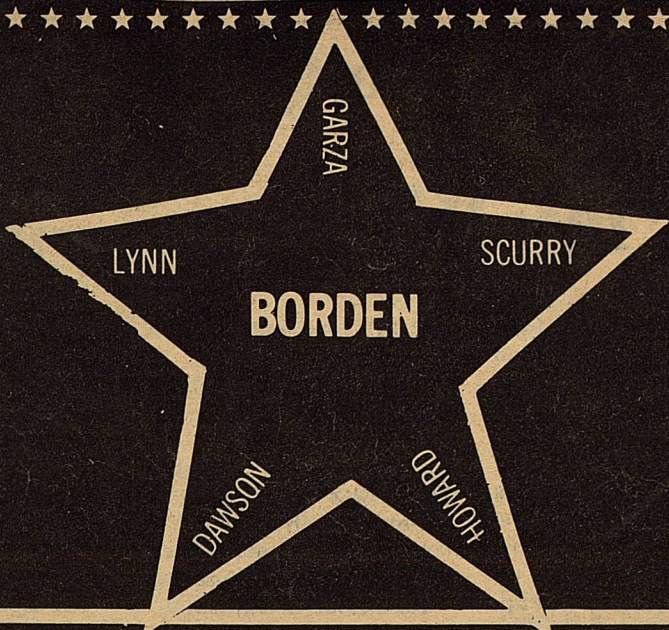


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103rd Convention Looks To New Decade

Following the greatest liquidation of cattle numbers in history, cattlemen are rebuilding their herds, but inflation and an uncertain economy have them on precarious footing. That was the general sentiment of ranchers attending the 103rd annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, March 9-12, San Antonio, Texas.

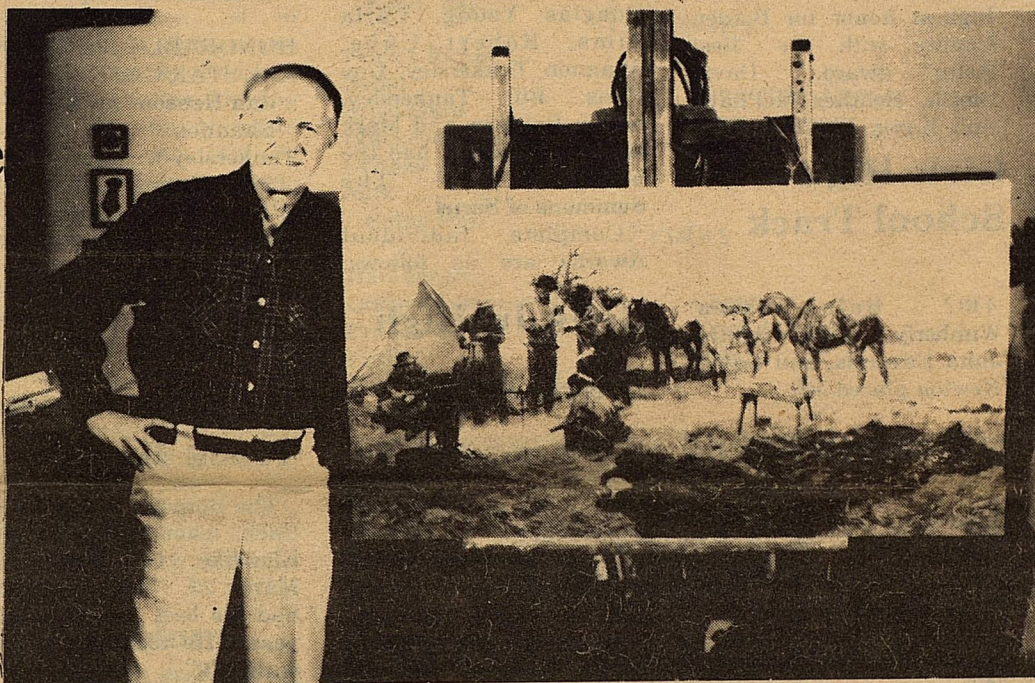
More than 2,200 cattlemen and their families attended the four-day meeting to discuss what the new decade might bring them and to hear a host of nationally-known speakers. The cattlemen representing 14,000 livestock producers in Texas, Oklahoma and surrounding states issued

six key policy statements.

Brucellosis, a livestock disease costing cattlemen and consumers millions of dollars, was of prime interest. TSCRA members endorsed a new set of regulations recently adopted by the Texas Animal Health Commission that are designed to eradicate the disease in Texas, the number one cattle state in the nation.

John B. Armstrong, out-going president of the association, was recognized by *Progressive Farmer* magazine as its outstanding man in service to agriculture in Texas for 1979 for his efforts to bring about a new brucellosis program to Texas and the nation. Armstrong, who is from Kingsville, TX., is also

Con't on P. 7



Artist TOM LOVELL with "Sugar in the Coffee", his 1980 consignment to the Western Heritage Sale.

Western Art Offered At Annual Sale

The 5th Annual Western Heritage Sale set for May 30 and 31 promises to be more spectacular than ever, with the most outstanding offerings to date of Santa Gertrudis Cattle, American Quarter Horses and Western Art consigned for the auction. Sales are expected to exceed the 1979 total of \$1.5 million.

A colorful panorama of Texas-styled elegance, the Western Heritage Sale is a black tie by-invitation-only affair held in the Grand Ballroom of the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston, with more than 1,100 prestigious guests and celebrities from all over the U.S.A. in attendance.

This year, the event gets underway Friday, May 30, with a public exhibit of the

25 select Santa Gertrudis bulls, heifers and pairs and 26 superb Quarter Horses in tents on the front lawn of the Shamrock from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and again on Saturday, May 31 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The highlight of the Saturday livestock exhibit will be a demonstration of an embryo transplant in horses and cattle at 10:30 a.m. The public is invited to attend the free exhibits and the demonstration.

In addition, approximately 100 pieces of Western art will be offered for sale on Friday evening at 7 p.m. Another 25 special pieces will be auctioned Saturday night. Art for the sale and the auction is selected by the Western Heritage Sale Art Council

which includes distinguished Western artists Melvin Warren, James Bore, Tom Lovell, Robert Loughheed and Gordon Snidow. All the artworks will be available for public viewing Saturday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The Western Heritage Sale is sponsored by former Texas Governor John Connally, Louis Pearce, Jr., former president and chairman of the board of the Houston Livestock Show, and Dallas land developer Joe Marchman. All are prominent Texas ranchers.

For more information on the 1980 Western Heritage Sale, contact Joe Marchman, Coordinating Sponsor, at sale headquarters, 1416 Avenue K, Plano, Texas 75074.

One Act Play Wins



ONE ACT PLAY WINS 1ST PLACE. L. to R-Back- Crew-Janna Love, Marquita Menix and Jennifer Wilson. Director-Randy Roemisch. Cast-David Smith, Mark Walker. Front L. to R. Troyce Wolf, Karen Williams, Ben Murphy, Heather McPhaul and Gena McLeroy.

Borden County School News

One Act Play Wins

"Breaking Up Is Hard To Do", but Borden County One Act Play cast members do it very well according to Mr. Coy L. Sharp-one act play judge. The Borden County Play, supporting an 8 man crew reaped top honors over 5 other plays from district 6-B in contest at Gail Friday, March 28th. Randy Roemisch, a five year veteran in directing one act plays, directed the winning play.

Mark Walker took the highest honor for Borden County with the Best Actor" award. David Smith, Heather McPhaul, and Karen Williams were

Girls High School Track

440? Relay-Teresa Wimberly, Lisa Smith, Jana Edwards, and Gayla Newton placed 5th

220 Dash- Gayla Newton, 4th

1600 Meter Run- Stephanie Stephens, 5th
High Jump-Talley Griffin 2nd and Jana Edwards, 5th

Shot Put-Karen Williams, 3rd

Long Jump-Gayla Newton, 3rd

Mile Relay-Lisa Smith, Gena McLeroy, Talley Griffin, and Jana Edwards, 6th



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chosen to the All-Star Cast while Troyce Wolf won honorable mention. Other valuable members of the play were Ben Murphy, Gena McLeroy and Carla Jones. Tammy Telchik was alternate while Janna Love, Marquita Menix and Jennifer Wilson made up the crew for lights, make up, stage, etc.

Wellman's play, "A Piece of Steak," took second place with an 8 member cast. Characters were played by Douglas Young, Carla Sims, Robert Cabe, Shannon Tankersley, Coy Paris, Bill Tankersley, Shelly Baldwin and Mark Whitfield. Sands had the alternate play- "The Summons of Sariel."

Complete Individual Awards are as follows:

Girls Jr. High

Track Meet

In the 100 meter dash, Mary Washington placed 3rd and Shana Bradshaw placed 4th.

In the 200 Meter Dash, Mary Washington placed 2nd.

Jeanette Massingill placed 1st and Rhonda King 5th in the 800 Meter Run.

Jeanette Massingill placed 1st, Rhonda King, 2nd and Cindy Balague placed 6th in the 1200 Meter Run

In the 400 meter run, Simona Benavidez placed 5th.

The 800 Meter Relay team of Becky Massingill, Mary Washington, Jeanette Massingill and Shana Bradshaw placed 2nd.

Mary Washington placed 3rd in the Long Jump.

In the Triple Jump, Simona Benavidez placed 5th.

The Team of Simona Benavidez, Shana Bradshaw, Becky Massingill and Misty Merritt placed 6th in the Mile Relay.

BEST ACTOR-Mark Walker-Borden County
BEST ACTRESS-Janelle Billingsly-Sands

ALL STAR CAST WINNERS:

David Smith-Borden
Heather McPhaul-Borden
Karen Williams-Borden
Ross Roberts-Dawson
Susan Holcomb-Klondike
Douglas Young-Wellman
Leigh Ann Billingsly-Sands
Bert Gibson-Loop

HONORABLE MENTION

ALL-STAR CAST

Jan Henson-Dawson
Shannon Tankersley-Wellman
Sara Bingham-Loop
Troyce Wolf-Borden
Irma Franco-Sands
Tanya Sellers-Loop
Norma Caballero-Sands
Robert Cabe-Wellman

Boys Klondike Track Meet

The Borden County boys track team competed at Klondike on Saturday, March 29. Mike Peterson had his best height of the year. He took 2nd place with 11'0"

In discus, Craig Peterson also had his best throw of the year. He placed 2nd with 143'11".

Tim Taylor placed 2nd in the High Jump with 6'0"

Troy King placed 3rd in the Mile Run with 5.11.

The team had a total of 30 points, placing 6th in the meet.

In the Jr. High boys meet, Sam Williams placed 1st in Pole Vault. Scot Jones placed 2nd in shot, 5th in high jump and 5th in 100 meter dash.

The next track meet for the boys is this Friday-April 11 at Dawson. Dawson will have 7 teams. Borden County Junior High track team will be running in a triangular meet also at Dawson against Loop and Dawson.

Tornado Spotter Clinic

A tornado spotter clinic will be conducted at the Borden County Schools on Friday, April 11, 1980 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. The 10:00 a.m. meeting will be designed for students grades 7-12 and the general public. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. The 1:00 p.m. meeting will be designed for school bus drivers, school maintenance employees, county employees, and Texas Highway Department employees.

Both meetings will be conducted in the Borden School auditorium.

The clinic is for the purpose of designing a tornado preparedness plan. Although Borden County is not considered to be in a tornado alley, tornadoes do occur from time to time. During a period from 1953 to 1979, there were 950 known (confirmed) tornadoes in the West Texas area. There were 112 deaths resulting from the tornadoes alone.

Blane Dyess named as Alternate by T.H.S.C.A.

Blane Dyess, Borden senior, is still receiving honors for this past season's basketball efforts. Most recently, Blane was named to the All Region-Second Team by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. This named Blane as one of the top ten players in our region.

Perhaps the most prestigious honor ever given a Borden High boys basketball team member was also announced last week. Blane was named as an alternate to the North Basketball All Star team by the Texas High School

Coaches Association. The THSCA chooses two class B players from the northern half of the state to participate in an All Star game in late July of each year. This game is in conjunction with the annual THSCA Coaching School. As an alternate, Blane will be called upon should one of the Class B players not be able to participate. This honor places Blane as one of the top three senior class B ball players in the north half of Texas. It is quite an honor and our congratulations are extended to him.



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Boys District Track Meet

High school and Junior High tracksters will compete in a district track meet at Wellman on Tuesday, April 15. The schedule is as follows: Field events will begin at 9:30 a.m. High school discus will start the event with Junior High immediately following

9:30 a.m.
Discus-H.S. followed by Jr.H.
Pole Vault -H.S. Followed by J.H.-So. runway
Shot Put-Jr. High Followed by H.S.
High Jump-High School followed by Jr.H.
Long Jump-Jr. H. followed by H.S.-North runway.

11:45 a.m. 110 Meter 1 Hurdles-J.H.
11:50 a.m. 110 Meter H.H. -H.S.
12:00 p.m. 100 Meter Dash-J.H.
12:05 p.m. 100 Meter Dash-H.S.
12:15 p.m. 400 Meter Dash-J.H.
12:20 p.m. 400 Meter Dash-H.S.
12:30 p.m. 300 Meter Low H. J.R.
12:35 p.m. 300 Meter Inter. Hurdles-H.S.
12:45 p.m. 200 Meter Dash J.H.
12:50 p.m. 200 Meter Dash-H.S.

LUNCH BREAK 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. 400 Meter Relay
3:05 p.m. 400 Meter Relay- H.S.
3:10 p.m. 800 Meter Dash-J.H.
3:15 p.m. 800 Meter Dash-H.S.
3:25 p.m. 110 Meter In. Hurd. J.H.
3:30 p.m. 110 Meter H. Hurdles-H.S.
3:40 p.m. 100 Meter Dash-J.H.
3:45 p.m. 100 Meter Dash-H.S.
3:50 p.m. 400 Meter Dash-J.H.
3:55 p.m. 400 Meter Dash-H.S.
4:05 p.m. 300 Meter Low H. -J.H.
4:10 p.m. 300 Meter Int. Hurd.-H.S.
4:20 p.m. 200 Meter Dash-J.H.
4:25 p.m. 200 Meter Dash- H.S.
4:35 p.m. 1600 Meter Run-J.H.
4:45 p.m. 1600 Meter Run-H.S.
4:55 p.m. 1600 Meter Relay-J.H.
5:05 p.m. 1600 Meter Relay-H.S.

Girls District Track Meet

DISTRICT 6B GIRLS TRACK

Time Schedule

Thursday April 19, 1980

Field Events----Finals

12:30 pm Discus High School (Jr. High upon completion)
12:30 pm Shot put Jr. High (High School upon completion)
12:30 pm High Jump High School (Jr. High upon completion)
12:30 pm Triple Jump Jr. High (High School upon completion)
12:30 pm Long Jump High School (Jr. High upon completion)

Running Events----Prelims

3:00 pm 400 meter run (Jr. High)
3:10 pm 400 meter run (High School)
3:20 pm 200 meter run (Jr. High)
3:30 pm 200 meter run (High School)
3:40 pm 100 meter hurdles (Jr. High)
3:50 pm 100 meter hurdles (High School)
4:00 pm 100 meter dash (Jr. High)
4:10 pm 100 meter dash (High School)

Running Events----Finals

7:00 pm 400 meter relay (Jr. High)
7:05 pm 400 meter relay (High School)
7:15 pm 800 meter run (Jr. High)
7:20 pm 800 meter run (High School)
7:30 pm 400 meter run (Jr. High)
7:35 pm 400 meter run (High School)
7:45 pm 200 meter run (Jr. High)
7:50 pm 200 meter run (High School)
8:00 pm 100 meter hurdles (Jr. High)
8:05 pm 100 meter hurdles (High School)
8:15 pm 800 meter relay (Jr. High)
8:20 pm 800 meter relay (High School)
8:30 pm 100 meter dash (Jr. High)
8:35 pm 100 meter dash (High School)
8:45 pm 1200 meter run (Jr. High)
8:55 pm 1600 meter run (High School)
9:05 pm 1600 meter relay (Jr. High)
9:15 pm 1600 meter relay (High School)

U.I.L. Competition Underway

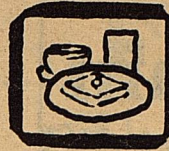
Students from schools in University Interscholastic League District 6-B have been in rigid competition for the past few days. The Ready Writing and Science teams competed at Wellman on March 25th. The Journalism teams competed on the 26th and the U.I.L. One Act Play Contest took place at Gail on Friday, March 28th.

Complete results will not be available until next week, but the following results have been released: Ben Murphy placed 1st and Glynda Burkett placed 5th in Ready Writing. Ben Murphy placed 6th in Feature Writing and Gena McLeroy placed 1st in Newsriting. Janna Love captured 1st in Editorial Writing and Ben Murphy placed 3rd and Marquita Menix placed 5th in Headline Writing. Glynda Burkett also won 1st in the Science Contest. Janna Love placed 4th and Ben Murphy placed 5th in Science competition. The One Act Play also won top honors. Approximately 115 points have been accumulated by Borden County toward the finals in the Literary Meet. The remainder of the U.I.L. Literary Meet will be held at Wellman on Wednesday, April 2.

Egg Hunt

Students in grades K-8th will have Easter Parties on Friday, April 4 at 2:30 and Parents Club will serve at 3:00.

Preschoolers are invited to hunt with Kindergarten. Please bring 2 doz. individually wrapped eggs and meet in the Kindergarten room.



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

April 7-11, 1980

Lunch

Barbecue on a bun
Tossed Salad
Corn
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Vegetable Beef Soup
Cheese Puff Sandwich
Fruit
Milk
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Fish
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Beans
Cornbread
Cookies
Milk
Salad Bar

Fried Chicken
Salad
Fried Okra
Blackeyed Peas
Cobbler
Milk
Salad Bar

Hamburger
Lettuce-Tomatoes-Pickles
French Fries
Fruit
Milk
Salad Bar

Monday

Cereal
Fruit Juice
Milk

Tuesday

Pancakes
Fruit Juice
Milk

Wednesday

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Thursday

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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		1980 APRIL	9:00 a.m. UIL District Debate-Borden	UIL District High School Literary Meet Wellman		High School Track Meet Dawson
6	7 4-H Meeting 1:35-2:05	8	9	10	11	12 Area One Act Play
EASTER SUNDAY		8:00 p.m. FFA-FHA Banquet	UIL District Girls Tennis Klondike	UIL District Girls Track Klondike		UIL District Boys & Girls Golf
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	UIL District Boys Tennis Klondike	UIL District Boys Track Wellman	UIL District Junior High Ready Writing Loop	← State FHA Convention →		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		UIL District Junior High Boys & Girls Tennis - Loop	UIL District Elem & Jr. Hi. Literary Meet Loop	← UIL Regional Boys Track →		
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What's Hap-nin

Word was received from SWTS University that Martha Anderson earned a 3.6 GPA this past term. She is a first semester Jr. majoring in special education and speech pathology. Martha is also working out on the varsity girls basketball team.

We are sorry to hear that Joe Gilmore has been confined to his bed with sciatica. Hope you are up and around soon Joe.

Mrs. Lee York is to undergo arthritic surgery in Lubbock this Friday. Mrs. York is the mother of Van York of Gail. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Frank Herridge, who has been hospitalized in Snyder this past week, was transferred to Houston Wednesday for further testing of a heart condition.

My, we hope all these folks get well and the sand quits blowing!

Anyone interested in an Aerobic Exercise Class in Gail, contact Penny Maxwell, 856-4661.



EMT Meeting

April 7

The regular monthly meeting of the Borden County EMT's will be Monday, April 7, 1980, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room.

Visitors are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

Consumer's Resource Handbook Available

The Postal Service participated with the U.S. Office of Consumer Affairs in publication of a Consumer's Resource Handbook. The handbook is a "what-to-do, where-to-go manual" for resolving consumer problems. There is one on display in your local post office and a single free copy may be ordered from

Consumer Information Center
Dept. 532G
Pueblo, CO 81009

Thanks

We would again like to thank those friends who have sent cards, called and come by to visit. Also, we would like to express our appreciation to the Gail Bunch and those from Snyder who came to play and sing for us recently.

-s- Mike, Marg, Glenn, Patrick Toombs

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May - - -

Older Texans Month

The month of May has been designated as Older Texans Month by Gov. William P. Clements, Jr.

Texas has "almost two million senior citizens," the Governor said. "We are deeply indebted to this rapidly growing segment of our population for the rich heritage they have created for us."

"In recognition and appreciation of that heritage, it is important that we encourage older Texans to remain active so that our State can continue to benefit from their

experience and wisdom," Gov. Clements said.

He urged Texas communities to honor senior citizens during Older Texans Month "to encourage their continued participation in the decision-making process."

The Borden Star would like to run a series of articles spotlighting our Senior Citizens and their interesting hobbies or their outstanding accomplishments. If you have someone in mind please call us!

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Excerpts from Texas Society, Daughters of the American Revolution resolutions.

BUDGET RESTRAINT LEGISLATION A CURE FOR INFLATION

Whereas inflation, which is an increase in the money supply and deposit credit and which has now reached the runaway rate of 18.2 percent a year, is this most insidious and cruel tax of all because it affects every citizen young and old alike and is the number one problem in the United States today, and

Whereas, American businessmen and other citizens are being unfairly blamed for inflation because the federal government is the only entity that can authorize an increase in the money supply and deposit credit and this unlimited power to print money and or create credit has resulted in deficit spending and a national debt of nearly \$1 trillion dollars, and

Whereas the 1978 Congress passed Public Law 95-435, Section 7 of which says in part "...the total budget outlays of the federal government shall not exceed its receipts," and the proposed national budget is \$28 billion dollars out of balance, this being a violation of the law, and

Whereas the Sixteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which gave Congress the right to levy and collect taxes, is a graduated and progressive income tax and, as enforced by the Internal Revenue Service, has operated to abrogate the unalienable rights of the people, and to destroy the incentive of the people to work, to save and to own, and

Whereas the Liberty Amendment which would repeal the Sixteenth Amendment, sell all government-owned businesses to private owners thus creating tax payers instead of tax takers and would provide enough income to operate the federal government should congress require a balanced budget, and limited spending level,

Resolved, That individuals urge their Congressmen to support both the Liberty Amendment and a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced budget each year with a provision to limit the level of spending.

Resolved That individuals urge their state legislators to introduce and support a resolution for the ratification of each of these constitutional amendments.

I'll give more of these resolutions along the way. This one is particularly appropo at this date. Y'all saw James Earl's attempt to overwhelm US with his inflation fighting schemes--taxes and more taxes. Some relief huh? But there is a way to stop this downhill avalanche--support these two amendments.

Little old ladies in tennis shoes sometimes know what they are talking about.

Housewarming To Be Held

You are invited to attend a house-warming for Blaine and Janette Turner Friday, April 4, 1980, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

-s- Hostesses

Help Each Of Us To Give Only Our Best

by Chaplain Emmett Waits




This Invocation was given at the 34th annual meeting of the American Cancer Society, Texas Division, July 19, 1979, Houston

Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father, You have put it into the hearts and wills of those who work in this Society to use their time and abilities in many ways to relieve and vanquish the suffering which comes from cancer. We ask You to give Your blessing and direction to all who, in their special callings, are carrying on this work. Give skill and patience to all physicians and nurses, technicians and therapists, to those engaged in research and to those who serve in the tasks of rehabilitation and the relief of crises brought about by this disease. And we beseech You to give to all of us skill and patience for our work, blessing our efforts to restore health to the sick, to prevent disease, and to relieve suffering. Help each of us to give only our best and thus to know that we do make a difference.


Always we hold before You those who suffer from cancer, for to You alone is known the mystery of suffering. Hear our prayer on behalf of all those who have to bear the burden of the pain of cancer, on behalf of all those who are having to undergo surgery, and of those who support them and share their anxiety. Draw near to them in love, You who are the strength of sufferers, and give them sure and certain belief that You, sharing their pain, will share with them Your peace.

Enter with us now, O God, upon the life of this day and be our companion in all that we have to do in the work which is before us. Help us to do our duty earnestly and to serve You and our brothers and sisters with wisdom, understanding, and with hope. Grant us also to know that it is not the beginning of the work You have given to us, but the continuing of it, until it be thoroughly finished, which yields the true glory. We ask this, with thanksgiving for the victories which have been won, with gratitude for Your calling each of us to our various tasks, and with gratitude for this hour and for these gifts which we are about to receive of Your merciful bounty. All glory be to you, O Lord Most High. AMEN.

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ASCS News

By JERRY STONE

MAY 1 - SMALL GRAIN FINAL CERTIFICATION DATE

You should report your planted acreage of small grain by May 1, 1980. Your level of participation under the 1980 Farm Program will be based upon whether or not you are within or exceed your farm's normal crop acreage. A report of acreage is required on every farm, even though you may not wish to participate in the 1980 program.

If your wheat or barley acreage has been affected by a disaster and you would like to plow it up or graze it out you should apply for disaster credit before the acreage is plowed or grazed.

If you have any questions concerning your 1980 wheat, barley, or other

NO 1979 UPLAND COTTON DEFICIENCY PAYMENT

MONTH	PRICE	PERCENT OF SALES
January	57.0	11.9
February	55.6	5.7
March	53.5	4.6
April	54.7	2.9
May	56.0	2.9
June	58.8	2.3
July	61.9	1.8
August	59.2	7.8
September	57.3	6.3
October	61.3	10.6
November	61.0	20.5
December	59.9	22.7

Calendar year average price - 58.9

small grain acreage, please contact this office as soon as possible.

FACILITY LOAN PROGRAM

Storage facility loans are available through this office to build grain storage structures. The size of the structure is limited to your grain production for two years less any present storage. The interest rate is 10 1-2 percent with 8 years to repay the loan (7 annual payments). For further information contact this office.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Low interest loan application deadline for disaster affected farms is April 10, 1980. Toll free number 1-800-692-4296.

For Your Information - 1979 Prices For Upland Cotton

1980 NORMAL CROP ACREAGE NOTICE

Form ASCS-476, Notice of Established Yields and Normal Crop Acreages, is scheduled to be mailed Friday, April 4, 1980.

REMEMBER - Any producer on a farm may request the County ASC Committee to reconsider any entry on the form which

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Your County Agent Says by Sam Field

ANNUAL SHORTCOURSE TO AID SWINE PRODUCERS

New techniques to help improve production and management in a changing swine industry will be provided West Texas pork producers at the annual Texas A&M University Swine Shortcourse at Plainview, Wed., April 9.

Leading animal scientists and producers from Texas, Kentucky, Kansas and Missouri will conduct the daylong program at the Hale County Agricultural Center south of Plainview. There is a \$7 registration fee for the course and lunch is provided. Dr. Robert S. Cohen, area swine specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension

Service, said.

The course begins at 8 a.m. and adjourns at 4:05 p.m. It is organized and sponsored by the Extension service. Cooperating with it are the department of animal science at A&M, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Pork Producers Assn., and Texas Pork Producers Board.

The changing swine industry, including an outlook for hog and feed prices and hog numbers, will be presented by Glenn Grimes. He is a professor and livestock marketing specialist in the department of agricultural economics at the University of Missouri, Columbia, MO.

A practical swine herd health program will be outlined by Dr. David A.

Schoneweis, veterinarian and associate professor in the department of surgery and medicine at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kan.

Ways they have improved their swine production system will be explained by Lawrence, Tommy and Don Berend, swine producers from Windthorst. Charles Axtell, co-owner of Sunny Side Pork Producers at Springlake, will report on his triple-deck swine nursery.

Swine production costs in various systems will be discussed by Dr. Gary R. Parker, Extension swine specialist with the University of Kentucky.

The economics of fresh port plants will be discussed by Dr. Gene Mathia, chairman of the department of agricultural economics at Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

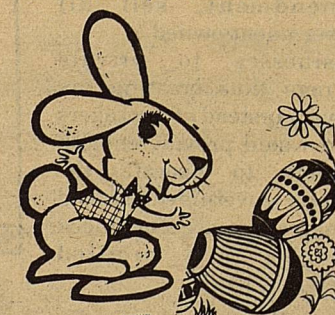
Reports on swine research being conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be given by Dr. D.A. Knabe and Dr. T.D. Tanksley Jr. Knabe is an assistant professor of animal science with the Experiment station. Tanksley is a professor and swine specialist with the Experiment station and the Extension service. Both are from College Station.

Bryan Ashburn, a swine and grain producer at Plains, will tell how he uses his 80-sow swine operation to sell grain he produces.

Moderators for the shortcourse will be Cohen and Dr. William B. Thomas, Extension swine specialist from College Station.

Also don't forget the upcoming meetings-Fruit & Nut Tree Management with Dr. George McEachern is scheduled for Thursday April 3, 8:00 a.m. at the Herman Ledbetter Farm.

Cotton production meeting with Dr. Supak, Dr. Leser and Dr. Pennington will be held Thursday April 10, 7:30 at the Fluvanna Community Center.



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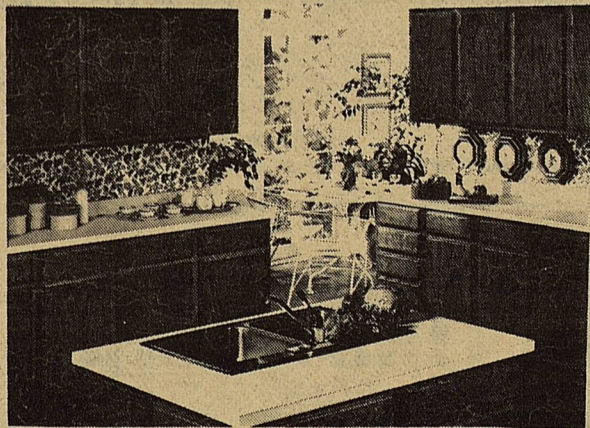
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Convention

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chairman of the TAHC, which administrates the brucellosis and other animal helath programs in Texas.

The cattlemen also took direct aim at the predator control program in Texas and coyotes in particular. TSCRA endorsed legislation introduced by Senator John Tower, a key speaker at the convention, and Congressmen Kika de la Garza and Tom Loeffler which would direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to Jointly develop and carry out a balanced animal damage control program that effectively utilizes lethal and non-lethal control measures.

Livestock losses to predation by coyotes and other predators costs cattlemen millions of dollars and has escalated to epidemic proportions in recent years.

TSCRA also went on record to oppose any grants to human nutrition research by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture that support biases against the consumption of red meat by humans.

Looking to the encroachment of fire ants in the U.S., TSCRA ask the Environmental Protection Agency and other regulatory agencies to remove restrictions against the use of the chemical compound Mirex and other chemicals that effectively halt the spread of that threat to livestock and the environment. TSCRA also called for EPA to restore the suspended use of 2,4,5-T and Silvex, two herbicides beneficial in rangeland preservation and brush control. The group also asked that cancellation hearings on the two chemicals be stopped.

USDA was asked by the cattlemen to take a "hands off" approach to historically successful programs administered by the Soil Conservation Service. The conservation of soil and water resources has been in the cattlemen's estimation, seriously impaired in recent years by numerous and unnecessary regulations and restrictions.

The federal government's efforts to remove a large portion of the nation's grass and rangelands from control of the private sector in order to put them under federal control was attacked by the cattlemen. TSCRA opposes any legislation, but particularly the Tall Grass National Recreation Area Act, that violates the rights of individuals ownership and the free enterprise

agricultural system.

The cattlemen also made provisions for their board of directors to administer the Texas Cattle Raisers Foundation, a non-profit, tax-exempt organization created to carry out public, education, scientific and charitable endeavors on behalf of the parent organization, TSCRA. The Foundation owns the new headquarters site in Fort Worth now under construction for the cattle raisers group. The building, which will be ready for occupancy in the fall, is the first new permanent headquarters for the 103-year-old cattle producers group in 30 years and is the focal point of a major fund raising campaign paid for by individual members.

A public auction of livestock and Western art held in conjunction with the cattle raisers convention brought in nearly \$60,000 for the construction of the new building.

Don C. King, TSCRA secretary-general manager, reported to the membership that its law enforcement arm commissioned to investigate cattle thefts in Texas and Oklahoma, developed 212 theft cases in 1979, resulting in the recovery and accounting of \$1.37 million dollars in livestock and ranch property.

Key speakers addressing the convention included Dr.

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Pierre Rinfret, an internationally known economist; U.S. Senator John Tower; Texas Governor Bill Clements; Col. James Adams, the new director of the Texas Dept. of Public Safety; Merlyn Carlson, president of the National Cattlemen's Association; the Rev. Bob Harrington, the Chaplain of Bourbon Street; John Armstrong, association president; Mrs. Lexie Crain, president of the Texas CowBelles, a cattlemen's auxiliary group; and Don C. King, the association's chief executive.

The new officers for the group are John S. Cargile of San Angelo, Tx., president; Frates Seeligson of San Antonio, Tx., first vice president; John M. (Jack) Shelton III of Amarillo, Tx., 2nd vice president and King, secretary-general manager.

Named as honorary vice president were E.S.F. Bud Brainard of Canadian, Tx., and Watt M. Reynolds of Ft. Worth.

Six new directors of the association were appointed and they are G.A. (Pete) Adams of Bryan, Tx.; F. Jake Hess of McLean, Tx.; Mort L. Mertz of Eldorado, Tx.; David M. Middleton of Beaumont, Tx.; Louis M. Pearce, Jr. of Houston, Tx. and Charles Roos IV of Sulphur, Oklahoma.

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Having weathered a record breaking heat wave a flood and an earthquake while in South America we are glad to be back in Borden County.

Zig zagging back and forth through Brazil & Argentina, we crossed the Andes at 10,000 ft. and spent our last night out of 26 in Santiago, Chile.

Traveling with a Western Livestock Journal group, we first stopped at Manaus, an inland city in Brazil located where the Rio Negro and Amazon rivers meet. From there we flew the breadth of Brazil to Sao Paulo on the east coast. This was our headquarters while we bused our way back inland visiting three prominent "Frazendas" (ranches) in the eastern part of Brazil.

We learned that all ranches or farms in Brazil are literally carved out of the jungle and planted with grass seed imported from Africa since there is very little native grasses. This is a long process of renting out plots to native tenant farmers who do the clearing, plant crops such as coffee, cotton, maize, rice etc. for two or three years. When the land has been prepared for grass, the landowner takes over and the tenant farmer moves on to another unimproved plot and starts over. Grassland is rotated back into farm land every three or four years.

On the 145,000 acre Swift-King ranch we were told that they were vastly understocked at the time with 40,000 head. The Frazenda is capable of carrying one animal to every two or three acres with an average rainfall of 55". Here we saw registered Santa Gertrudis cattle as well as the native Zebu.

At the time we were there grass fat cattle were selling for 37 cents a pound, carcass weight. Farm loan interest rate was at 38 percent. They employ around 200 natives at the rate of \$85 a month.

On another frazenda owned by Japanese Brazilian Hiroshi Yoshio we saw an outstanding heard of Nelore cattle. This is a brahma type breed developed by crossing the India breeds of Guzera, Nelore and Gyr.

The Brazilians are very industrious and friendly. They like Americans and our form of government, sans Carter, whom they detest. They are working very hard to lower their 40 percent inflation rate and

doing a good job--last year it was 70 percent! The exchange was 40 cruzeiros to one dollar.

Our scant knowledge of Spanish didn't do us a bit of good in this Portugese speaking country, and further more they don't teach any other language in the schools. Portugese is a combination of French and Italian and a very difficult language to master, I did learn bon dia (good morning) boa noite (good night) and obrigada (thank you).

Even tho Brazil has produced some outstanding musicians, artists, writers, and scientist in the past, it has only been in the last thirty years that public education has become compulsory and even that is determined by each state.

The secondary schools are under national control. This is a five year liberal arts program followed by a two year college preparatory program. We drove by the University of Sao Paulo which has an enrollment of over 40,000. It was here that the Butantan (snake) research center was pointed out. We were told that the center exports more poisonous snake venom than any place in the world. The rural people from around Sao Paulo bring snakes to the center and are paid by vials of venom to take home.

The cities we visited in Brazil were Sao Paulo (7 million) and Rio de Janeiro (11 million). They are bustling twenty-four hours a day and the pedestrian takes his life in his hands.

We made excursions out of both cities through gorgeous mountainous country along the coast. The statue of Christ the Redeemer on Corcovado Mountain is truly magnificent.

From Rio we flew back across Brazil to Iguassu Falls. Here we saw a fantastic view of two and a half miles of falls spreading into the jungle where the Parana River separates Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay.

Next week I will continue with a log on Argentina and Chile--hopefully with pictures. BCA

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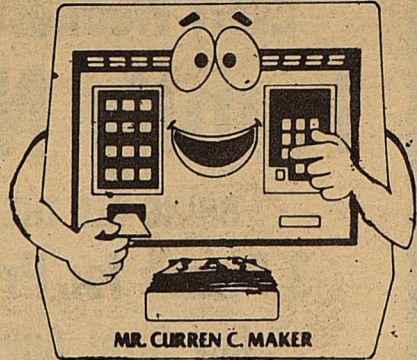
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Horticulturist To Present Fruit and Nut Workshops

Dr. George R. McEachern, Horticulturist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System will cover disease and insect problems of fruit and nut trees in Dawson County on Thursday, April 3.

The first workshop will be at 1:30 p.m. at Welch Farmers Gin designed more for commercial orchard owners. Orchards of D.V. Phipps and Dee Broyles will be toured says Dawson County Extension Agent Joe E. Wise.

A second workshop will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the Dawson County Community Building. This session will be designed more for homeowners with fruit and or nut tree problems.

The Welch Farmers Gin is located in the Welch Community 18 miles North of Lamesa on Highway 137. The Dawson County Community Building is located on South Houston Street, north-west corner of the fair grounds.



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