

The Devil's River News

Eighty-eighth year, Twenty-sixth Week

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Chief of Police Jerry Kemp presented the annual Police Department report to the Sonora City Council at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday morning. The report indicated a definite upswing of the crime

rate in the city. Besides the police report, the Council members spent most of the morning discussing the problem of raising utility deposits.

Educators Slate Accreditation Visit For Sonora Schools

A committee of sixteen educators from surrounding area schools will visit the Sonora High School campus February 25-28 for an accreditation visit.

The committee represents the Southern Association of Secondary Schools which is the highest accrediting agency in the U.S. Sonora has been a member of the Southern Association since 1926 and the committee has been invited by the district to visit the high school and evaluate the educational program in accordance with the Southern Association standards for accreditation.

Member schools are required to evaluate their schools every 5-8 years. The last accreditation visit by outside educators was in 1972.

Gene Blanton, Assistant Superintendent of Schools at Kerrville, will serve as chairman of the visiting

committee. He will address the Sonora Lions Club February 27 on the history and development of the Southern Association.

Other members of the committee are as follows:

Jim Payne, Principal, and Jim Williams of Ozona High School; Jim Coffee, George Piller and Tommy Long of Region XV Education Service Center, San Angelo;

Robert Jay, Principal, and Dana Owens of Eldorado High School; Ed Shive, Texas Education Agency, Big Springs;

James Mallow, Avanel Siler and Mary Bates of Brady ISD; Artis Hinds and Eugene Monroe of Junction ISD;

Dr. Earl Yarbrough of Angelo State University; and Elaine (Mears) Free of Irving ISD.

City Approves Utility Deposit Hike

Discussion on proposed price hikes in city utility deposits dominated the meeting of the Sonora City Council Tuesday morning.

The major question was not the increase in the current deposit rates of \$25 for electricity and \$10 for water, but the fairest way to raise the deposit to consumers without losing money be people skipping town.

City Manager James Dover accentuated the current problem by showing that over \$2,000 in past due bills were lost in the June and July period of 1978 alone even after the deposit had been applied to the persons' bill.

After lingering debate, Lemuel Lopez' motion for \$75 electricity deposit for homeowners, \$100 for renters, apartment dwellers and mobile home dwellers, and \$25 deposit for water.

The motion carried with James Trainer casting the only nay vote.

A clause was also added whereby an account is reviewed after two years with a refund of the deposit if payment had been satisfactory.

The deposit for commercial and industrial users was set at twice the estimated monthly bill.

The matter of deposits for those over 65 was left to the discretion of the city manager.

Mayor Doyle Morgan stated the Council needs to keep an eye on the situation and be ready to act if action taken proved not to be the best possible course.

Dover also brought before the Council a proposal to have all city ordinances printed together and brought up to date. He told Council members he had already been in contact with a company

which specializes in this and the cost would be \$6,800, payable over a two-year period.

City Attorney Charles Sherrill added he felt the cost was well justified since there is currently no organization of the ordinances which causes considerable problems in checking old laws.

Dover also told the Council he had met with a representative of N.C.R. concerning problems with the City's computer problems and several of the problems had already been cleared. Another meeting is scheduled for Thursday.

Chief of Police Jerry Kemp also gave the annual police department report to the Council. Among some

One-car Crash Thursday Claims Life of Youth

A fourteen-year-old Entio, California youth died as the result of injuries sustained in a one car crash thirty miles east of Sonora on US Highway 290 February 15.

Renee Martinez was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Francis Templeton.

Martinez was a passenger in a car driven by his cousin Daniel Perez of Raymondville. Perez was taken to Hudspeith Hospital by local ambulance service where he was treated and released later in the week.

According to DPS Officer Dwight Hardin who was the investigating officer, the Perez vehicle veered off the left side of the road and the driver lost control. The vehicle overturned one time landing on its wheels. The dead youth was thrown from the vehicle.

of the significant parts of the report were the fact calls answered had risen from 845 in 1977 to 1,019 in 1978.

Fine revenues had also increased to approximately \$16,000 from \$11,000 the previous year.

In conjunction with the report the Aldermen also passed a statute as authorized by the Texas Legislature to allow local police personnel to assist officers in other counties.

Gene West also presented the annual Fire Department report giving several facts about the member qualifications and number of fires calls received.

West also said the department had submitted specifications for a new backup truck which the members will build themselves as was done with the current Unit 40.

"We're very fortunate to have the caliber people we do in our fire department," Mayor Morgan commented.

Dover added, "after looking at other communities, it is easy to realize we would have to double our current tax structure in order to provide the quality of service afforded by our volunteer unit."

Walter Pope also appeared before the Council to confirm earlier Council approval of the plate of parking around the Mercantile Building. Pope stated construction on the parking area should start next week.

In other action Council: *Approved the naming of Paul Terry as election judge and Lou McMillon and Jessie Thompson as clerks for the upcoming April 7 city election with the polls open from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m.;

*Approved the continuation of support for the Sonora Golf Club

which includes the donation of electricity which totaled \$2,117 for the past year;

*Voted to continue the \$200 a month support of the ambulance service.

*Accepted the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission in classifying three lots of the Charles Graves development as C-1 and the rest as R-1, in approving the final plate of the

casement of the Joe David Ross property and in granting approval for Bob Teaff to build a garage on his property within three feet of the property line;

*Accepted the low bid of \$5,161.22 by Ken Braden Motors for 1 1979 half-ton pickup;

*Ratified a grant application made for a juvenile officer and certain equipment including radios;

*Continued the lease for sewer treatment property with John Mittel at a rate of \$1,000 per year;

*Approved the state agreement concerning the new traffic signal;

*Tabled a land lease request by Buster Shroyer until further information can be obtained.

Council members present included Morgan, Lopez, Mary Owensby, Jack Kerbow, Trainer and Hershel Davenport.

Dick Jones Resigns As Deputy Sheriff

Sheriff's Deputy Richard H. (Dick) Jones has announced his resignation effective March 1 according to Sheriff Bill Webster.

Jones has accepted a position with the Texas Department of Public Safety where he will be a

breathalyzer technical supervisor. He has not received an assignment at this time.

Jones came to Sonora in December 1975 and was at that time employed by the City of Sonora Police Department. In July

1977 Jones accepted a position with the county.

Jones stated he hated to leave Sonora and all the many friends he has made while here but his new position will involve better pay and less hours.

Pair Receives 12-year Sentence after Trial

Michael James Hanson of Phoenix, Arizona and Ronald William Atkinson of Detroit, Michigan, both received twelve year sentences on charges of aggravated robbery in Judge Robert Barton's 112th District Court last week.

where they will serve their sentences.

The two were charged in the November robbery and assault of a Canada couple who told officials they picked the pair up between San Antonio and Boerne the day of the assault.

A county wide man hunt was called off after an arrest by Sheriff Bill Webster at a gas plant located six miles northwest of Sonora.

Hanson and Atkinson have been transported to the Texas Department of Correction at Huntsville

Weather

Compiled by Pat Brown

Date	R	H	Lo
February 13	78	34	
February 14	85	38	
February 15	84	40	
February 16	26	23	
February 17	35	20	
February 18	54	19	
February 19	58	21	

Rainfall for the month 1.17; rainfall for the year 1.54.

Subscription Drive Starts

The Devil's River News is starting a subscription drive in the month of March. At the same time, local non-profit organizations will be able to raise funds for their yearly projects.

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forming the operation. What are the purposes of pruning? First and foremost is to maintain a strong framework for the future development of the tree. Other reasons are to reduce the size or to keep

them within specific bounds. To remove dead, diseased, or weak growth as well as broken limbs and rubbing branches. Another reason is to improve the size and quality of flowers and

fruit. The final reason is to balance the top growth with the root system at transplanting time.

Unless pruning can be justified for one of these reasons it is better to place the shears and saw

in the shed and obtain the desired exercise by spading the flowerbed.

Never stub back limbs or branches. Rather, cut back to a main branch or trunk so that there will be no stubs remaining. The so-called "stubbing back" or topping large branches will result in a proliferation or sucker growth and leave a wound that is impossible to heal. This leads to insect and disease damage in the dead wood that results from stubbing back.

Recent research indicates that the use of tree wound paint on wounds is not essential. Woody plants have the ability to

heal the wounded area and will heal over just as effectively without the dressing. However, if it makes you feel better, there's no harm in it.

It is important to use a saw or chisels to smooth broken stubs and torn bark in order to promote healing.

The homeowner can frequently handle the pruning operation himself if the work can be reached from a ladder. If your trees are quite large or need extensive work, it is best to hire a professional arborist or tree surgeon. He will have the necessary tools and training to do the job correctly and

safely.

If there is evidence of disease in the tree or shrub being pruned it is important that after each cut the pruning equipment be dipped in a disinfectant to kill the disease organisms to prevent their spread to other portions of

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Barker, Honor Student

Richard L. Barker, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Halford, Jr., of Sonora was named to the O.U. honor roll at Norman, Okla., with a grade point average of 3.75. His grade point average was high enough to make

him eligible for the Rita H. Lottinville prize which is a \$250 award given to an outstanding freshman student based on academic and other criteria.

Barker was also honored an outstanding pledge to his sorority.

McWilliams Baby

Buried Feb. 15

Graveside services were held February 15 at Sonora Cemetery for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McWilliams of Midland. The Rev. Clifton Hancock officiated.

The infant, Christy Nicole McWilliams, was pronounced dead at birth

February 9 in an Odessa hospital.

Survivors include the parents; a brother, Bobby Don McWilliams II; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Hollmig of Sonora, and Mr. and Mrs. Wendall McWilliams of Roosevelt.

Julie Stewart To Show Angora Goats

Julie Stewart will represent the Sutton County 4-H Club at the 1979 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo when judging begins on March 2.

Her eight Angora goats will be among 27,800

livestock entries making the Houston show the largest in the world once again.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stewart of Sonora.

Vicki Hardesty Named Bike-A-Thon Chairwoman

Mrs. Vicki Hardesty was today named Chairwoman of a Bike-A-Thon in Sonora by Reuben D. Duke, President of the Lone Star Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

She will be conducting the Bike-A-Thon to raise funds which will support research and care for children affected by cystic fibrosis, severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchiectasis and other related lung-damaging diseases.

Cystic Fibrosis, an incurable genetic disease, is inherited by one in every

1500 babies born in the United States. Both parents carry the recessive gene for CF and number among one in twenty persons in the U.S. who may be carriers, usually without knowing it. With improved therapy and constant research, many CF patients are now living into early adulthood.

"Most people do not realize there are millions of children affected by Lung-damaging diseases, and by participating in our Bike-A-Thon, you can help these children who can't take breathing for granted," said Mrs. Duke.

Local Officers Arrest Till Tapper

Three local police officers arrested a subject Saturday wanted in connection with a till tapping charge which occurred in Junction earlier in the day.


Sheriff's Deputy Dick Jones, City Patrolman John Little, and DPS Trooper Walter Walicek arrested Marcellous Dewayne Anthony follow-

ing a description of the vehicle and subject from Junction officials.

Anthony was transferred back to Junction where he is being held on a felony theft charge with bond set at \$5,000.

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"queen of hearts" and Candelario Jimenez was named her beau. Esther Loeffler and Maxine Browne provided organ and piano music for the entertainment of those attending. Ruby Brotherton, Mrs. James Steel and Leola Wiseman were hostesses.

Happy Birthday

Thursday, February 22
James L. Powell
Janice Sutton Franco
Margaritis Gutierrez
Ben Ingham
Celia Hernandez
Friday, February 23
Mrs. Louis Olenick
Paige Pollard
Mrs. R.L. Hardgrave
Saturday, February 24
Mrs. C.W. West, Sr.
Sunday, February 25
Mrs. D.L. Locklin
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Monday, February 26
Mrs. O.L. Carpenter
Charles Cusenbary
Cash Letsinger
Tuesday, February 27
Mrs. W.L. Whitehead
Mrs. Santana Noriega
Norma Favela
Wednesday, February 28
Sam Odum
Monica DuRussel

Mrs. Thompson Hostess To Monday Bridge Club

Mrs. Pete Thompson was hostess February 19 to members of the Monday Night Bridge Club. A spaghetti supper was served to Mmes. Wayne Brasher, Horace Hill, Jeannie Lawson, Byeri Dillard, Reed Albritton, Clayton Hamilton, Jerry Hopkins and Linda Johnson. Winning high at bridge play was Mrs. Hill; travel, Mrs. Lawson, and bingo,



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Alexanders Host 7 at 7 Bridge Club

Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander hosted the 7 at 7 Bridge Club at their home Saturday night. Pie, coffee and tea was served. Guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy H. Harris of Seguin, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webster. Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Savell, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Langford, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neil Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lane. Winning high guest were the Harrises; high club, the Savells; travel, the Smiths; and bingo was won by the Morrisses and the Websters.

New Arrival

A daughter, Shannon Annette, was born February 17 in Hudspeth Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lilly. She weighed seven pounds, four ounces. Grandparents of the infant are Mr. and Mrs. A. Beard and Mrs. A.M. Lilly, all of Harlingen. Brothers and sisters welcoming the new arrival are Mark, Eric, Sandra and Elizabeth Lilly and Sharon Ellison.

Homemakers Meet

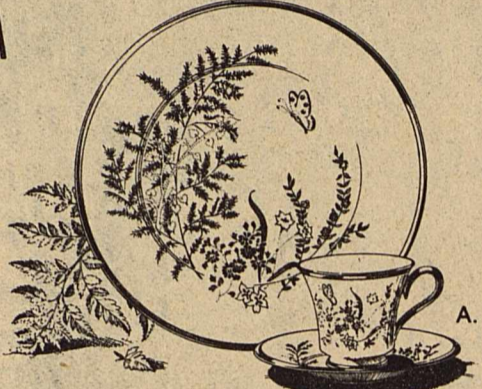
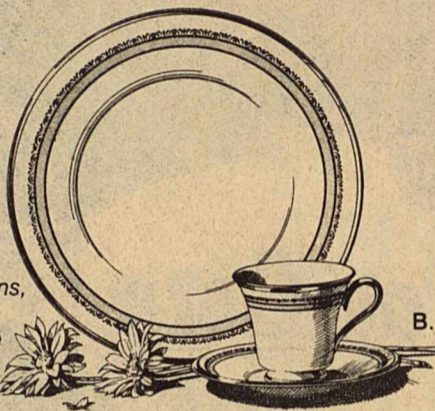
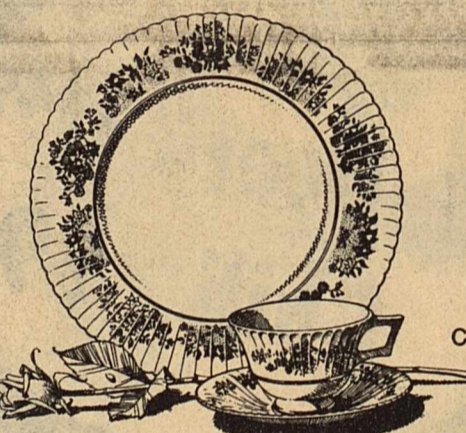
By Nancy Brockman
The Stitch and Sew Extension Homemakers club met February 12 with Sarah Mahon in charge of the meeting. Ms. Mahon showed the eager group how to make a sewing or tool folding kit. Even though questions were many, she helped all to understand each step. Cake was served to those attending. Diane Jacoby was a new member of the club and was welcomed by all.

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1 C. raw peanuts	1 tsp. baking soda
1/8 tsp. salt	

In a 1 1/2 quart casserole, stir together the sugar, syrup, raw peanuts, and salt, mixing well. Microwave at High for 6-9 minutes until light brown. Add butter and vanilla and stir well. Microwave at High 1-2 minutes more. Peanuts will be light brown and syrup will be very hot. Add baking soda and gently stir until light and foamy. Pour onto lightly buttered cookie sheet. Let cool 1/2-1 hour. When cool, break into small pieces.

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3 C. raw peanuts	1 tsp. vanilla

Boil sugar, syrup, and water until thread spins. Then add peanuts and, stirring constantly, cook until the mixture turns a brownish gold. Remove from heat, add butter, salt, vanilla, and soda. Quickly pour onto buttered cookie sheet. Let cool and break into serving-sized pieces. Sprinkle with salt when cool.

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New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hardin are proud to announce the birth of a son, Jared Edwin, born February 16 weighing 7 pounds and 8 3/4 ounces. The baby is welcomed by a brother, Justin, 2 1/2; and grandparents Daphne Davis of Julisburg, Colorado, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Hardin of Round Rock. Great-grandparents are Ruth Burton of Paxton, Nebraska, Francis Hardin, of Mason and Mrs. Edwin Jung of Fredericksburg.

Hospital Notes

Patients receiving treatment at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital during the period from Monday, February 12 thru Sunday, February 18 include the following:

Ruth Collins*
Jackie Harris*
Dorothy Cusenbary*
Arthur Carroll*
J.C. Surber
Mattie Thornton*
Isa Mae Kerbow*
Lupe Silvas
Gertrude Murr*
Katie Stewart
Dora Elis Salazar*
Baby Boy Salazar*
Jeannie Willman
Juanita Arrippe*
V.J. Glasscock
Ada Kirk*
Myrtle Cardwell*
Allene Mather
Bobbie Killebrew
Kenneth Matlock*
Yolanda Adame*
Baby Girl Adame*
Ruby Stephen
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<p>Primera Baptist Church Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 5:30 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. WMU Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>First United Methodist Church Rev. Paul Terry, pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>First Baptist Church Rev. Clifton Hancock, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Church of Christ Bible School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Eve. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Eve. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Hope Luthern Church John E. Hafermann, Pastor Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Adult Inquirer's Class 6 p.m. Saturday Confirmation Instruction 9 a.m.</p> <p>Jehovah's Witnesses Sunday Public Talk 10:00 am Watchtower Study 10:50 am</p> <p>Tuesday: Theocratic School 7:30 pm Service Meeting 8:30 pm</p> <p>Thursday Bible Study 7:30 pm</p>	<p>First Assembly of God Rev. Ned Smith, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. John Waldron Sat. Vigil Mass 7 p.m. Sunday Masses 8 a.m. 10 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7 p.m.</p> <p>Saint John's Episcopal Church The Rev. John W. Fritts, Rector Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Holy Eucharist (2nd and 4th Sun. MP) Wednesdays 7:00 pm Holy Eucharist Holy Days as announced</p>	<p>The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian The Rev. Jim Miles Sunday: Church School 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 10:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. (Communion on first Sunday of each month) Inquirer's Class 7:30 p.m. (Session and Diaconate meet at 7:30 on the 3rd Wed. of each month)</p> <p>Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m. Wed. Services 7:30 p.m.</p>
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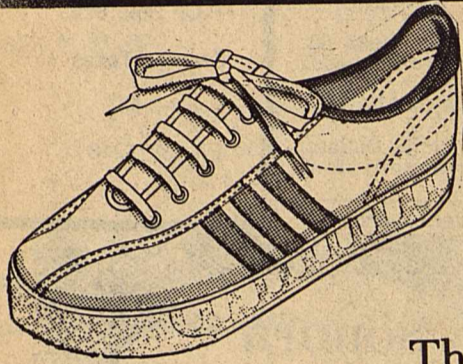


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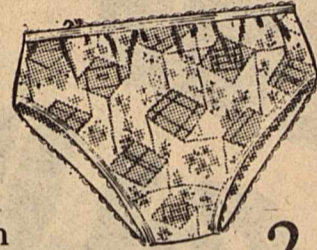
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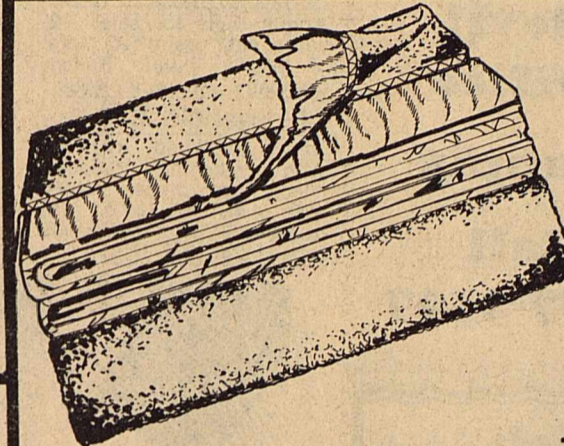
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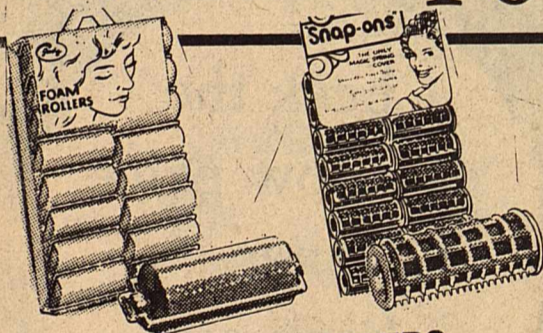
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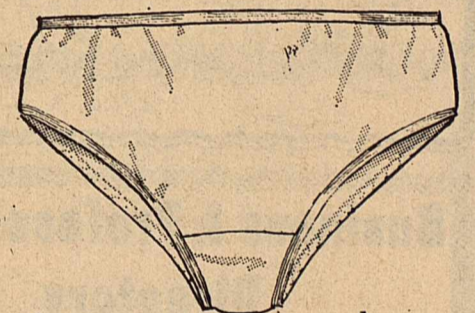
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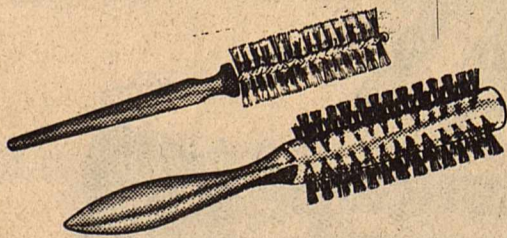
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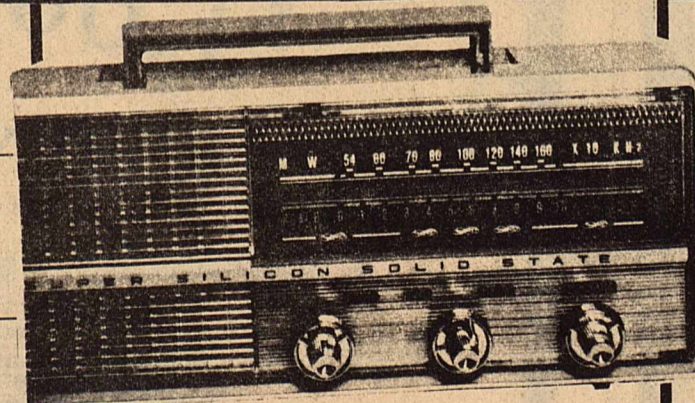
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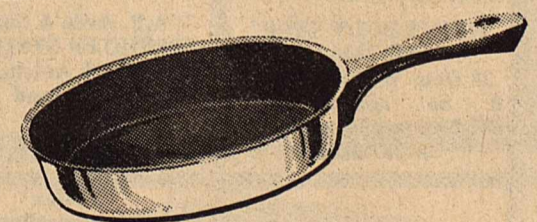
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DOE Study Misleading Poerner Issues Warning to Schlesinger

Texas Railroad Commission Chairman John H. Poerner has requested federal Energy Secretary James R. Schlesinger to erase a mistake his department has made in encouraging new residential natural gas hookups by public utilities in a period when the supply position of that fuel is far from stable.

Department of Energy technical study borders on cruelty to home-buyers and "certainly is misleading." The study, "Natural Gas Hookups: Real Resource Cost Analysis," is now being circulated among chairmen of state utility commissions such as the Railroad Commission.

economic benefits for residential users. "It is almost cruel," wrote the Texas energy official, "and is certainly misleading for our federal government to encourage home design and construction that relies on a single, dwindling source of fuel that can be interrupted by shortages or curtailments."

Poerner disputed a claim in the DOE study that there has been an increase in the supply of natural gas in the United States which justifies allowing new home hookups. He pointed to a years-long record of decline in domestic gas reserves that continues. "And to my knowledge," Poerner advised

Schlesinger, "the only state in the nation with a surplus of natural gas is Texas... (where) we have always paid higher utility bills than other parts of the country. "But, we have done so for a good reason: our energy companies have the funds to explore and produce more energy." Texans already have

bought and paid for this surplus, he emphasized. Poerner observed that any temporary increase in gas supplies, nationally, would be due to the sale of gas from storage or the release of intrastate gas into the interstate market. "Such one-time sources certainly do not provide the stability that residential customers require,"

Poerner warned. The Texas official said federal government action to dampen the use of oil or coal in American homes "is a major mistake." "Mr. Secretary, I am calling on you to correct this mistake in judgment," Poerner wrote Schlesinger. Poerner maintained the average American home-buyer cannot afford to

have their climate control unit redesigned to compensate for an error in judgment by the federal government. "Normally, in the American way of life, a home is to last a lifetime; and it certainly takes a lifetime to amortize the cost," Poerner cited in the letter to the federal energy official.

Poerner, in a weekend letter to Schlesinger, wrote that a new federal

The DOE study claims that pushing new residential hookups will result in

Wallace Says Texas Should Not Have to Suffer from Gas Rationing

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Railroad Commissioner Mack Wallace said the American people, and particularly the State of Texas, should not have to suffer from nationwide gasoline rationing because of misguided federal energy policies.

federal government has gotten us in such bad shape that we're talking about rationing our gasoline supplies during peace time." Wallace stated during a meeting of a lignite mining committee of the Texas Energy Advisory Council (TEAC).

emergency meeting of the TEAC for Tuesday, Feb. 13 to address gas rationing and the current energy supply conditions affecting the country.

American people have about 90 days before the Carter Administration begins to implement the fuel coupon rationing program.

gasoline then Congress is going to receive a message from the people," Wallace said, and added: "Texas wants to deliver that message three months in advance."

gical reason for the country to have an energy problem today."

The lignite mining committee, which is chaired by Wallace, has been charged by the TEAC to draft a report on the parameters for state involvement in lignite mining research, development and demonstration.

"This is a message we have to carry to Washington: That the

Wallace said Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby has called an

The meeting, Wallace said, will be of "historical significance."

"We must seize this Iranian situation as a signal of this to come," Wallace stated.

The energy and transportation regulatory official said he thinks the

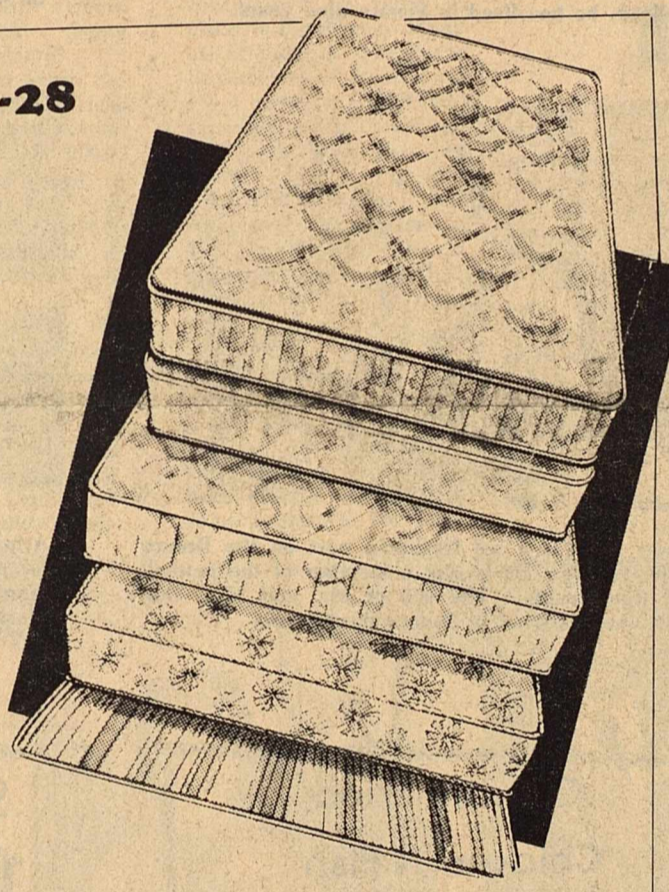
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RRC Chairman Poerner Asks other States To Join in Warning To Carter Administration

The chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission asked consuming states to join petroleum producing states in a warning to the Carter Administration and the Congress that the days of artificially, low-priced oil are over.

conference, insisted that the federal government should allow the producing states to operate within the free market system.

Commissioner John H. Poerner solicited the support in a talk before representatives of eight states attending an energy management and planning issues conference here. The confab was called by Missouri Gov. Joseph P. Teasdale to discuss federal and state energy concerns.

"We need not worry that Secretary of Energy Schlesinger's fears will come true if energy is deregulated," said Poerner in pointing to the record of oil price controls.

Rather than constrained U.S. government price curbs, Poerner declared, "American producers must be allowed to produce within framework of the world market."

Moreover, the Texas official cited, "Washington has had more than two years to develop a comprehensive energy plan based on increased production and adequate conservation."

Poerner, who represented Texas Gov. William P. Clements Jr. at the

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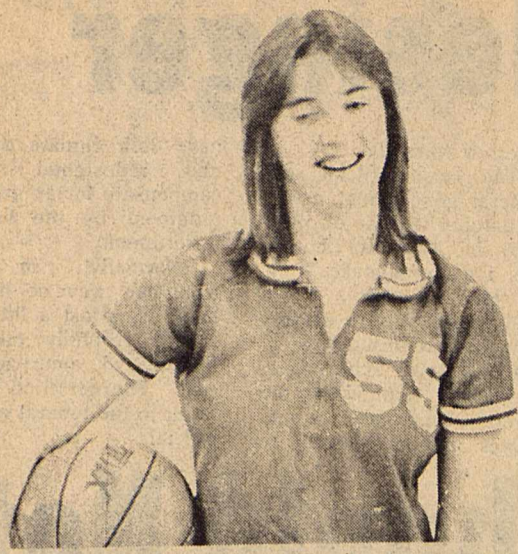
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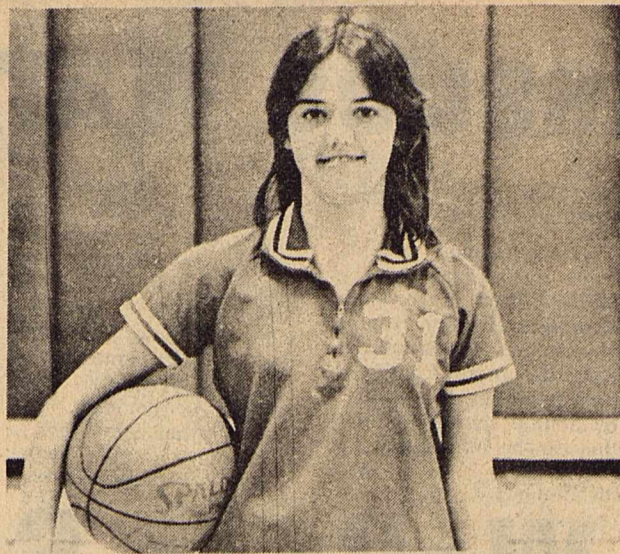
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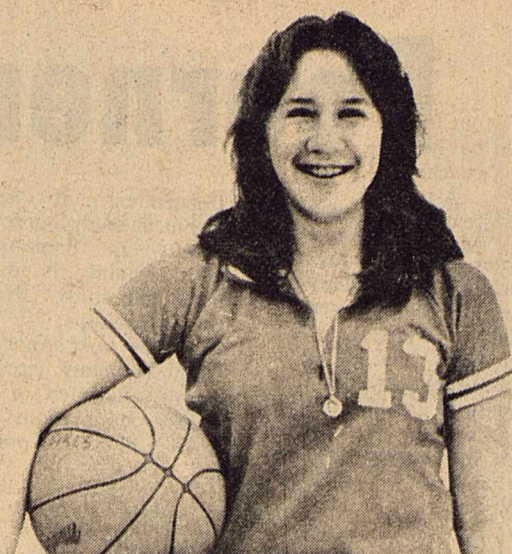
Pamela Marlow is a 5-10 freshman low post on the Bronco Junior Varsity. She is also a member of the track and tennis teams. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Marlow, she has lived in Sonora five years.



Julie Stewart is a 5-5 freshman post on the Bronco junior varsity. She is also a member of the track team. The daughter of Bill and Betty Stewart, she has lived in Sonora her entire life.



Maray West is a 5-6 1/2 freshman high post for the junior varsity Broncos. She is also a member of the Bronco band. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene West, she is a lifetime resident of Sonora.



Sandie Wright is a 5-3 freshman corner for the junior varsity Broncos. She is also a member of the track team. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Wright, she has lived in Sonora 10 years.

Bronco Basketball Stars



James Burnett is a 5-8 freshman wing for the junior varsity Broncos. He is also a member of the track team. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burnett, he has lived in Sonora for two years.



John Pollard is a 5-9 freshman post for the Bronco junior varsity. He is also a member of the football and track teams. The son of Lonnie and Julie Pollard, he has lived in Sonora nine years.



Calvin Johnson is a 5-8 junior post for the junior varsity Broncos. He also played football last year. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson, he has lived in Sonora for one year.



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Bronco Bits....

By Annabelle Gonzales

Basketball season is finally over and track is getting off to a running start. A total of 35 boys are out for the track team. The boys first track meet will be held in Junction on March 3. The boys are coached by Roy Evans and Terry Campbell.

A total of about 15 girls are out for the girls track team. The girls' first track meet will be held in Mason on March 2. The girls are coached by Donald Patton and Gay Adams.

The boys and girls track team will have a track meet here in Sonora on March 17.

The varsity and junior varsity girls ended their season with victories over the Ozona Lions last Tuesday night. The varsity girls won, 48-35, and the J.V. girls won, 52-32.

The varsity and junior varsity boys weren't as fortunate as to end their last game with a victory. The varsity boys lost, 81-51. The J.V. boys lost, 36-24.

Although this was the last official ballgame of the season, the senior girls and women coaches played a game against the Women's Softball Association last Thursday night. They were defeated, 48-43. The men coaches along with Pat Street and Dan Lawson played a game against the Men's Softball Association and defeated them by a score of 71-66.

Besides track and basketball, the junior Class is busily making plans for the Junior-Senior Prom. They have held several meetings in order to prepare everything for the prom.

Wall Downs Eaglettes For District 9-A Title

By Jym Trimble

Eaglettes Cherie Niblett, Mary Kay White, Paige Helmers and Sammie Jay ended four years of high school basketball with a disappointing humiliation by a powerful Wall Hawk team Tuesday night.

The Eaglettes ended their season with an 8-2 district record, second only to Wall's 10-0 mark.

Foul trouble plagued the eaglettes with Jay and Niblett on the bench with four fouls before the conclusion of the first half.

By the early fourth quarter Jay, White and Niblett had all fouled out.

Wall consistently led the game by a 15-10 first quarter margin, a 28-17 halftime lead, a 45-31 score at the opening of the fourth quarter and the final tally of 65-43.

White led the Eagle scoring with 17 points. Niblett added nine points followed by Lorrie Powell with six.

Also scoring were Jolynn Jay with four, Helmers with three and Sammie Jay and Lorrie Griffin adding two points apiece.

J.V. Girls

The J.V. girls ended

district play with a perfect record with a 35-17 victory over Wall.

High points was Lorrie Patton with 14 points.

J.V. Boys

The J.V. boys ended the season by dropping their season finale to Wall, 27-17.

Tommy Martinez led the eagle scoring with eight points.

Varsity Boys

The Eagle varsity faltered and lost its final season tilt to the tune of a 76-56 Hawk waltz.

John Cheatham led the Eagle scoring with 19 points.

The Wall girls will advance to a Tuesday night bout with an impressive Goldthwaite Eagle team sporting a 24-2 season record.

The winner will represent its school in the Regional Tournament and possibly advance to the State Finals.

Girls Softball Assoc. Slates Important Meeting Thursday

There will be an important meeting of the Girls Softball Association Thursday at the Elementary Cafeteria. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting is a very important one to the future of the Association.

Several important issues will be discussed and officers will be elected.

"This will be the third meeting because before we had too few parents to decide anything. The apathy of the parents is disturbing," commented President Kay Holdridge.

One of the issues deals with donating money to the Park Association for lights, and another concerns forming three leagues instead of two, raising the age limit to 18 for the major leagues. Another chief topic will be the amount of the dues.

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Tedford Paces Broncos At Fort Stockton

Greg Tedford shot back-to-back rounds of 75-79 to place fourth individually as the Bronco golf team saw its first action of the season in Fort Stockton Friday and Saturday.

Tedford's 154 total was only three strokes off the 151 total of medalist White of New Mexico.

The Bronco team of Tedford, R.B. Alexander, Billy Bob Galbreath, Johnny Doan and Wade Hopkins shot rounds of 342-350 for a 692 total as they and 14 other teams

braved the cold weather. Host Fort Stockton took the team title with rounds of 313 and 314 for a 627 two-day total.

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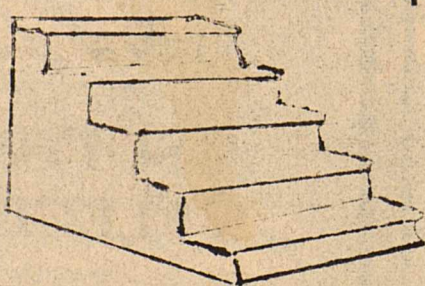
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Sutton County Ranch News

Suit Filed to Stop Federal Intervention of Eagle Kills

Glen Fisher's Wool and Mohair Report

The mohair market has finally picked up as producers have begun shearing in a big way with the warm weather last week. The bad cold spell slowed things down but shearing has started again now.

For now, it appears that the adult market has settled pretty well at \$6.00. Most all buyers have that price and most producers are anxious to sell. We have sold about 50,000 pounds at that price and probably will move more as it comes in. The clip seems to be a little coarser than last year, but not as bad as some had expected. Most goats have been shearing heavy so out clip could be

up somewhat in weight. As far as I know, the market has not been established yet for kid and young goat hair as only small weights are in warehouses and buyers are hesitant to push the matter.

The first South African sale will be on March 1, which is about 2 weeks earlier than normal for their first sale. They expect their clip to be down 5 to 10% due to the severe drought.

The wool market is very quite as shearing has just begun in Arizona and in some other Western States. The Australian markets have been up about 10% over last year and clearances have been good.

Sheep and goat producers now have a chance to do something about the eagle law, but they're going to have to put aside some pretty deeply-ingrained ideas if they intend to take advantage of it.

Uvalde lawyer Ken Nunley has taken action in federal court in San Antonio seeking a permanent injunction against the law. If the suit succeeds, no federal agency will be allowed to prosecute stockmen under the law, nor will they be allowed to interfere with stockmen who kill eagles to protect their livestock.

The catch, and Nunley admits it's a big one, is that producers now suffer-

ing eagle predation must request eagle control assistance from federal fish and wildlife authorities. It's vitally important he explains, that those requests be filed in sufficient volume to demonstrate that the Interior Department cannot correct the problem with its currently-allowed methods and will not allow use of the only method to do the job.

Those very facts themselves are what make the problem such a potentially tricky one; beleaguered stockmen know Interior can't accomplish anything under its self-imposed restrictions and they also know that

eagle killing the only effective solution--will not be allowed by Interior until that agency is forced to allow it.

Those producers, consequently, almost invariably choose not to call on Interior for assistance, electing to either live with the losses or take matters into their own hands. In the first instance, they feel they're no worse off and at least don't have to entertain federal agents; in the latter case the last thing they want to do is call attention to themselves.

If Nunley's action is to succeed, however, that thinking must be put aside, at least for a time,

(if it does not succeed, the line of reasoning can be retired forever because it will no longer be necessary.) Again, Nunley realizes he's pushing up against a stout old tree, but he says there's one development that may inadvertently work in favor of his suit--industry talk has it, and apparently on pretty substantial authority, that there are currently as many as 50 federal undercover agents operating in Texas. Their cloak-and-dagger mission, reportedly, is to root around until they develop cases against stockmen killing eagles.

"They already know who has problems and

what they're doing about them," says Nunley, so it be hooves victimized producers to rethink their plans concerning self-help eagle control.

Nunley figures the realization that federals are sneaking around the Texas sheep and goat country should be galling enough to prod a number of formerly reticent stockmen to speak up about their losses. If that is not insulting enough, it might help to point out that Interior has allotted 50 men to stir up trouble and only intends to pay five to play at controlling eagles.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association will assist producers in

filing damage control requests. Such requests should be properly documented, however, so it's important that carcasses to be used as evidence are bagged and frozen as in the Operation Dead Lamb program. That program, in fact, appears to have Interior sanction, so it's possible that the carcasses could serve both purposes.

Stockmen who wish to request damage control assistance but don't know how are urged to contact TS&GRA for assistance at Box 1486, San Angelo, Tx. 76902 as well as for members--it's an industry problem.

U.S.D.A. Considers Cuts of Programs

USDA, through the Economic Research Service, has made a couple of proposals the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association finds hard to swallow. Federal agencies in general have a long and proud history of making choking proposals, but these are among the more notable ones to have come out of USDA is the last little while. Their notions? Well, for starters, the federal idea boys suggest doing away with the tariff on imported apparel wools. Almost equally interesting is the other proposal--to eliminate statistical reports on

Angora goat and mohair production.

The latter proposal is included in a plan to eliminate such reports on all commodities produced in three or less states. When TS&GRA executive secretary Bill Sims reminded USDA spokesman that goats and mohair, listed in their tables as a uniquely Texan product, are produced to varying degrees in several states, they responded that they'd been unaware of that. The revelation, however, has apparently failed to alter their recommendation even though it totally invalidated the criteria for

that recommendation.

Sims further advised the planners that such reports are, to the best of his knowledge, the only sources of essential information on goat and mohair production. Whether USDA cares remains to be seen.

The wool tariff elimination recommendation, a position Australian wool producers have been pushing for years, is an even more serious matter.

USDA claims such an elimination would have no "significant effect" on U.S. producers' incomes, which it states, are "maintained largely by... incentive payments."

What it does not say is that those very incentive payments are financed by proceeds from the tariff and, without tariff, would either be eliminated or made up by the taxpayers of this nation. Considering the mood of the

American people today, tax-supported incentive payments might be exceedingly difficult to obtain.

As for the tariff itself, it is designed not to limit imports, as both the Australians and the USDA reports would have us believe, but to give U.S. wool producers a somewhat fairer position in comparison with their foreign competitors. Those competitors, it must

be noted, are supported by their governments--the U.S. producer is hindered by his.

In the case of the Australians the support includes a guaranteed floor price for their product, a floor price which has in recent years become an effective ceiling on American wool prices. If all things were equal, the U.S. producer could do just as well with the Australian floor as his

"down under" counterpart, but all things are NOT equal. American wool growers face such disadvantages as massive interference with essential predator control efforts, federal foolishness when it comes to veterinary and pesticide products (such a hindrance that veterinary products unique to sheep and goats are becoming too expensive for chemical companies to produce, considering the limited market), government inter-

ference with packers, prohibitively high tax rates and government-aggravated labor shortages, to mention only a few.

Perhaps it's to be expected, however, that a federal bureaucracy that's taken so many other steps apparently calculated to decimate its own domestic industries should propose elimination of one of the few equalizers one of those industries has left.

'New Era for Beef Producers' Theme For New World of Agriculture Forum

"A New Era For Beef Producers...The 1980 Beef Cycle" is the theme set for the Fifth Annual New World of Agriculture Forum, March 9, opening day for the Southwest

Farm Show and Championship Tractor Pull. Headlining the forum will be luncheon speaker Jack Linkletter, President, Linkletter Enterprises,

Laguna Beach, California. "We plan to give livestock producers some new information they can use now to make the most profits during the upswing of the Beef Cycle," said Dr. Tom Woodward with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, one of the sponsors.

Linkletter will speak at noon on "A Challenge to the Beef Industry" and will cover his experiences as a beef cattle producer and marketer of beef at the meat counter. TV

stars both, Jack, and his father, Art, are recognized as successful livestock producers.

John Armstrong, President, Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Kingsville, will act as Master of Ceremonies for the forum which will get underway in the Tarrant County Convention Center with registration and coffee at 9:30 a.m.

A registration fee of \$10 per person is required for the forum which will include the luncheon.

Although advance reservations are requested, tickets may be purchased at the door.

Beginning at 10:00 a.m., others on the program include:

"Beef Production for Profits"--a look at the changing beef cycle and what the cattlemen can expect at the market place--Dr. Edward Uvacek, Livestock Marketing Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, College Station;

Reproduction Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service; and

"Producing Beef for the 80's Market"--a preview of new technology in the meat industry which will affect the kind of animal we produce--Dr. Gary Smith, Professor of Animal Science, Texas A&M University.

Reservations for the forum may be made at any farm equipment dealer and at County Extension offices, Woodward pointed out.

"New Techniques in Beef Cattle Reproduction for the 80's"--a discussion of estrus synchronization and the opportunities it affords the cattlemen--Dr. John Beverly, Animal

For additional information, write Farm Forum, P.O. Box 18458, Fort Worth, Texas 76118 or call 817/589-0101.

Winter Weeds, Grass In Short Supply

Weather continued cold last week in the western regions of Southwest Texas. Sutton County Extension Agent Clint Langford reports ranges here "continue to have an adequate old grass cover, but winter weeds and cool season grasses remain in

short supply. Warm weather and more rain is needed for range improvement."

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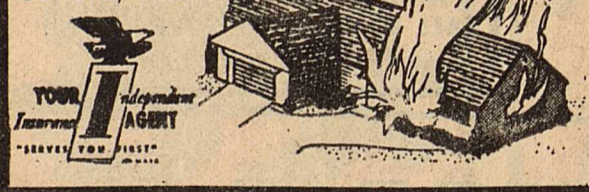
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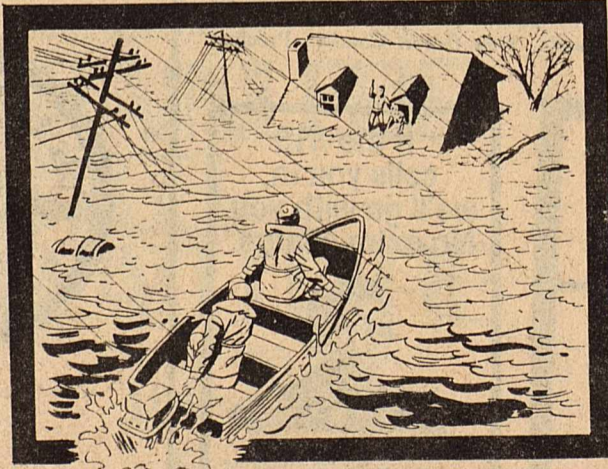
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