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8 and under barrels-Cody Stone is setting the pace and looks like he knows what it is all about. Stay in there Cody!

## 4th Of July Roping BIG Success

Winners of the 4th of July Roping:

Roping-18 and under:

1st. Keil Williams-Travis Rinehart  
2nd. Ben Murphy-Chuck Canon

19 Thru 40 years:

1st. Lane Griffin-Max Jones  
2nd. Joe Beck-Weldon Beck  
3rd. Kinney Hart-Joe Thell Belew

40 and Over:

1st. Pee Wee Johnson-J.D. Hart  
2nd. Sam Whitley-Bill Carlisle

Winners of Buckle-Keil Williams and Travis Rinehart

Father and Son:

1st. Burl Belew-Joe Thell Belew  
2nd. Jim Smith -Monty Smith

Winners of Buckle-Burl Belew-Joe Thell Belew

Special Event: Barrels and Heads and Heels Barrels:

1st. Jerry Springer-Ty Springer  
2nd. Roy Lee Beaver-Arlan Youngblood

Roping in Special Event:

1st go:  
1st. Terry Voss-Keil Williams  
2nd. Kinney Hart-Rufus Hart

2nd go:

1st. Billy Wills-Travis Rinehart  
2nd. Rusty Yadon-Sid Hart

Average:

1st. Kinney Hart-Rufus Hart  
2nd. Wendy Terrell-Pee Wee Johnson  
3rd. Sam Whitley-Bill Carlisle

Winner of Steak Dinners at K-BoB's-Kinney Hart and Rufus Hart

Draw Roping:

1st. Max Jones-Dave Pool  
2nd. Dink Johnson-David Pool  
3rd. Vance Voss-Sid Hart  
4th. Rusty Yadon-Tom Thompson

Winner of Buckle-Max Jones and Dave Pool

2 Head Progressive:

1st go:

1st. Bill Carlisle-Keil Williams  
2nd. Dave Pool-David Pool  
3rd. Joe Canon-Arlan Youngblood  
4th. Wendy Terrell-Pee Wee Johnson

2nd go:

1st. Ronnie Hart-Jay Hart  
2nd. Roy L. Beaver-Todd Howard  
3rd. Dave Pool-David Pool  
4th. Joe Canon-Dave Pool

Average:

1st. Ronnie Hart-Jay Hart  
2nd. Roy L. Beaver-Todd Howard  
3rd. Dave Pool-David Pool  
4th. Joe Canon-Dave Pool

Ladies Foot Race:

21-?  
Bethy Jones  
Over 39  
Gwen Herring

Men's Foot Race:

21-40  
Joe Beck  
40 and Up  
Dave Pool

Flags 9-12

1st. Adam Brewster-10.58  
2nd. Carl Daughtry-10.61  
3rd. Kristy Stone-26.60

Poles 9-12

1st. Tom Thompson-27.92  
2nd. Nivie Brewster-28.05  
3rd. Adam Brewster-33.52  
4th. Julie Ridenour-34.00  
5th. Kristy Stone-43.52

Barrels 9-12

1st. Nivie Brewster-18.46  
2nd. Julie Ridenour-18.96  
3rd. Adam Brewster-19.72  
4th. Carl Daughtry-21.14  
5th. Kristy Stone-31.29

Flags 8 and under

1st. Jim Ridenour-17.32  
2nd. Candy Belew-17.50  
3rd. Angle Brewster-18.66  
4th. Wayne Daughtry-18.88  
5th. Cody Stone-44.30

Poles 8 and under

1st. Dusty Hart-38.50  
2nd. Michael Murphy-39.59  
3rd. Wayne Daughtry-41.26  
4th. Cody Stone-44.50  
5th. Jim Ridenour-49.25



They say life begins at 40!!! Rusty Yadon doesn't want to miss a thing so here we see him going around the barrels with the fastest time in the show. LOOKIN GOOD RUSTY.



Barrell racers start at an early age. Here Miss Tammy Voss, age 4 years, takes her horse around the barrell like an old hand. Tammy is right at home in the saddle. She comes by it natural as her mother and grandmother both were barrell racers.

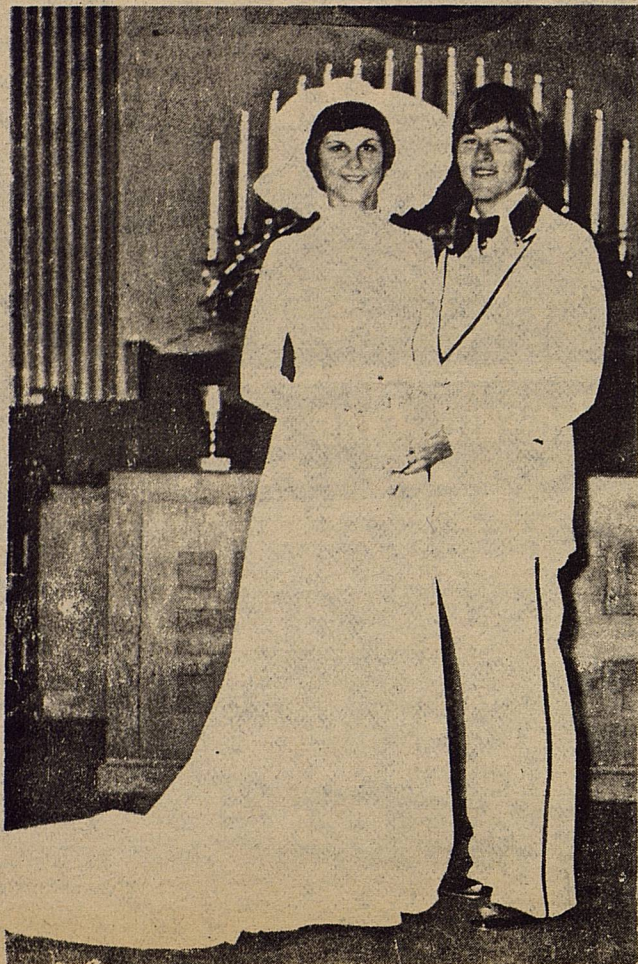
Barrels 8 and under

1st. Leddy Lewis-23.42  
2nd. Jay Pool-24.93  
3rd. Wayne Daughtry-26.60  
4th. Dusty Hart-28.38  
5th. Cody Stone-29.71

Hats off to the Gail Roping Club for putting on a Great Roping and Fish Fry. There was a big crowd and they fed about 250 to 300 people. The cooks did a great job of

frying the fish and it was all just delicious. Thank all the Ladies for the delicious food and help in preparing the tables. Once again a BIG THANK YOU to all the people that helped put it on and make the roping such a success. A special THANK YOU to Connie Underwood Hart, for services above and beyond the call of duty. Thank you Connie for all the trips you made for Dotty.

# Nuptial Rites Read At Post



MR. AND MRS. JOHN RANDAL HENSLEY

Miss Susan Donelle Jones and John Randal Hensley were united in marriage at the First United Methodist Church in Post at 7 p.m. June 10. Jarrell Edwards, Church of Christ minister officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a gown of ivory Quiana knit featuring heavy baroque Venise lace forming the yoke and high neckline and edging the long fitted sleeves. The A-line skirt extended from an empire waistline to a graceful chapel train. Her matching picture hat was overlaid with lace and banded with satin ribbon. A large lace bow and satin streamers accented the back of the hat.

The bride carried a cascade of ivory glameillas, baby's breath and feathered apricot carnations intermingled with lace and satin streamers. In keeping with tradition, she wore her mother's wedding pearls for something old, something new was her dress, she borrowed pearl earrings from Gwen Herring, her aunt. Her blue garter was given to her by her maid of honor. She wore pennies minted in the years of the couple's birthdates in her shoes.

Debbie Herring attended her cousin as maid of honor for the nuptial occasion. Bridesmaids were Carla Jones, sister of the bride, and Lesa Hensley, sister of the groom. The bride's attendants wore matching dresses of apricot taffeta and ivory cotton organza overlay. A wide band of ivory lace framed the scoop neckline of the formal length dresses. Each attendant wore a matching garden hat and gloves of ivory. They carried a small nosegay of apricot and champagne carnations with ivory streamers. M'Lys and A'lise Lloyd, cousins of the bride, were flower girls. They were dressed in apricot checked gingham with eyelet bonnets and aprons.

Steve McMeans served the groom as best man. Groomsmen were Joe Hancock and Ricky Barnes.

Ushers and candle lighters were Max Jones, Ken McMeans, and Sam Blake. They wore brown tuxedos with apricot shirts and apricot carnation boutonnieres. The groom was attired in an ivory tuxedo trimmed in brown with an apricot glameilla boutonniere.

The church altar was

adorned with two brass spiral candle trees flanking a brass rainbow candelabrum. An arrangement of fresh flowers and the memory candle decorated the altar table. The altar rail was decked with English ivy and votive candles. Hurricane lamps and apricot bows marked the pews.

Guests were registered by Bethe Jones, sister-in-law of the bride. Wedding music included "Follow Me," "The Wedding Song," "Color My World" and "I Love You With the Love of The Lord," sung by Jim Parker, Catherine Jackson, Kristy Smith Lesa Hensley and Carla Jones. Organ selections were played by Holly Giddens.

A reception followed the ceremony in the community room of the First National Bank. The bride's table was covered with an apricot cloth with an overlay of crochet. A three tiered ivory wedding cake was decorated with fresh apricot carnations and ivory wedding bells. A silver candelabrum, fresh flowers and crystal completed the setting. The groom's table served a double heart chocolate cake with appointments of silver. The cloth was brown bur-lap centered with flowers. Serving the bride's table was Karen Fain, Sherri Collins and Karen Corkery. The groom's table was presided by Lisa Ludicke and Kristy Smith.

Presenting rice bags and wedding scrolls at the reception were cousins of the bride, Jon Herring and D'Lyn Lloyd.

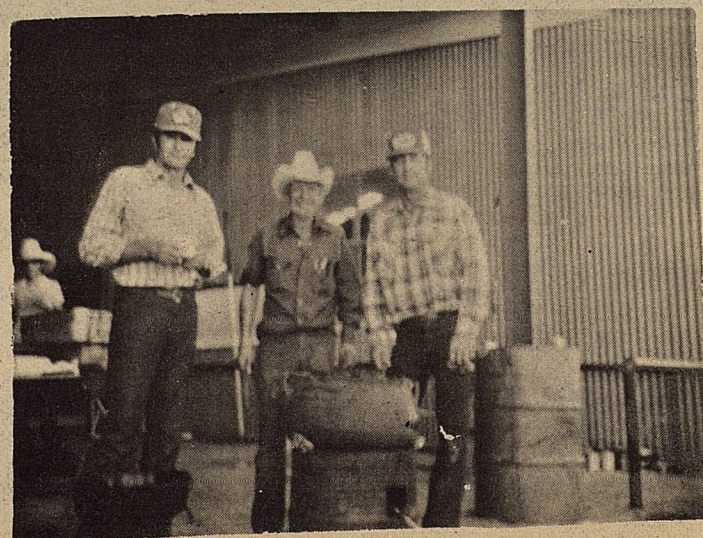
A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Damon's Restaurant in Post. After a short wedding trip, the couple will reside at Route 5, Tahoka, where the bridegroom is engaged in farming.

For her going away attire, the bride chose an apricot sun dress. Her corsage was from her bridal bouquet.

The bride is a 1976 graduate of Borden High School and a 1978 graduate of South Plains College. The groom is a 1973 graduate of Borden High School and graduated from Texas Tech in 1977.



Jim and Monty Smith do it up right in the Father-Son Roping



Head Cooks for the Fish Fry and the Chicken Roping are: Ray Herring, Babe Underwood and Ed Rinehart. We could not have these fish fries or chicken fries without the wonderful help that these men and their helpers do each year. Thank each and everyone of you for all the hard work that goes into these gatherings.

## What's Hap-Nin Around Town

Seems that Tim Taylor and Michael Vaughn are a bit "lucky" these days. Tim and Michael had a car wreck last week completely totaling Tim's car. The boys were thrown through the windshield of the car. Michael hurt his neck and broke his wrist, Tim received only minor bruises. We are thankful that they were not hurt as bad as they could have been.

Kelli McPhaul had an accident several weeks ago. Kelli was riding the 3-wheeler when she got entangled in wire pulling her underneath the 3-wheeler. The wheel ran over Kelli's ankle. She has been in Highland Hospital in Lubbock, but is home now. Kelli is having to take therapy to regain total use of her ankle muscles. Kelli we hope that you are doing better and will be up and around soon.

There has been quite a bit of activity going on in Gail the last couple of weeks. Everyone seems to be cleaning and fixing up, as the Upshaw's and two of our new

coaches are trying to get their new houses ready to move into. It makes me feel guilty watching everyone work so hard.

Last week was a busy one for our rodeo fans. There were several Junior Rodeo's and also the BIG O'Donnell Stampede. Saturday night should have been declared Borden County Night at O'Donnell, as there were several contestants from B.C.

I wish that some of you A.J.R.A. people would let us know where you are going and what everyone did each weekend. We are interested and would like to let everyone know about our young rodeo "stars".

Mr. and Mrs. Ikey Hare from Big Spring and his son Michael Shane Hare from Florida visited Don, Jan and Ginger Hare Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. After alot of fishing and arrowhead hunting they decided they are coming back this next week-end.



MR. AND MRS. JOE NEAL BRADSHAW

## Couple To Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neal Bradshaw will celebrate their Fiftieth Golden Wedding anniversary with a reception from 2-5 p.m., Saturday, July 15, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Steve Barrington, 1 1/2 miles north on the Lubbock Highway, Lamesa, Texas.

The former May Ola Ledbetter of Borden County and Joe Neal Bradshaw, O'Donnell, were married Saturday, July 14, 1928, at Lamesa, Texas at 3:00 p.m. at the Court House in Lamesa by the Rev. Linley of Welch. Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. L.N. Pillion, Lamesa, Texas.

Joe Neal Bradshaw was born in Shep, Texas and moved with his parents to Dawson County when he was 27 years of age. He attended school at Shep. He was a farmer at the time of his marriage and farmed in Borden County continuously until he retired two years ago. He was School Trustee for the Mesquite School System for many years.

May Ola Bradshaw was born in Olney, Texas and moved to Borden County with her parents when she was 6 years of age. She attended school at Mesquite. She helped with her husband's farming operation, and was very active in School and Church activities.

They lived in Borden County all their married life, until two years ago when they moved to Lamesa.

They are members of the Bryan Street Baptist Church, Lamesa, Texas.

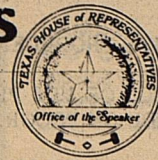
The Bradshaw's have three children: Mrs. Steve (Dorothy) Barrington, Lamesa; Mrs. Edgar (Margaret) Ray, Big Spring; and Alvin Bradshaw, Borden County, and six grandchildren: Linda Branon, Lamesa, Tricia Diers, Lubbock; Deborah Larson, Hurst; Michele Ray, Big Spring; Bryn Bradshaw, Borden County, and Shana Bradshaw, Borden County, and four great-grandchildren, Sean, Neal, Joey, and Jenny.

Out-of-town guests include: Mr. and Mrs. J.H. McWhorter, Olney; Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Ormsby, Elbert; Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ledbetter, O'Donnell; Mr. and Mrs. F.C. Chambers, Olney; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rinnard, Big Spring; Mrs. Lyle Eickman, Olney; Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Ormsby, Pecos; Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Chandler, Lenorah;

Hosting the event are the Bradshaw's children and grandchildren and their respective spouses.



## The Speaker Reports



by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN--Since 1967, all 50 state legislatures have considered no-fault automobile insurance as a means for reforming this area of insurance. Massachusetts took the lead in 1971 by enacting such a law. Since then, 15 other states have passed no-fault laws with tort restrictions, and eight passed legislation to reform their automobile insurance systems.

Variance in state laws is one reason why the United States Congress has tried to pass federally mandated no-fault standards. In 1976, a federal no-fault bill was defeated in the Senate by a mere 49-45 margin. The same basic legislation has been introduced again, and it appears that the possibility of passage is quite strong.

The bills, S. 1381 and HR 6601, would preempt all state no-fault laws in some respects. Tort restrictions would be required of all

states; medical benefit standards would change, and other alterations of the auto insurance systems would have to be made. Although the bills provide a period of three years for a state to comply with the standards, a state which does not adopt the federal regulations would have them imposed and administered either by the state or by the U. S. Secretary of Transportation.

It is my opinion that the experience in states which have enacted no-fault laws is not conclusive enough to warrant a federal mandate. While some states report that no-fault is working well, some have amended or plan to amend their laws to rectify problems. It seems that states should be given more time to test the concept since reliable information is not available.

There are strong arguments in favor of no-fault and against it. Proponents can point to the reduction in the number of lawsuits prompted by auto accident-related injuries in states having no-fault laws. They can further point to data indicating that a larger portion of each premium dollar does to the victim of the accident. Opponents point to the rising costs of automobile insurance in state having no-fault, instead of a decline as had been anticipated. They also believe that the low tort liability threshold is a weakness.

I believe that the most important consideration in this matter concerns state sovereignty. The regulation of insurance is being successfully handled by the states, and Texas, well-respected for its independence and efficiency in the operation of its government, would not benefit from the institution of a federal no-fault insurance program.

I have transmitted my views on the matter to Congress in hopes that our Congressmen and Senators will take heed and will agree that the states can best deal with insurance policy.

## Grandpaw Says

--Hi--

--At Christmas most parents spend more money on their children than they did on the honeymoon that started it all--

--A diet addict recently quit his onion diet. He lost 15 pounds and 47 friends!--

--About all we can do with money nowadays is owe it--

--Many people enjoy living in the past. It's cheaper!--

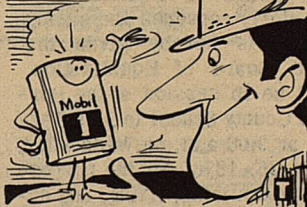
--Dentistry means drilling, filling, and billing--

--Pandemonium no longer reigns, it pours.--

So Long!  
Hope to see you soon!!  
G.P.



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### NOTICE TO All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate Of Pattie Earles, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Pattie Earles, Deceased, were issued on January 16, 1978, in Cause No. 1732, pending in the County Court of Lynn County, Texas, to:

#### JOHN SALEH

The business residence of such Executor is Dawson County, Texas. The post office address is:

Mr. John Saleh  
Attorney at Law  
502 North First Street  
Lamesa, Texas 79331

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 20th day of January, 1978.

Mr. John Saleh  
Attorney at Law  
502 North First Street  
Lamesa, Texas 79331  
Telephone (806) 872-2171

By John Saleh  
Attorney for the Estate

## ASCS News

### BORDEN COUNTY FARMERS TO CERTIFY CROP ACREAGES

All Borden County farmers are asked to certify their 1978 planted acreage, set-aside, diversion and other program acreages with the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office.

"Certification is the procedure by which farmers report their 1978 program acreages as accurately as possible to insure their eligibility for receiving the benefits of price support, disaster, and deficiency payments."

"In Borden County, the final certification date for program crops is Monday, July 17, 1978.

Growers not participating in the set-aside programs should report their acreages to insure the opportunity to fully participate in future programs.

After certification the ASCS county office will select farms at random for a visit and acreage measurement.

## FFA Members To

### Attend State Convention

Gail FFA members attending the State FFA Convention are Ben Murphy, voting delegate, Sid Westbrook, receiving his Lonestar Farmer Degree, and Brent Rhoton, also receiving his Lonestar Farmer Degree. The boys will be accompanied by Bob Bagley, Vocational Agriculture Teacher.

The group will depart from Borden County School at 9:30

a.m., Tuesday, July 11th and will travel to San Antonio. The group will stay at the La Quinta Motor Inn during the convention.

The last general session of the convention will dismiss at approximately noon, Friday July 14th. The group will arrive at Gail sometime Friday evening.

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## Legal Notice

To Whom It May Concern:

This notice of the Borden County Independent School Budget Hearing is hereby given that a public hearing of the proposed school budget for the next fiscal year will be held in the Borden County School, Gail, Texas on Tuesday, July 25, 1978 at 8:00p.m. in accordance with Article 659A-15 of the Revised Civil Statute of the State of Texas.

At the conclusion of such hearing, the budget as prepared will be acted upon by the Borden County School Board. All interested citizens are invited to attend such hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Borden County Independent School District

Doyle Newton, Secretary

## Legal Notice

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization, regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at the Borden County School in Gail, Texas at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 1978, for the purpose of determining, fixing, and equalizing the value of properties situated in Borden County Independent School District, Gail, Borden County, Texas, for taxable purposes for the year 1977 and all persons interested or having business with said Board are hereby notified to be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

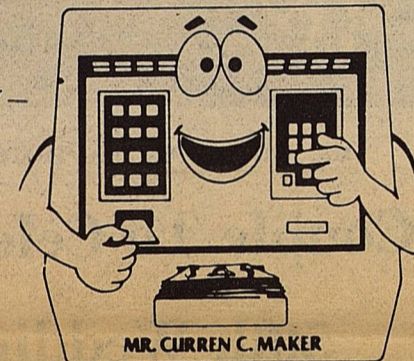
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by Randy Upshaw

PLAN QUAIL COVER

Though hunting season may seem far away, it's not too soon to begin planning for quail. And summer is a good time to increase your chances with the birds by improving their cover, says Upshaw, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

As most quail hunters know, quail are found in areas with a good mixture of grass, weeds and woody vegetation. This cover is frequently provided by clumps of blackberry, wild rose, yaupon, cedar, plum, young pine, privet, sassafras and sumac.

But when such cover isn't found naturally, it can be constructed, points out Upshaw. A brush shelter can be built by half-cutting a tree about 12-feet tall and bneiding it until the top rests on the ground. Then brush and logs are piled on the half-cut trunk until a thick covering is provided.

Trees covered with grapevine or green briar can be half-cut so they will continue to live and pushed over similar to the brush shelters. The purpose in half-cutting trees is to put the tops close to the

ground, yet encourage continued growth.

Coveys like to loaf, dust and move about freely under woody cover which protects them from above. Locate the cover on well-drained ground.

Although live vegetation is more durable, artificial cover can be used in grassland devoid of suitable woody plants. Construct shelters of poles, boards or heavy brush so that the roof is about eight inches above the ground. Space poles or boards in the roof about two to three inches apart. Overall size of the structure should be about six to eight feet square.

Quail also should have some specific nesting cover needs. In addition to being well drained, the area should have open stands of tall grass and brush.

Quail seem to want a place where they can see what is going on near the nest, which is constructed on the ground. Since quail need six to eight-inch high grass for their nests, pastures which have been mowed or grazed short won't be suitable for nesting.

Fencing, which provides protection from overgrazing, will rejuvenate cover and increase nesting.

Borden 4-H'ers Win At District Horseshow

Several youth from Borden County attended the District II Horseshow. Participating were Carl Daughtery, Julie Ridenour, Sandra Kountz, Kristy Stone, Brice Key, Travis Rinehart, Perry Smith and Debra Kountz.

Debra finished 8th in the barrels and Travis Rinehart placed 1st. in the breakaway roping and 4th. in the judged tie down roping.

Perry Smith had the second

place score in the judged roping.

Brice Key while attending his first district show received enough points to qualify for the State 4-H Horseshow in San Antonio July 26-29. Brice placed 3rd. in pole bending and 6th. in barrel racing.

All of the Borden County youth performed well. It was a pleasure to hear Borden County's name called as winners.

To Be Held

Big Spring--Hundreds of jobs to suit almost any skill will be available in Big Spring Saturday, July 22, as the city hosts its first Job Matching Fair.

More than 30 area employers have already listed some 400 jobs for the one-day event scheduled for 9:00 a.m. to 3:00p.m. at the Howard College Cafeteria, 2001 Birdwell.

"Our local sponsors and participants generated a lot of enthusiasm at the initial (job fair) orientation meeting," said Bill Albright, Executive Vice Presidnet of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce. "I think we're going to have something for everyone who's interested in finding suitable employment."

A complete list of available jobs will be posted on the day of the fair and most employers will have representatives on hand to interview prospective employees.

The fair is intended to offer both job seekers and employers the opportunity to meet at a single place and time for screening and possible immediate employment.

Working locally with the Texas Industrial Commission to sponsor the fair the Texas Employment Commission, Texas Association of Business Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, and Howard/Glasscock Human Resource Center.

GOOD DEAL

After a long dry sermon, the preacher said to one of his deacons, who was half asleep: "We'll now have a few minutes of prayer. Decan Jones, will you lead?"

The startled deacon jumped: "Lead? I just dealt."

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# HUMAN RIGHTS IN CUBA

by Phyllis Schafly

Now that the passions of spring campus demonstrations have subsided, some of the students who spent last semester protesting their universities' investments in corporations doing business in South Africa should look at human rights violations closer to home.

The recent testimony of the first American political prisoner released from Cuban jails provides quite a startling picture of a Western Hemisphere Gulag.

Frank Emmick, a 63-year-old American businessman imprisoned in Cuba for 14 years until his release in January, has given an eyewitness account of heroic physical and spiritual endurance in the face of prolonged brutality. Unfortunately, few seem interested in his story.

During the 1950's and early 1960's, Emmick engaged in the innocuous business of freezing and exporting frogs' legs from Cuba to the United States. When this country broke diplomatic relations with Cuba in 1961, he suspended production. Then his troubles began.

Emmick was harassed and arrested several times and asked what he knew of the coming "invasion." Although he had no knowledge of any invasion, his home was entered at midnight by five Cuban militiamen who beat him savagely and threw him into the ocean for dead. After he survived the ordeal, he was forbidden to leave Cuba.

Two and a half years later, Emmick was thrown into a Cuban dungeon on the trumped-up charge of being the chief of the CIA in Cuba. After months of typical Communist-style interrogations, occasionally witnessed by Russians or Czechs, Emmick was tried in 1964 and sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Emmick's descriptions of life in a Communist prison for political prisoners rival Alexander Solzhenitsyn's in horror and sadism. Emmick was savagely beaten, kept in solitary confinement in a completely darkened refrigerated room, than packed in a dungeon with 650 other prisoners with practically no sanitary facilities and no room to lie down to sleep.

"Prisoners were jammed like sardines, forced to sleep on an old, poorly cemented floor full of earthen pot holes, rats, vermin, etc., with little ventilation and where the sun, moon, and stars could never be seen," Emmick said. Captives "fought for a measly inch of space to rest our bodies."

Emmick said that there were about 5,000 prisoners in that compound. All those who left went straight to the firing squad.

There were 20 to 25 executions a week and as many as 27 in one night. "Among us there were no common prisoners, only political prisoners--men in all walks of life from peasants to priests, whose only crime was their revulsion of communism."

In addition to everything else, Emmick suffered two heart attacks during his imprisonment, and at one point a guard bayoneted him in the side simply because he was the only American prisoner in the fortress. He credits his survival to his faith and to the courage of his convictions.

Emmick was released this year, he said, because "I think (Castro) probably didn't want me to die on his hands."

How many political prisoners are suffering like this in Communist Cuba? Emmick estimates that ten years ago there were 100,000, and that at the present time the figure is about 40,000 political prisoners.

Castro's barbaric treatment of an innocent U.S. citizen is a worthy focus for the energies of America student protestors, and also of the Carter administration's campaign for human rights. Emmick says that at least four other American political prisoners remain in Cuba in circumstances similar to his own.

Will campus agitators and Carter administration orators call for human rights in Cuba? Or will they continue their practice of selective moral accusation?

# Meat Import Situation

Despite the recent increase in the meat import level for 1978, U.S. cattlemen are still the net winners through foreign trade.

That's the opinion of Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Uvacek explains that the Meat Import Law of 1964 provides for a fixed level of imports and allows increases or decreases based on domestic production. Most exporting countries, however, have entered into voluntary restraint agreements with the U.S. which keep imports below the trigger levels of the quota.

This past March the voluntary restraint agreement level for 1978 was set at 1.29 billion pounds. President Carter's recently announced increase raised that level by 200 million pounds. In contrast the trigger level for the Meat Import Law is 1.3 billion pounds.

Uvacek points out that about 35 percent of the total increased level of imports scheduled for this year has already been brought into the U.S. during the first four months. The remainder, therefore, will have to be spread out over the next eight months. The bulk of the increases came in March and April when prices were already in an upward spiral.

Research indicates that cattlemen's incomes are more indirectly affected by imports through the sale of cull cows contends Uvacek.

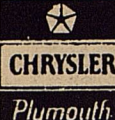
"Put into this context, then, it seems obvious that the income effects on producers from the greater imports for 1978 should be minimal," he adds.


The U.S. exports more beef and cattle by-products in dollars and cents than it imports. The majority of exports are hides, tallow, variety meats and by-products which have a low demand in this country. Thus, U.S. cattlemen have more to gain in the game of international trade.

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# how's your head for SAFETY



Do you know the right road to follow for safety on a motorcycle? This quiz can help you tell.

1. Which of the following should be checked every time you ride: (a) whether the headlight is working (b) depth of tire tread (c) the oil level in the front shock absorbers (d) the brake linings?

2. Which of the following is most effective in reducing head injury in an accident: (a) wearing a helmet (b) safety bars (c) operating at slow speeds?

3. A passenger should mount the motorcycle (a) before the engine has been started (b) after the engine has been started?

4. Carrying a passenger makes balance most difficult (a) at low speeds (b) at normal highway speeds?

5. Leaving your headlight on during the daytime will (a) make it easier to see (b) make it easier for others to see you?

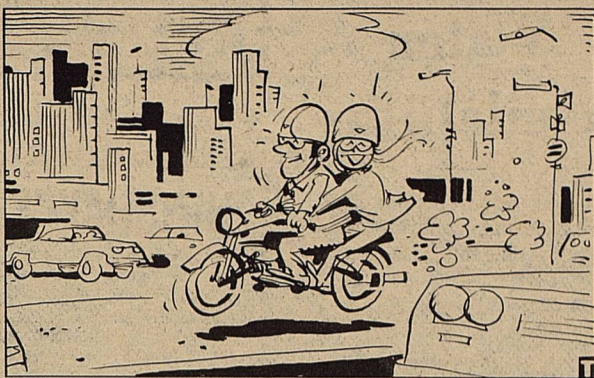
6. For safety, a passenger should (a) grip the seat behind the operator (b) hold onto the operator's waist (c) hold the seat strap?

7. If you come to an area where loose sand covers the roadway surface (a) slow down before reaching the area (b) slow down in the area (c) increase speed in the area?

8. When the motorcycle comes to a stop, a passenger should (a) place both feet on the ground (b) place the same foot on the ground as the operator (c) keep both feet on the foot pegs?

9. Generally the most slippery place to ride on a wet road is (a) the center of the lane (b) near the shoulder (c) near the center line?

10. Other motorists are likely to change lanes on a



multiple-lane roadway because of (a) an approaching merge area (b) illegally parked cars in travel lane (c) both of these?

11. Before changing lanes, check traffic by (a) using the mirrors (b) turning your head (c) turning your head and using your mirrors?

12. The best way to help others see you at night is to (a) wear bright or light-colored clothing (b) wear a helmet?

13. You are approaching a dog standing near the road. What should you do? (a) speed up immediately (b) slow down until you reach the dog, then speed up quickly (c) blow your horn to scare it off?

14. A turn signal that keeps flashing after a turn is completed is very likely to (a) wear out the battery (b) confuse other drivers (c) keep others from seeing your brake light?

15. To make a normal stop, you should use (a) both front and rear brakes (b) the front brake only (c) the rear brake only?

16. As speed increases, the distance between your motorcycle and the vehicle ahead should (a) remain the same (b) shorten (c) increase?

17. A motorcyclist at an intersection faces the greatest danger from (a) a car ahead stopping suddenly (b) oncoming car turning left (c) car behind?

18. Tinted faceshields make it (a) easier to see things at night (b) more difficult to see things at night?

19. It is all right to pull alongside another motorcycle in the same lane (a) any time there is no other traffic (b) when traffic is heavy (c) when stopped at an intersection (d) when both operators are experienced?

20. In normal riding, your eyes should (a) focus directly ahead at all times (b) move frequently from front and side to side?

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ANSWERS: According to the experts at the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, the answers are 1. (a) 2. (a) 3. (b) 4. (a) 5. (b) 6. (b) 7. (a) 8. (a) 9. (a) 10. (c) 11. (c) 12. (a) 13. (b) 14. (b) 15. (a) 16. (c) 17. (b) 18. (b) 19. (c) 20. (b)

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## Improved Farm Income Prospects

COLLEGE STATION--Things are looking up a bit for Texas farmers and ranchers due to improved farm income prospects.

"Net realized farm income in Texas may be some 15 to 20 percent in 1978 from the depressed level in 1977," believes Dr. Carl Anderson, economist in marketing with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "This upturn in farm and ranch earnings should help relieve some of the cash flow problems producers were experiencing earlier this year.

"Brisk demand and less-than-expected production have substantially boosted prices and potential earnings for livestock producers," notes Anderson. "Also, prospective earnings of crop farmers have improved from the gloomy outlook several months ago. The improvement reflects larger benefits from government programs, deteriorating production prospects because of drought conditions in some areas and too much moisture in others, and strong export demand."

According to the economist, farmers and ranchers are benefiting from a marked climb in commodity prices over the past few months. In mid-May the index of prices received by Texas producers was up almost 17 percent from the January level. Meanwhile, the index of prices paid by farmers of commodities and services, interest, taxes and wage rates rose 5 percent.

Meat prices have risen even more, notes Anderson. Since January, the index of prices received for meat animals in Texas has increased by more than a third. With cash receipts from cattle and calf marketings in Texas typically accounting for 70 percent of all sales from livestock and poultry, sales from livestock and livestock products were up almost a fifth in the first three months of this year over the same period last year.

"Livestock sales bolster farm earnings substantially since they account for a little more than half of all cash receipts from agriculture in Texas. Higher prices for cattle and calves, hogs, lambs, broilers and mohair along with increased poultry production point to sizable gains in receipts from most livestock commodities in 1978," believes Anderson.

On the other hand, receipts from crop marketings have not kept pace with year-earlier levels, points out the economist. Texas cotton prices in the first five months of this year averaged a fourth less than in the same period of 1977. However, because market prices fell below target prices for some 1977 crops, farmers have received an increase in government payments.

"As far as the remainder of 1978 is concerned, crop developments hinge on the uncertainty of weather and the level of grower participation in the grain reserve and set-aside programs," contends Anderson. "Greater participation in the feed-grain program, together with increased yield risks from dry weather and late plantings would likely bolster prices and receipts because of the implications for reduced production."

Production costs are also expected to rise considerably in 1978, adds the economist. Feed costs will probably increase because of slightly higher grain prices and larger purchases. Expenses for purchased livestock will be sharply higher. A case in point is that the average price for calves in Texas during May was 65 percent higher than a year earlier. Other costs such as interest expenses, depreciation, repairs and hired labor will likely continue to increase.

## Cotton Study On Water Availability

Medium-textured soils of the Rolling Plains, generally considered permeable, can deceptively restrict root growth in cotton crops.

What this means, says the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station's Dr. C.J. Gerard, is that "shallow reservoirs" of available water in these soils must be replenished frequently during dry spells when cotton is blooming and fruiting if high yields are expected.

Gerard found that similar conditions can exist in the vertisol or fine-textured, shrink and swell soils of South Texas.



The scientist, based at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Chillicothe-Vernon, points out that soils with shallow reservoirs are those with limited capacity to hold water. What moisture there is, is used quickly when the cotton plants are blooming and fruiting and the weather is dry.

Increased organic matter and improved tillage techniques will help boost the water storage ability of such soils, notes Gerard.

The scientist adds that the most important feature of root systems of annual crops is their rapid expansion into previously innocuited soil. This process enables plants to grow for days or weeks without rain or irrigation. Such desirable root growth, however, can be hindered by the shallow reservoirs.

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