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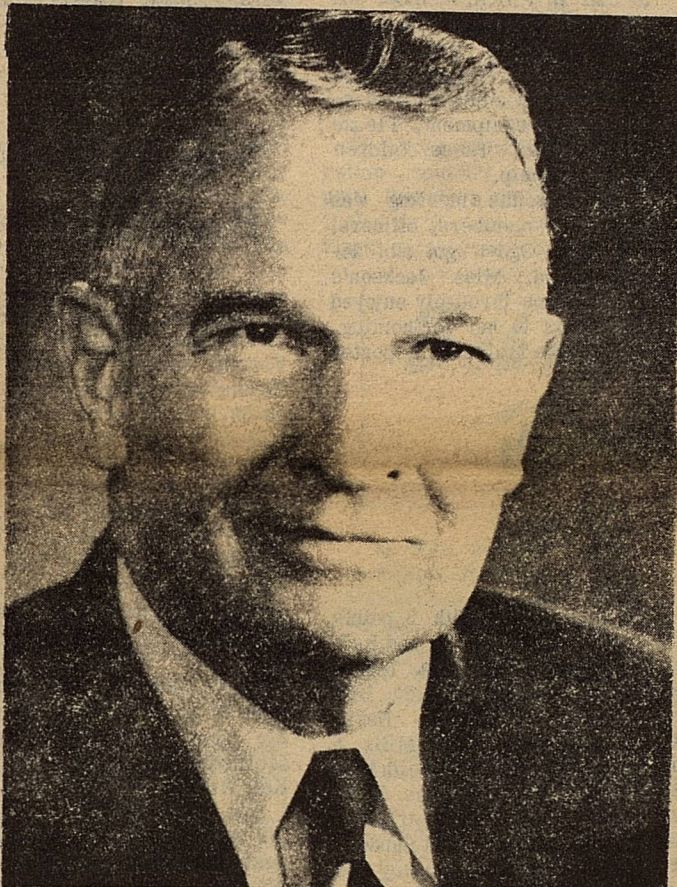
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"A DAY FOR ALL TEXANS"



Governor William P. Clements, Jr.

The Lone Star State's forty-first governor, William P. Clements, Jr., took the oath of office in Austin Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1979.

Governor Clements and Lieutenant Governor William P. Hobby were sworn in by Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Greenhill in a traditional ceremony on the south steps of the State Capitol at high noon. This was the highlight of an elaborate day of celebrating which drew crowds from every corner of the state.

Billed by the Texas Inaugural Committee as "A Day For All Texans", the 1979 inaugural festivities begin with a private breakfast for the Governor, Lt. Governor, and members of the Legislature and other state officials. At 10:00 a.m., the public was invited to a prayer service at the First United Methodist church. Following the inaugural ceremony at noon everyone was invited to a Traditional Texas Barbe-

que in the Capitol followed by the Inaugural parade at 2:30 pm. At 4:30 there was an ice cream party for the young folks on the Capitol lawn. The Austin Symphony Orchestra honored Texas' new First Family with a performance beginning at 5 in the LBJ Auditorium. Then at 8 pm the traditional inaugural balls got under way capping of Texas's most glittering day that comes to Austin only once every four years.

The 1979 inauguration marks the beginning of a new era in Texas political history. The advent of a Republican governor in Texas, is perhaps the most remarkable political development to occur in this state in more than a generation.

A strong conservative and an expert in energy and national security matters, Clements formulated a winning coalition made up of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. His

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WTCC Opposes Amendment

Legislation calling for the Texas Legislature to ratify a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide voting power for the District of Columbia by adding two U.S. Senators and at least one Congressman has met with strong opposition from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

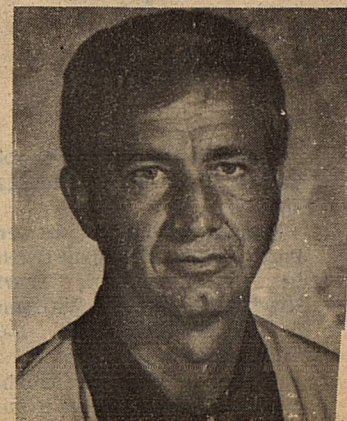
WTCC Executive Vice President Ed Coltharp elaborated on the reasons for the chamber's opposition to the amendment. "In essence," stated Coltharp, "the amendment gives the voting privileges of a state to a city. In addition, it is the opinion of the WTCC that, if approved, it will result in the election of representatives and senators who will favor the continuing and accelerated growth of federal programs and bureaucracy. Also, because it will only serve to give additional voting powers to the strong coalition of Northeastern states, the proposed amendment could effectively nullify the senatorial influence the State of Texas now has in matters of the utmost importance to the best interests of Texas."

Coltharp offered the suggestion that "if a change in representation rights is needed for persons now residing within the District of Columbia, then a much fairer alternative would be to annex portions of the District to surrounding states."

The regional chamber has contacted the 56 members of the West Texas Congressional Delegation in Austin, as well as Governor Clements and Lt. Governor Hobby, soliciting their efforts against ratification of the proposed amendment by the Texas Legislature. Ratification by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the states is required to adopt the amendment.



PAT PORTER



BOB DYESS

Two File For Trustee Position

Pat Porter and Bob Dyess have filed for a position as trustee of the Borden County Independent School District.

Porter has lived in Borden County all his life except for a period of time that he traveled with N.A.P.A. He has resided in Borden County for the past four years.

He and his wife Pat, a native of Big Spring, have been active in community work which includes Parents Club and Lions Club. Pat is the present president of the Gail Lions Club.

The Porters reside near Vealmoor where they have lived since returning to Borden Co-

nty four years ago. They have two daughters, Samantha in the 6th grade and Kate in the 2nd grade.

Bob Dyess has been a resident of Borden County for the past ten years. He was coach in the Borden Independent School System from 1969 to 1976. Bob and his wife Clara live in the Plains Community. They are active in the many activities sponsored by the school and community.

The Dyess' have four children, Blane and Mark are juniors, Monica and Suzanne are sophomores.

Heart Association Sets Goal

The Borden County Heart Association held its annual meeting Wednesday, January 17, at 10:00 A.M.

Chairman of the B.C.H.A. is James McLeroy. After calling the meeting to order, the following Chairmen and officers were re-elected: Program Chairmen, Buddy Telchik and Jim Burkett, Publicity Chairman, Barbara Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer, Fran Bennett, and Association Chairman, James McLeroy.

The 1979 Heart Drive was discussed. It was decided to continue with the highly successful annual "Talent Show" as the principle fund-raising event.

Exceeding the \$1,000 goal, the 1978 program brought in \$1216.21. Eleven talent groups performed. The B.C.H.A. hopes to at least match that amount in 1979, giving Borden County another 1000% per capita year.

Naming February as "Borden County Heart Month," the Association scheduled the talent show for Saturday, February 17 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium. They urge all of you to start "warming up your act."

There will be a general admission charge amounting to what your heart dictates and the performances will again

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# Borden County School News

## Beta Club Trip

The Beta Club members made a trip to San Antonio to the 45th Annual State Beta Club Convention. Eighty-four Texas clubs attended the sessions and elected officers for the 1979-80 school year. The group went sight-seeing, visited the zoo and ate in the Tower of Americas. The members had an enjoyable time and would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston for sponsoring the trip.

The following people attended the convention:

Gena McLeroy  
Jana Edwards  
Talley Griffin  
Tammy Telchik  
Heather McPhaul  
Bart McMeans  
Janna Love  
Karen Williams  
Mayme Lou McLaury  
Glynda Burkett  
Ben Murphy  
Carla Jones  
Vicki Jones  
Lisa McLeroy  
Brent Rhoton  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Huddleston  
/s/ Talley Griffin, Reporter

## Boys Varsity

Klondike defeated the Coyote Varsity boys 61-54 Thursday the 18th.

Scoring for the Coyotes were Perry Smith, 23; Blane Dyess, 11; Ben Murphy, 7; Travis Rinehart, 5; Keil Williams, 5; Mark Walker, 2; Bart McMeans, 1.

"We got into foul trouble early in the game and it hurt our defense and then we hit a cold shooting spell the last half and couldn't maintain the lead," said Coach Maxwell.

## Jr. Varsity

The Coyote Junior Varsity boys lost to Klondike 55-37 Thursday.

Scoring for the Coyotes were Jym Rinehart, 10; Alphonso Benavidez, 8; Mike Peterson, 6; Jeffrey Martin, 4; Carley Doyle, 2; Van York, 2; Glen Gray, 2; Maurice Herridge 2; and Danny Holmes, 1.

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## Jr. High Boys

### Bow To Grady

Scott Brooks scored 19 points in a losing cause against Grady Junior High last Monday night. The Coyotes were beaten 35-31 after two overtimes. The Jr. Coyotes trailed 13-21 going into the 4th quarter, but 4 baskets by Brooks in less than 2 minutes tied the score at 21-21. The game was tied at the end of regulation 25-25 and after the first overtime 29-29. Others scoring for Borden were Phillip Benavidez 6, Keith Martin 4, and Kevin Telchik 2.

The Coyotes record is now 1-11 and they play Wellman here January 29 in their last game of the season.

## Junior High Girls

The 1978-79 Junior High Basketball season is rapidly ending. Much experience has been gained through the participation of these young athletes. These young ladies have devoted many hours of hard work to improve their basketball habits.

I would like to express my appreciation to the community of fans who support us during the season.

Participating for Borden Junior High "A" Team are: 8th graders- Shelley Peterson, Kelley Richardson, Stephanie Stephens.

9th graders- Misty Merritt, Tammy Miller, Kelli McPhaul, Tracy McLaury, Kelly Willisams, Kim Wills, Roxie Wolf.

6th graders- Simona Benavidez, Shana Bradshaw,

Participating with the "B" Team are:

8th graders- Emily Craig and Jennifer Wilson

7th graders- Brandi Campbell Penny Davidson, and Dawn Holmes.

6th graders- Tanya Hollis, Becky Massingill, Samantha Porter and Shawna Shawna Vaughn.

Sue Jane Mayes is coaching the "B" girls Junior High team.

## Gail FHA News

The Gail Future Homemakers of America held their January meeting last Wednesday the 17th.

Attending the meeting was special guest, Marlene Amaya, a foreign exchange student from El Salvador. The program was presented by State Officer in charge of Encounter, Patty Jackson, O'Donnell High School.

Patty presented the chapter with a target of Encounter question on your thoughts about Encounter. The questions were as follows: Are You Kidding? , I have more questions before I decide, Encounter may not be too bad, and Won Over! The girls were asked to draw, write, scribble, etc. Something on a small piece of paper that was a characteristic of themselves and then pin it on the target on the level of thoughts they had. We are happy to say that most of our members are Won Over to the Encounter Personal Growth Program.

Due to the absence of Mrs. Kountz, our advisor, Mrs. Ogden was in charge.

Our wrapping paper project went real well this year. More paper was sold than ever before! Chairmans Mayme McLaury and Penny Thompson wish to express their appreciation for the community participation in the project. Thanks to everyone and a special thanks to the members for a great job.

Penny Thompson, chairman of the stamp project, has set a dead line for stamps this year. They are to be turned in February 1st. Everyone save your stamps! Anyone in the community who has saved stamps or wants to is asked to call an F.H.A. member and she will pick them up. Any participation is always welcome. These stamps are sent to Norway to a tuberculin hospital to buy equipment. Please save stamps. These children need your help.

Although the meeting was brief, the members, officers, and Mrs. Ogden got alot accomplished. Miss Jackson's presentation throughly enjoyed and thanks to her for coming.

/s/ Mayme McLaury, Reporter

## Borden Girls

### Beat Snyder

The Snyder Tigers traveled to Borden County Tuesday night to swallow a tough defeat. The 4-AAA school was trampled by a 70-32 margin. Talley Griffin led the scoring drive with 24 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

## Varsity Girls

The Klondike Cougars beat the Borden girls in an overtime play by 7 points. This knocked the Borden County Coyotes 2-2 in district play, boosting Klondike to a 3-1 record. The varsity squad travels to Loop January 23, to end their 1st half of district play.

/s/ Vickie Jones

## Varsity Boys

### Beat Snyder

Tuesday's decisive, 88-70 victory over the Snyder Junior Varsity served to boost the Coyote Varsity boys after their 48-58 loss to Sands and 47-54 loss to Dawson Friday and Saturday respectively.

At the very beginning of the game, both teams had difficulty in handling the ball. The Coyotes dribbled the ball on their toes a few times, but as the game progressed, Borden grabbed control and kept it.

Blane Dyess led the scorers with 24 points; Perry Smith, 23; Travis Rinehart, 17; Bart McMeans, 14; Ben Murphy, 8; Keil Williams, 2.

Coach Lynn Maxwell praised his team--"This was by far our best offensive effort of the year. We played as a team and everyone was very unselfish".

## Junior High Boys Win

The Borden County Junior High boys won their first game of the season in the New Home Tournament last weekend. They defeated Western Hills Baptist Academy of Lubbock 34-22 in the second round. In the first game they were beaten by Smyer 51-22 and then in the consolation finals they lost to Sundown 43-20. Phillip Benavidez was the leading scorer

against Smyer with 8 points, Scott Brooks had 6, and Keith Williams and Kevin Telchik 4 each. Against Western Hills Scott Brooks had 9, Kevin Telchik 6, Mark Mills 6, Phillip Benavidez 4, Keith Martin 4, Roy Gonzales 3, and Kirby Williams 2. Scott Brooks had 14 points against Sundown, Kevin Telchik 4 and Roy Gonzales 2.

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# Borden County School News

## Parents Should Prepare Child

### For School

By Julie M. Dappen, Ranger  
Staff Writer-Wyoming  
Part II of a series

Once upon a schoolday, a sweet, talkative, adorable little five-year-old school girl-lie.

"She was the best liar. She'd use it to get attention from her mom," said Daphne Minter, past kindergarten teacher and present Riverton High School home economics teacher.

The lies would range from small items, such as making a scolding glance, into aspanking, to larger lies, such as saying she had received a beating from a principal who had never even talked to her.

Each time, according to Minter, the mother would come to school and ask, "Why did you," and each time, the teachers would tell her the incident had never occurred. The situation finally became so troubling that the family was counseled to and did, end up getting professional help.

"Most children will do these things to some degree," Minter said. "After all, they're only human."

Yet children shouldn't be allowed to play their parents against the school--and parents should realize that both they and the school have one common goal, to educate the child so he or she will be able to function and be productive in society.

The first step in communication. An open line should be maintained between school and home, according to Minter.

She said parents should come to the teacher, by phone or visit, off-hours. "It's hard to get hold of a teacher during school. I think a good teacher doesn't mind being called at home, because it means the parents really care about the child."

In grade school, teachers and parents often have good contact, but as students get older, many teachers receive negative responses when trying to contact a parent, and soon decide to let the parents come to them, according to Minter.

Once a child is in high school or junior high, their teachers may only see them for five hours a week, and thus don't realize as quickly that a problem is developing.

Minter said she feels as a parent and as a teacher, that it's the parents' responsibility to contact the school.

Of course, ideally communication shouldn't have to wait until there's a problem. But if that is the case, Minter advises parents to contact the

school as soon as possible. "The teacher might be able to help if the child begins to show a change in behavior to the negative," Minter said.


A sudden lack of interest, a sudden dislike of anything fights with friends or family may be the beginning signs, she said.

Minter thinks the teacher and parents probably care more than anyone else about the child and she thinks they should pool resources to get to the bottom of the problem, before the problem gets too large.

## Beat Dawson

### School Facts

by Dr. T. W. Booker



**Q:** This year we had an exchange student in our high school. I think it would be fun to live in another country for a year. Does the USA do this? If so, how could I apply?

**A:** Yes, there are many students from our country who live and attend school in far off places as part of exchange programs. In order to do this, you need to have good grades and to start contacting one of the sponsoring organizations about one year in advance. There are several groups. Ask at your church or synagogue for religious exchange programs, and also check your school to see if it participates in the American Field Service program. As an indi-

vidual, you can contact *Youth For Understanding*, 13608 Midway Road, Suite 137, Dallas, Texas 76240. They will be glad to give you more details concerning their program.

**Q:** How is it decided whether or not a teacher is to have his contract renewed for another year?—J.T.

**A:** Throughout the school year, each teacher is evaluated by the head of his department, consultants, supervisors, and the school principal. Each of these people makes a recommendation concerning the teacher. This information is then given to the superintendent who makes his recommendation to the

### Breakfast

**MONDAY**  
Corn Dogs & Cheese Wedge  
Tater Tots  
Fruit Salad  
Milk  
Salad Bar

**TUESDAY**  
Enchilada Casserole  
Mexican Bean Salad  
Fruit  
Cake  
Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Pizza Squares  
Potato Salad  
Jello with Fruit  
Milk  
Salad Bar

**THURSDAY**  
Hamburgers  
French Fries  
Lettuce and Tomatoes  
Fruit Cocktail Cake  
Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Vegetable Beef Stew  
Cheese Sandwich  
Peach Half  
Milk  
Salad Bar

### Lunch

**MONDAY**  
Cereal  
Fruit  
Milk

**TUESDAY**  
Toast  
Sausage  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Pancakes  
Pancakes  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Fruit Bar  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Scrambled Eggs  
Bacon  
Toast  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

## Borden Boys

### 13th IS BAD LUCK

The Borden Varsity Boys lost to Dawson 47-54 on Saturday the 13th.

Blane Dyess led the Coyotes with 18; Perry Smith, 17; Bart McMeans, 4; Keil Williams, 4; Ben Murphy, 2; Jym Rinehart, 2.

"We did not concentrate on playing ball against Dawson. We had 2 starters out and our timing was bad," stated Coach Maxwell.

## Benefit

Students of Borden County Schools are invited to participate in a talent show scheduled for Saturday, February 17 at 7:30 P.M. in the high school auditorium.

If a student is interested in contributing to this worthwhile fund-raising project by performing, they should contact the program chairman, Buddy Telchik or Jim Burkett. Last year, students made up a large percentage of the performers giving their time and effort to help with the campaign. Benefits from the project last year was \$1216.21 which the Borden County Heart Association hopes to surpass this year.

The admission to the talent show will be a donation to the heart fund (whatever one wishes to give). Performers will again be "auctioned off" by master of ceremonies, Rich Anderson.

## Borden High School Basketball Schedule

Jan. 23	Loop*	Loop	A Girls-A Boys	6:30
Jan. 26	Dawson*	Gail	A Girls-A-B Boys	5:00
Jan. 30	Klondike*	Klondike	A Girls- A-B Boys	5:00
Feb. 2	Wellman*	Gail	A Girls-A Boys	6:30
Feb. 6	Sands*	Ackerly	A Girls-A Boys	6:30
			B Boys-	5:00
Feb. 16	Loop*	Gail	A Girls	6.30



## Borden Jr. High

Jan. 29 Wellman\* Gail A Girls-A Boys

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B Boys, B Girls

\*District games

## What's Hap-nin

Pauline and Vivian Clark have returned home after an extended visit to Abilene. They were visiting the home of Ruth and Charley Dickey when Vivian was admitted to the hospital. So their planned visit of a couple of days was extended to 4 weeks.

Pauline is recovering very well from her surgery.

Jessie B. Jackson spent last week in the Methodist Hospital where she under went a series of test. We are glad to report Jessie is back home now and resting comfortably.

Sorry to hear that so many of our Borden County students are home with the chickenpox.

Anyone that was in Gail last Tuesday, and went by the Sunshine Cafe, I'm sure noticed a new cook--

Seems the story went this way-- Patricia Gass was sick and called in the reserves, so Pat Porter rushes over about 7:00 a.m. When Pat walked in the cafe, there sat about 25 hungry truck drivers waiting for their breakfast. Pat rushes in and says "Never fear the cook is here", and 12 of them got up and walked out-- No I'm sure this didn't really happen as Pat Porter is a "Jack of all trades" and I bet he really cooked up a good meal. If I had known he was doing the cooking I would have made a special trip over myself just to sample his speciality.



County Extension Agent, RANDY UPSHAW, and wife DINAH pictured with Borden County 4-H Club president, PERRY SMITH.

## Upshaw's Move To Lubbock

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Upshaw and son, Brian were honored with a going away party Monday, January 22. Randy, C.E.A. in Borden County has accepted the position of C.E.A. in Lubbock County.

Randy and family were greeted by 75 Borden County residents, wishing them the best of luck.

Guests were registered by Samantha Porter. Refreshments were furnished and serv-

ed by 4-H members.

Serving table was decorated green and white checked cloth. The centerpiece used was a miniature 4-H pick-up with green ivy and dry flowers arrangement. Perry Smith, youth president of 4-H presented the 4-H pickup along with Borden County medallion to Randy and Dinah. He also expressed his appreciation for the leadership Randy has provided.

## Mental Health Drive

Chairpersons for the May drive for mental health will be recruited around the state during the next two months. The drive will benefit the programs of the Mental Health Association.

The Mental Health Association in Texas is a voluntary citizens' organization dedicated to promoting mental health while working on behalf of the mentally ill and their families.

Because emotionally disturbed persons cannot speak for themselves, the Association serves as their advocate. Members monitor existing mental health services and seek needed services. Children's and community services are the Association's highest priorities.

Since the organization is non-governmental, its entire support must come from contributions, such as those collected in the May drive.



REA SHIPMAN

## Shipman, Farmer set February wedding date

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Shipman of Arlington wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Miranda Rea to Frank Farmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Farmer of O'Donnell.

Miss Shipman is a graduate of West Texas State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree in 1978. She is a registered nurse in the Intensive Care Unit of the Children's

Medical Center in Dallas.

Farmer is a 1974 graduate of Borden High School. He also attended West Texas State University and Texas Tech University. He is a Seaman in the United States Navy and is currently attending Nuclear Submarine Training School in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The couple plans to be married on February 3, in the home of the bride-elect's parents in Arlington.



The Board of Directors of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, January 17 voiced a strong disappointment at the Administration's failure to approve a cotton set-aside for 1979 and resolved to continue its efforts to get that decision reversed.

In other action the Board held its annual nominating committee election, adopted resolutions related to new provisions in recently adopted by-laws, and heard a report on improvements being made in its well-known Boll Weevil Control Program.

The PCG legislative policy adopted October 18 last year and conveyed to Washington, called for a 10 percent mandatory and a 15 percent voluntary set-aside this year. USDA agreed a set-aside was needed and recommended to the Administration a 10 percent mandatory and 10 percent voluntary set-aside. The Administration however refused to accept the Department's advice, and a "no set-aside" program was announced at the end of December.

Now, the downward pressure on prices that PCG feared from expected large cotton plantings in 1979 is a reality. Spot cotton prices on the base quality since January 1 have dropped about four cents per pound

and futures prices have suffered even more, with the May contract falling almost five cents per pound.

"To us this is proof that a set-aside to prevent over-production this year is vital to our industry," said PCG President Lloyd Cline of Lamesa, "and we are redoubling our efforts on all fronts to get the Administration to recognize this fact."

The PCG nominating committee will submit a slate of officers to the Board at the next meeting, in March or April, at which time a president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer will be elected from that slate plus nominations made from the floor.

Members elected to the committee were Gerald Caswell of Meadow, Sammy Means of Ropesville, J.D. Smith of Sudan and Kenneth Wofford of Lockney. The remainder of the committee will be the three most recent PCG past presidents, W.B. Criswell of Idalou, Don Marble of South Plains and Ray Joe Riley of Hart.

PCG on November 8 amended its by-laws to include a provision requiring that directors and voters in all PCG meetings be current dues-paying members. To clarify this provision the Board defined a

"current dues-paying" producer member as one "who has paid or provides a written commitment to pay, either individually or through a gin or gins," his 15 cents per bale dues on all cotton production for the current or previous crop year.

Dues from businesses for which there is no established dues rate, the Board decided, are to be "an amount commensurate with the size of the business, but in no event less than \$25."

Ed Dean, PCG Field Service Director, told the Board that cotton producers below the Caprock this year are expected to continue and expand recommended management practices, begun in 1978, which retard the build-up of weevil populations in the infested area. Delayed, uniform planting dates and early season spot treatments by the producers at their own expense, he said "will benefit the producers themselves and also contribute to the overall effectiveness of the program."

## Essay Contest

Entries are being accepted for the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District's annual essay and poster contests, Carl Williams, chairman of the board, announced.

The essay contest is open to all students attending schools in Borden and Scurry Counties who are 18 years of age and under.

The poster contest is new to the students of Borden and Scurry Counties. All students 12 years old and younger are eligible.

Topic for the essay contest this year is "Conservation District's Role in Tomorrow's Water."

The essay must exceed 300 words. It is preferred that it be typed, but that is not required.

A cover sheet should be used with the entrant's name, address, school name, and grade, along with the district number 115. The entrant's name should not appear on the essay.

In the poster contest, the poster work is to be on standard poster board cut to half size (approximately 22" x 14"). The poster topic is the same as that of the essay contest.

The winning entries in both contests will be sent to Temple for regional competition, where trophies will be awarded.

Certificates and ribbons will be awarded to the District winners.

These entries must be sent to the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District, P.O. Drawer - Snyder, Texas 79549 by February 9, 1979. They may also be delivered to the Snyder Field Office, Soil Conservation Service, located in the Snyder Agricultural Service Center at 3423 Avenue T in Snyder. They may be submitted any time prior to the deadline date.

# Jerre's Gottings

"What's yours is yours and what's ours is negotiable." That is the Carter administration's foreign policy. First it was our canal in Panama which was negotiated away to a Communist dictator. Then James Earle took it upon himself to capitulate on every count to the Red Chinese--to let them negotiate with US and we thereby throw Taiwan to the Bears. Now the big sell is on for US to disarm ourselves by negotiating with the Soviets and signing their version of SALT II.

I can't imagine why Russia is in such a snit to get our signature on the dotted line though--a treaty made by US no longer means any more than one made by the USSR. And too--Russia needn't worry about disarming US. They are already so far ahead of US in the arms race that should SALT II be signed, they would have stockpiled enough weapons to rest at ease for a long time. On the other hand the United States doesn't have the weapons needed to run a perpetual bluff. We have not advanced in weaponry in far too long-- we have disallowed the use of the B-1-- and on and on.

But the argument seems to be, so what if we haven't perfected new and better weapons we are setting a good example to the world. We'll lay down our arms and so will you--won't you? Ha Ha. And I know who will have the last laugh.

There is some encouraging news tho. James Earle has allowed that it would only be fittin' and proper that any SALT agreement must have a 2/3 vote majority by the Senate to be ratified. Somebody slipped him a Robert's Rules and I'm the prouder for it. Maybe too, he is getting a barrage of flak (pardon the reference) from those in the hinterlands--those who disapprove of things not being done proper like. I'm referring to James Earle's not having asked the Senate to break or not break the defense treaty with Taiwan.

Another encouraging word was reported in late December. According to Senator John Culver, it was doubtful that were a vote taken then the Senate members could muster (there's another bad reference) more than 1/3 favorable votes. On the positive side, that means 2/3 of the Senators favor a strong defense and no SALT agreements as written. Culver seemed to think that the battle (whoops) for SALT II would be tougher than the white hankerschief action which gave the PC away, plus ransom. Yea, Yea. But see, we musn't let down our guard. Things have gone far enough and it's up to US--the citizens--to stop any further sell-out. Man the pencils and charge.

## Western Paintings To Be Featured

Snyder--Paintings by Western artist Robert Gartland of Lawton, Okla., will be featured in the Scurry County Museum at Western Texas College from January 28-February 25.

A reception honoring the artist is scheduled from 1-5 p.m. on January 28, and the public is invited to attend. The Snyder Palette Club will host the reception in the museum lobby.

Gartland will be exhibiting about 35 paintings, mostly watercolors and some oils.

The Diamond M Museum at 911 25th Street in Snyder will be open from 2-5 p.m. on Jan. 28 and visitors may also see the art collection there without admission charge.

Gartland has been a professional in the arts since 1952 and his paintings are in approximately 300 private collections as a result of one-man shows in such diverse areas as Spain, Mexico, New York, Texas and Oklahoma. He has won about 75 first place and best of show awards since coming to the Oklahoma-Texas-New Mexico area. He is an active member of the American Watercolor Society and the Lawton-Fort Sill Art Guild, and of the Rodeo Historical Society.

The Scurry County Museum, located on the campus of Western Texas College, is open each weekday and from 1-5 on Sundays without admission charge. Visitors to the permanent exhibit gallery see the history of the Scurry County area traced from the days of pre-historic Indians to present-day oil production.

## "A Day For All Texans"

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election strategy is now being analyzed closely by observers throughout the nation, particularly as a conservative mood continues to dominate the political scene and such issues as energy and national security loom large for 1980. There can be little doubt that Texas will play an increasingly pivotal role in American politics in the immediate years ahead.

Governor Clements has already indicated that "communication, cooperation, and coordination" will be the hallmarks of his effort to get his programs through a legislature controlled by Democrats. The 66th Session of the Texas Legislature opened one week ago. Lt. Governor Bill Hobby, who presides over the Senate, and House Speaker Bill Clayton, both Democrats, will be among the key players in the upcoming legislative drama, which for the first time in anyone's memory, pits a Governor of one party against a legislature controlled by the other.

The new governor has said that his legislative priorities will reflect those he outlined during the campaign; tax reduction, quality education, reducing government bureaucracy, strengthening law enforcement, giving our farmers a fair shake, and addressing the problems of energy and illegal aliens.

As one of the first official acts as Governor of Texas, Clements plans to meet with the Mexican government next week to discuss the Bracero program and the energy problem.

Many other topics and battles are ahead as the legislature is expected to consider as many as 4,000 resolutions and bills during the current session.

## Bill Clements Speaks Out On Education

I want to see our schools return to an emphasis on the basics--reading, writing, and arithmetic--as well as an emphasis on discipline in the classrooms, I want our schools to produce graduates who can use their education in useful, productive careers.

As public officials, we are accountable to the taxpayers for providing quality education. I think that both teachers and students should also be accountable. I support proficiency tests for both teachers and students, so that we can

continually monitor and measure the quality of our educational system.

I want to see our teachers compensated fairly for their efforts. I favor pay raises for teachers that take into account inflation and that award the better teachers with merit increases. At the same time, I feel we must tighten the curricula at the colleges and universities that educate teachers. We must tighten the certification process for teachers and require re-certification every five years.

## Heart Assoc.

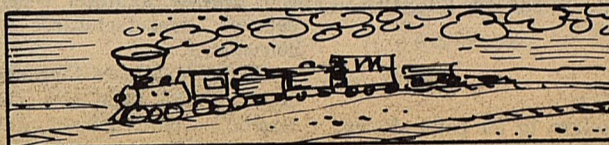
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be "auctioned off" by Master of Ceremonies, Rich Anderson.

Mr. McLeroy announced to the Board that the Texas Heart Association will donate equipment, time, and personnel to the Borden County Unit the eve of the Talent Show. Cathy McIntire, regional director, will be on hand that night, from 6:30 on to administer blood pressure tests to anyone de-

siring it. This free service is made available because of Borden County's highly successful 1978 year in raising funds for the Heart Association, according to Ms. McIntire.

The B.C.H.A. urges all of Borden County and surrounding areas to join in the 1979 Heart fund campaign. Memorial gifts may be sent to Fran Bennett, Gail, Texas.



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**SPEAK UP WITH CONSUMER COMPLAINTS**

Speak up with product or service complaints.

Consumers have a right to redress - - compensation for wrong or loss.

However, before voicing dissatisfaction with a product or service, consider these points:

- Were use and care instructions followed carefully?
- Was the product used for its intended purpose?
- Were expectations for the product's performance reasonable?

The majority of complaints involve unintentional human acts - - negligence or carelessness--or may result from misunderstandings by either the consumer or businessman.

On the other hand, if a consumer sincerely believes the blame for the problem lies with the manufacturer or merchant, he/she can follow these steps:

**STEP 1**

Return to the point of sale. Go to the place that sold the defective or offending product or service and complain to someone in charge.

Speak to someone in a supervisory capacity rather than the person who sold the item or performed the service.

This step can result in many solved problems with prompt handling of grievances.

**STEP 2**

Go to the top. If visits or phone calls to the original seller fail to solve the problem, write a letter to the firm or try the toll-free "hot-line" that some companies list with their warranties.

Send letters to the company's president or chairman. Names and addresses for company officers are listed in

"Standard and Poor's Register of Corporations, Directors and Executives."

Most public libraries have a copy and will show how to get information.

Also, include these basic facts in the letter: Who, What, When, Where, How, and sometimes, Why and How often.

Send a copy of the sales receipt and other relevant materials.

Write a pleasant, straightforward complaint. Include specifics about the representations that were made concerning the quality of the service or product.

Most reliable firms are concerned about their reputations and want to establish pleasant relations with the consumer.

**STEP 3**

Get help locally. Ask an outside organization to step in.

Try one of the following groups:

- Better Business Bureau
- City Consumer Agency
- Chamber of Commerce

**STEP 4**

Try state and national groups.

Panels organized by trade associations facilitate redress and provide a direct liaison between manufacturers and consumers.

Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel (MACAP), Auto Cap or Furniture Industry Consumer Advisory Panel (RICAP) MAY Help by contacting retailers or manufacturers to work out a settlement.

The attorney general may help in cases involving possible fraud or deceptive business practices.

**STEP 5**

Action lines in news columns and television advocates air documented complaint letters received from consumers.

**STEP 6**

After following all these steps and still not satisfied, the next step to consider is Small Claims Court--if the amount of money involved does not exceed \$150.

# Texas Leads In Oil Income

State Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong said today a survey of states which receive income from lease of state lands shows Texas led the nation last year with almost \$400 million in oil and gas royalties, bonuses and rentals.

Armstrong, as chairman of a Western States Land Commissioners committee on fair return for use of public lands, prepared the survey for presentation at a meeting of the commissioners in Reno, Nev.

Texas received \$261 million in oil and gas royalties from production on state-owned lands, and \$8 million for oil and gas rentals of state lands.

Other states with major revenues from oil and gas production on state lands were Alaska, with \$180 million in royalty, rental and bonus income; California, with \$97 million; and Louisiana, \$201 million.

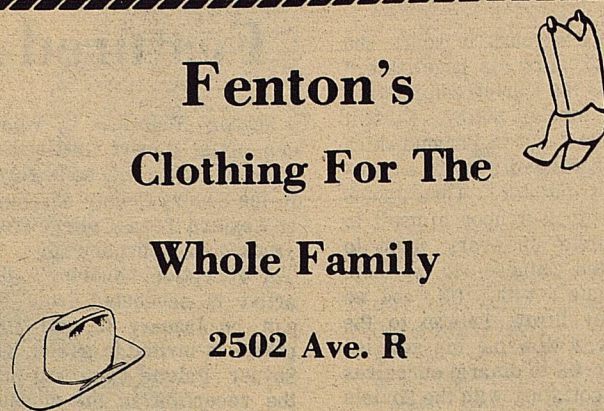
"Our royalty income in Texas has more than quadrupled in the last five years, while royalty income in California and Louisiana is at about the same figure as 1973," Armstrong said.

"This is a reflection not only of the increased oil and natural gas exploration in Texas and increasing gas prices, but also of our decision to raise our state royalty from 16 2/3 per cent to 20 per cent to make certain our state education system benefitted fully from the increased industry profits.


"These 1978 revenues to the Permanent School Fund boosted the total for the endowment to \$1.9 billion, and we expect to hit the \$2 billion mark next month. Income from the Fund, which last fiscal year totaled \$109 million, accounts for about 4 per cent of the state's cost of the public school system."

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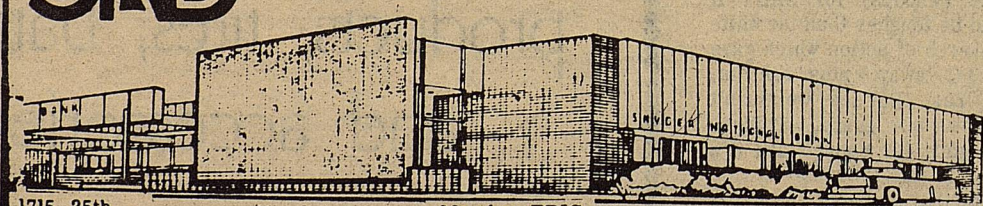
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# ASCS NEWS

By JERRY STONE

## AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ACP)

The 1979 ACP Program is still in the process of being developed. We will announce the approved practices and sign-up period as soon as possible after it is complete.

## WOOL PROGRAM

Current market prices indicate that incentive payments will be required for wool but not for mohair for 1978 marketings. Wool producers are reminded to file applications for incentive payments no later than January 31, 1979.

## 1978 LOW YIELD PAYMENTS COTTON & GRAIN SORGUM

If you believe you are eligible for a low yield payment, remember you must file an application for disaster credit within 15 days after you complete harvest. DO NOT wait for production evidence. You have 60 days from the date of harvest to submit production evidence.

## COTTON LOANS FOR 1978

Form A cotton loans are available at the county office. Custody of warehouse receipts and class cards will be maintained in the county office for the duration of the loan. Loans are made for a period of 10 months and will bear interest at the rate of 7% computed on a daily basis. The loan rate for 1978 crop cotton is 48¢ per lb. based on strict low middling 1-1/16 in. staple 3.5 to 4/9 micronaire.

## MEASUREMENT SERVICE

Measurement service is available through the county office. Both pre-measurement (determining the acreage prior to planting) and early measurement (measuring the crop acreage after planting) will be available. If there is any question about the acreage, have it measured. It could prevent the loss of program benefits under the 1979 program.

## REPORTING 1978 PAYMENTS TO INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS)

Payments made to producers for any program administered by ASCS is reported to IRS. Form CCC-182 will be mailed directly to producers during January. You will need this form when filing your 1978 Income Tax Return.

## EMERGENCY FEED PROGRAM

The Emergency Feed Program provides assistance to eligible livestock owners, by sharing the cost of feed for eligible livestock when feed must be purchased in amounts above normal.

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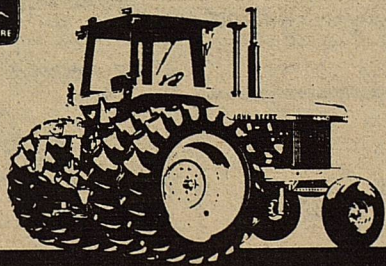
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- (considering total holdings.)
  - (2) Not have sufficient feed for eligible livestock.
  - (3) Make feed purchases in amounts above normal.
  - (4) File an application for assistance in the County Office and furnish receipts for all feed on hand at time of application.
- Assistance is limited to 50% of the actual cost of the feed purchased, not to exceed two cents (2¢) per pound of feed grain equivalent.
- For more details, please come by the ASCS Office.

## 1979 COTTON PROGRAM

Cotton producers will not be required to set-aside or divert acreage to be eligible for target price or deficiency payments on their 1979 crop. The target price provides income protection to eligible cotton producers, through deficiency payments. If the national acreage price received by farmers for upland cotton during calendar year 1979 falls below the target price, cotton producers will receive a deficiency payment at a rate equal to the difference between the higher of such average market price on the loan level. The target price is also used as a basis to determine disaster payments, should farmers be prevented from planting or have abnormally low yields because of a natural disaster. Payments are based on one-third of the target price. The final target price for 1979 cotton crop will be announced later when final yield and cost estimates become available. However, based on the Dec. 1 yield estimates and preliminary estimates of production cost the target price would be 57.7 cents a pound, up from 52 cents for the 1978 crop.

## Legal Notice

STATE OF TEXAS  
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Notice is given herewith that proposals will 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 Tuesday, February 13, 1979 at 10:00 a.m., and the Commissioners' Court of Borden County may at its discretion reject any and 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 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.

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