAMES WHITE - Big Spring took top honors in the North-west Texas Division of Anglers Choice Team Tournaments held Sunday February 17,1991, on Lake E.V. Spence.

Despite cold water and high winds this West Texas team managed to land 3 Black Bass for a total of 8.75 lbs to take 1st place in this the first of seven qualifying tournaments.

Dyess and White are sponsored by West Texas Marine of Midland/Odessa.

# EXCHANGE STUDENT SEEKS TEXAS HOST FAMILY

Lucia Russo, age 17, would like to spend next year in Texas, living with an American family and attending an American High School. She will be a senior.

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Although her father is from southern Italy and her mother is from Finland, Lucia is a resident of NewMunster Germany. Her father Bernardo owns an inn and Italian Resturant. Her mother helps serve

meals and drinks at the resturant. Lucia has a younger sister Caterina, age 14.

Lucia is very fond of performance-swimming horseback riding, volleyball, tennis and learning new languages. She does not smoke, likes pets and always helps with household chores. After finishing highschool, she plans to be a nanny.

The American Institute for Foreign Study

Scholarship Foundation, the organization which is sponsoring Lucia, would like to find a host family in the state of Texas for Lucia. The family can receive \$50.00 a month deduction from their income tax. She will with adequate spending money and she will be covered medical insurance.

Lucia says in the letter accompanying her application that she wants to come to the U.S. because she is convinced that an exchange school year is one of the best ways of learning alot about a foreign country and its people. She feels that her American Host family will be like her family in Germany, except that they will live in another country and other surroundings. This is what she wants to know.

Any family which would like to considered as a host family for Lucia, may contact Pam William's-Rowe, State Director at 1-800-484-1046 and

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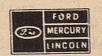
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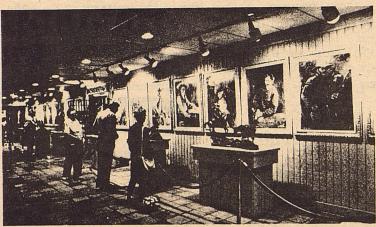
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The first image transmitted on experimental television in the 1920s was that of the cartoon character, Felix the Cat.



The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame in Waco details the story of the colorful lawmen who have been such an integral part of Texas history. Their story is told through detailed three-dimensional dioramas and exhibits of memorabilia from the Old West. The Fort Fisher complex in which the Museum is housed was originally built in 1837 and was faithfully reconstructed in 1968. This architecturally accurate structure of fieldstone houses a tourist information center, Company F of the present day Texas Rangers, and the Homer Garrison Memorial Museum. Texas Department of Commerce photo.

# Texas Special Olympics, Area 17

The first annual Texas Special Olympics, Area 17 Telethon will be held Saturday, March 2 from 7:00 p.m. to midnight on KAMC-TV, Channel 28, Lubbock.

Hosts for the 5-hour telecast will be Bob Nash and Misty Dickey of KAMC-TV. Guest Hosts will include Ray Moran. James KJTV: former Texas Tech football player; Kay Stockdale, LISD; Sonny Keesee, Lubbock County Sheriff; Joe Wilson. Texas Special Olympics Katie and and Byron Grandy of KAMC-TV.

The telethon will spotlight the round athletic competition and sports training opportunities for the Area 17 citizens with metal retardation through videotape segments, and interviews with guests and athletes.

Thoughout the evening many Special Olympics athletes their and families will be featured. Volunteer coaches will explain and demonstrate the training athletes competition.

Special Olympics is founded on the belief that people with mental retardation can, with proper instruction and encouragement, learn to enjoy and benefit from participation in individual and team

sports; adapted as necessary to physical limitations.

The public is invited to take part in the telethon by calling in pledges. Viewers from Petersburg, Haskell. Flomot, Plainview, Muleshoe, Lamesa, Tahoka Levelland. Slaton, Ralls, Snyder, Olton and Anson are invited to join with other community indivicivic business organizations to help the 20-county Area 17 citizens with mental retardation.

For additional information regarding the telethon, call Jacque Hastings, 747-6731

## Environmental Problems for EPA

Ironically, it seems that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is having an environmental problem of its own. Eight employees of the EPA have filed a \$35-million lawsuit against the

owner and managing agent of the agency's Washington, D.C. headquarters building. The suit alleges that the owners of the building neglected to take reasonable steps to ensure adequate air quality, and that the owners negligently hired, trained and supervised building employees. The EPA workers also charge that the defendants breached an implied warranty that the property would be safe and fit for habitation.

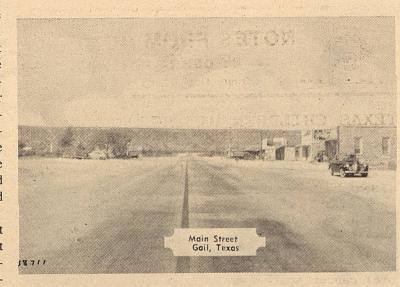
The allegations are the result of a "sick building" problem that has plagued the EPA headquarters as a result of recent renovations. The complaint asserts the renovation, which took place over several years, caused permanent disruption to the building's ventilation system. This, in turn, has allowed chemicals used both during the remodeling and in daily cleaning to continuously circulate. The "sick air" allegedly caused the employees to suffer headaches, memory losses, nausea and burning eyes.

#### Robin Hood

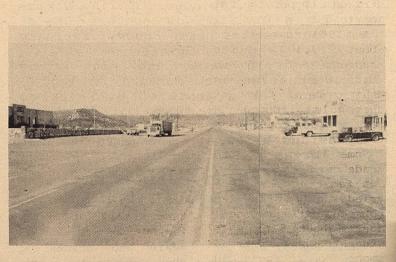
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districts, and the state would make up whatever might be allowed as a measure of "enrichment" taxation by the rich districts. But any school-finanace reform plan could require a couple of billion new state dollars over the two years.

The fear that really lurks in the back of many minds is how the voters will respond to of this. constitutional amendment to permit "recapture" of local school taxes may look like theft to some voters in some districts that will be losing money. And it won't be easy to explain the amendwhatever ment, ballot language that



POSTCARD PICTURE OF DOWN-TOWN GAIL TAKEN IN THE EARLY 1940's.



SAME DOWN-TOWN SCENE TAKEN ON A FEBRUARY MORNING 1991.



The ballpoint pen was invented by two Hungarian brothers—George and Ladislao—who agreed on the advantage of quick-drying ink for use in pens. They constructed the prototype and in 1938 applied for a patent.

is finally selected. Finally, there probably won't be a coordinated media campaign on behalf of the amendment because the education interest groups don't have much money, anyway, and there will only be a short time

to prepare advertising material. The amendment is such a tough sell in the Legislature, you can imagine what it will be like explaining it to the voters; some may prefer leaving school-finance reform to the courts.



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# NOTES FROM HOME BY DEBRA POLLARD

Home Demonstration/CEA

#### TEXAS CHILDREN BITING OFF MORE

#### THAN THEY CAN CHEW

Health officials warn that a rising popularity of smoke-less tobacco among the youth may lead to a growing incidence of oral cancer at the end of the decade. Currently, oral cancer strikes 11 per 100,000 Americans.

A 1989 survey of about 4,400 Texas students in grades 7, 8, 10 and 12 reveals that more than 49% of the male respondents had tried smokeless tobacco at least once.

Some 31% of the 7th grade boys and nearly 70% female seniors had tried snuff or chewing tobacco at least once. Most (about 62%) male students who had tried smokeless tobacco did so before age 13.

A lot of younger kids start with snuff, kind sold in convenient packets. And the risk of oral cancer may be 50 times higher for long-term snuff users than for non-users. tobacco Boys in Texas begin using smokeless tobacco earlier than do boys of other states.

The percentage of 8th grade students who reported using smokeless tobacco in the previous 30 days was close to that found in a nationwide survey (8.8% Texas vs. 9/8 % nationally). However, Texas 10th graders were more than twice as likely to be heavy users (20 times in the previous 30 days) than 10th graders nationally. We have the same problem with snuff and chewing tobacco that we have with cigarettes — children start using it, and by the time they realize their mistake, they are addicted to nicotine.

Tobacco use is not adult behavior—it is juvenile behavior. If children want to act like adults, then they should stop using tobacco. That's what most adults are doing.

Smokeless tobacco was advertised in the 1970's as an alternative to cigarettes, with slogans like "take a pinch, instead of a puff."

Since both forms of tobacco use can result in nicotine addiction and cause cancer, the only real choice offered by such slogans is between the risks of lung cancer and oral cancer.

Survival rates for persons with either lung cancer or oral cancer are two of the lowest among the major cancers.

Increased teen tobacco use is attributed to advertising. overwhelming The (84%) of majority students surveyed in Texas knew that tobacco use was very harmful, yet more than half had tried tobacco in some form. Knowledge of the effects of harmful tobacco seems to be eroded by quickly slick ads associating tobacco

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to us that we might direct our attention once again to the

Almighty God.

RAISED ATTENTION; God raises our attention through these circumstances so that we might seek His face. It is through our attentiveness towards Him that we have the hope of overcoming the obstacles before us today.

ACCENTUATED LOVE; God wishes that His Love be accentuated above all things of this world. Mordecai sought the favor of men, but rather the favor of God. The Israelites recognized the Love of God as they began to petition Him for their safety.

YIELDED OBEDIENCE; God works in the lives of people when they yield their lives to Him. Again Mordecai yielded not to the wishes of men, but to the will of God. God delights in obedience!

ENRICHED LIVES; God; unlike people, wants that our lives be enriched and not destroyed. It is through our obedience and commitment to Him that God works to enrich our lives.

success, confidence and adventure.

For more information on tobacco use, contact the Texas Office of Smoking and Health, toll free at 1-800-345-8647.

## P.R.A.Y.E.R.

His son Jesus Christ people might be redeemed of the sins in their lives. Jesus Christ redeems the people from their sins and many times from the disasters that confront His people.

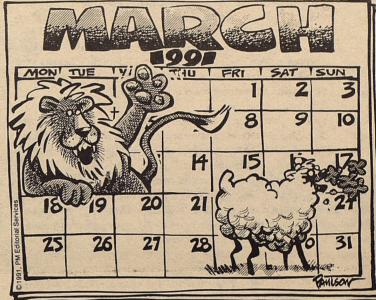
When God's people call upon His name; we live with the assurance of His intercession in our lives today. With the circumstances that confront us today, it would appear that God is seeking our atten-

tion. It will be when we give that attention through prayer and obedience to Him that we can ever expect Him to work in the mist of our everyday circumstances.

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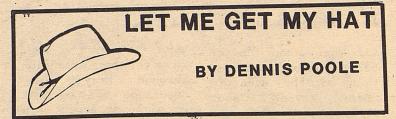


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# MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Register now for a Cotton Physiology and Management Workshop to be held in Lamesa on Tuesday, March 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Dawson County Communitya Building located at 8th and Houston.

This program should provide producers with:

- \* The essential aspects of cotton growth and development
- \* Management strategies that have the potential for optimizing production under dryland and limited irrigation conditions.
- \* Management strategies that will help growers maintain the yeild and quality produced by the crop through the harvest to ginning processes.

Topics will include: Cotton Growth and Development, Early Season Management-Planting to Square, The Role of AG-CARES in Developing Cotton Management Systems, Management for Quality Fiber, Stress Management (Water, Temperature, Fertility, Light), Basics of Cotton Fertilization, Plant Growth Regulators, LEPA Irrigation, Potential Role of Molecular Biology in Stress Management, Harvest-Aid Chemicals, Harvesting.

Speakers for the program are: Kater Hake, Manager, Cotton Physiology Education Program NCC.: James Supak, Extension Agronomist-Cotton, TAEX; Michael Hickey, Extension Soil Chemist, TAEX; Charles Stickler, Extension Agronomist, TAEX; Norma Trolinder, Plant Physiologist, USDA; Alan Brashears, Agricultural Engineer, USDA; Rose Mary Seymour, Extension Agricultural Engineer, TAEX; John Farris, County Extension Agent-Agriculture, Dawson County.

Also, Certified Private, Licensed Private, Noncommercial and Connercial Applicators can receive 5 CEU'S (Continuing Education Units) for completing this workship.

There is a registration fee of \$10.00 which will cover the cost of notebook and materials plus a meal at noon. Make your checks payable to Dawson County TAEX and mail or come by the Dawson County Extension Office, Courthouse, Lamesa, TX 79331.

For more information, call John Farris at (806) 872-3444.

Tuesday - March 5, 1991

	8:30 a.m 5:00 p.m.  Dawson County Community Bldg.  Lamesa, Texas
8:30	Registration Introduction - John Farris
8:45	Cotton Growth and DevelopmentKater Hake *Roots *Shoots *Branches *Leaves *Fruit
9:30	Early Season Management-Planting to SquareJames Supak *Varieties *Seed Quality *Germination and Emergence *Wind and Sand *Diseases *Insects

10:00	The Role of AG-CARES in Developing Cotton Manageme SystemsJohn Farris .
10:20	Break
	MID-SEASON MANAGEMENT - SQUARE TO OPEN BOLL
10:45	Management for Quality FiberKater Hake
11:15	Stress Management (Water, Temperature, Fertility, Light) Michael Hickey
11:45	Lunch
1:00	Basics of Cotton Fertilization and Plant Growth RegulatorsCharles Stichler
1:45	LEPA IrrigationRose Mary Seymour
2:15	Potential Role of Molecular Biology in Stress ManagementNorma Trolinder
	LATE SEASON MANAGEMENT - OPEN BOLL TO HARVEST
2:45	Harvest-Aid ChemicalsJames Supak
3:15	Break
3:30	HarvestingAlan Brashears

## SAN ANTONIO STOCKSHOW RESULTS

Complete forms for 5 CEU's--John Farris

TDA-Continuing Education Units

Borden County 4-H'ers and FFA members traveled to San Antonio February 11, thru 16 to exhibit 6 steers, 11 lambs and 38 barrows.

Exhibiting animals were Amanda Anderson, Kurt Hess, Shayne Cody Cox, Carie Hess, Roy Clayton. Cox, Mendy Grant Key, Hensley, Laura Hensley, Shelby Isaacs, Shaina Kaci Poole, Isaacs. Carrie Corey Cox. Hart, Thad Isaacs, Lusk. Klint Sara Kemper, Shane Kemper, Mandi Herring, Rendee Herring, Staci O'Brien, Clint O'Brien, Shayla Jeter, Preston Sharp, Reagan Smith, Lindsey John Smith. Paul Harris, Clay Miller, Paul Sturdivant, Betsy Breeden, J.J. Kincheloe Rod Jeter, Heather Wulfjen, Kirk Jones, David Buchanan, Allen Pearson, Seth Vestal, Brandon Adcock, Shawn Lewis.

Placings San at Antonio are as follows" Roy Clayton 5th place HW York Barrow, David Buchanan 6th place MW Barrow, Staci O'Brien 14th place MW Duroc Barrow, Amanda Anderson 2nd place MW Charlois Steer, Grant Key 2nd place LW Polled Herford Steer, 3rd place Poole MW Simmitol Steer, and Carie Cox 6th place MW Herford Steer.

Parents, grandparents and friends as well as Dennis Poole, CEA, and Buddy Wallace VO-AG instructor accompanied the exhibitors.

Borden County 4-H and Gail FFA will be exhibiting animals in Houston February 25 thru March 1. We wish each of them good luck and a safe trip.

## Stars and Stripes Forever

"Oh! say, can you see, by the dawn's early light/What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?" March 3 marks the 60th anniversary of Congress' vote to officially adopt the "Star-Spangled Banner" as the national anthem.

Few people know how "The Star-Spangled Banner" came to be written. In the early hours of Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key penned the lyrics to the United States' national anthem. He wrote the words to the song when he and lawyer John S. Skinner saw the American flag still flying over Fort McHenry after a battle with the British during the War of 1812.

That same year, actor Ferdinand Durang sang the song to the melody of a song Americans knew as "Adams and Liberty." This marked the first time the anthem was sung in public. Although it became popular immediately, it was 117 years before Congress gave it official status.

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