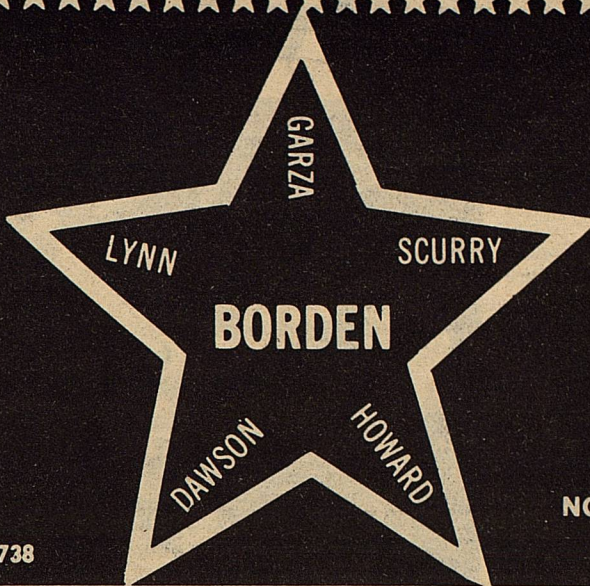


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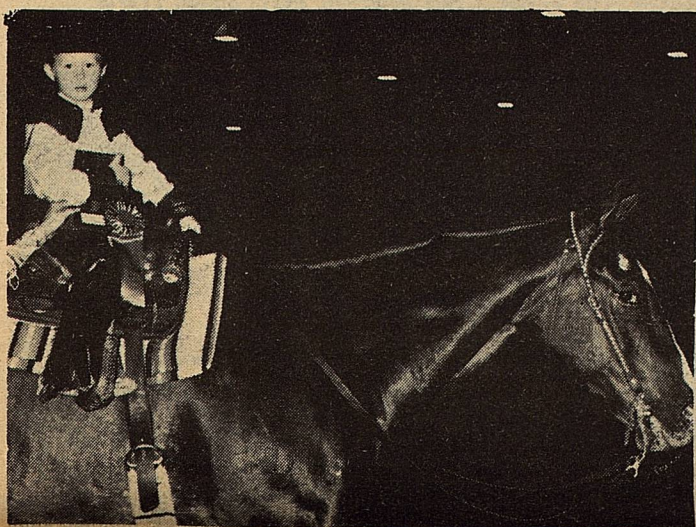
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## Wins At State Fair

NICHOL CUNNINGHAM, age 4, receives 1st place ribbon and trophy in Appaloosa Western Equitation Class at the New Mexico State Fair riding Lea's Little Chief. Nichol is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Norval Cunningham of Gail.

## Gunter Cited For Service

COLLEGE STATION, Special. Billy Gunter, District Extension agent for the 20-county area of Ext. Dist. 2, was awarded the Texas Superior Service Award for outstanding educational contributions.

Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, presented the prestigious award to Gunter during the Bimonthly Extension Conference at Texas A&M University.

Gunter was cited for "dedicated service and aggressive leadership in effectuating dynamic, educational programs that have had a major economic impact on the agricultural economy in the counties of District 2."

Gunter, an Extension educator for 21 years, has contributed to the enviable production record of South Plains agriculture, as a county agent, area agronomist and a district agent, emphasized Pfannstiel.

"Among the outstanding accomplishments in Gunter's versatile and highest-impact career are the establishment of the Farm and Home Development Program in Hale County and the development of a oil seed crop program in the entire area. Gunter also assisted county agents with development of economic facts to effect programs in farm budgeting and planning, as well

as development of demonstrations on cotton and grain sorghum production, including the introduction of hybrid sorghums in farm demonstrations," Pfannstiel said.

Besides his responsibilities as district agent, Gunter also has organized and coordinated the South Plains Development Program, including its many task forces. He has assisted county agents with organization of county horse programs that have resulted in horse education programs and an outstanding district 4-H horse show each year.

While assisting agents with long-range county programs, Gunter has led them, along with 4-H leaders, to raise more than \$86,000 for the Texas 4-H Center at Brownwood.

Gunter has a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M and a master's degree from Texas Tech University. Before joining the Extension Service he worked with the Soil Conservation Service.

The Extension educator was presented the 4-H Alumni Award by Hale County leaders. As a member of the U. S. Army Reserve, he has received numerous achievement and unit awards. He also has served on many Extension committees and professional planning groups.

## Low Turnout In Borden County

In a low voter turnout in Borden County Jimmy Carter defeated President Ford two to one. According to the county clerks office, only 398 votes were cast out of 527 registered voters. This compares with 471 counted in the last presidential election in 1971, reported County clerk Doris Rudd. Mrs. Rudd went on to say that the absentee vote was equally low. Twenty-five were received in 1976 compared to 49 in 1971.

The Presidential race nationally was much closer however. With more than 79 million votes cast, a change of only a handful of votes in the closely contested states would have been enough to switch the electoral college verdict. But a near solid South and the traditionally Democratic union blocs in the North made Carter the victor.

Democrat at U.S. Congressman George Mahon, who retained his

seat in Congress, said the control of both the legislative and executive branches of the government puts an "awesome responsibility" on Democrats.

Former Governor Preston Smith agreed with Mahon and said "I think Congress has acted rather irresponsibly in some areas of spending knowing full well President Ford would hand down a veto." Smith went on to say that congress would have to be more cautious now because Carter will tend to go along with them.

Borden County voters supported the proposed constitutional amendment No. 1 with 151 votes in favor and 128 against. The second proposed amendment also carried in Borden County with 167 voting for it and 125 against.

Complete federal, state and county election results in Borden County are on page 5.

## Tax Law Affects Ag

College Station--The new tax legislation that has just become law will have a big effect on farm and ranch families, contends Tom Prater, an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Most of the legislation is effective after Dec. 31, 1976, although gifts are effective as of Sept. 8, and trusts as of April 30.

"One item in the legislation that will affect the estate planning and management of Texas farm and ranch families will be the 'current use base' for establishing the value of farm and ranch lands," says Prater. "This will reduce the valuation below the fair market value approach which is now used."

However, there are qualification considerations for using the "current use" value:

--50 percent or more of the adjusted value of the gross estate consists of real and personal farm and ranch property and passes to a qualified heir (member of family).

--25 percent or more of the adjusted value of the gross estate consists of such real prop-

erty.

--Such properties use for which five of the past eight years before the descendant's death was qualified and was used in business in which the descendant or a member of the descendant's family materially participated. "The new tax law will also increase the exemption level as far as estate taxes are concerned," points out Prater. "A unified tax table would include estate taxes and gifts."

The economist cites these examples of estate taxes. Starting in 1977, there will be a tax credit of \$30,000 for any estate having a death; \$34,000 in 1978; \$38,000 in 1979; \$42,500 in 1980; and \$47,000 in 1981 and thereafter. Comparing this to the exemption equivalent would mean \$120,667 in 1977; \$134,000 in 1978; \$147,333 in 1979; \$161,563 in 1980; and \$175,625 in 1981 per individual.

The new tax bill also provides a change in marital deductions, enabling one spouse to leave \$250,000 or one-half of the estate, whichever is greater, to the surviving spouse. In

addition to this deduction, there is an additional \$100,000 lifetime marital deduction gift exemption that one spouse can give to the other spouse with no tax, notes Prater. This has to come from separate property.

"Another important feature is the privilege of paying estate taxes over 15 years at 4 per cent interest is 65 percent of the adjusted tax estate qualifies as a farm, ranch or closely held business. The federal government will have a first lien on property during this period of tax payout," explains Prater.

The recapture of estate taxes is also affected by the new legislation. If a farm or ranch is sold out of a family within 10 years, estate taxes on the total fair market value can be recaptured. If the property is held 10 to 15 years, the taxes can be partially recaptured.

State of Texas inheritance laws remain the same.

"All of these plus other changes brought on by the new tax legislation make it important for managers and owners of farms and ranches to review and revise estate plans so that all management opportunities are realized," emphasizes Prater.

## File Early

## For Fed Jobs

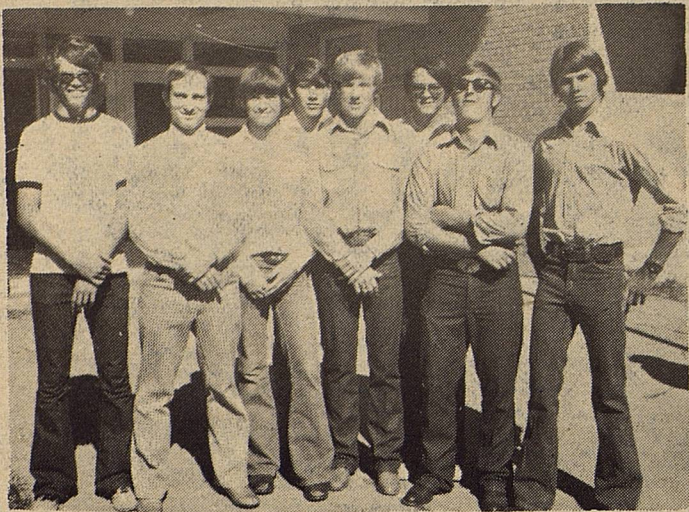
Congressman Omar Burleson (D-Tex) said today that the Civil Service Commission is now receiving applications for the 1977 competitive examination for summer employment with the United States Government. The examination, which includes a written test, applies to most Federal summer jobs in clerical and administrative positions, as well as in engineering and the physical and biological sciences, GS-1 through GS-4.

The Congressman urges applicants to file early to receive maximum consideration for employment because opportunities for summer employment are extremely limited.

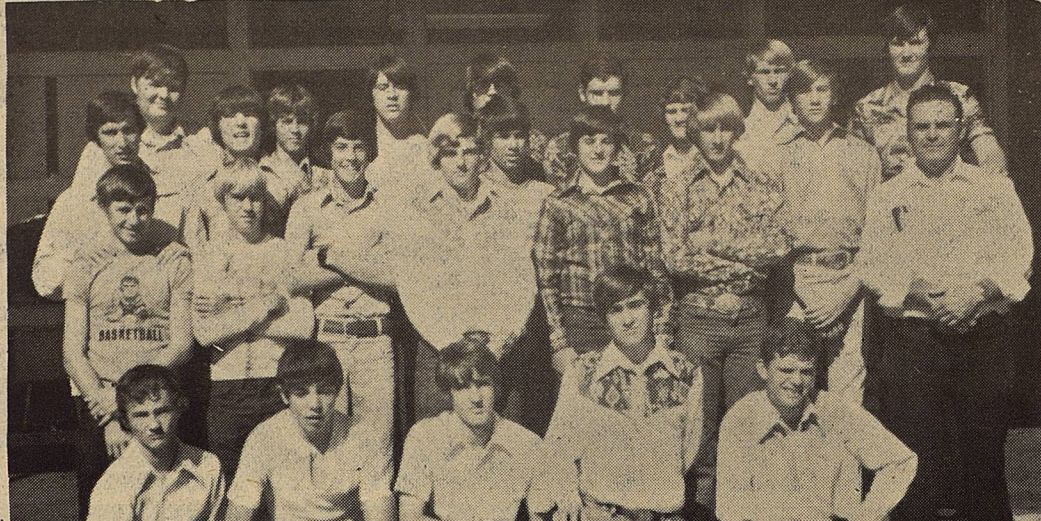
Tests are scheduled locally by CSC area offices. Applicants who file with an area office by December 9 will be tested in January. Those who file by January 13 will be tested in

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# Borden County School News



HANGING UP THEIR HELMENTS AND PADS-for the last time as Borden County Coyotes were these seniors. Left to right- Gene Cooley-Mgr, (Coach Bill Killian), Ben Thompson, Joe Zant, Tommy Patterson, Eddie Parks, Richard Smith and Bob McLeroy.



COYOTES FINISH SEASON IN 2nd Place in zone- L to R -Back Row- John Eldridge, Benny Taylor, Tony Benavidez, Johnny Jackson, Matt Farmer, Patrick Toombs, Eurdist Rinehart, Tim Smith. Sec. Row- Asst. Coach Tommy Varner, Marlon Vaughn, Blane Dyess, and Ty Zant. 3rd Row- Ben Murphy, Clay Grose, Tim Taylor, Craig Peterson, Perry Smith, Travis Rinehart and Asst. Coach Jack Hataway. Front Row- Brad Smith, Troyce Wolf, Mark Walker, Ray Don Underwood and Ted Johnson.

## Coyotes Finish Second In Zone

The Borden County Coyotes closed the season Friday night by defeating a hard hitting New Home team 19-0. The game looked to be a defensive battle. The score remained 0-0 to deep in the fourth quarter. The Coyotes held on two goal line stands when the Leopards came close to scoring. These two penetrations were the result of two mishandled punts giving New Home their only penetrations of the night. The Coyotes failed to turn two early penetrations into scores when their drives

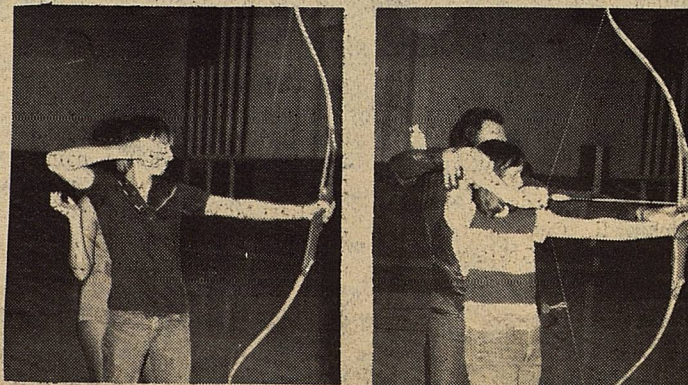
fell short of making critical first downs inside the New Home 20 yard line.

With 6:35 left in the fourth quarter, the Coyotes capped a 55 yard drive when Eurdist Rinehart dashed 4 yards for the score. Blane Dyess put the P. A.T. between the uprights and the Coyotes took a 7-0 lead. The Coyotes forced New Home to punt and generated another successful drive of 48 yards capped by a 9 yard burst by Pat Toombs. The P.A.T. failed. The Coyotes then recovered a New Home fumble which was turned into 6 points when Eurdist Rinehart broke loose on a 20 yard run. The P.A.T. failed. The score was 19-0. The Coyotes had scored three times in 5 minutes. This effort show-

ed the pride and loyalty the boys feel as a team. It took a lot of courage to keep hitting to the very end and wear an equally good team down.

After starting out at the very bottom of the ratings in their district this year, the Coyotes have finished second in their zone with a 5-5 season. The players and coaching staff would like to thank all of the fans who have supported the Coyotes this year, the Coyote Band and Mr. Parker, the cheerleaders and Mrs. Jarrett and Mrs. McLeroy, their sponsors.

/s/ Coach Bill Killian



THESE GREAT ARCHERS ARE JACKIE LOCKHART AND JANNA LOVE. They participated in the Assembly Program given last week.

## Band Performs For Parents Club

By Carolyn Stone

A large attendance of over 40 parents and other relatives were entertained at the November meeting by the 5th and 6th grade band. The band under the direction of Mr. Jim Parker presented a variety of music.

The entire band played several selections with soloists, duets and trios adding their own touch. A trio performance included Tammy Miller, Shellie Peterson, Lyndy Doyle, Roxie Wolf, Sandra Kountz and Kim Wills. Performing Woodwind Duets were Sandra Kountz, Lyndy Doyle, Tammy Miller and Stephanie Stephens. The trio

and duet selections were prepared by these individuals for the program. The Beginner band, made up of Kevin Telchik, Doug Love, Paige White, Keith Martin, Misty Merritt, Phyllis Espinoza, Diane Villanueva, Rona Sturdivant and Charles Larue gave a good performance consisting of three songs. The following students performed: Flute: Sandra Kountz, Roxie Wolf, Kim Wills, Lavinda Elliot; Alto Sax: Tammy Miller and Kelly Williams; Tenor Sax: Stephanie Stephens and Hollie Calhoun; Clarinet: Lyndy Doyle Shellie Peterson, Kelley Rich-

ardson, Tonya Newsom, Dawn Holmes, Maria Villanueva, and Julie Redding; Cornet: Lorri Doyle, Cody Newton and Phillip Benavidez; Trombone: Keith Williams, Kelli McPhaul, and Sammy Williams; and Drums: Scot Jones and Jeff Williams.

The officers and members want to say "Thank you" once again to Mr. Parker for his dedication and long hours of work. The band does a great job under his guidance.

A business meeting preceded the program. Plans

## Jr. High Lost To Leopards

The Borden County Junior High Coyotes played their last football game Thursday night at New Home. The young Coyotes were out numbered and out manded by the Leopards. The Leopards were able to place 22 points on the board before the half, while the Coyotes failed to complete a drive.

In the second half, the young

Coyotes were able to hold the Leopards to only one score which occurred late in the fourth quarter. The Coyotes then broke on a 76 yard run by Bart McMeans to put 6 points on the board. The P.A.T. failed and the final score came out 30-6. The young Coyotes ended with a 2-4 record for the year. What these boys have lacked in size they have made up for in spirit.

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School

Nov. 15

### 1976 - 1977

#### BORDEN HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	OPPONENT	Place	TEAMS	Time
Nov. 2	GREENWOOD	T	A Girls & Jr. High Girls	5:00
Nov. 9	FORSAN	H	A & B Girls	6:30
Nov. 12	GRADY	T	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Nov. 16	O'DONNELL	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Nov. 19	GREENWOOD	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Nov. 23	IRA	T	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Nov. 30	IRA	H	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Dec. 2-4	FORSAN TOURNAMENT		A Girls, A Boys	
Dec. 9-11	GREENWOOD TOURNAMENT		A Girls, A Boys	
Dec. 14	SANDS**	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Dec. 17	LOOP*	T	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Dec. 21	KLONDIKE*	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Dec. 30	O'DONNELL	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:00
Jan. 4	WELLMAN*	T	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Jan. 7	DAWSON*	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:00
Jan. 11	UNION*	T	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Jan. 18	SANDS*	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:00
Jan. 20	LOOP*	H	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Jan. 25	KLONDIKE*	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:00
Jan. 28	WELLMAN*	H	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:00
Feb. 1	DAWSON*	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:00
Feb. 4	UNION*	H	A Girls, A Boys	6:30
Feb. 11	SANDS*	H	A & B Boys	6:30

\* District 9 B Games

\*\* District Game for Girls Only

### 1976 - 1977

#### BORDEN JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	OPPONENT	Place	TEAMS	Time
Nov. 2	GREENWOOD	T	A Girls & High School Girls	5:00
Nov. 8	IRA	T	A Girls & A Boys	6:30
Nov. 15	KLONDIKE	T	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:30
Nov. 22	IRA	H	A Girls & A Boys	6:30
Nov. 29	GRADY	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:30
Dec. 6	DAWSON	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:30
Dec. 13	LOOP*	H	A Girls, A Boys	6:00
Dec. 20	DAWSON*	T	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:30
Jan. 3	O'DONNELL	H	A & B Girls, A & B Boys	4:00
Jan. 6 & 8	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	at LOOP*	A Girls, A Boys	
Jan. 10	UNION*	T	A Girls, A Boys	6:00
Jan. 17	KLONDIKE*	H	A Girls, A & B Boys	5:30
Jan. 20-22	GRADY TOURNAMENT		A Girls, A Boys	
Jan. 24	SANDS*	T	A Girls, A Boys	6:00
Jan. 31	GRADY*	H	A & B Girls, A Boys	5:30
Feb. 3 & 5	KLONDIKE PEE WEE TOURNAMENT		B Girls, B Boys	
Feb. 7	WELLMAN*	H	A Girls, A Boys	6:00

\* District Games

Date of Klondike Pee Wee Tournament is tentative

## Basketball News

## McLeroy Attends Governors Session

### Defeats

#### Greenwood

Coach Van Kountz

The High School girls defeated Greenwood 48-46 in the Greenwood gym Tuesday, November 2. Kristy Smith scored 18 points, Sue Hancock 16, and Karen Williams 14 points. Martha Anderson pulled down 5 rebounds while Tricia Jackson and Lisa McLeroy had 4 each.

#### Beats Ira And Greenwood

The Junior High girls beat Greenwood 38-22. Scoring for Borden were: Talley Griffin 16 points, Jana Edwards 12, Joie Brummett 6, Gayla Newton 2, and Tammy Telchik 2 points.

On Monday, November 8, the Junior High girls defeated Ira 66-7. Scoring were: Talley Griffin 16 points, Joie Brummett 14, Jana Edwards 12, Tammy Telchik 11, Gena McLeroy 5, Becky Miller 4, Gayla Newton 2, and Shellie White 2 points.

### Jr. High Boys

#### Play Close Game

Coach Tommy Varner

The Borden County Coyote Junior High Boys Basketball team traveled to Ira Monday to play the Ira Bulldogs. The Coyotes played a tough defensive game, only to come up with a cold fourth quarter. The game was very close at the end of the 1st quarter with the score 4-2 in favor of Ira, at the end of the first half it was 6-2. In the 3rd quarter, Borden County scored 4 points to tie it up 8-8. Going into the fourth quarter, the Coyotes could not buy a basket. We missed a lot of lay-ups and many short 4 foot shots. The final score was Ira 17 and Borden County, 8.

Scoring thfor the Coyotes was Jim Rinehart with 2 points, Junior Benavidez with 4 points, Freddie Espinoz with 1 point, and Bart McMeans with 2 points. Monday night November 15, Borden County Junior High will travel to Klondike.

Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent of Borden County Schools, attended the session held in Austin by Governor Briscoe for over 3,000 educators.

Governor Briscoe proposed legislation during this session last Monday, requiring the state to pay 90 per cent of the cost of public school operations, allowing many of the state's 1,100 school districts to reduce local taxes.

Briscoe's proposal, to be presented to the 1977 legislature when it convenes in January, would cost the state \$850 million during the next two years. The governor said the increased expenditure is worthwhile to stem rising local property taxes and to permit local school districts to share in increased state tax revenue.

The governor said his proposal would increase the portion of school operation costs paid by the state from the present 75 percent to 90 percent at a cost of \$640 million.

Increases in state aid for transportation, operation and maintenance, equalization between rich and poor districts and tax equalization programs would account for the remaining \$210 million cost of Briscoe's school finance plan.

He announced his recommendations for school funding to more than 3,000 local school officials and legislators who were invited to Austin specifically for the session. Staff members of the Governor's Office on Education Resources briefed the local school officials Monday afternoon on how the program would affect each district.

"The recommendations that I will make to the next session of the legislature will move the state toward paying a larger part of the cost of the Foundation School Program," Briscoe said.

"The majority of this new money is intended to reduce the cost of the local district and in effect would mean that the state is sharing with the

local districts the growth of the state income from the sales tax in order to enable the local districts to hold the line or reduce property taxes.

Briscoe said the recommendations will reduce by 60 percent the amount of money local districts are required to contribute toward school operations.

His recommendations were based on a study of property values in Texas school districts, showing total value of \$238 billion -- \$78 billion more than the 1975 legislature calculated in adopting a temporary school finance revision last year.

Briscoe's proposals also would give local districts an additional \$50 million for maintenance and operation, \$25 million to assist staffing in small districts, \$100 million in equalization funds to bring the quality of education in rich and poor districts closer together, and \$10 million for operation of a school tax assessment practices board to help local districts establish property values.



THE BORDEN JUNIOR HIGH BAND entertained for the Parents Club last week, under direction of Mr. Jim Parker.

### School Menu

November 15-19, 1976

MONDAY  
NO SCHOOL-Teacher Workkday

TUESDAY  
Enchiladas with Chili  
Fruit Salad  
Celery Sticks  
Plain Cake with Chocolate Icing  
Milk

WEDNESDAY  
Steak Fingers and Gravy  
English Peas  
Apple Delight  
Buttered Batter Bread  
Milk

THURSDAY  
Vegetable Beef Stew  
Pimento Cheese  
Applesauce  
Corn Bread and Butter  
Milk

FRIDAY  
Hamburgers  
French Fries  
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles  
Cookies  
Milk

### Girl On Team

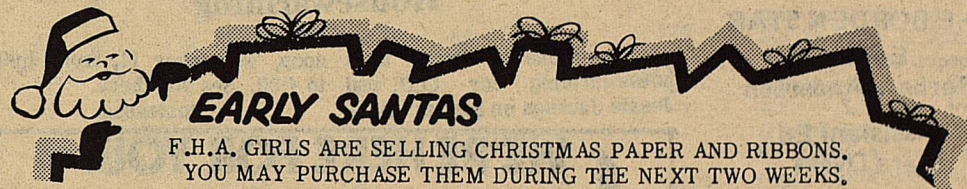
The Howard College Hawk Queens have announced their 1976-77 basketball schedule, which will kick off Nov. 1.

Among the players is a Gail girl, Deidre Tucker, 5'4" freshman who graduated from Borden County High School.

### Parents Club

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were made for a Christmas bake sale to be held at the Sand game December the 14th. Room count went to the second grade for the third month in a row. If the students of the other grades would like to win the candy encourage your parents to attend the next meeting. Mrs. McMeans and the 3rd grade will have the program. Hope to see you December the 3rd.



F.H.A. GIRLS ARE SELLING CHRISTMAS PAPER AND RIBBONS. YOU MAY PURCHASE THEM DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.



Lamesa

Leadership School--Area, state and district FFA officers attended the Mesa District Leadership School at LHS this week. Shown are Monty Ellis of Plains; Button Senter, area vice-pres. from Lamesa; Kevin Herm of Colorado City; Patrick Toombs of Gail, Dusty Thrash, Plains; David Louder, Stanton; Cliff Bingham, Meadow, and Kerry Graves, Lamesa.

# Jer's Gottings

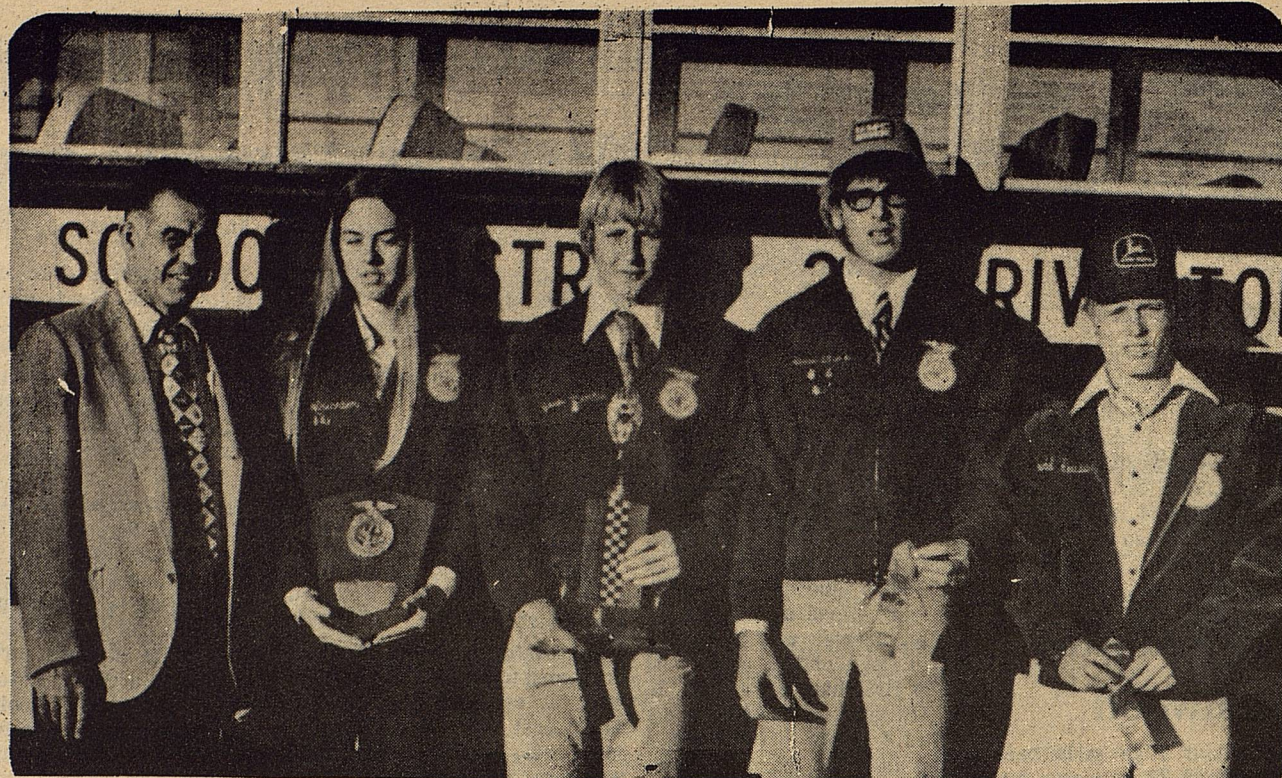
One of my first reactions to the election of Jimmy Carter, President, was to fire off a hasty letter to the peanut farmer from Georgia. In my depressed state of disgust, I'm sure I would have expressed myself quite clearly but probably not in a ladylike manner. Fortunately I had just toured the LBJ Library in Austin. The remembrance of some of the framed for all to read letters to Lyndon tempered my impulse. I would hate to read myself in a library some day- or have my grandchildren be embarrassed by their granny's popping off.

If you haven't been to that expensive, built by state funds, impressive library, you should go- once. I was amazed at the stuff Lyndon and Bird kept for posterity. There is plenty to see, then there are stacks and stacks and more stacks of boxed correspondence, communiques, memorabilia, state papers and more letters from little old ladies that you can't see. He began saving everything the day he was 1st elected to go to Washington. Just think- all that stuff under the bed waiting for the big day when it becomes library worthy. How do you decide what to keep and what to throw out? Sure as the world, I would have kept my poll tax receipt and thrown out the election returns.

Now about Gerald Ford. He never seemed the ambitious type, so he may not have been squirreling away his stuff for these 27 years of public life. And besides, Yankees are more spartan than Southerners and do not tend to keep cartoons and

football ticket stubbs. Southerners are probably genetically savers stemming from the Civil War when they lost all their junk. But anyway, what does an un-elected, ousted President do with his shoe boxes of stuff? Will the folds of Michigan build a library to house old footballs, helmets and jerseys and 60 odd Presidential vetoes?

And there's Richard Milhous Nixon. You know perfectly well that he was a saver. But those tapes aren't visibly very interesting and besides, they no longer belong to him. But there are bound to be boxes and sacks full of every type of interesting things. Poor Richard, though, will probably never have a library to display all of his career collection. What's worse is poor Pat. Any housewife might have a stroke having to move all that stuff around and find places to stick it until someone offers to help her sort it and



The Riverton, Wyoming FFA Dairy Judging Team captured top honors in competition with 46 other teams at a state meet held in Laramie. The team won the right to go to the National FFA Judging competition in Kansas City, November 15. Members of the team include Ray Reno, sponsor, Candy Crichton, Jack Minter, Dave Stark, and Todd Rousseau. Jack Minter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Minter and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Telchik.

But I betcha Miss Lillian has all Jimmy's junk neatly catalogued in plastic scrapbooks- all ready to be turned over to the museum in Plains. By the end of his reign, there will be no need to employ curators and scrapbook makers, as long as Miss Lillian is around. And it's for sure her football jersey reading "'76-Jimmy Won'" will be as prominently displayed as the Johnson girls wedding dresses.

It's a puzzlement when to start saving. Or if you do save, when do you decide you're not ever going to be President and pitch it all? Look at J.C. Whoever could believe a farmer from Georgia would amount to peanuts- much less be President. Which only proves two things-- don't write tacky letters to the President or you may be framed. And beging today to save your chewing gum wrappers and baseball cards cause the election of '76 proved that anybody can become President.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

There will be a community Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 18 at 7:30 in the Sheriff's Posse Building.

Everyone is invited to come. Each family coming is asked to please bring a salad or vegetable and desert. Turkey and dressing will be furnished by the Sheriffs Possee.

## Local

The Oscar Telchik's have recently visited their daughter, Daphene and Jack Minter in Riverton, Wyoming. Their granddaughter, La Rhea is a sophomore at A.C.U. in Abilene.

## Housewarming

Everyone is invited to a noon, November 14, from 2:00 housewarming for O.D. and to 4:00. See you there. Hostesses: Jessie Jackson on Sunday after-

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# Election Results In Borden County

## Better Than Expected

(Write-in votes totaled 123 for various offices)

	ABSENTEE	NO. 1 PLAINS	NO. 2 VEALMOOR	NO. 3 SOUTH GAIL	NO. 4 FAIRVIEW	NO. 5 MURPHY	NO. 6 NORTH GAIL	NO. 7 SNELLING	GRAND TOTAL
TOTAL VOTES CAST	25	109	41	39	62	23	57	42	398
Jimmy Carter & Walter Mondale	15	69	21	27	39	7	33	23	234
Gerald R. Ford & Robert Dole	6	38	18	10	23	14	24	17	150
PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT									
Thomas J. Anderson & Rufus Shackelford	0	0	0	0	0				0
Peter Camejo & Willie Mae Reid	0	0	0	0	0				0
Eugene J. McCarthy	2	0	0	0	0	1			3
Ronald Reagan		2	1						3
U.S. SENATOR									
Lloyd Bentsen	16	83	24	27	35	13	42	34	274
Alan Steelman	8	19	11	12	26	10	12	6	104
Marjorie P. Gallion	0	0	0	0	0				0
Pedro Vasquez	0	0	0	0	0				0
U.S. REP. 17th DIST.									
Omar Burleson	20	83	28	30	48	18	51	34	312
RAILROAD COMM.									
Jon Newton	20	73	27	32	46	15	45	34	292
Walter Wendlandt	4	16	7	5	12	6	8	2	60
Fred Rodriguez Garza	0	4	0	0	0	0			4
Pat O'Reilly	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
CHIEF JUSTICE SUPR. CT. PL. 1									
Jack Pope	21	81	26	30	47	20	48	35	308
ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPR. CT. PL. 2									
Don Yarbrough	17	71	18	25	30	3	15	21	210
Tom Lorange	3	9	3	5	9	2	10	1	42
Sam Houston		5	2	1	7	17	11	14	57
Jack Torance							1		
ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPR. CT. PL. 3									
James G. Denton	21	82	23	30	54	19	49	34	312
PRESIDING JUDGE CRIMINAL APPLS.									
John F. Onion, Jr.	21	80	22	39	50	21	50	34	317
JUDGE, CT. of CRIM. APPLS.									
Truman Roberts	21	82	21	32	52	21	50	34	313
Sam Houston				1					1
JUDGE, CT. of CRIM. APPLS. (unexpired term)									
W.T. Phillips	21	81	23	31	52	21	49	34	312
STATE REP. 63rd. DIST.									
Mike Ezzell	20	91	28	32	57	21	50	33	332
Rich Anderson				1		1			2
CIVIL APPLS. DIST. II									
Austin McCloud	21	84	22	31	55	20	50	32	315
DIST. JUDGE									
Wayland G. Holt	21	90	25	31	56	22	52	32	329
Jim Burkett		1							1
DIST. ATTY.									
Lealand W. Greene	20	83	26	31	50	21	52	32	315
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Norman Sneed	22	95	32	32	57	23	53	35	349
COUNTY COMM. PRECT. 1									
Herman Ledbetter	2	95							97
V.W. (Corky) Ogden		1							1
COUNTY COMM. PRECT. 3									
Vernon Wolf	3				56	5			64
Brent Murphy					1	17			18
Melton Davis					1	1			2
Eddie Simer					1				1
Borden Gray									

LUBBOCK--Despite an unusually early freeze that brought an end to cotton growth in the northern half of the Texas High Plains, all indications point to a better than expected crop, says a Texas Agricultural Experiment Station cotton physiologist.

Dr Jack Gipson who has been testing cotton samples from all over the South Plains area, says better than average boll maturity may push total yields up from October estimates by the Lubbock Cotton Exchanges.

"With approximately 2,507,500 standing acres in the 25-county High Plains area, the projected yield was pegged at 1,786 million bales by the October 11 estimate," Gipson says. "It now appears this estimate may be low, due to better than average boll maturity at the time of the unseasonably early freeze of October 8."

Gipson says that micronaire values will be considerably above average this season. He bases his statement on the results of samples he has taken throughout the High Plains region since the killing frost of Oct. 8. Of 58 fields sampled the average micronaire value has been slightly over 3.7. This compares with a long-time average value of 3.4.

"Of the various fiber quality measurements used in the

cotton industry, micronaire is of most concern to area producers since it is invariably the limiting quality character for this area," Gipson says. "Micronaire provides a measure of fiber thickness per se, it is closely correlated with fineness that it serves the cotton industry as a reliable indication of fiber maturity."

Fineness, in turn, is closely associated with yield since a coarse fiber will contain more cellulose than a fine fiber, Gipson explains. At the time of the October 11 estimate, most officials were expecting micronaire values in the range of 3.2 - 3.3, due to the early freeze that partially desiccated or killed a large part of the High Plains crop. Based on Gipson's samples, however, it now appears this value was "much too low, so yield should be better than anticipated at the time of the freeze."

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## Parade Plans

Plans are being made now by members of the retail committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce for the Sixth Annual Midland Christmas Parade set for Saturday, December 4, at 10 a.m.

Sam Blanck, chairman of the 1976 parade, said more than 300 invitations have been sent to area bands along with other groups and organizations that might compete for prize money in the non-commercial float category.

"We think this year's parade will be one of the best ever with the addition of several giant, helium-filled character balloons similar to balloons used in some nationally-televised parades," Blanck said. The balloons were chosen for their application to the parade's overall theme of "Characters In American Stories and Legends."

There is no entry fee and the parade is open to any commercial or non-commercial group or organization. Cash prizes are presented to winners in the non-commercial category with \$300 going to the winning entry.

"Each year the Christmas Parade is sponsored by the retail merchants in conjunction with the retail committee of the Chamber. Along with the parade, the merchants also make possible the city's Christmas decorations and lights," Blanck said.

Anyone interested in entering a unit in the parade may do so by calling the Midland Chamber office no later than Monday, November 22.

## Arts And Crafts Show

Plans are underway for the 3rd annual Arts and Crafts Show and Sale, all area artisans and craftsmen are invited to participate in the Arts and Crafts Show and Sale, sponsored by the Howard County 4-H Clubs and Chamber of Commerce at the Dora Roberts Fair Barn November 20th. The Show will be Saturday November 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. This will be a good Christmas Shopping opportunity for high quality hand crafted items.

Booth spaces will be 10'x10' and will be \$5.00 per booth. Tables and chairs will be available to rent or you may furnish your own. Each exhibitor is responsible for his own method of display. Exhibitors may rent as many booths as desired. Booths for two people will be \$7.50. Electricity, water and concessions will be available. You are encouraged to demonstrate your craft if possible. A ten percent commission on all items sold will be charged. All proceeds go to the Howard County 4-H Clubs.

Booths will be sold on a first come first served basis, so send your \$5.00 reservation in early. Mail reservation to Howard County 4-H Clubs, Howard County Extension Office, Box 790, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.

# Grandpaw Says

-HI-

Whew! Boy am I glad the election is over. Now we can think and talk about something else.

My sources reveal that kids are now buying guitars at the rate of 35,000 a month--and learning to play them at the rate of 42 a year.

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A rumor is going around that we have a new trade agreement with Russia. We will send them 3,000 autos from Detroit and they will send us 30,000 parking spaces from Siberia.

-----just in case it ever comes up in a conversation----. The largest one piece roof is the transparent acryl glass "tent" roof over the Munich Olympic Stadium. It measures 914,940 sq. ft. in area. It cost \$57,600,000. Hope to see you all soon. GP



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## Quality Of Gas Tested

Comptroller Bob Bullock and his office are initiating a pilot project to test the quality of gasoline sold at service stations in Texas.

Bullock said the Comptroller's Office has received a number of consumer complaints in recent months indicating that some service stations are selling inferior gasoline.

"We've had calls from people whose engines totally burned out a few miles down the road after filling their tanks," he said.

The Comptroller said that Articles 8601-8611, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, set out specific gasoline standards and empower his office to test to see that the standards are met.

Selling inferior gasoline to the public without clearly indicating its substandard quality is a misdemeanor, he added.

Bullock urged motorists who can document that their engines have been damaged by inferior gasoline to call his Motor Fuels Tax Division toll-free from anywhere in Texas at 1-800-252-5555.

The pilot project will be closely coordinated with efforts by Sen. Lloyd Doggett of Austin to strengthen the State's power to test and enforce reasonable gasoline standards, he said.

"Statutes already on the books obviously contemplate that the quality of gasoline sold to Texas motorists be monitored," said Bullock. "Yet this has never been done. While our funds are limited at this time, we feel we can support this pilot project. Should it prove beneficial to the motoring public, we will seed additional funding from the Legislature."

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**DANA WESTBROOK HONORED**

Dana Westbrook was honored at District 6 4-H Gold Star Banquet in El Paso at Vista Hills Country Club Saturday, November 6 as Gold Star Girl from Howard County.

Gold Star boys and girls from 18 counties attended the banquet sponsored by electric companies and electric cooperatives serving the counties of district 6. Each 4-Her was recognized for his or her achievements and contributions in his county. Each was presented a framed certificate and a Sheaffer pen and pencil set.

Miss Westbrook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Westbrook, is a senior at Borden High School. She has been active in horse, heifer, barrow, lamb, clothing, foods, home environment, citizenship, and leadership projects. She has served her local club as president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer and has served for four years on County 4-H Council. She has attended leadership labs, 4-H Roundup, and State 4-H Congress.

The mayor of El Paso gave the address which challenged today's youth to use their energies and talents to help solve today's problems.

**Seed Labels**

Farmers buying certified seed to plant their 1977 crop should pay particular attention to the labels on the seed bag--there's been a change.

"Certified seed sold after January 1 next year must bear two labels--one certifying the variety and the other indicating a number of seed quality factors," points out Dr. Robert B. Metzger.

Whereas in the past, seed was certified for both variety and quality factors, the certification now pertains only to the genetic identity of the seed. However, since the Texas seed law still requires that seed quality information be truthfully stated, an analysis label must also accompany all certified seed, explains Metzger.

"The analysis label will tell the farmer such things as purity, inert matter, other crop seed, weed seed, noxious weed seed and germination," notes the specialist. "The fact that the seed is certified has nothing to do with these particular factors."

Metzger explains the new certification labeling this way. "Take cottonseed, for example. TAMCOT SP37 sold as certified seed must bear a label (blue in color) that indicates that the seed is indeed the SP37 variety.

The certification label will show net weight, kind and variety and who produced the seed, but nothing on quality factors. A second label on the seed bag will list the various quality factors mentioned above and will tell the farmer the percentage that the seed contains, such as the per cent of weed seed.

The change in seed certification standards in Texas came about recently in an effort to assure a more dependable sup-

ply of certified seed and to give seedmen more flexibility in producing seed for different markets. The change also establishes uniformity with the Federal Seed Act and encourages international seed trade.

"All the information that farmers need is on the two seed bag labels," contends Metzger. "It's just a matter of them reading both labels to determine if the seed meets their requirements."

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February. Any applications postmarked after January 13 will not be accepted.



Notification of when and where to report for the written test will be given about two weeks in advance.

Those candidates who took the test and qualified for summer employment in 1976 may renew there eligibility without taking the written test again by submitting an updating form by January.


Complete instructions for filing for the written test and for renewing eligibility, along with all necessary forms, are included in the CSC announcement No. 414, Summer Jobs in Federal Agencies, which may be obtained upon request through Congressman Burleson's Washington office, 2369 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, or from Federal Job Information Centers, most college placement offices, or from the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.C. 204158. The nearest Job Information Center is listed in most local telephone directories under "U.S. Government," or the toll-free distance telephone number in Texas can be obtained by calling 800-555-1212.

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