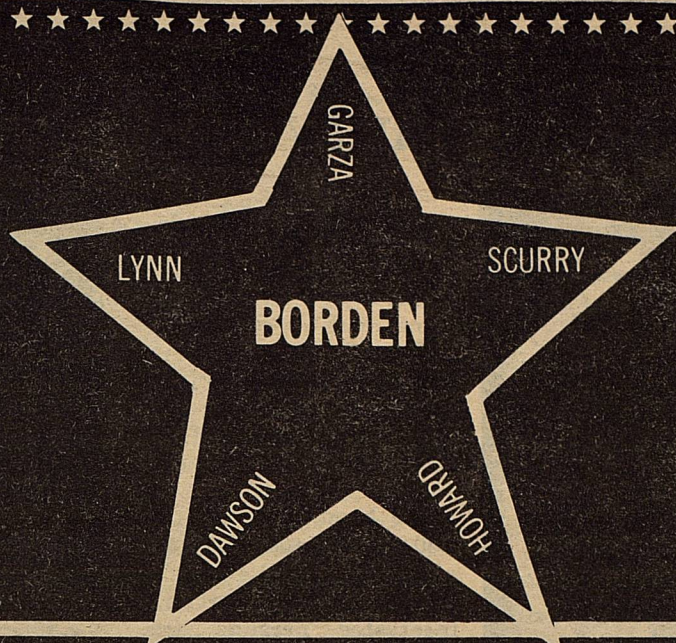


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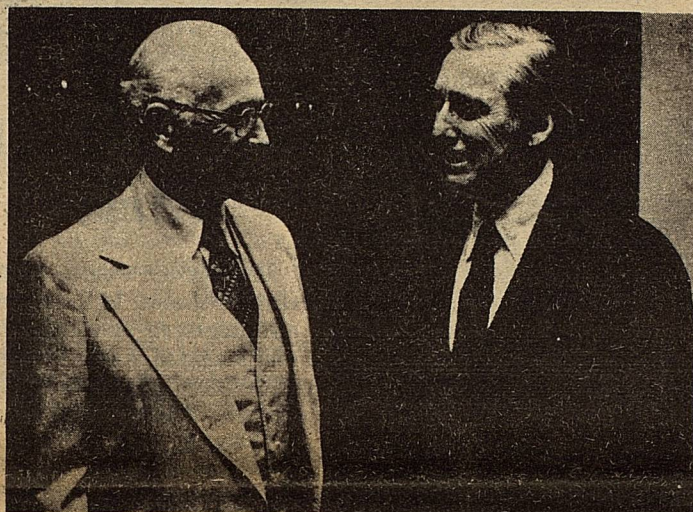
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John B. Armstrong, TSCRA pres., left, visits with Sen. Lloyd Bentsen (D-TX), sponsor of the meat import bill, after delivering strong testimony favoring the legislation recently. Armstrong also appeared on a three-man producer panel before the Senate subcommittee holding the hearings. A complete text of his remarks appears in this issue.

Subcommittee Hears Testimony

By John Armstrong

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, a cow-calf producer organization with 14,000 members, supports the provisions of Senate Bill 55 which would strengthen the 1964 Meat Import Act.

This legislation allows for a counter-cyclical import quota, under which imports would increase when domestic beef output declines and decrease when U.S. production becomes excessive. This legislation also defines more precisely the circumstances under which the President may increase meat imports beyond quota levels.

The provisions of this bill are anti-inflationary as it has a stabilizing effect on cattle prices. The bill encourages cattlemen to rebuild their herds, as it allows for some of the highs and lows to be removed from our cattle cycles.

Last year, the Administration pocket-

vetoed similar legislation. This was done over the objections of cattlemen throughout this nation. That action adversely affected the confidence of cattlemen and delayed the buildup in breeding herds which is necessary for increased beef supplies.

Historically, the United States has imported more beef by far than any other nation. In fact, our imports account for 30 percent of all beef involved in world trade. Under our import law, we continue to provide beef-exporting nations about a seven and one-half percent share of our market, year after year. We in the United States export only two-tenths of one percent of our beef production. It is obvious to us that beef trade is not a two-way street, especially with Japan and the European economic community. It is obvious to Texas cattlemen that beef-exporting nations use us as a dumping ground for

their periodic surpluses. This legislation would take a lot of politics out of this world trade issue.

We are already dependent on other countries for our oil supply. The last thing that we want and need is for this country to become dependent on foreign beef and meat supplies as well. Failure to enact this legislation into law eventually could contribute to that kind of a result.

These amendments, in our opinion, are fair and allow stability for our producers. We applaud the concept of this legislation and support its passage. (Ed. note)

The Meat Import Act of 1979 (H.R.2727) may be scheduled for floor action in the House at any time; it's important that you call, wire or write your Congressman and ask for his (her) support of the bill. Grassroots support is critically important to its passage.

TSCRA supports the act along with one expected amendment—an annual import floor of 1.25 billion lbs. President Carter, who vetoed a similar countercyclical bill, has agreed to sign bill with this one amendment. TSCRA and other livestock groups, like NCA, will not support other amendments.

Situation Unfair

While millions of people around the world have been waiting for years to immigrate to the United States, priorities are being given to Vietnamese refugees, as we are doubling their monthly quota from 7000 to 14,000. Congressman Jim Collins of Texas has expressed concern that this sort of preference is unfair to many nationalities who must continue their long vigil to be allowed into the United States.

"I am concerned that we are not giving all the people in the world a fair shake. We are not treating everyone equally. We have to think what is fair today to the country and what is fair to the world," Collins said.

The United States has already taken in 210,000 Southeast Asian refugees and has pledged to take in 168,000 more from July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980.

"We should look at how many of these refugees some other countries have taken in: Japan--51, Italy--256, United Kingdom--2841,

Sweden--263. Brazil, which has a lot of sparsely populated land, took in 37. Other countries in this world must assume their share," Collins said.

Collins noted that there are about 5000 immigration cases in Dallas each month—over 50,000 a year. "If you take that for the State of Texas, that means we have about 350,000 people a year who want to be immigrants to this country.

"We are turning most of these people away. Very few of them are getting in. I asked my staff why they were spending so much time on immigration cases. They tell me people keep coming in for follow-up reports. All of these people keep saying they want in, they have relatives, they have deserving situations; they are coming from all over the world.

"It is hard for them to understand why they have to wait, and in most cases not get in, because of rigid quotas while the U. S. doubles its quota for Southeast Asians," Collins said.

Police Solicit Funds

If someone comes to your door to solicit advertizing for a benefit sponsored by the Coahoma Police Department, HE IS LEGAL.

There have been some erroneous reports circulating in the county concerning this.

According to the Coahoma Police Department, they have authorized four young men to sell advertizing to help promote the benefit.

Because of the misleading information, however, the Department urges you to ask to see the letter of authorization they carry before buying an advertisement. It was also pointed out that if you had nothing to advertize, a donation would be used likewise, by the Coahoma Police to aid in the benefit. The following name or names should be on the letter of authorization, advises the Police

Department. They are: Lester Shed, Bobby Davis, Eddie Brooks and Carl Jones.

In order to raise money the Police Department is sponsoring a four part Country and Western Show to be presented in January. They regret the misunderstanding and hope that you will plan to attend the extravaganza. Tickets will be available at the Coahoma City Hall and through merchants.

Borden County School News



The two top money makers for the Read-a-thon were JENIFER ZANT, 1st and KATE PHINIZY, 2nd. Local Supervisor, Mrs. Sue Smith and Area Supervisor, Mrs. Nancy Hamrin.

Read-A-Thon Successful

Elementary students of Borden County School turned out in force to aid victims of Multiple Sclerosis during the month of October. Thirty-seven students in grades 2-6 participated in a Read-a-thon to raise funds for the benefit. The successful program netted \$786.03 to last year's \$197.00. A total of 659 books were read by the participants.

Jenifer Zant made the most money for the program and Kate Phinizy was second in the fund-raising. Jenifer brought in \$83.70 and Kate netted \$57.30. Jenifer and Kate each received a stuffed dog for their efforts. Reading the most books were Ralynn Key with 60 books and Brice Key with 41 books. They each received a T-shirt. Ralynn and Jenifer are in the 4th grade; Kate, 3rd; and Brice, 5th.

Reading the most books in their class and receiving T-shirts were: Jim

Ridenour, 24 books; Kate Phinizy, 41 books; Ralynn Key, 60 books; Brice Key, 46 books; and Dana Gray, 12 books.

Winning frisbees for bringing in \$20.00 or more were second graders Patrick Herridge, Lance Telchik, Cody Stone, James Smith, Rachel Wilson, Jim Ridenour, Kandy Belew and Amy Lewis; 3rd graders, Richie Anderson, Kate Phinizy, Richard Zant, D'Lyn Lloyd; 4th graders: Jenifer Zant, Shelly Lewis, Mindy Williams, Ralynn Key and Laurie Mills; 5th graders: Brice Key, Mickey Burkett, and Gerry Smith.

This year a Mystery Sleuth stuffed dog was presented to a few participants whose names were drawn at random. Those recipients were Cody Stone, Randall Hollis, Stacy Munoz, Michael Murphy. A certificate of appreciation was awarded to every student who completed all phases of the Read-a-thon.

The program is to help improve reading skills, discover the fun of reading and the process, help those with Multiple Sclerosis. It is supported by the International Reading Association and the Association of Elementary School Principals. The local director of the program was Mrs. Sue Smith and Mrs. Nancy Hamrin, District Director from Lubbock, was on hand to distribute prizes during an assembly last week.

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Band To March At Monahans

The Coyote Marching Band will participate in a Marching contest in Monahans Saturday, November 10.

The band will leave at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning and march at 11:42 a.m. Parents and other interested persons are invited to attend.



FRISBEE WINNERS-Brice Key, Mickey Burkett, Rachael Wilson, Richard Zant, Gerry Smith, Richie Anderson, Shelly Lewis, Amy Lewis, Candy Belew, Laurie Mills, Kate Phinizy, Ralynn Key, Jenifer Zant, Cody Stone, Patrick Herridge, Jim Ridenour, and James Smith.

BEAUTY CONTEST DATE HAS BEEN SET FOR DEC. 6 at 7:30-



CAST OF THE THEFT OF THE CHRISTMAS PIE- Lance Telchik, James Smith, Jim Ridenour, Christi Holmes, Bert Merritt, Candy Belew. Front- Amy Lewis, Randi Woodward, Michael Hogan, and Jon Herring.



PUMPKIN CAST-Patrick Herridge, Cody Cooley, Jay Wayne Pool, Jimmy Rios, Curtis Jackson. Front- Arnold Portales, Rachael Wilson, Allison Redding, Mitzi Massingill, and Cody Stone.

Jr. High Girls

The Borden Junior High Girls traveled to Lubbock on Monday, November 5 and defeated Western Hills 56-10. Points are as follows: Roxie Wolf, 4; Tracy McLaury, 12; Simona Benavidez, 16; Shana Bradshaw, 8; Shawna Vaughn, 2; Becky Massingill, 4; Penny Davidson, 4; Tanya Hollis, 2; and Jeanetta Massingill, 4.

This was the girls first game of the season. They play Greenwood at 5:00 on November 8 in Greenwood.

Pep Rally

Van York, Coyote lineback and guard gave the team talk during last week's pep rally saying "We've worked hard for this game and really want to win." Travis Rinehart, Coyote safety and halfback presented the spirit stars to Keith Williams and Roy Gonzales.

Simona Benavidez received the spirit stick for yelling a lot at all the games. Coach Maxwell gave the pep talk. He urged Coyote fans to continue to support the team. He also informed the audience that the Coyotes were 7 point favors in the Harris report for the game with Sterling City.

Join The Borden Booster Club

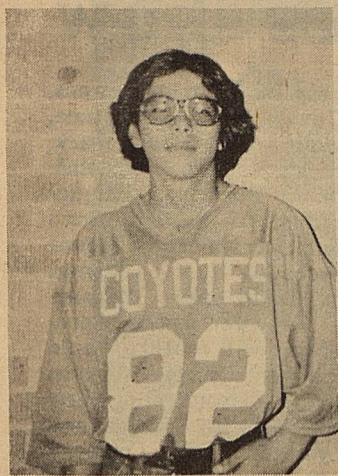



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Borden County School News



Roy Gonzales-
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Keith Williams-
Spirit Star Recipient

Coyotes Lose To Sterling City

Sterling City came on strong in the second half to beat the Coyotes last Friday night 19-0. The Coyotes dropped to 2-2 in zone play and Sterling City is 4-0 in 3-B East.

The Eagles took a 6-0 lead in the second quarter when Dusty Demere hit Tony Dodds for a 16-yard touchdown pass. Another Demere to Dodds pass added another touchdown in the third quarter. Bruce Myrick ran the last touchdown from 3 yards out.

Borden County had 10 first downs to Sterling City's 14 and one penetration to Sterling City's 4. Craig Peterson led the rushers with 13 carries

for 68 yards. Travis Rinehart had 14 carries for 10 yards and Blane Dyess had 2 carries for -12 yards. Jym Rinehart was the top receiver with 2 catches for 40 yards. Craig Peterson caught 2 for 26 yards and Travis Rinehart caught 1 for 21 yards for a total of 87 yards for the Coyotes. Quarterback Blane Dyess had 5 complete passes and 16 incomplete.

The Coyotes had 153 yards offense. Craig Peterson punted 6 times for 34.5 yards. The leading tacklers were Craig Peterson, Tim Taylor and Van York with 13 tackles each.

The Coyotes will host Roby this Friday at 7:30.

Junior High Season Statistics

The Junior High Coyotes finished the season 5-1, losing only to Highland. Their last game was with Southland and the final score was Coyotes, 38 and Southland, 0. Sammy Williams, Phillip Benavidez, and Scott Brooks had 2 touchdowns each. Sammy and Scott had 1 extra point each. Sammy had 9 carries for 123 yards; Phillip, 7 carries for 32 yards; Chris Cooley, 7 carries for 28 yards; Kirby Williams, 3 carries for -6 yards and Jerry Green, 2 carries for -2 yards for a total of 175 yards rushing. In passing, Phiooip caught 1 for 20 yards, Scott caught 2 for 66 yards and Keith Martin caught 1 for 13 yards for a total of 99 yards passing and 274 yards total offense. The leading tackler was Sammy Williams with 9 tackles.

FINAL GAME STATISTICS: SCORES

Borden 50-Hermleigh 20
Borden 38-Hermleigh 13
Borden 19-Highland 46
Borden 50-Western Hills 7
Borden 47-Western Hills 13
Borden 38-Southland 7
Total Points 242- Total points 106
Average points per game, Borden 40.2 per game-opponents 17.4 per game

TOTAL OFFENSE

Borden-----Opponents
300 yards vs Hermleigh 102
350 yards vs Hermleigh 110 yards
238 yards vs Highland 350 yards
302 yards vs W. Hills 100 yards
349 yards vs W. Hills 125 yards
272 yards vs Southland's 115 yards
Total yds 1811-----902 yds
Aver. per game 301.4-Aver. 150.2 yds

Jr. High Boys

The Borden Junior High boys equaled their last seasons win total Monday night by defeating Western Hills Baptist Academy 31-18 in Lubbock. Scott Jones, playing with a sprained ankle, and Phillip Benavidez each scored 10 points to lead the Coyotes. The Coyotes lead 8-2 at the end of the first quarter and 18-6 at the half. After being outscored 10-5 in the third quarter, the Coyotes came on to outscore the Eagles 8-0 in the first three minutes of the fourth quarter. At that point the reserves, Kirby Williams, Dennis Buchanan, Jerry Green, Chris Cooley and Bric Turner came on to finish the game.

Sammy Williams scored 7 points and Charles LaRue and Keith Martin scored 2 each. The Junior Coyotes next game will be at Ira on November 19.

-s- Coach Maxwell

McLeroy Attends U.I.L. Meet

The Legislative Council of the University Interscholastic League met in Austin on November 3rd and 4th, 1979 for their annual session. Legislative Councilmen representing Region I are: Conference AAAAA Supt. Ed Irons, Lubbock; AAAA Supt. Bill Vardeman, Levelland; AAA Supt. Roy Dodds, Plains ISD; AA Supt. J.C. McClesky, Slaton; A Supt. James McLeroy, Borden County.

Some of the action that was taken by the Legislative Council that will effect member schools was the dividing of participating high schools into conference for the 1980-81 school years as follows: AAAAA 1310 and above; AAAA 1308 to 615; AAA 614 to 265; AA 264 to 135; A 134 and below. Schools with less than 85 may enter a team in the six-man football conference.

The basic steps in arriving at the above classifications are: 1. Obtain data from member schools every two years based on previous year's average daily membership and current year's average daily membership to date. 2. Verify through Texas



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MONDAY
Pork Steak and Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
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Hot Bread
Peaches
Milk
Salad Bar
TUESDAY
Pizza Squares
Buttered Corn
Carrot Sticks
Jello with Fruit
Milk
Salad Bar
WEDNESDAY
Lasagna
Vegetable Salad
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Fruit Cocktail Cake
Milk
Salad Bar
THURSDAY
Hamburgers
Lettuce-Tomatoes-Pickles
French Fries
Brownies
Milk
Salad Bar
FRIDAY
Burritos
Tossed Salad
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Milk
Salad Bar



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BREAKFAST

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Fruit Juice
Milk
TUESDAY
Toast and Bacon
Jelly
Tomato Juice
Milk
WEDNESDAY
Doughnuts
Fruit
Milk
THURSDAY
Hot Biscuits
Jelly
Fruit Juice
Milk
FRIDAY
Buttered Rice
Fruit Juice
Milk

location. No attempt is made to perpetuate "old rivalries", etc. 9. Schools are then cross-checked against an alphabetical list of all schools within the state in an effort to cut down on the chances of omitting or double listing a school. 10. If a school is not satisfied with its assignment, there are two methods of appeal: a. An appeal to the members of the two districts-the one they wish to be released from and the one to which they wish to go (unanimous consent by every member grants the school the right to make the change so long as the move does not violate the contiguous relationship of all districts involved) b. An appeal to the State Executive Committee, who will hear the appeal and give consideration.

It is inevitable that some schools will feel they should be put in a district other than the one to which they are assigned. The League Office and the State Executive Committee have to be concerned with the entire state and a composite picture which will facilitate an orderly sequence of competition.

The 1978 Reclassification Study Committee, composed of school administrators Legislative Council members, discussed the pros and cons of the various methods and the problems relative to present conferences and additional conferences. This committee met four times during eighteen months and heard

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Education Agency the enrollment figures submitted by the schools if they are changing classifications or if they are close to the cut-off point. 3. Determine the number of schools needed for 32 districts in AAAAA. This figure is normally between 240 and 250. 4. Determine the number of schools for 16 districts in AAAA (normally 140 to 150). 5. Determine Conferences AAA and AA as in 3 above. 6. Conference A will consist of the schools with insufficient average daily membership to fill the other conferences.

Schools must have a two year membership of less than 85 students to elect to play 6-man football. 8. Each conference is represented on a separate map by pins or tacks. We begin at the top of the state with District 1 (using rubber bands to circle districts), and move down, keeping the following criteria in mind: a. Number of districts in each conference; b. Number of teams per district, trying to have at least six, unless extreme travel conditions do not permit it or it would work a hardship on the schools involved; c. Geographical

What's Hap-nin

The Rich Andersons had three little spooks visiting over Halloween. Their daughter Sally brought her girls Sarah and Rebekah to the ranch where they met brother John. John had been in New Mexico with his grandparents for ten days working cattle.

Borden County was well represented at the AJRA rodeo in El Paso last week. Gayla and Cody Newton, Brice and Raylynn Key and Glenn and Dana Gray report they had good results.

Sevoy Ogen of Gatesville was the house guest of his brother Corky and his wife Snooks over the weekend.

Tim Taylor and Craig Peterson attended the "Kiss" concert in Lubbock on Halloween night.

Modesta Stokes returned from the National Needlepoint Convention with even more beautiful examples of the art. The 1979 Convention was held in the historical city of Charleston, South Carolina. Mrs. Jeff Good, Modesta's sister-in-law was installed as National President.

Chairman Named

O.J. (Jim) Barron, Spur, Texas has been named chairman and J. D. Sartwelle, Houston, vice chairman, of the Texas Beferendum campaign. Sartwelle, a TSCRA director, coordinated the state campaign in 1977.

Rich Anderson, who chaired the Borden County Beferendum Campaign in 1977, has been appointed District chairman for the 1980 campaign.

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LAKE NEWS

Mr. A.P. Brooks was in Big Spring for one week at Hall Bennett Hospital. The doctor has sent him to Lubbock for another opinion Monday.

Mr. John Redding had to go to Malone & Hogan Clinic due to an accident received several weeks ago.

Mrs. Lura A. Perry went to Stanton to visit Mrs. Esther Peevyhouse. Mrs. Peevyhouse is having surgery.

Mrs. Edna Buchanan and Mrs. Nina Garner are going to Colorado City for water color art instruction every week.

Mr. R. W. Buchanan is going to Dayton, Ohio for technical training by National Cash Register Company. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Buchanan.

Ms. Callie Smith, grandmother of Brent Rhoton, is reported to be doing fine.

Mr. Bill Winters was admitted to the hospital for severe headaches. He is reported to be doing fine.

Melinda and Sandra Buchanan did some cup cake decorating at a 4-H Cooking Class at Robin Zant's home.

ABSOLUTE TRUST: All a child's life depends on the ideal it has of its parent's. Destroy that and everything goes—morals, behavior, everything. Absolute trust in someone else is the essence of education.
E.M. FORSTER

WTC Classic To Open

The second annual Western Texas College Classic is set to open Thursday (Nov. 15) in the Scurry County coliseum.

Basketball teams playing in the classic in addition to the WTC Westerners will be the University of Juarez, South Plains College from Levelland, and the Sul Ross State University JV. Games are scheduled for 7 and 9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday nights, with games at 6 and 8 p.m. on Saturday night (Nov. 17).

Tournament passes for adults will be \$5, with single-night tickets \$2. Student tournament passes are \$2, with one-night tickets \$1. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

The classic is sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce and information may be obtained by calling the Chamber office at AC 915 573-3558.

The WTC Westerners, coached by Nolan Richardson, meet New Mexico Military Institute in the first conference game of the season on Nov. 29 in the Scurry County coliseum.

4-H Cooking Project

The Coyote Cooks have had fun this fall in our 4-H cooking project. We have discussed nutrients and the four-food groups. We have baked cookies, potato soup and many other things.

We the Coyote Cooks would like to thank Carolyn Stone, Terry Smith, Kathy Blagrove and a special thanks to Mrs. Brumley.

-s- Barbara Sturdivant
Gerry Smith

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The Garza County Family Living Committee under the direction of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is sponsoring a Housewares show, Nov. 17 in the community center.

Sixteen local businesses will have exhibits displayed in the center from 1 to 4 p.m. along with two special programs and demonstrations featuring home decorating and energy conservation.

Local merchants who will have exhibits are First National Bank, Burlington Industries, Wackers, Lyn-tegar Electric Co., Happi-

ness Is, Prairie Flowers, Guy's TV & Appliance, White's Auto, Radio Shack, Rick's Venture Food, Hudman's Furniture, Higginbotham — Bartlett, Cox's Lumber, Maurine's Flower Shop, S & H Green Stamps and Dalby Cattle Company.

The two special programs will feature Paula Cawthon, County Extension Agent demonstrating decoration with fabrics and Lyntegar Electric Company will demonstrate Energy conservation.

Door prizes will be given, including one portable TV set.

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Parents Club Meeting

The Borden County Parents Club conducted their monthly meeting November 1, 1979 in the high school auditorium.

Following the Thanksgiving program presented to us by the second grade class, program ideas and projects

were discussed in detail and the date for the Bake Sale will be on Friday, December 7, 1979.

Family Directories will be on sale also at this time.

The second grade class was best represented at this meeting and received candy from the Parents Club.

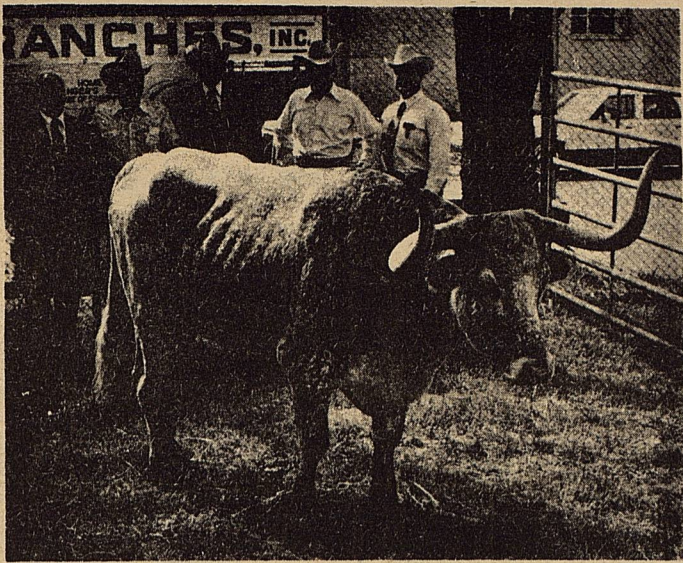
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Red River, a Texas Longhorn steer donated to the TSCRA building fund by LS Ranches, Inc., of Crowley, TX, brought \$8,600 at public auction Oct. 20 in Fort Worth. The steer, 1st lot in the Peeler Production Sale, sold to Neiman-Marcus, which markets a Western wear line called "Red River". L.-R., Bert Reyes, auctioneer; Larry Smith, LS Ranches, Inc., owner; Tom Alexander and Tom Barnett, Neiman-Marcus; and Don C. King, TSCRA sec'y-gen'l mgr.

The Chatter Box

By, Kathy Blagrave

Parents Of High-School Freshmen: Be Sensitive

Parents of a high school freshman: be sensitive... about their dress, about their friends, about their new routines, about their self-image, and about your own understanding and honesty.

Your high-school freshman needs all of this from you.

Real Parenting Takes Work

Real parenting takes work. Its rewards are immeasurable.

Be Sensitive

"Being sensitive" is a key to successful parenting--and it's especially important during teen years.

"Sensitive" does not mean throwing out all your ideas, guidelines or rules.

It does mean listening--really listening. It means being patient.

It means being realistic about change. Know it's there and your teenager must deal with it--alone or with your help.

It means sharing.

Let your child share his thoughts, and share yours.

Understand 'Dress'

During the teen years, dress is one of the critical "door openers" into social circles.

Know that the dress "rules" among teens constantly change -- so pressures are strong against "wearing the same

new job.

Some school offer a freshman orientation to help students know what is expected and what the school offers.

Listen to your teen as he describes his experiences.

Look for concerns which may--or may not--be expressed.

Be patient as the teen attempts to establish his or her place in the school situation.

Understand 'Self-Concept'

During the adolescent years, your teen is developing a sense of identity.

High school years are when most of us give much thought to what we think of ourselves--and what others think of us.

Being a freshman on the campus is not easy--it often means searching for self-acceptance as well as acceptance by others.

Critical to this task is a young person's relationship at home.

Teen Needs Strong Family

A strong family can give its teen invaluable help in becoming a self-confident adult.

Most of all, teens need parents who are warm, rewarding, and supportive--and they need siblings who are tolerant and understanding.

Teens Need Friends

A teen's friends provide a very important "mirror" to him--of the transformation which is taking place.

Friends may act as a stabilizing influence during the teen's transition from childhood to adulthood--physically, socially, emotionally and intellectually.

Teens can exchange thoughts and feelings with friends that they may not feel comfortable exchanging with parents or

other family members.

Be sensitive to this and, as parents, try not to be threatened by the emerging independence of the young person.

Understand that the peer

group does not totally replace the family, although it's an important influence at this time--while your teen is becoming one of the adults in your life--for the rest of your lives.

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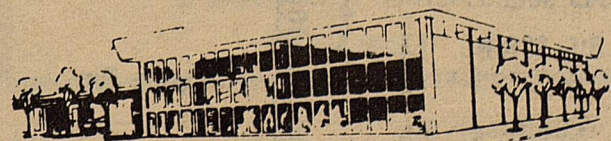
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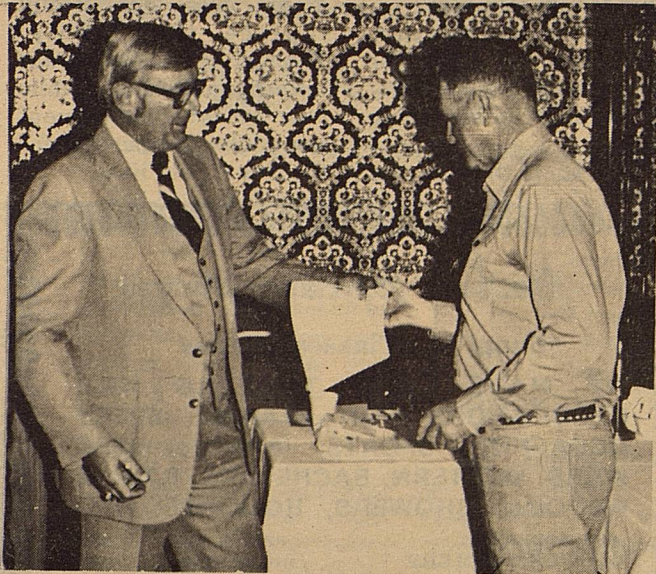
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Safety Awards Received

Three Borden County citizens received Safety Awards in Abilene last month.

Honored at the Texas Highway Department District banquet October 9th were Gerald Boyd, Claude Swann and Buster Taylor. The awards presented to these three men signified ten or more years of maintaining a safe driving record. They were also recognized for incurring no "loss time due to accidents" in ten or more years.

Taylor, Maintenance Construction Supervisor, has held that position in

Borden County for ten years.

Claude (Tooter) Swann has been with the Department for eleven years and Gerald Boyd, thirteen years. They are both maintenance technicians.

We Want Your News

Your County Agent Says By Sam Field

Frost has been hitting Borden County, and this could lead to prussic acid poisoning in livestock grazing certain pasture grasses and forages.

Although many plants contain the toxic material that causes poisoning, those causing the highest mortality in livestock when grazed after they have been frozen and wilted are Johnson and Sudan grasses and sorghum or hybrids of these.

The most dangerous time as far as the grazing of these plants is concerned is following frost when the plant material begins to wilt. Livestock should not be allowed access to the wilted material until it has dried completely. This usually takes three or four days of good sunlight. New plant growth usually becomes nontoxic and can be grazed within 10 days to two weeks following a rain.

As far as prussic acid poisoning is concerned, the poison acts rapidly and can kill animals within minutes. In most acute cases, animals become affected within 10 to 15 minutes after eating toxic material and can die in two to three minutes. Symptoms may include a brief period of stimulation followed by depression and paralysis. Signs of colic may be present. Stupor (loss of sensibility), difficult breathing and frequent convulsions may result. Death is caused by suffocation since oxygen remains in the blood and is not exchanged to the tissues. This also causes the blood to appear bright red.

To prevent prussic acid poisoning in livestock:

1. Allow plant material affected by frost to dry thoroughly before grazing.

This may require a week or more of good sunlight.

2. Feed animals hay or a supplement before turning them in on plants that may contain prussic acid.

Animals that are not hungry will not be affected as seriously by toxic material since their intake will be limited.

3. Remove all animals from the pasture if one in the herd shows any signs of poisoning.

4. Call a veterinarian immediately if an animal appears to be poisoned. An antidote to treat affected animals is highly efficient if given early. This product is available from veterinarians.

5. Have suspect plant material checked by the Texas Veterinary Medical

Diagnostic Laboratories at College Station or Amarillo. Local veterinarians will be happy to submit samples for you.

The overall key to preventing prussic acid poisoning in livestock is to be aware of plant materials that may cause poisoning and then to keep cattle from grazing such plants until a safe period has passed.

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ASCS News

By JERRY STONE

Livestock Feed Program

Due to the drought conditions existing during the months of August, September, and October, when most of the winter grass is produced, the County Committee will consider implementing the Livestock Feed Program in Borden County during their November meeting. As a livestock producer, you may participate in the program provided you meet all the eligibility requirements.

Documentation and good record keeping are very important factors. This includes records on feed normally purchased in prior years as well as current purchases, feed normally produced and that produced during the 1979 crop year. The program was approved as part of the 1977 Food and Agricultural Act and was designed to help preserve and maintain livestock herds when emergencies exist. The committee is charged with the responsibility of assuring program regulations are followed.

If you have any questions concerning the Livestock Feed Program, time of filing, or eligibility requirements, please contact this office.

Feed Grain Set-Aside

Secretary Bergland has determined that there will be no set-aside or voluntary diversion for 1980 feed grains (grain sorghum, corn, and barley). Secretary Bergland stated the program decisions were based on projected supply and demand factors for 1979 and 1980. A tighter supply situation is expected in the future. The actions taken will help meet domestic and export requirements and reduce the risk of rapid food price inflation.

Cotton Loans Availability

Form A cotton loans will be available at the county office. Custody of warehouse receipts and class cards will be maintained in the county office during the duration of the loan. Loans will be made for a period of 10 months. Interest rate is 9 percent computed on a daily basis. The base rate is 50.35 cents per pound for Strict Low Middling 1-1-16 inches.

County Committee Elections

Ballots will be mailed on November 20, 1979, to eligible voters in the annual county committee elections.

If you do not receive a ballot, please contact the county office to obtain one. Voted ballots must be returned to the county office by December 3, 1979.

Wool & Unshorn Lamb Receipts

Producers of wool and unshorn lambs are reminded to submit sales receipts to the county office for eligibility to receive incentive payments under the Wool and Unshorn Lamb Program. The 1979 marketing year ends on December 31, 1979. Receipts must be submitted to this office not later than January 31, 1980.

On-Farm Grain Storage Facilities

Have you ever given consideration to storing your grain crops on your farm and selling when prices are most advantageous to you? If your answer is that you don't have available

storage, then maybe we can help you. Loans are available for grain storage facilities at the interest rate of 10.5 percent interest.

Loans will be made on 85 percent of the cost of the structures, and can be based on an 8 year repayment period. Volume of storage will be based on two years estimated production. Loans will be made on new facilities only. Applications must be filed prior to taking delivery of the facility. If you are interested, contact us for more details.

Holidays

This office will be closed on Monday, November 12, 1979, in observance of Veterans Day and on Thursday, November 22, 1979, in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

Equal Opportunity Eligibility for participation in all programs administered by ASCS is established under law without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

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presentations from all interested school administrators, coaches and professional education organizations relative to suggestions for realignment of conferences. The Reclassification Committee realized any conference alignment will not be completely agreeable to everyone. They found the present realignment system to be more equitable to travel conditions, enrollment figures and conferences than the

suggested alternatives. The committee voted unanimously to continue with present alternatives. The committee voted unanimously to continue with reclassification procedures and recommended that the Legislative Council study conference realignment on a continuous basis.

The 1980-81 tentative football list for six-man conference is: TO BE CONTINUED

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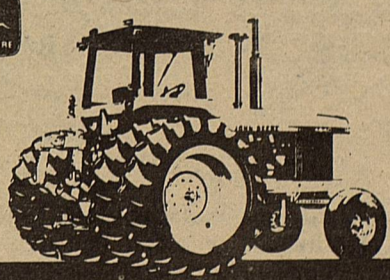
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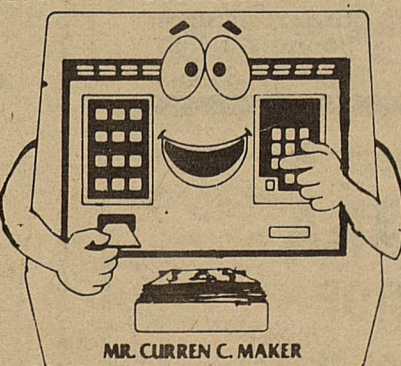


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Congressional Comment

— **WASHINGTON, D.C.** — We have a tendency in this country to wail and moan over the problem of political apathy — the lack of enthusiastic involvement by individuals in all phases of the electoral and legislative process.

On the other hand, we then tend to view some methods of encouraging such involvement by large numbers of individuals as somehow threatening. Political Action Committees (PACs), for instance, are often seen as ominous "big frogs" in the political pool, when in reality they are a chorus of individuals making their voices heard collectively. Every PAC dollar given to a candidate comes from a voluntary, individual contributor. These political organizations have encouraged many people who may never before have contributed to a candidate to get involved in the process in which decisions are made that affect their future.

Such involvement is an inherent American political tradition and a basic freedom that should not be tampered with by Congress. There have been, however, successful moves recently in the House to do just that.

I opposed one such proposal — the Obey-Railsback bill — which unfortunately passed in the House. This bill restricts involvement by PACs by setting a limit on contributions to each candidate for office. At first glance, such a limitation might appear to have some general appeal, but the evidence clearly indicates that the primary beneficiaries of this

legislation would be those of us already in office: incumbents who are already in a more advantageous position to be returned to office than an outside challenger. This is a fact that not too many Congressmen care to discuss, but nevertheless, the truth is that potential candidates of moderate incomes may not be able to raise sufficient revenues to finance a campaign due to limitations imposed by Obey-Railsback.

To those who charge that a lack of limitations allows candidates for office "to be bought," I would point out that during the election last fall, I was outspent by three-to-one and yet was elected to Congress. I credit that election to the intense involvement of individuals in my campaign — many who were spurred into action by their initial involvement in PACs.

As we become more and more of a polarized society, a society afflicted to some degree with tunnel-vision, a "me, first" society, we must encourage the voice of each individual to be heard. Apathy cannot be legislated into nonexistence, but legislation which discourages the participation of the individual in the political process should be protested by a single voice in this country.

The passage of the Obey-Railsback bill by the House of Representatives is a step backward in campaign improvements and did nothing to encourage the movement of politics back to the people.

Credit Demands Force Cut-Off Loans

Rural banks, faced with soaring demand for farm credit, are shutting off new agricultural loans to individuals, forcing farmers and ranchers to look elsewhere for needed operating capital, according to a FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM article recently.

Cut-offs are widespread among state banks, which face a 10 percent state usury limit on non-installment loans to individuals. The cut-offs are a result of ranchers' demands exceeding legal loan limits based on deposits in rural banks.

Increased energy chemical and other production costs are blamed for the stampeding credit demand. Ranchers and other cattlemen are spending 25-30 percent more to stay at the same productive levels as last year, says A.J. Kemp Jr. of Nat'l Finance Credit Corp. of Texas in Fort Worth.

Rural bankers are advising ranchers to incorporate (more money is available), quit ranching or go elsewhere for money. One lender said farmers and ranchers are turning to direct funding or loan guarantees from the Small Business Adm. and FHA.

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New Brucellosis Program To Appear

An in-depth study of the brucellosis program in Texas, prepared by the Texas Animal Health Comm., will appear as a special insert in the November issue of The Cattleman, says John B. Armstrong, TSCRA president.

"This document has been prepared to 'thread a needle' seeking a new burcellosis program which is acceptable to (a) the cattle

industry of Texas, (b) state and federal regulatory officials, and (c) producers of those states to which we export cattle," he said.

The document, written before the USAHA meeting in San Diego this month, has been circulated to TAHC to USAHA, NCA, livestock leaders in Texas and to other states and to state veterinarians in all other states.

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