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Introduces

H.C.R.10

AUSTIN -- State Representative Fred Head said he wanted to "send them a message" in Washington as he introduced H.C.R. 10 calling for an amendment to the United States Constitution requiring a balanced federal budget.

"People in Texas have long known that to get any work out of a mule you have to first get his attention. I believe this amendment is just the 2x4 we've been needing to get Congressional attention focused on wasteful spending in the Federal government," Head urged.

"The Texas Constitution has for many years required pay-as-you-go spending in the Lone Star State," Head continued. "Texas is clearly the most solvent state in the union and has become so as the result of this pay-as-you-go provision in our Constitution. I don't think it is too much to ask that the federal government join us in this type of financing, the wisdom of which has been proven time and time again. We can set an example for other states to follow by passing this Resolution.

"With the forecasted conservative attitude of President Carter to help lead the way, I see no reason why we cannot adopt an amendment to United States Constitution requiring a balanced federal budget, and I am writing him today asking for his active assistance.

"Several legislatures have passed similar measures. If this Session of the Texas Legislature can pass H.C.R. 10, it will help leave a legacy of fiscal responsibility for future generations to enjoy."

Letter To Editor

What happened to Grand Paw his humor and witticisms!!!!!!? We missed his column in the January 5th issue. His, and "Jere's Jottings" add sparkles of interest to Old Timer readers of the Star as well as the younger ones. We hope he is but on a Holiday spree, and will soon be back in the saddle.

For quite some time now we have considered writing a brief article on WHY a Federal Safety Law was enacted in 1970. At the outset it may be well that it be said that we are a Professional Safety Man, a successful one, and so recognized as such Nationally for more than 42 years. A good part of these years was in the northern States where a preponderance of industry existed. Most of the large manufactures and processors, companies employing from 5,000 to well over 150,000 people had good to excellent safety programs that were highly effective in minimizing personal injury and/or health problems. The smaller group of manufacturers and processors employing from 1,000 upward to 4900 also had safety programs, but which were not fully effective, not as much as could have been had executive management and lower echelons of personnel had the right attitude as regards safety in their operations,

however, there were some exceptions within this group.

Then we have the third group employing from 5 to 999 people, and within this group there was little to no consideration for the personal safety of employees but again there was some exceptions....some did have effective safety programs. Some employers knew they could quickly get another employee to take the place of the disabled and/or the killed employee.

Just WHO was it that started the idea of "industrial safety"? It was a group of twenty five (25) top executives of the large manufacturers who met in Chicago in 1911 in a week long conference. They met again in 1913 and formed what we know now as the "National Safety Council".

Back then in history very few if any of the States had Safety Laws and Safety Standards, and in those that did, there was not near enough attention paid to compliance with the Law and Standards. Wisconsin, Ohio, New York and California were among the best and most effective as concerns the safety and health of employees, and that is true even to this day.

In the heavy metals industry, the fabricators of mach-

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MRS. LARRY B. MARTIN

Nan Clayton Weds

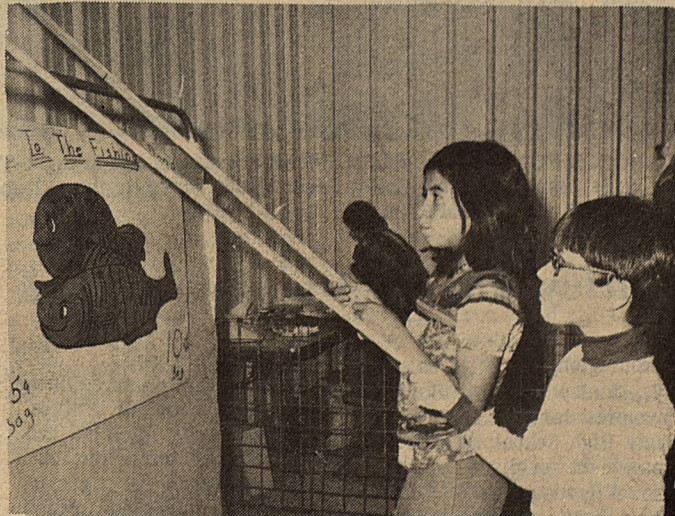
Miss Nan Clayton and Larry B. Martin repeated double ring vows January 5 at the First Presbyterian Church in Lamesa. Rev. Richard Schmidt of the First Presbyterian Church in Lamesa officiated the 3 p.m. ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joe E. Clayton (deceased) of Route 1, O'Donnell Texas. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Vv-erett L. Martin, Sr. of Spur, Texas.

Lavoy Miller played traditional music selections on the organ.

Carol Clayton, cousin of the bride, sang the Wedding Prayer after the vows.

There were two seven-branch candelabras holding forty-nine blue vaine candles and decorated with emerald greenery. True blue carnations and yellow pom-pom mums formed a background. Two half candle trees holding blue vaine candles were placed at each. A brass tri candelabra holding white cathedral tapers used for the tri-candle ceremony was placed on the communion table in front of the brass cross.



SIMONA BENAVIDEZ and KIRBY WILLIAMS are just two of many, many fishermen to try their luck at the FISHING POND during the HARVEST CARNIVAL, last Friday night.

Borden County School News



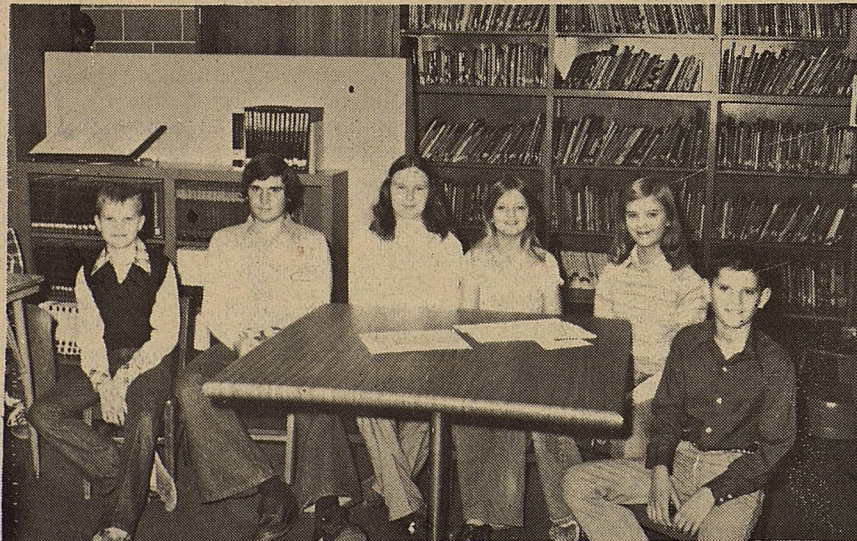
BETA ACHIEVEMENT STUDENTS FROM HIGH SCHOOL are from left to right-back row- Dana Westbrook, Glynda Burekett, Carla Jones and Cindi Stewart. Front Row-Ben Murphy, Lisa McLeroy, Sue Hancock and Brent Rhoten. These students received no grade below 90 in each subject during the 3rd six weeks.



BETA ACHIEVEMENT FROM ELEMENTARY are from left to right-back row- Doug Love Lyndy Doyle, Shelley White, Talley Griffin, Gena McLeroy, Glen Gray, Keith Williams, and Holli Calhoun. Center row- Phyllis Espinoza, Roxie Wolf, Lorri Doyle, Kelly Williams, Kim Wills, Tammy Miller, Stephanie Stephens, and Paige White. Front Row- Misty Merritt, Sharon Brummett, Heather McPhaul, Debra Kountz, Gayla Newton, Joie Brummett, Jana Edwards, Tammy Telchik and Kevin Telchik.



HONOR ROLL STUDENTS FROM HIGH SCHOOL are from left to right back row-Bob McLeroy, Lesa Barnes, Denise Currey, Troyce Wolf, and Karen Williams. Front row- Kristy Smith, Mayme McLaury, Janna Love, Rhesa Wolf and Mark Walker. These high school students received no grade below 85 in a subject and maintained a grade average of 90.



HONOR ROLL FROM ELEMENTARY are from left to right-Ty Wills, Bart McMeans, Kelley Richardson, Tonya Newton, Tammy Merritt and Keith Martin.

Shirley Kountz Attends Seminar

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12, 1977...Shirley Kountz, Home Economics teacher at Borden County High School, attended a management seminar at the National Headquarters of Future Homemakers of America in Washington, D.C., Ms. Kountz, a resident of Gail, Texas, is one of 21 educators from around the country who attended the

week long conference. Ms. Kountz also serves on the Consultant Team for Future Homemakers of America and gives summer workshops as a representative of the organization. Seven consultants across the United States make up the full service consultant team. At Borden County High School,

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SHIRLEY KOUNTZ

Borden High School

BETA ACHIEVEMENT LIST

HONOR ROLL

The following named High School Students, grades 9-12 have achieved academic honors for the 3rd Six Weeks:

Sue Hancock	12	Bob McLeroy	12
Cindi Stewart	12	Kristy Smith	12
Dana Westbrook	12	Lesla Barnes	11
Vickie Jones	10	Denise Currey	11
Lisa McLeroy	10	Rhesa Wolf	10
Brent Rhoten	10	Janna Love	9
Glynda Burkett	9	Mark Walker	9
Carla Jones	9	Karen Williams	9
Ben Murphy	9	Troyce Wolf	9
		Mayme McLaury	9

ELEMENTARY AND JUNIOR HIGH

HIGH HONORS

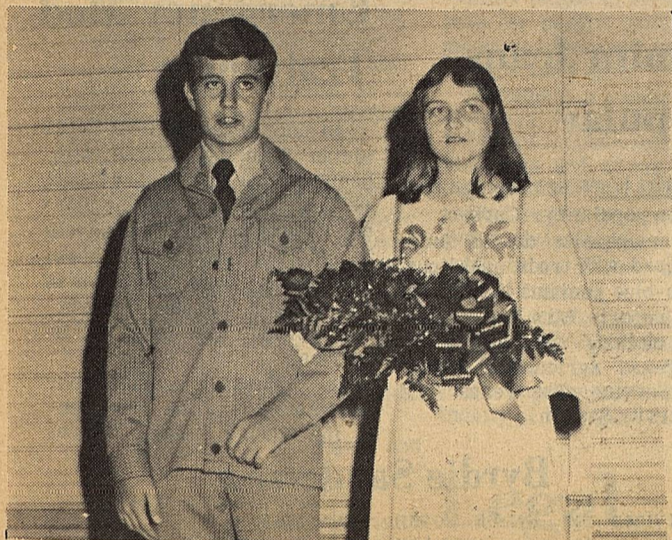
HONOR ROLL

The following named Elementary and Junior High Students, grades 5-8, have achieved academic honors for the 3rd Six Weeks

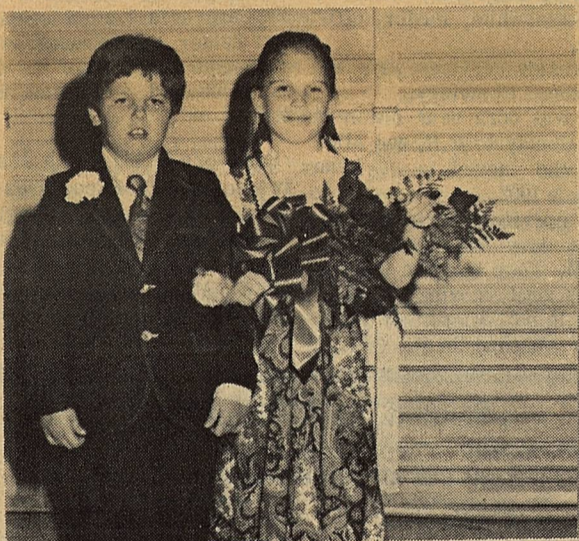
Joie Brummett	8	Bart McMeans	8
Jana Edwards	8	Tammy Merritt	7
Talley Griffin	8	Ty Wills	7
Danny Holmes	8	Kelley Richardson	6
Debra Kountz	8	Keith Martin	5
Heather McPhaul	8	Tonya Newsom	5
Becky Miller	8		
Gayla Newton	8		
Tammy Telchik	8		
Shelly White	8		
Sharon Brummett	7		
Glen Gray	7		
Gene McLeroy	7	Average Daily Attend.	142.60
Holli Calhoun	6	Percent of Attendance	95.84%
Lyndy Doyle	6	Enrollment Increase	12
Doug Love	6	Enrollment Decrease	8
Stephanie Stephens	6	Enrollment at the close of the third six-weeks	158
Kevin Telchik	6		
Keith Williams	6		
CPaige White	6		
Lorri Doyle	5	Enrolled grades 9-12	69
Phyllis Espinoza	5	Average Daily Attend. Percn	63.80
Misty Merritt	5	Percent of Attendance	95.41
Tammy Miller	5		
Kelly Williams	5		
Kim Wills	5		
Roxie Wolf	5		



KEVVA TUCKER AND PATRICK TOOMBS -HIGH SCHOOL KING AND QUEEN



DANNY HOLMES AND SHELLY WHITE



GERRY SMITH AND KRISTI STONE

Queens And Kings Selected At Festival

The annual Harvest Festival held Friday, January 14th was once more a great success. The event held to raise funds for the classes, took place in the show barn in Gail. Hundreds of local citizens attended and enjoyed various games and watched the coronation activities.

The first grade through fourth grades sponsored grab bags; fifth grade, tic-tac-toe game; sixth grade; dart throw; seventh-grade, football bounce; ninth grade, basketball throw; tenth grade, cake walk; eleventh grade, food booth; twelfth grade, bingo game.

Carolyn Stephens was the big winner in the Parents Club green stamp drawing, taking home 25 books. James McLeroy won 10 books and Jim Smith won 8 books.

Heather McPhaul won the calculator given away by the 15th grade. Winning the rope raffle from the 6th grade was Carla Jones. Catherine Stephens won the radio in the 6th grade dart throw. Darrell Green won the calculator, Bert Merritt won the stuffed pig, and Catherine Stephens won the \$10,00 gift certificate given away by the 7th grade. Vickie Jones took home the C.B. Radio and Debra Kountz won the gumball machine, given away by the 8th grade class. The Freshman

class Class gave away about 50 pies in their basketball throw. The Sophomore class reportedly gave away 100 cakes in the cake walk and the senior class awarded 90 prizes in the bingo game.

The highlight of the evening was the coronation of the kings and queens. Students chose a boy and a girl from each class to represent them in the contest. After the funds taken in from the booths are counted, the kings and queens are then revealed. The candidates representing the class making the most money during the festival wins. This year the Junior class, eighth grade class, and the second grade class were winners. Representing the second grade class and becoming the King and Queen of elementary were Kristi Stone and Gerry Smith. Kristi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stone of Gail. Gerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith of route B, Lamesa. Crown-



JEFF WILLIAMS HOLDS A CAKE WON IN THE CAKE WALK FOLLOWING HIM IS RICHARD MIRELEZ.

ed King and Queen of junior high were Danny Holmes of Gail and Shelly White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. White of Lake Thomas. Taking the title of King and Queen of high school were Patrick Toombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Toombs of Fluvanna and Kevva Tucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Tucker of Vealmoor.



ENJOYING FONDUE PARTY are-shown across the table from each other- left to right-Mrs. Hubert Jones and Vickie Jones, Mrs. L.B. Jones and Penny Thompson, Mrs. Vernon Wolf and Rhessa Wolf, Mrs. James McLeroy and Lisa McLeroy. Story Pg. 4

Win 52-43

The High School girls ended the first half of District 9B play with a 52-43 win over Union. Kristy Smith scored 22 points, Sue Hancock 16, and Karen Williams 14 points. Lesa Hensley did an outstanding job on the boards, pulling down 11 rebounds. Final standings for the first half:

- Sands 6-0
- Borden 4-2
- Klondike 4-2
- Dawson 4-2
- Union 2-4
- Wellman 1-5
- Loop 0-6

Union 22 borden 20

The Union Wildcats beat Borden County last Tuesday night when Tony Phillips of Union Junior High shot the ball just inside the midcourt line with 2 seconds left on the clock to beat Borden Junior High 22-20.

Scoring for Borden Junior High was Jym Rinehart 3, Keil Williams 3, and Bart McMeans with 14.

Klondike 17, Borden 14

The Klondike Junior High outscored Borden Junior High 10-2 in the first quarter and went on to win the game 17-14. Scoring for Borden was Bart McMeans 5, Jym Rinehart 3, Junior Benavidez 2, Keil Williams 2, and Freddie Espinoza 2.

Pee Wees Lose Jr. High Defeats Union

KLONDIKE 6, BORDEN 4
The Borden Junior High Pee Wee's lost to Klondike 6-4. Scoring for the Pee Wee's was Darrrell Green 2, and Van York 2.

Union Wins

Squeaker

Union beat Borden High School last Tuesday night 63-62 in a very close ball game which went down to the last few seconds. Scoring for Borden High School was Larry Simer 32, Tim Smith 12, Gene Cooley 6, Craig Peterson 6, Matt Farmer 4, and Blane Dyess 2. This game put Borden at 2-3 in district and 8-9 on the year.

Scoring by quarters
Union 17 19 10 17 63
Borden Co 12 18 18 14 62

In a game postponed from Monday, January 10 to Tuesday, January 11, the Junior High girls defeated Union 41-12. The Coyotes got balanced scoring from their forwards with Talley Griffin scoring 14 points, Joie Brummett 13, and Jana Edwards 12. Shelley White added 2 points and Tammy Telchik and Gena McLeroy also played on the forward end. Doing a good job on the guard end against the stall tactics of Union were Shelly, Gayla Newton, Debra Kountz, Suzanne Walker, Becky Miller and Cindy Grose.

Monday night the girls won over Klondike 47-31. Talley led the scorers with 31 points, followed by Joie with 10, Jana with 4 and Shelly with 2 points. The girls will play Klondike again Thursday morning in the first round of the Grady Tournament.

School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees for the Borden County Independent School District met with the following present: Rich Anderson, President; T.L. Griffin, Vice-President; Doyle Newton, Secretary; Kenneth Williams, Ralph Miller, Martin Parks, and E. L. Farmer. Administrators present were James McLeroy, Superintendent; Mickey McMeans, High School Principal; and Ben Jarrett, Elementary Principal.

After routine business of minutes and bills, the Board appointed an Equalization Board consisting of Brent Murphy, Pat Hensley, and Nathan Zant. An order was passed to call a School Trustee Election on April 2, 1977 for the purpose of electing three members to the Board. The terms of Ralph Miller, Doyle Newton, and Martin Parks expire on April 2.

The financial report was presented by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

Attendance was reported as 226 students on this date.

The Superintendent gave a report on the Mid-Winter Conference in Austin. Emphasis seemed to be placed on the Education Finance Bill that will be passed by the present Legislature now in session.

The Board accepted the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Houston Bishop as Custodian.

The contract of Superintendent James McLeroy was extended through the 1979-1980 school year.

A directive was handed down by the Board that all FFA projects be entered and shown according to rules and regulations governing each show entered.

The Board approved a band trip to Lake Charles, Louisiana for the purpose of attending a band festival.

Approval was given for the floor covering to be replaced in the Band Hall.

The meeting was adjourned.

Jerri's Gottings

Item: It gladdens my female heart that Rosalyn has decided to select a new dress or two for the Inauguration. If ever a girl deserves to have a pretty new outfit, it is when she becomes First Lady of US.

Item: Feb., 1974 - One of the first proposals of the Nixon administration was a pay raise. Excerpt: The Borden Star.

Item: The Ford promoted Swine Flu mass inoculation program has proven to be disastrous.

Item: I bet I'm the only one within The Star area who wasn't invited to Washington for Jimmy Earl's inauguration. But then I wasn't invited to Nixon's either. And on the other hand, Mr. Ford wouldn't have extended me the courtesy neither.

Item: May, 1974 - Having firmly stated that controls were unthinkable as he took office, Nixon and his Secretary of Treasurer decided controls had to be enforced. Excerpt: The Borden Star.

Item: A three pound can of coffee costs \$8.65 Seems like that is higher than beef has ever been. A mite steep-for a stimulant.

Item: I do not approve of price controls - now or when a Republican instituted them.

Item: Nov., 1975 - As if to ignore history, the second U.S. President (Ford) has gone to Red China. Excerpt: The Borden Star.

Item: Some docs say there is a known cure for Swine Flu but that the FDA won't allow us to have it. Instead we are stuck with French Polio bugs.

Item: But he's a decent sorta fella. I couldn't help but be saddened as I listened to the State of the Union address last week. Even tho Ford (nor Nixon)

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hasn't been my favorite president, he is decent and honest. Poor fella was thrust into a job he never dreamed he would have. He was happy as a representative from a median size district of a median size state. But once President, he liked it and he did a fair job of healing at a time when the nation was adrift.

Item: Herbert Hoover was my kind of President.

Item: April, 1974 - He (Nixon) was elected twice by conservatives as he sprinted along on conservative platforms. Once in office, he has out imolemented the platforms of his opponents. Excerpt: The Borden Star

Item: Where has the President of US been since November? Who is President in lame duck season?

Item: Sept., 1974 - While S. Vietnam is again racked with survival pains, the President (Ford) utters not a word in defense of defense spending. Excerpt: The Borden Star

Item: The crime of Nixon was not so much Watergate as it was detente and his recognition of Red China. Excerpt: I told you and I told you.

Item: April, 1975 - He (John Connally) denounced the party that is honestly liberal and took up with the party which he naively believed to be conservative. Excerpt: The Borden Star.

Item: Jan., 1976 - Were there one-decisive /President (Ford) with a lick of common sense. Excerpt: The Borden Star.

Item: Jan., 1976 - Should our President (Ford) be of one mind and not subject to vote getting paranoia. Excerpt: The Borden Star.


Item: Aug., 1974 - Richard Milhous Nixon is being impeached for the wrong crimes.

Item: I still think Richard Nixon should have switched parties in Dec. of 1972.

Item: I'm gonna sit right down and write myself a letter -- and make believe it came from you.

NEWS FROM SOUTH SIDE LAKE J.B. THOMAS, BORDEN COUNTY:

We are happy to welcome the Billy Ray Buchanan Family back into our community. Bill's parents are Floyd and Edna Buchanan. Also Bill's wife, Dorothy is a sister of Mary Ruth Gray, wife of J.W. Gray of south side Lake Thomas.



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Ms. Kountz is moderator of the Gail FHA Chapter. A home economics educator for 8 years, she has been on the Borden faculty since 1969. She received her Masters Degree in Home Economics Education from Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.

The management seminar, entitled "Futuring," is offered to adult leaders in Future Homemakers of America. The seminar leader is Dr. Eva Schindler-Rainman, an internationally known organization consultant. Future Homemakers of America is a vocational education organization for junior and senior high school students who study home economics and related occupations. Over 450,000 boys and girls participate in 12,000 chapters across the country.

Fondue Party

The Home Economics II students gave a fondue party for their mothers, January 11 in the Home Economics Department. The menu consisted of strawberry dip, pizza sauce, chocolate sauce, dill pickle dip, and egg nog sauce. The dunkers were pound cake, angel food cake, marshmallows, garlic bread, whole wheat bread and small pieces of pork and beef. Each person selected a dunker and dipped it into a sauce. The meat dunkers were fried in corn oil.

Mrs. James McLeroy, Mrs. L.B. Jones, Mrs. Vernon Wolf and Mrs. Hubert Jones attended the fondue party and each found it to be enjoyable. The students feel that they gained many new concepts and ideas from this new experience.

Thank You

The Parents Club would like to extend a hearty thank you to all who sacrificed green stamps for the drawing and also to those who helped with the booth at the Festival.

Carolyn Stone
Parents Club Pres.

This 'n That

Monica Dyess is home recuperating from a tonsillectomy performed in the Malone-Hogan Hospital on Tuesday, January 11.

Courthouse NEWS

The Borden County Commissioners' Court met in regular session for the first time in 1977 at 10:00 A.M., January 10. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and routine accounts were examined and approved for payment.

Salaries for county employees for 1977 were considered. Salaries for Sheriff - Tax Assessor - Collector, deputies and secretaries were increased 15%, and all other elected officials and hourly employees were increased 10%, as set out in the budget for 1977 which

had been previously approved.

Mr. Steve Smith of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service discussed the Borden County Predator Control Program.

Members of the Borden County Historical Commission were appointed to a two year term.

Members of the Grievance Board were reappointed for 1977.

The contract with the City of O'Donnell for fire protection in Borden County was approved for 1977.

Emergency Med Training

An Emergency Medical Technician Training Course will begin on Tuesday, February 15, 1977 at 6:00 p.m. at the Borden County School. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights. About two-thirds of the classes will be 3 hours and the other one-third will be 4 hours.

Enrollment forms and further information will be available at the County Judge's Office.

Denim Jeans Popular

Denim jeans are continuing in fashion popularity. Current looks emphasize details such combined with traditional lines. Indigo-blue remains the favored color, reports Mrs. Becky Culp, area clothing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Byrdie Sanderson

Services for Byrdie Doak Sanderson, 80, were held last Monday at the First Baptist Church of Seagraves, with Rev. Tom Satterwhite, Pastor, officiating.

Graveside services were in the Lamesa Cemetery.

She was born near Anson in Jones County to C.H. and Alice Doak who moved to Lynn County in 1902.

She married Morris Sanderson on May 20, 1923, in O'Donnell. They lived in Dawson County until moving Gaines County in 1927 where they farmed and ranched in the Cedar

Lake area.

A Seagraves resident since 1945, she was a charter member of the board of trustees for the Seagraves-Loop Museum and Art Center. Mrs. Sanderson was a 25-year member of the Cultus Club and a longtime Baptist.

Survivors include her husband two sons, Neil of Seagraves and Billy Morris of London, England; a daughter, Mrs. Paul (Bonita) Baker of Quito, Ecuador; a sister, Mrs. Jewell Rodgers of Midland; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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T.M.A. Support Legislation

The Texas Medical Association (TMA) has announced support for legislation doctors say will help remedy conditions which have caused the medical malpractice insurance crisis in the state.

TMA President L.S. Thompson, Jr., M.D., said Senate Bill 103 by Sen. Ray Farabee and House Bill 370 by Rep. Pike Powers will "enact recommendations of the Study Commission and help correct many of the problems which have combined to create the medical malpractice crisis."

The medical association also released initial results of a survey of more than 5,500 doctors conducted late in 1976. Dr. Thompson said the survey "strongly supports the findings of the Medical Professional Liability Study Commission and indicates the medical malpractice insurance situation continues to increase medical and health care costs and restrict the services available to the public."

Results of the survey included information that:

--The number of claims and lawsuits against doctors continues to increase sharply;

--70% of all claims and suits ever filed against doctors have been filed since Jan. 1, 1972.

--Claims of \$500,000 and more are becoming more common;

--75% of Texas doctors are covered by less than the \$1 million liability protection most doctors say they need;

--Family physicians are having to avoid some types of treatment because they cannot afford liability insurance coverage for high-risk procedures, including deliveries; and

--56% of doctors in private practice have had to raise fees because of malpractice insurance situation and make recommendations because of malpractice insurance premium increases.

Dr. Thompson said companion bills S.B. 103 and H.B. 370 "implement the recommendations of the Study Commission, which was created by the Legislature to analyze the malpractice insurance situation and make recommendations for remedial legislation."

"The Study Commission represented all sides of the complex situation, and its work represents the most thorough study of the malpractice insurance situation ever undertaken in our state. We believe the commission's recommendations need to be acted upon by the 65th Legislature."

Provisions of S.B. 103 and H.B. 370:

--Allow filing of cases without specific dollar amounts of alleged damages, to eliminate unnecessary sensational publicity;

--Set up a procedure for the screening of health care liability claims by a Health Care Screening Panel;

--Implement procedures to allow binding voluntary arbitration;

--Tighten the statute of limitation, so that claims must be made within one year from the

date the claimant knew or should have known of the claim, or three years from the time of the alleged incident, whichever time occurs first;

liability: \$500,000 for civil liability for damages, plus the probable cost of future medical expenses, \$100,000 for noneconomic losses; and, in the event of death without dependents, up to \$50,000;

--Allow judges to structure awards to permit periodic payments to claimants, rather than a single lump sum;

--Implement a sliding scale for attorneys' fees;

--Permit countersuits against claimants and attorneys for bringing suits in bad faith;

--Require that physicians' alleged statements guaranteeing results be in writing as a basis for legal action;

--And last to extend the lifetime of the Joint Underwriting Association for two years and make improvements is the authority of the JUA.

Legal Notice

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN

Notice is given herewith that proposals with be considered from Banks or Banking Corporations desiring to serve as depository for public funds and county public school funds of Borden County, Texas. Such proposals will be considered Monday, February 4, 1977 at 10:00 A.M., and the Commissioners' Court of Borden County may at its discretion reject any or all bids or proposals submitted. Applications submitted should be in accordance with Article 2545, Vernons' Civil Statutes, and it is desired that same stipulate per cent interest to be paid on time

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County at its regular meeting on February 14, 1977, 10:00 A.M. will consider increasing the travel allowance

Jim M. Burkett
County Judge

deposits and rate of interest Borden County would pay on borrowed funds for ordinary operating expenses and borrowed funds for equipment purchases. Depository Bank would be expected to furnish printed checks and deposit slips for all accounts.

Jim M. Burkett
County Judge
Borden County

Letter To Editor

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inery and equipment for every conceivable manufacturing industry did NOT install "standard Guards" on their product for the safety and/or protection of the employers and their employees. Their reasons? They would not be able to compete with other manufacturers of similar equipment. The American Society of Safety Engineers, of which the writer is a Life Member Emeritus, as an organization appealed to manufacturers of any dangerous machinery or appliance to add protective "Standard Guards" and other devices for the safety and protection of the employers and their employees. They refused (most of them) for reasons above stated but, when the OSHA (Occupational Safety & Health Act) law was passed they had to comply. However, before OSHA came into being, we had to accept the machine and/or device and we design our guards covering the highly dangerous exposure and/or electric contacts that would instantly deactivate and stop the power should an employee, for any reason, attempt to bypassing the electric contact.

Now let's go back to the 2nd paragraph above: The states that did have good Safety Laws and Standards, their Laws, particularly Wisconsin, clearly stated that if equipment was not guarded in accordance with State standards, and an employee was injured or killed, the employee in addition to the Workmen's Compensation that would be paid him by the Insurance Company. And, if the employee deliberately and defiantly deactivated a guard and/or device, he would be penalized 15% of any compensation that might otherwise be paid him by the In-

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urance Company, that 15% going into what was known as "The Second Injury Fund" maintained by the Industrial Board in Madison, Wisconsin. This was a fair and equitable law. It promoted SAFETY.

We as Safety Manager, and our counterparts, recognized as early as the late 1930s that sooner or later there might be a Federal Safety Law, and forestall such a law in so far as possible by urging industry through our American Society of Safety engineers, as well as we in our own community and State to take dedicated action by employers to give safety a high priority in their respective operations. And we might add, that was done but, too late.

In 1951 some 168 of us (safety Directors) were called to Washington, D.C. by the then President Harry Truman to further emphasize the need for greater effort in the prevention of industrial accidents, he would call it "The Presidents Occupational Safety Conference". In a five day conference we formulated an outline a program, topics for discussions by several top officials of number of the larger industries in this country. What we outlined in our conference was adopted, and widely publicized by the President. The first "President Occupational Safety Conference" in Washington, D.C. was held in early March 1952. More than 12,000 attended that five day conference, the vast majority of which was management personnel and a great number of Labor Union officials...it became manifest that sooner or later, and most likely sooner we would have a OSHA in 1970!

The Laws that OSHA came up with left MUCH to be desired, they formulated much too MUCH in a short period of time, the regulations, MANY of them absurd and totally ridiculous, they proving to be terribly embarrassing to the Compliance Officers in the Field, also infuriating to managements attending the several Conferences held about the

State...El Paso, Amarillo, San Antonio and elsewhere where we attended.

Now to the farm and ranch aspects of the law: Perhaps we should first speak of the equipment used in each the farm and ranch, also attitude toward safety of employees, and their training. Farm machinery, and the manufacturers of it have been notoriously negligent in the guarding of extremely dangerous exposure points of operation and their feeling they could not be competitive if they went to the expense of installing Standard Guards to protect human life and limb. Farmers must admit that they too have unintentionally been quite negligent in many areas of safety as regards the equipment, its maintenance, training in safe practices of employees, too numerous to speak about. This seems obvious when reading in our newspapers and other journals of so many serious accidents that should have been so easily prevented...real costly to both the employer and employee alike. We can criticize OSHA, and should but, we should first look at our responsibility for farm and ranch safety, also the practices around and about the home. We think you may be astounded to know the number of serious accidents, many of them fatal, that so easily could have been prevented. We think of home being a safe place, but, it is often not so... we just need more knowledge of what a safe home really is. We could ask a whole lot of "IFS" of home safety, but there is not enough space for asking.

May your home, farm and ranch not be plagued with injury and fire in 1977.

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No Shortage Of Lawyers

Austin--Students interested in a career in law should be aware that there is no shortage of lawyers in Texas and the job competition is tough, according to a new State Bar of Texas publication announced today by State Bar President Gibson Gayle, Jr. of Houston.

"Job hunting is very competitive because approximately two thousand (2,000) new lawyers are licensed in Texas each year," warns the brochure entitled "You, Your Career and the Legal Profession." It adds: "Law graduates should be ready to consider a full range of employment options if they are to be successful in their job search."

The brochure, prepared in cooperation with the University of Texas Law School Placement Office, was produced as a public service by the State Bar. Individual copies may be obtained free, and bulk orders may be made at a cost of \$4.00 per 100 plus shipping costs, from Law Pamphlet, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin Texas 78711.

Gayle said the brochure was prepared to meet the growing interest in law careers.

"Intensified news media coverage of legal topics, along with increased emphasis on career education in public schools, have heightened students' curiosity about various types of careers in law," Gayle said.

The brochure outlines educational requirements for lawyers, cost of legal education, and the differing careers available to law graduates, including:

Private practice--ranging from a one-person law office to associating with a firm of more than 100 lawyers, with practice opportunities including such office legal work as preparation of contracts and wills or court appearances to represent a client or argue an appeal.

Corporate law--employment in the law department of a large business, performing legal work as varied as the activities of the company.

Government employment--including federal, state or local government jobs involving such activities as hearings conducted by a regulatory agency, prosecution of criminal defendants, representation of government agencies in court, drafting regulations or ordinances, and evaluating the legal aspects of policy decisions or other actions by a governing body or its administrator.

Alternative practice--representation of individuals and groups generally not involved in the legal system, such as the poor, ethnic minorities, consumers and citizen environmental groups, through such organizations as legal services programs of public interest law practices.

Academic positions--including law professors, law librarians, editors and administrators.

Military service--legal offices of the armed services offer benefits which may be more appealing to new lawyers in a time when legal employment opportunities are limited.

Other opportunities - including use of a law degree in other fields such as journalism, industry, advertising, banking, politics, administration or accounting.

The brochure also includes the names and addresses of all eight law schools in Texas and a list of books helpful in understanding the various types of legal careers.

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"New Weapon"

A new "weapon" against cancer is now available in Borden County to provide the public with current, factual information on cancer, its prevention and early detection.

Called the Cancer Information Service, the new program utilizes a toll-free phone line (1-800-392-2040) to answer public inquiries on cancer. The service will be extended to all residents of Texas by late this year.

The CIS is part of a public educational effort sponsored by The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute with assistance from the American Red Cross, American Cancer Society and many other health agencies in Texas which provide services to cancer patients and their families.

Funded by the National Cancer Institute, the CIS functions as part of a nation-wide network

Open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, the phone lines are operated by trained American Red Cross volunteers. All background material used to answer questions is reviewed by physicians to insure accuracy.

The program is designed to help create a positive sense of awareness about cancer that will encourage the public to seek physician evaluation for early detection and prompt treatment of suspected cancers.

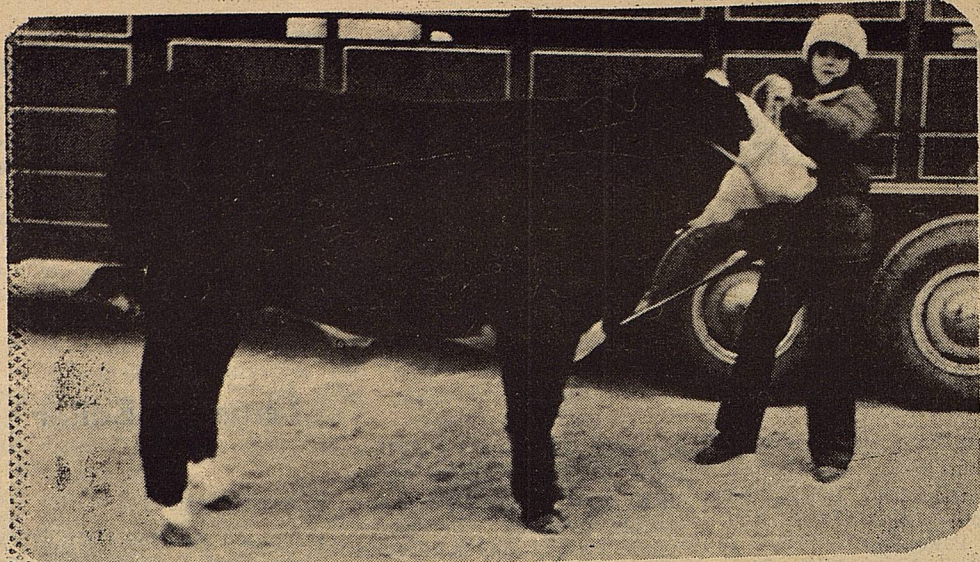
"Important diagnostic, treatment, rehabilitation and research developments are occurring more frequently now. If people could overcome their fear of cancer many more people would seek medical help at an earlier stage--when the rate of successful treatment is much greater," said Dr. R. Lee Clark, president of M.D. Anderson.

In addition to answering questions on the telephone, the CIS staff mails many pamphlets published by health organizations, professional societies and government agencies involved in health education.

Information not readily available from existing files can be obtained by the staff from an advisory panel of over 75 clinicians and other qualified sources outside Houston.

"Because the CIS is based

CHAMPION — Diane Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Armstrong showed the champion steer at the Sands 4 - H FFA Livestock show last Saturday. (Staff Photo) She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.S. Kingston formerly of Borden County.



Growing buildings

AUSTIN, Texas (Spl.)—By precipitating minerals from sea water onto submerged wire mesh, a University of Texas architect is "growing" building materials that could be used for undersea habitats for humans.

Experiments by Wolf Hilbertz involve passing an electrical current through the metal, which thereby sets off a chemical reaction that causes minerals to adhere to and completely cover the mesh.

With its 60 quadrillion tons of dissolved minerals, the sea could hold the key to an architectural technology for perhaps entire communities floating on or below the sea.

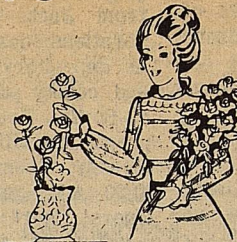
at M.D. Anderson and is part of a national communications network, we have easy access to information on important work being done at many other cancer centers," explained Dr. Clark.

Similar programs are in operation at the other 18 Comprehensive Cancer Centers which were designated by Congress for outstanding work in cancer treatment and research.

The new program enjoys the support of the Texas Cancer Coordinating Commission and the Texas Medical Association, having been endorsed as a "worthwhile educational program" by TMA's committee on cancer.

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Dear Producers

Land preparations are being made for the 1977 cotton year and many of you are considering using fertilizer.

Dr. James Supak, area cotton specialist and Marvin Sarten, area Economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service stationed in Lubbock will give a program in Gail Wednesday, February 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ag shop.

Dr. Supak will be talking about cotton production with emphasis on the use of fertilizer.

Marvin Sarten will be talking about the cost of fertilizer cost of cotton production, and the cotton outlook.

Everyone is invited so bring your neighbor and we will see you Feb. 2.

Halt Accidents

COLLEGE STATION -- A move is under way to put a halt to the mounting farm and ranch accidents that occur in Texas every year -- accidents that claim more than 200 lives and cause more than 4,000 disabling injuries. Coordinating the Texas Farm and Ranch Accident Study is Dr. Gary S. Nelson, agricultural safety engineer. Providing yeomen service during the year will be some 700 neighbor volunteers who will be interviewing almost 7,000 of the state's 205,000 farm and ranch families.

"We are really concerned about doing something in Texas to reduce the high cost of farm accidents, both in terms of human suffering and property damage as well as associated production losses," points out Nelson. "To set up a firm base from which to operate and reach out with safety programs, we need to know just what is happening in farm and ranch accidents. That's why the survey is so important. It will provide the best information on the nature and extent of accidents -- what is happening to whom and why."

Volunteers involved in the study will be contacting farm and ranch families in early January to obtain "base data," such as size and type of operation and equipment used, explains Nelson. These same families will then be contacted every three months to determine if accidents have occurred and to gather all available information on such accidents.

All survey information will be sent to county Extension agents who will in turn send it to Texas A&M for analysis. Nelson hastens to point out that the information will be completely confidential since only code numbers will be used on the questionnaires. Only the neighbor interviewer will know which farm and ranch families are participating.

"Due to the seriousness of the accident situation and the fact that the individual information will be kept confidential, we hope that the farm and ranch families contacted will all cooperate to the best of their ab-

ility," notes Nelson.

The study may help prevent bad farm legislation and limit legislation to what is realistic and practical, contends Nelson. The ensuing study has nothing to do with the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), adds the engineer.

Record Year

College Station---Many of the record books of the beef industry will have to be rewritten now that 1976 has come to a close.

"The past year was quite significant to the beef industry in that many new records and statistics were established," points out Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "The happenings and events of 1976 might also bring about some change in philosophy about the meat industry."

Some of the startling facts about the beef industry in 1976 were these:

--Commercial cattle slaughter set a new record high of almost 43 million head.

--Commercial beef production also set a new high, about 25 billion pounds.

--Beef consumption approached 128 pounds per person, not only a new record but eight pounds more than the previous high set in 1975.

--Calf slaughter at about 5 million head was the second highest since 1968.

--Average retail prices were about \$1.39 per pound for Choice beef and \$1.36 per pound for pork the second highest beef price in history and a new record for pork.

--The weighted average price received by producers for beef cattle was about \$34 to \$35 per hundredweight, the third highest in history.

--Disposable per capita income of U.S. consumers also established a new high in 1976 at about \$5,500 per person.

--New record highs were also established during the year for farm wage rates, machinery costs, interest costs, taxes, fuel costs, utility costs and real estate values. Even farm-to-

retail price spreads--what the producer gets compared to the price at the grocery store--recorded a new high.

"Yes, the year 1976 may have been one of the most critical in the history of the U.S. livestock industry," says Uvacek. "It certainly provides us with a new and different basis upon which to look toward the future."

Pruning Demonstration Monday

Doctor William Peavy, extension horticulturist from Ft. Stockton, will give a pruning demonstration on pecan and fruit trees Monday, January 24, at 2:30 p.m. at Herman Ledbetter's farm.

In May Dr. Peavy will give a follow up program on grafting, EVERYONE IS INVITED.



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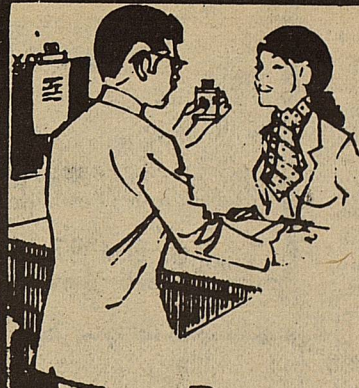
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If you feel that your assessment is improper, you are entitled to a redetermination hearing before an examiner from this office. After receiving your request, our office will set a time and a date for hearing and notify you by mail.

You may argue your case in person or designate an attorney, accountant or anyone else to represent you. If it would be more convenient, you may submit your arguments in writing.

After consideration of the evidence, the examiner will make a recommendation to me to either uphold the assessment or revise it. I will make the final decision after reviewing the case and notify you in writing.

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As a precaution, you may want to pay the tax under protest prior to filing the

petition in the district court. The courts have not finally resolved the issue of whether payment under protest is required before the case can be heard in the district court.

Next week in this column we will answer some of the frequently asked questions involving taxpayer rights.

IF YOU HAVE ANY STATE TAX PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COMPTROLLER'S FIELD OFFICE OR CALL T O L L - F R E E : 1-800-252-5555.

From the TAP Kitchen

Mystery Vegetable Dip

- 2 c. mayonnaise
- 1 10-oz. package frozen chopped spinach, cooked and drained.
- ½ c. chopped green onion
- ½ c. chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. pepper

Combine ingredients and blend well. Serve with cucumber, carrot, and celery sticks. Makes about 3 cups.

Turkey Dip

- 1 c. finely chopped, cooked turkey
- 2 Tbsp. chopped green onion
- 2 Tbsp. finely chopped celery
- ½ clove garlic, crushed
- 1 Tbsp. chopped pimiento
- ½ tsp. curry powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- ¼ c. grated Cheddar cheese
- ¾ c. dairy sour cream
- 1 tsp. lemon juice

Combine ingredients well and chill. Serve as a dip with chips or crackers. Makes 1½ cups.

Fishing News

Fishing was light at Lake E.V. Spence over the holidays, but striped bass dominated the reports that did trickle in.

V.W. Percy, Andrews, had a 6-lb. striper. Donny and Joe Phillips, Levelland, landed a 9 1/2 and 10 1/4 lb. striper. Mr. and Mrs. Ike Bailey and party of Jal, N.M. came in

with striped bass weighing 6, 7, 8 and 9 lbs. John Brnit, Odessa, missed a striper but had a 3 lb and 5 oz. black bass. Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Rainwater, Robert Lee, caught the biggest fish, a 12-lb. striper, plus four channel catfish weighing up to 3 lbs.

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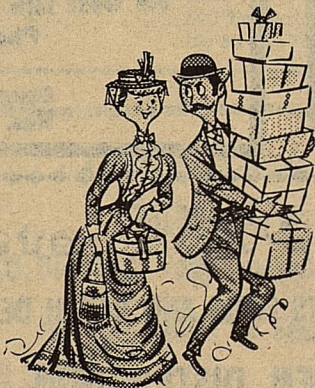
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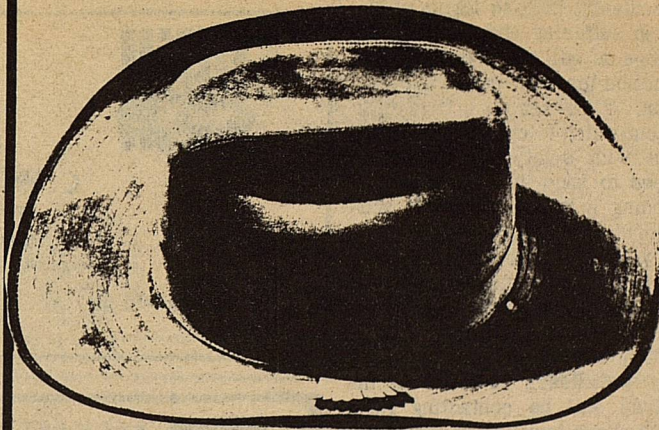
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