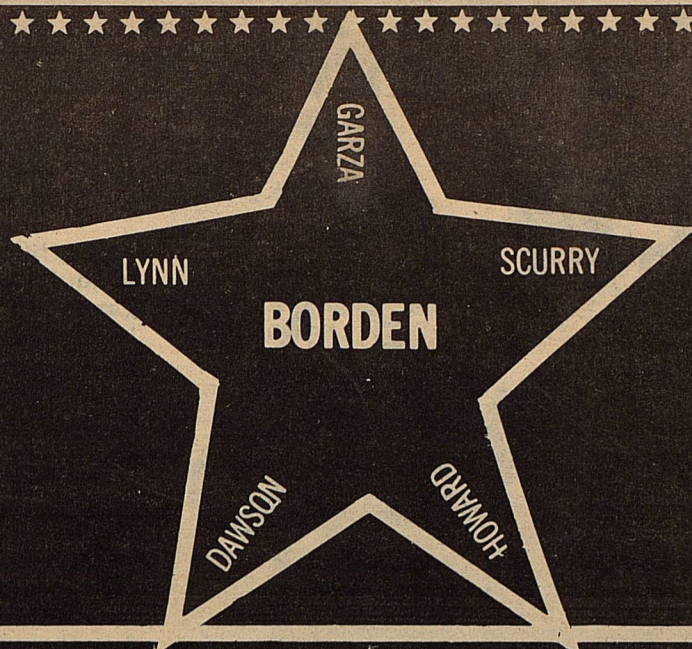


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VARIETY SHOW IN THE MAKING - Borden County Heart Association members, Barbara Anderson, Wanda Smith, Jim Burkett, James McLeroy, Fran Bennett and Sue Smith making plans for the annual heart drive.

## Heart benefit planned

Directors of the Borden County Heart Association met on January 29. Members present were Sue Smith, Fran Bennett, Wanda Smith, Jim Burkett, James McLeroy and Barbara Anderson.

The date for the Variety Show benefit will be February 21 at 7:30 in the school auditorium. Rich Anderson will be master of ceremonies. Admission will "come from the bottom of your heart."

Persons interested in

performing for a good cause should contact Jim Burkett 915-856-4255 or 806-439-6683 or Dewey Faye Miller 915-573-7774.

Borden County was the highest donor in the state per capita in 1980 with \$3026.00 which included memorials.

A committee will contact the Regional Chairman, Barbara Badke from the American Heart Association, concerning a booth to take free blood

pressure readings.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be February 16 at 12:00 noon in the board room at the school.

Officers of the Borden County Heart Association are James McLeroy, Chairman; Jim Burkett, Program Chariman; Dewey Faye Miller, Co-Chairman; Sue Smith, Publicity Chairman and Wanda Smith, Secretary, Treasurer.

## Six more weeks of winter

Punxsutawney Phil, the famous groundhog of Punxsutawney, Pa., took his turn at being a weatherman Monday, Groundhog Day. Phil arose from his burrow to see his shadow, so according to legend, six more weeks of winter weather.

However at Hermann Park Zoo in Houston

Monday, Sophie the prairie dog and Desemona the armadillo predicted an end to winterlike weather but Phil the more famous forecaster, disagrees.

Phil, the famous woodchuck from Gobbler's Knob, has been forecasting the length of winter for 94 years on evidence as thin as a shadow.

He's never been wrong," said Charles Erhard, president of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club.

Erhard, dressed in tails and a silk top hat, rapped on the door of the heated burrow atop Gobbler's Knob at dawn Monday and asked Phil for his prediction.

## Stenholm named to four key ag committees

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm was named to four key subcommittees of the House Agriculture Committee that will essentially serve as the staging area for formulation of the 1981 Farm Bill.

Subcommittee assignments for the 17th District Representative serving his second term in Congress include: Cotton, rice and sugar; livestock, dairy and poultry; tobacco and peanuts; and wheat, soybeans and feed grains, including oilseeds.

Stenholm said he "couldn't be happier" with his subcommittee assignments since "all initial work on the Farm Bill will originate in each of the four subcommittees I will be working on."

While the entire Agriculture Committee will vote on the final farm package before consideration by the House, each subcommittee is handed the responsibility for policy formulation, including mark up (complete deliberation and formal review) vote. In the past, mark-up has been before the full committee. "It would be very difficult to effect any real change or any guidance in policy direction for the commodities without being there at the beginning," Stenholm said.

"I expect to take a very active part in work on the new Farm Bill," Stenholm continued, "and quite frankly, I'm looking forward to it. Right now there are a lot of questions

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## Windfall tax credit available

Royalty owners are eligible for a refund of up to \$1000 of their windfall profit tax due to a bill passed in early December during the lame-duck session of the 96th Congress.

But those claiming the newly permitted credit for overpaid windfall profit taxes will have to wait awhile before the necessary forms are available.

Lamesa accountant Art Bizzell said it may be a month or more before the forms, 6249 and 6249-A as designated by the Internal Revenue Service, are available here.

But Bizzell also explained it would probably be near the end of March before

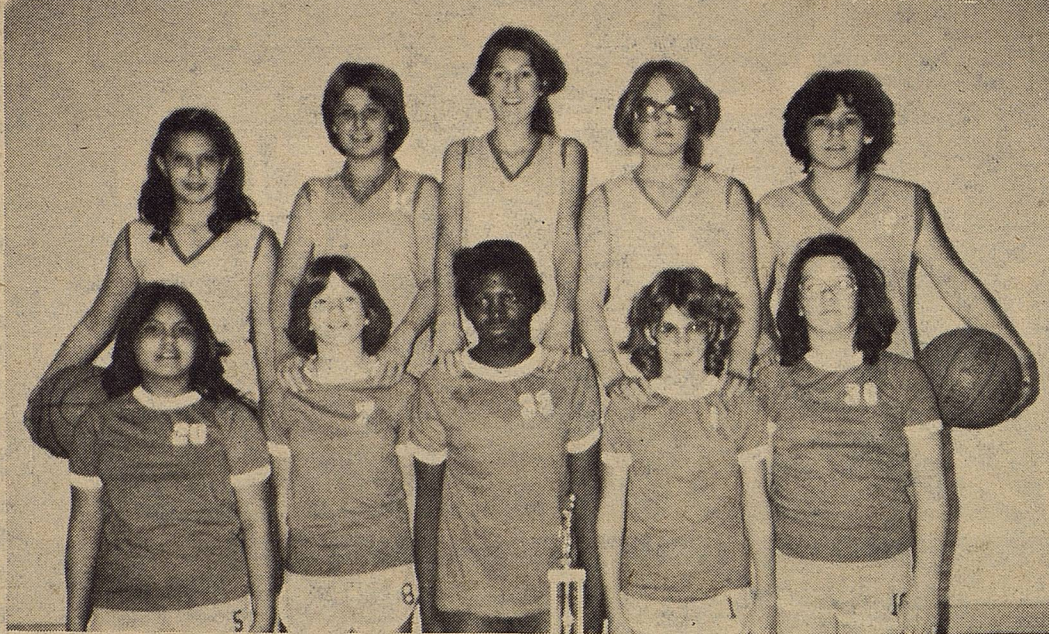
royalty owners receive the information from petroleum companies which is required to complete the required tax form.

Purchasers of the oil are required to provide the royalty owner with the amount of windfall profit tax liability and the amount of windfall profit tax withheld for oil removed through Dec. 31, 1980. That information should be provided to the royalty owner on IRS Form 6248 by about March 31.

Those claiming the royalty owner's credit will be allowed until June 15 to file their regular form 1040. There will be no penalty for late filing but there will be interest charged after April 15 for any tax due.



# Borden County School News



The Junior High Girls Won District-Back Kelli Williams, Shawna Vaughn, Tanya Hollis, Becky Massingill, Shana Bradshaw. Front-Nancy Martinez, Jeanette Massingill, Mary Washington, Ronda King and Samantha Porter.

## Undefeated Jr. High Wins District Title

The Borden Junior High girls defeated Wellman 33-18 to go 14-0 for the season and win their first district title in 4 years. The first half was all Borden as they jumped out to a 22-7 lead and held on for the win. Shana Bradshaw led the final victory with 18 points. Becky Massingill, Shawna Vaughn, and Kelli Williams each contributed 6, 5, and 4

points respectively. The Junior High won both tournaments they entered this year, the Grady tournament and the New Home tournament. They averaged 35 points a game to opponents 16. Season scoring went as follows:

Borden Co.	Opponents
44	Western Hills 10
42	Loop 11

29	Dawson	15
42	Union	12
46	Forsan	14
39	Klondike	14
20	Grady	10
33	Klondike	23
43	Wilson	22
30	New Deal	21
29	Tahoka	19
28	Sands	25
32	Grady	13
33	Wellman	18

## J V Girls Finish 10 - 2

The Borden J.V. girls finished their season at 10 wins and 2 losses with last Tuesdays loss to Klondike. Borden led once, going into the last quarter 22-21 but too much height on the Klondike team overcame Borden J.V. as Klondike defeated Borden 29-27. Simona Benavidez led the team with 9 points followed by Kelley Richardson with

6. Stephanie Herring, Maria Benavidez, and Shellie Peterson had 5, 4, and 3 points respectively. The J.V. team this year won the Klondike J.V. tournament, placed 3rd in the Wilson tournament, and had only one district loss. They averaged 41 points a game to opponents 27. Season scoring went as follows.

Borden	Opponent	Points
50	Ropes	23
40	New Home	18
62	Hermleigh	15
31	Sands	30
39	Loop	29
41	Forsan	31
35	Sands	31
40	Wellman	8
53	NewHome	30
29	Cooper	39
41	Wilson	39
27	Klondike	39

## Jr. High B Team Takes 2nd

The BORDEN Junior High B team won two games and lost one in the Klondike round robin B team tournament. In the first game against Grady, neither team could find the basket often as Borden won 9-7. Ronda King, Dana Gray, Cathy York, and Cindy Balague each hit a field goal for 2 points with Ronda King adding a free throw for the total. In the second game, Borden ran up against a big Greenwood 7th grade team and suffered their first defeat 23-11. Ronda King had 5 points with Sherrie Vaughn adding 4 and Debbie King chipping in 2.

Borden played Klondike for 2nd place and had their best game of the tournament winning 30-7. A 19-2 first half lead was the biggest advantage of the little Coyotes. Cindy Balague led the win with 10 points followed by Ronda King and Sherrie Vaughn with 7 each. Cathy York had 4 and Debbie King added 2.

The B team this year finished at 3-1 outscoring opponents 16 to 10. Season scores are as follows.

Borden Co	13	Klondike 4
	9	Grady 7
	11	Greenwood 23
	30	Klondike 7

## Jr. Coyotes Finish Season

The Borden Junior High boys lost their last game of the season to Wellman 26-12. Although suffering through a dismal 1-11 season, the Junior Coyotes showed their desire to become better. With only 4 eighth graders on the team, the Coyotes will return an experienced group of young men for next season.

In the Wellman game, 6 players scored 2 points each. They were Kirby Williams, Dennis Buchanan, Brice Turner, Mickey Burkett, Jerry Green and Joe Villanueva. Green and Villanueva connected on 100 percent of their free throws for their points.

The following are scoring totals for the season: Kirby Williams 43 points, Chris Cooley 36, Brice Turner 23, Dennis Buchanan 22, Jerry Green 10, Mickey Burkett 6, Arnold Velasco 6, Glen Bacon 3, and Joe Villanueva 2.

## Klondike B Tournament

The Borden Junior High B Team boys took Klondike into overtime before losing 23-21. Brice Key's 40 foot attempt at the buzzer was just a few inches off or there would have been a second overtime.

Arnold Velasco scored 10 points, Mickey Burkett 6, Brice Key and Joe Villanueva 2, and John Stephens 1. Gerry Smith, Mathew Massingill, Harold Barnes, and Michael Murphy provided good defense and ball handling.

## Booster Club Meeting

During the last meeting of the Borden Booster Club, it was decided to change meeting days of the club to every other Wednesday, so the club will meet February 4, 11, 18 and 25th.

The Borden Relays are scheduled for Friday, March 13. There were 18 teams entered at the time of the meeting.

## Booster Club

THE BOOSTER CLUB WILL MEET EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY



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# Borden County School News

## Coyotes Push Mustangs To Limit

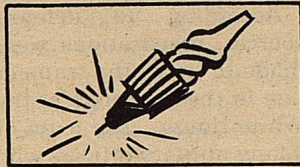
The Borden Coyote boys played the best quarter and one of the best halves of the season before falling to the Sands Mustangs 70-46. The Coyotes jumped out to a 14-7 lead at one point and led 14-13 after one quarter. Sands converted on three Coyote mistakes in the last 2 minutes of the half to lead 31-24 at halftime. After 3 quarters the Coyotes trailed 39-48. Early in the fourth

quarter the Coyotes lost Bart McMeans, Junior Benavidez, and Troy King with 5 fouls and Jym Rinehart with stomach cramps. At that point the Mustangs began to pull away and showed no mercy down the stretch.

Bart McMeans scored 16 points, Jym Rinehart 9, Mike Peterson 8, Troy King and Junior Benavidez 6 each and Van York 1.

## Jr. High B Team

The Borden Junior High 'B' team lost 2 games Saturday in the Klondike Tournament. In the first game the Greenwood 7th grade defeated the Coyotes 28-6. Mickey Burkett, Arnold Velasco, and Michael Murphy each had 2 points. In the second game, Grady beat the Coyotes 32-4. Arnold Velasco and Brice Key each had 2 points for Borden.



Spark plugs usually last 10,000 to 20,000 miles.

## Cougars Clobber Coyotes

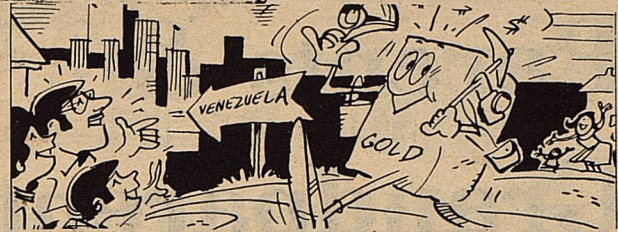
The Borden Coyotes jumped out to an early lead, but the Klondike Cougars totally dominated the remainder of the game to win 70-47.

The Coyotes played a good game but just couldn't keep up with the Cougars. Trailing 36-19 at the half, the Coyotes played within 6 points the last half.

Poor shooting from the

field (28 percent) again plagued the Coyotes, but 13 of 22 free throws (59 percent) was an improvement.

Bart McMeans hit for 20 points and Jym Rinehart 12 to lead the Coyotes. Troy King had 8, Junior Benavidez, Mike Peterson and Kevin Telchik, had 2 each, and Danny Holmes 1.



## Venezuela Hopes To Strike It Richer In Gold

Caracas (Inter-Am)—Venezuela, already Latin America's number one oil producer, hopes to become its principal gold miner, too.

Official sources here expect that future gold production will top more than 5,000 kilograms annually. Colombia now leads Latin America in gold production with approximately 9,000 kilos annually, followed by Mexico which produces 4,000 kilos. The leader worldwide is South Africa with 600,000 kilograms annually.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Energy and Mines said that the national company MINERVEN has in-

creased its exploration and mining in a 1,000 kilometer zone extending along the Orinoco River basin.

The company recently took over foreign companies' mineral concessions and is considering beginning operations at 10 to 15 mines.

In the same area another company, La Venezolana de Oro, extracts 360 kilograms annually.

Increasing gold prices in the world markets have now made the prospect of finding gold in this region a much more profitable venture than it was just a short time ago.

## Lunchroom Guidelines Altered

Recently enacted Federal legislation has revised the income eligibility standards and procedures that schools participating in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs shall use to determine a child's eligibility for free and reduced-price meals and

free milk for the remainder of the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981. These changes will affect the eligibility of some children for free and reduced-price meals and free milk.

After checking the income poverty guidelines below, and if you find that your child or children are

now eligible for free or reduced-price meals, applications may be picked up in the superintendent's office.

If your child has been on the free or reduced priced meal program and your income has changed, please let the school know.



February 9-13, 1981

### LUNCH

Steak Fingers & Gravy  
Carrot Sticks  
Creamed Potatoes  
English Peas  
Hot Rolls  
Fruit  
Milk

Salad Bar

### MONDAY

Buttered Toast & Jelly  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

### TUESDAY

Chalupas  
Lettuce & Tomato Salad  
Pinto Beans  
Sopapillas & Honey  
Milk

Salad Bar

Pancakes  
Fruit  
Milk

### WEDNESDAY

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce  
Vegetable Salad  
Green Beans  
Garlic Toast  
Cake  
Milk

Salad Bar

Bacon  
Hot Biscuits & Jelly  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

### THURSDAY

Creamed Turkey Over Rice  
Vegetable Salad  
English Peas  
Cranberry Sauce  
Hot Rolls  
Milk

Salad Bar

Homemade Apple Rolls  
Fruit Juice  
Milk

### FRIDAY

Hamburgers  
Lettuce-Tomatoes-Pickles  
French Fries  
Cookies  
Milk

Salad Bar

Buttered Rice  
Toast  
Fruit  
Milk

### INCOME POVERTY GUIDELINES JANUARY 1, 1981 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1981

Family Size	Annual		Monthly		Weekly	
	Free Meals	Reduced-Price Meals	Free Meals	Reduced-Price Meals	Free Meals	Reduced-Price Meals
1	\$0 - 5,700	\$ 5,700 - 8,350	\$0 - 475	\$ 475 - 696	\$0 - 110	\$110 - 161
2	0 - 7,220	7,220 - 10,730	0 - 602	602 - 894	0 - 139	139 - 206
3	0 - 8,750	8,750 - 13,110	0 - 729	729 - 1,093	0 - 168	168 - 252
4	0 - 10,270	10,270 - 15,490	0 - 856	856 - 1,291	0 - 198	198 - 298
5	0 - 11,800	11,800 - 17,870	0 - 983	983 - 1,489	0 - 227	227 - 344
6	0 - 13,320	13,320 - 20,250	0 - 1,110	1,110 - 1,688	0 - 256	256 - 389
7	0 - 14,850	14,850 - 22,620	0 - 1,238	1,238 - 1,885	0 - 286	286 - 435
8	0 - 16,370	16,370 - 25,000	0 - 1,364	1,364 - 2,083	0 - 315	315 - 481
Each Additional Family Member	\$1,530	\$2,380	\$128	\$198	\$29	\$46

## Gail FFA

### GAIL STOCK SHOW

The Gail Stock Show will be held on February 27th and 28th. Participants need to remember the dates for weighing and showing animals. The schedule is as follows:

February 26th-Weighing will begin at 8:00. All animals will be weighed by 12:00 and beginning at 1:00 on this day, classifying of animals will begin.

February 27th-Barrow judging will begin at 1:00 and lambs will be judged beginning at 4:00

February 28th-Judging of steers will begin at 9:30. The bar-be-que lunch will begin at 12:00 with the premium sale starting at 1:00.

Students participating in the Houston Stock show from Gail F.F.A. will leave at 8:00 on March 2.

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## Sobering Thought

Sandwiched in among the hoopla and ritual of Inauguration Day was a very private ceremony at the White House where the most awesome trapping of modern presidential power - "the football" - was transferred to President Reagan.

The football is the slang term for the leather briefcase carrying the equipment that would allow the president to use what are known as the "gold codes," the signals that would tell the Pentagon to launch a nuclear strike.

According to defense sources, preparations were made to make the transfer late in the afternoon at the White House. The team of young military officers who work in shifts, making sure that the briefcase is always near the president wherever he goes, was switched from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

Accompanying the shift was a briefing for the new president on how to use the codes.

Included in the briefing was a demonstration of various secret fail safe procedures designed to prevent anyone but the president from using the codes.

-John J. Fialka

## New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Parks of Fluvanna are the parents of a baby girl born Jan. 25 at 9:59 a.m. at Lubbock General Hospital. The baby, Dayna Michelle, weighed 7lbs 4oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Martin Parks of Fluvanna and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cox of Lubbock.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Clarence Thompson of Snyder and Mrs. George Parks of Jayton.

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## Courthouse News



The Borden County Commissioners' Court met in special session on January 26, 1981 at the Courthouse with all members present.

Minutes of the meeting held on January 12, 1981 were read and approved and routine bills were examined and approved for payment.

Bid was opened on Hydraulic ripper and cab for county's D6C dozer. Bid of West Texas equipment for \$13,551 was accepted, it being the only bid received.

Bids were opened for carpet for the Courthouse and County Extension Agent's Offices. Bids were as follows: Amos Supply of Lamesa, \$11,745 and Squeaky Thompson of Big Spring, \$12,960. The bid from Amos Supply was accepted. Carpet should arrive around March 20th.

Jim Allen of Flint

Construction Company met with the court to request permission to mount an antenna on the county radio tower. It was agreed that as long as there was no interference with the sheriff's radio or additional cost to the county it could be used. A monthly rate of \$.30 per foot was decided on. Flint Construction Company will be responsible for arrangements with Pearce Estate, the owner of the land.

County Extension agents Alan Day and LaRhea Pepper met with the court to request some new chairs for the County Exhibit Building. Permission was given to purchase up to 50 reasonably priced chairs.

There being no further business court was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

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"Well..." president Reagan has decontrolled the price of oil by executive order. I applaud the swiftness with which the newly installed president is trying to free the American economy and get the federal government off our backs. But my applause is with some reservations.

First off, I am skeptical about the use of executive orders as a means of by-passing the legislative process upon which our government was founded. Of course we all know from even recent experience how cumbersome the legislative process has become. Legislation tends to bog down in committee, thwarted by special interest groups. Particularly any legislation that would do away with or nullify previous legislation seems doomed to defeat or at best interminable long delays in passing. And we know that the energy industry has been singled out to be a pharaoh. Our government has seen nothing wrong with bailing out a sick industry such as Chrysler. Nor has there been much hesitation in subsidizing a metropolis which has gone broke due to vast unfunded

welfare programs and mismanagement -i.e. NYC. We have all prayed that our new president would be able to fulfill his campaign promises and act quickly to ease the economic disaster that was hastened by his predecessor. But legislation by executive order even tho the order benefits US must be used with caution. It is difficult to fault a president who is on our side, but, executive orders can become habit forming.

All in the energy industry have begged for decontrol. It made little sense to have a control placed on the price you could receive for your product when the costs of all that goes into extracting and producing that product were escalating with no controls. But my second reservation has to do with the confiscatory Windfall Profits Tax in relation to decontrol. Mr. Reagan once said he would attempt to ease out of the WPT, and he may in time. But my point is, decontrol of prices will only enhance the coffers of big government. The more the oil industry, royalty holders and independents included, receives for oil, the more they pay Uncle Sam in the form of WPT. I suspect that Reagan, as sympathetic as he might be, has realized that government is flat broke, that by decontrolling oil the government will take in that much more, that his added revenue is necessary to even keep afloat much less upgrade our defenses. I am surprised that Carter did not remove all controls the same afternoon the WPT was signed into law. But rest assured, once he caught on, he too would have turned the prices loose.

Don't misunderstand, the oil industry is pleased to be free of the shackles of control. But they will realize very little more for future exploration and production after paying WPT. Our task now is to convince Mr. Reagan as well as Congress that the Windfall Profits Tax is as much a drag on the industry as controls were, maybe more. It might take another executive order, but WPT must go.



## Stenholm

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regarding the future direction of agricultural policy in this country and that policy will have a widespread effect on the economy of the country as a whole.

"We know there have to be changes made," Stenholm said. "We just cannot afford to continue to export our farm products below the costs to produce them. Neither can we afford the high toll on our soil, water and energy resources."

Hearings on the Farm Bill are expected to begin in mid-February.

Stenholm is now one of only two Texans on the Agriculture Committee, a committee noted for its domination by Texans in past years. Congressman E. (Kika) de la Garza of Texas is new chairman of the committee.

Other House Committee assignments for Stenholm include a return to the Small Business Committee. Members of this committee will caucus within the next week for subcommittee assignments.

## Howell's Honored

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson Howell, Snyder, Texas have just returned from Quincy, Illinois where he and 99 others were honored as being among the top 100 MoorMan Salesmen during 1980. They came from 38 states. Both men and their wives gave outstanding performances during the year and were singled out for special honors.

## Thank You

We would like to express our appreciation to all of our Borden County friends, who were concerned during the loss of our loved one Joyce Hill.

Thank you for the prayers, food, flowers, and a special thanks to the ones who sent a contribution to the American Cancer Society in memory of Joyce. May God bless each of you for all your kindness. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Vaughn & Family



Learn more about your health. Take The National Health Quiz with Cheryl Nege and Peter Graves on Sunday, Feb. 15, 1981 in Lubbock area Channell 5 NEXT.

More than ever before, Texans want to know how to take better care of themselves and how to prevent serious health problems. In response to demand for medical and health information a one-hour self-evaluation health special, "The National Health Quiz", will be telecast on Public Broadcast Service. The special will help you evaluate your risk of suffering from the four leading causes of death: heart disease, cancer, stroke and auto accidents.

It will be helpful if you can find out your height, weight, blood pressure, blood cholesterol level, family history for diabetes and the age at which your grandparents died before

the program. However, you can still take the quiz without this information. Although the quiz is designed for all Americans, there are certain questions that, because of age or gender, will not apply to all viewers.

If you have questions about "The National Health Quiz" contact your local Texas Agricultural Extension Service office.

Remember the only way you can fail the health quiz is by not taking it!

### DATES TO REMEMBER

February 19 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Wardrobe Updating & Recycling clinic for Spring

March 26 9:00 - 4:00 Creative Stitchery Workshop

April 30 Gift Idea Exchange (Borden Co. residents should be thinking about ideas they may exchange at this meeting)



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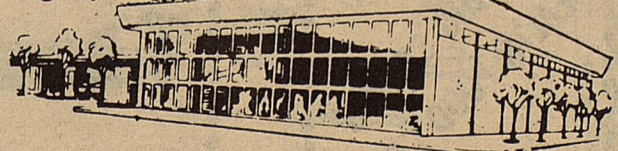
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## Your County Agent Says by Alan Day

### COTTON PRODUCTION MEETING SCHEDULED

There will be a meeting for all Borden and surrounding county cotton producers February 9 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the conference room of the Borden County High School.

This meeting is being held to inform producers of up to date weed control, fertilization and economics of cotton production in 1981.

Dr. James Supak, area cotton specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be here to present the program and answer questions which may arise. Jerry Stone, ASCS manager, will be available to answer questions on cotton acreage and payments for 1981.

The meeting is a joint effort between the County Extension Service, ASCS Office and The Plains Cotton Growers. There will be door prizes given which have been donated by local gins.

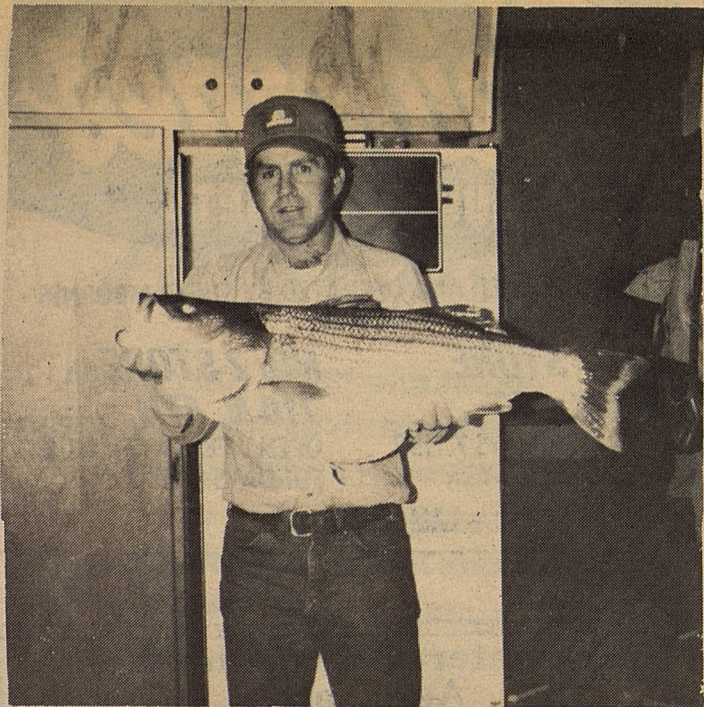
All area producers are

urged to attend this meeting to obtain the latest information on cotton production in Borden County.

### LIVESTOCK BRANDS TO BE REGISTERED EVERY TEN YEARS

A bill passed by the 62nd Legislature in 1971 called for owners of brands and marks for livestock to be recorded in the office of local county clerks. Brands and marks registered under that act must be re-registered every 10 years.

As a result, an Attorney General Opinion MW-289 (RQ-437) issued in December 1980 states, "Article 6899j, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, requires that all marks and brands registered prior to August 30, 1981, must be reregistered within six months of that date, and that the reregistration process must be repeated at subsequent 10 year intervals for then current owners."



THAT'S A BIG FISH - Lonnie King is shown holding a 23 lb Striper he caught while fishing at Lake Spence over the weekend. Other fishermen, Bob Bagley and Charlie Greene also reported catches but his one topped the day.

## E.M.S. Meeting

Donations received since last publication:

In Memory of Travis Rinehart: Warren and Betty Beaver, Roger and Comelle Williams and family, Sterling and Gladys Williams, O.D. and Lois Jackson, and Joe and Sybil Gilmore.

In Memory of Joyce Ann Hill: Joe and Sybil Gilmore.

## Increase Your Reading Speed

Adults who would like to increase their speed and comprehension in reading are invited to enroll in a Continuing Education course starting Feb. 9 at Wester Texas College

Gerald Corkran, director of the Reading Center at WTC, will teach the course. Classes will meet from 7-9 p.m. on Mondays through April 13. Students will pay fees of \$24.15 which includes the textbook, "Guide to Effective Reading".

Persons planning to enroll are to call the Continuing Education office at AC 915-573-8511, extension 240, to pre-register.

Corkran had designed this course especially for business and professional people who must handle an increasing amount of reading matter each day, but adds that it will also be profitable for those who enjoy reading as a hobby.

"With almost no exceptions, anyone can profit from learning to read faster and more effectively," he concluded.

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## EDITORIAL

To the Editor:

Tuesday, January 20, 1981 started out to be one of the best days of my life. I was in Washington, D.C. attending receptions for Senators and Congressmen, revelling in the fact that I was totally out of my league, and anxiously awaiting the materialization of one of my fondest dreams...the inauguration of Mr. Ronald Wilson Reagan as the 40th President of the United States of America. I did not think anything short of leg cramps and pneumonia could dull the excitement I was experiencing. I could not have been more wrong.

With perfect timing, the U.S. hostages were released from Tehran and the news was broken shortly after the swearing in ceremony. I could see the handwriting on the wall. I knew what would happen in the next few days. The hostages would return to a hero's welcome, Jimmy Carter (of the Plains Carters) would receive credit for their return with dignity, and America could once again be respected and honored by all. What a crock!

First of all, I don't even know why we're celebrating

their return. Don't get me wrong. I'm glad they're back. But this is only the final page of one of the saddest chapters in American history. I personally am embarrassed and ashamed that a pipsqueak band of 35 year-old "students" could handcuff my great country for 444 agonizingly "patient" days. I also firmly believe our patient former leader had very little to do with the release of the hostages. The Iranian terrorists released our countrymen because of a fear of Ronald Reagan. They realized (and rightly so) that he was much more inclined to turn Iran into a parking lot than the guy we fired. Strength has historically been the best negotiator. Our embarrassment and shame will pass as the new administration begins to return this country to a position of strength and world leadership. But let us never forget the lessons we have learned from this terrible chapter, especially if Jimmy ever asks our permission to return to national politics.

-s- Craig Hubbard

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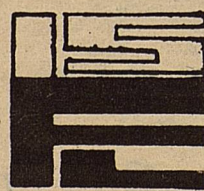
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## Legislative Newsletter

The 67th Legislature convened January 13. Not surprisingly, Bill Clayton was elected to an unprecedented fourth term and has not ruled out the possibility that he might try for a fifth.

Strong party loyalty surfaced in the fight over the candidate to be seated in the contested northeast San Antonio house district. The Republican, Alan Schoolcraft, defeated the Democratic incumbent, Al Brown, by more than 1,000 votes. Brown contested the election on grounds that numerous absentee ballots were mailed in by servicemen who claimed San Antonio as their home, but in fact were not residents. Schoolcraft countered that the margin was such a wide one that he would have won even if the ballots in question had not been included in the vote tally.

The odds seemed to strongly favor Schoolcraft until the committee appointed to hear the contest recommended by a slim 5-4 margin that Schoolcraft be seated. When a vote was taken by the full house, the election was voided. Four-fifths of the Democrats voted with Brown.

The matter now goes back to the voters with a special election set for February 10. In the meantime, a ruling

was made that incumbent Brown be seated until the special election. The Justice Department has requested all pertinent information on the voiding of the election, saying that they are concerned that the decision might have changed or altered someone's right to vote.

Committee appointments have been made and there were no major surprises. In the house, 21 chairmen were retained (19 as head of the same committees). Seven Republicans were named chairmen. In the Senate, Senator Ray Farabee took over the powerful State Affairs committee; Senator Oscar Mauzy moved from chairmanship of the Education committee to chair Jurisprudence; Senator Pete Snelson took over the Education committee; Senator Roy Blake became chairman of the Administration committee; Senator Ike Harris, who took the reins of the Economic Development committee, became the first Republican chairman of a major committee.

Governor Clements delivered his State of the State Address to a joint session in which he outlined his goals for the 1981 session. Included are: wiretap legislation to fight drug traffic; prison reform; legislation to allow school

districts to establish summer remedial programs; a 22 percent increase in teachers' salaries over the next two years; competency testing for prospective teachers prior to certification; establishing a Master Teachers program which rewards the high-performing classroom teachers with additional pay and some supervisory duties without removing them from the classroom; an increase of \$1.2 billion in major state funds for public school finance; an increase of more than \$940 million for institutions of higher learning, including a 28 percent pay raise for faculty members over the next two years, with substantial increases for Texas Southern University and Prairie View A & M University; Initiative and Referendum; a 3.4 percent emergency pay raise for state employees and retired public school teachers; legislation to control and tightly manage the disposal of low-level nuclear wastes that are generated in Texas; and exemption of gasoline from gasoline taxes.

Both the house and the senate will be conducting committee hearings during the next week. However, unless the house suspends the constitutional rule that requires a four-fifths vote of the house to consider any but emergency legislation for the first 60 days of the session, the work of the

## Of Interest

Here's the latest parody on the 23rd Psalm, which may be of special interest to those working on their income tax returns:

The government is my shepherd, I shall not work. It maketh me to lie down on good jobs.

It leadeth me beside the still factories.

It destroyeth my initiative.

It leadeth me in the paths of the parasite for politics' sake.

Yea, through I walk through the valley of deficit spending, I will fear no evil, for the government is with me.

Its doles and its vote-getters, they comfort me.

I prepareth an economic Utopia for me by appropriating the earnings of my grandchildren.

It filleth my head with baloney.

My inefficiency runneth over.

Surely the government shall care for me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in a fool's paradise forever.

# ASCS

# News

by Jerry Stone

### NORMAL CROP ACREAGE (NCA)

Compliance with the normal crop acreage (NCA) will not be a requirement for the 1981 Wheat, Feed Grain, or Upland Cotton Programs. This is a complete change from what had earlier been announced.

Producers may now plant crops in excess of the farm's NCA and still be eligible for program benefits such as disaster payments, price support loans, and target price protection.

Any increase in planted acreage in 1981 will not be used in determining the normal crop acreage in future years. In addition to not having to comply with the NCA, there is no required set-aside applicable to the 1981 Wheat, Feed Grain, or Cotton Program.

### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA)

The filing deadline for farmers and ranchers to file for physical loss disaster assistance loans as declared under SBA's declaration No. 1900 is February 12, 1981.

Applications must be received by the close of business or postmarked by midnight to be accepted.

Interested persons may contact the Lubbock Disaster Office of the Small Business Administration (SBA) by calling 806-762-7481 for further information.

### FOREIGN INVESTORS REQUIREMENTS

All foreign interests who own U.S. agricultural land are required to report their holdings to USDA through the ASCS Office. Foreign owners who purchase or transfer land have 90 days after date of such acquisition or transfer to report their actions. A penalty could be imposed for failure to report such information.

### COTTON PRODUCTION MEETING

There has been a Cotton Production Meeting scheduled for Monday, February 9, 1981, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Borden County High School.

Dr. James Supak and Dr. Dave Weaver, Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be available to present the very latest information on weed control and economics.

Please make plans now to attend this meeting.

### LOW YIELD PAYMENTS

These payments are not automatic, you must file an application for disaster credit. The application must be filed within 15 days from the date harvest is complete. If you feel your farm is due a low yield payment, please contact this office.

### 1980 COTTON LOAN

The final date to place 1980 crop cotton in the loan is May 31, 1981. The loan rate for strict low middling 1-16 inch staple - 3.5 to 4.9 micronaire is 50.35 per pound. The interest rate is 11.5 percent.

### PAYMENT LIMITATION

Payment limitations are still in effect for the 1981 crop year. The determination of a person or entity will be based on conditions that exist on March 1 of the crop year.

### RECORD CHANGES

Now would be a good time to report any changes in your farm record for the 1981 crop year. (Address, ownership, operator, etc.)

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



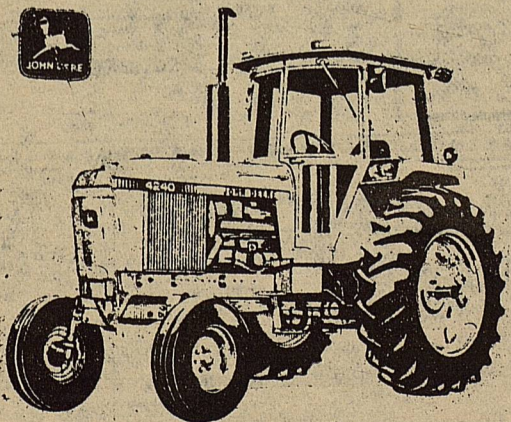
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## Simple Oath For A Heavy Responsibility

By John McKelway  
Washington Staff  
Writer

The chosen, the elected, have been taking and breaking oaths of office for a great many years.

The practice can be traced to the Greeks, to Charlemagne, to the Kings of England, Caligula, Roman emperor, probably took one but not too seriously.

At any rate, in the United States, the oath taken by the president elect is gracefully appropriate, grand in its simplicity. There are only 35 words, remarkable in that it was composed in an age of endless, windy sentences.

The oath appears in the Constitution of the United States Article II, Section 1 and directs that the president "before he enter on the Execution of his Office" should take, or

affirm, the following oath: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

In contrast, when England coronates a new king or queen they are sworn in by an archbishop or bishop and are asked a series of lengthy questions. One of the questions, for example rambles somewhat and asks: "Will you to the utmost of your power, maintain the laws of God, the true profession of the Gospel, and the Protestant reformed religion established by law? And will you maintain and preserve inviolable the settlement of the Church of England and the doctrine, worship, discipline and government thereof, as by

law established in England? And will you preserve unto the bishops and clergy of England, and to the churches therein all such rights and privileges as by law do or shall appertain to them, or any of them?"

For various reasons, a great many Americans, not exactly known for their patience, would walk out on such an oath or simply refuse to take it. Yet it is of interest that the framers of the Constitution and oath took pains to provide the optional phrase, "or affirm," for those whose religious faith proscribed the "swearing" of an oath. So far, dating back to George Washington, the only president to choose to say "affirm" It was not on religious grounds. He was a Presbyterian.

Two Quakers, Herbert C. Hoover and Richard M. Nixon, plunged ahead and said they would "Swear" to uphold the Constitution. Normally, Quakers only "affirm."

There is no law that described how an oath is to be administered. And there is no clear precedent as to who administers the oath to the president or vice president.

Former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew took his oath the first time from Senate Minority Leader Everett M. Dirksen, the second time from Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, Calvin Coolidge took the oath from his father, John Coolidge, a notary public, in a farm house in Vermont. They had to wire Washington to get the text of the oath, following news of the death of Warren G. Harding. Actually, George

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The late Harry S. Truman had this to say about the act of taking the oath which, in an instant, passes the power of the presidency from one man to another:

"In the simple ceremony in which the president and the vice president are invested with the duties of

their offices, the citizens of the United States symbolically invest themselves with the duties of citizenship, the responsibilities of keeping themselves informed on the activities of their government, of living in friendly understanding with one another of helping to keep the United States a nation which increasingly provides a better life for its people."

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