

Coming Events

- August 9
Loeffler Public Meeting 10:00 a.m. at the Courthouse
- August 11
Election for Separation of Tax Office and Sheriff's Office
- August 13
High School football practice starts
- August 16
Reception for Clint and Nina Langford, 7:30 p.m. at Sutton County 4-H Center
- August 23
Program on Angora Goats sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.
- August 23, 24, 25
Sutton County Days Celebration
- August 27
Teachers report back to school
- September 4
School Begins

The Weather

Compiled by Pat Brown

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July 31		96	74
August 1	1.35	95	67
August 2		90	63
August 3	T	89	67
August 4		90	68
August 5		92	63
August 6		94	67

Proposed School Tax Rate- \$0.57

OOOPS, We incorrectly printed the Tax Rate last week, so here is the correct story.

Trustees of the Sonora Independent School District will consider the 1979-80 budget at its next regular meeting. At a time when many school boards will have to consider increasing taxes, the local board will consider a budget of \$3,443,549 which represents approximately a 27% reduction from the previous year and a \$0.05 reduction in the tax rate. This reduction will be the fifth consecutive year that taxes have

been reduced by the school district. The proposed tax rate will be \$0.57 per \$100.00 valuation. Last year the tax rate was \$1.19 per \$100.00 valuation based on a 50% assessment. The budget is based on 100% assessment valuation of \$372,041,898 and a 98% tax collection. State revenue is expected to be \$513,486.00. The district's bonded debt has been reduced to \$1,130,776.25.

This includes the balance (\$258,600) on the 1966 bond issue and the balance (\$872,176.25) on the 1977 bond issue. This debt is to be retired over the next five years. The school district employs six administrators, eighty-one teachers, fifteen teacher-aides, six office personnel and nineteen auxiliary personnel to help approximately 1125 boys and girls.

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Heart Of Texas Savings And Loan Files For Sonora Branch Office

A filing with the State Commission by Heart Of Texas Savings and Loan to open a branch office in Sonora was blocked by protests from Hill Country Savings of Kerrville and by San Angelo Savings of San Angelo, officials of Heart Of Texas said. Hill Country officials told the

Devil's River News that the reason for their protest is that that company has made "quite a few loans in that area, and we're just sorry we hadn't made application for a branch there". When asked to comment on future loans, the spokesman said "Although we haven't done much

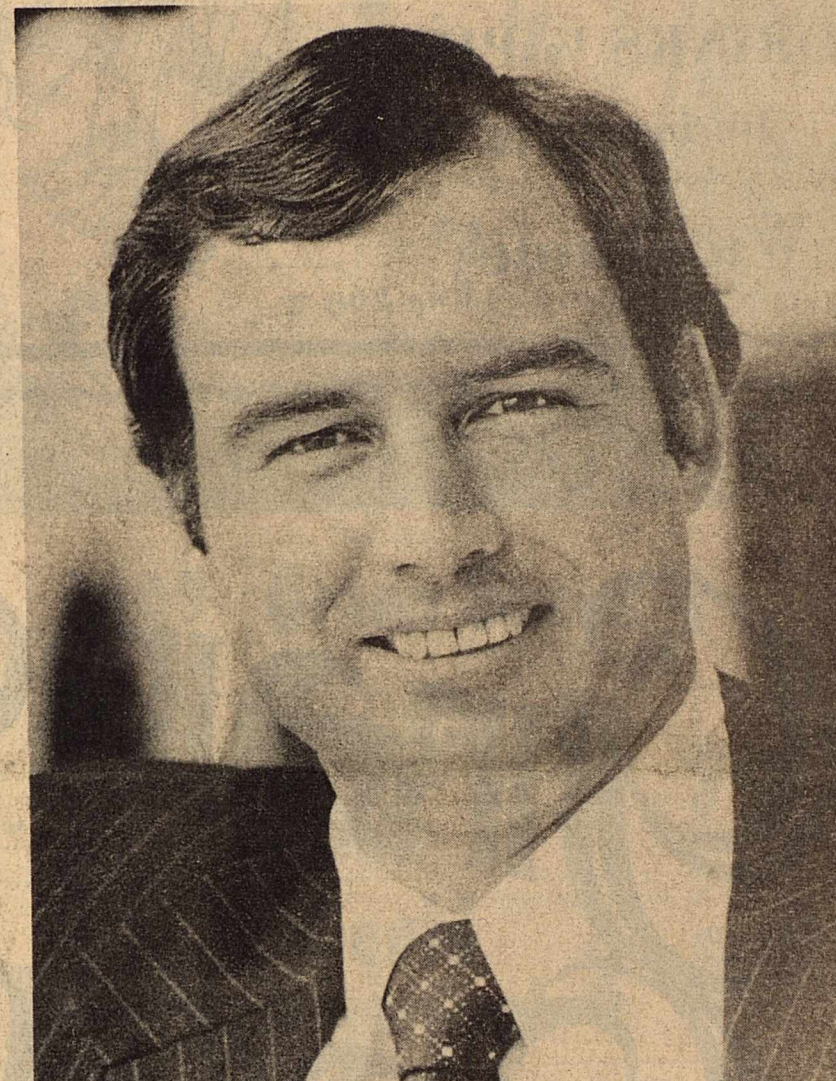
anywhere in the last few months, after this month we'll be ready to go".

San Angelo Savings officials stated that associations objection to the entry of Heart Of Texas into Sonora is based on belief that "there's just not enough business

there to support two offices". When queried as to the recent volume of loans in Sonora, the spokesman stated that the figures were not available at this time.

A spokesman for Graves-Thorp, a partnership developing a subdivision in Sonora said "We're surprised at this move, because we've contacted several Savings Associations and Heart Of Texas was the only one that indicated an interest in making home loans in Sonora. The two associations filing protests were among those declining to finance home building here.

Heart Of Texas officials emphasized the delay in establishing an office in Sonora would not affect its ability to make home loans in Sonora. Applications, however will have to be made at its San Angelo office pending the outcome of the hearing before the commission.



Congressman Tom Loeffler will hold a town meeting on Thursday, August 9th, in the Sutton County Courthouse in Sonora beginning at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hear your views on issues and to help you with

any problems you may have with federal agencies.

Everyone is urged to make their plans to attend the meeting because this is our way of having input to the operation of the Federal Government.

Sutton County Extension Program

Building Committee To Meet August 14

The Sutton County Extension Program Building Committee will meet at the Sutton County 4-H Center on Tuesday, August 14 at 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the Sutton County Extension Program and to develop plans for revising the "County Extension Program Building Handbook".

Officers for the Extension Program Building Committee for the 1979-80 year will be elected. Current officers include: Vestel Askew, Chairman; Turney Friess, Vice Chairman; James Hunt, Secretary; and Norman Rousslet, Past Chairman.

Subcommittee chairman include: Resource Development, James

Hunt; Sheep and Goats, Armer Earwood; Beef Cattle, Gene Wallace; Range Management, Armer Earwood; Wildlife, Bob Brockman; 4-H and Youth, Preston O. Love, Sr.; and Family Living, Trevlin Luttrell.

All members of the "Program Building Committee; and the various "Sub-Committees" are urged to be present. The general public is also invited to participate in the meeting.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, or national origin.

James Trainer Chairman For Cystic Fibrosis

Mr. James Trainer has accepted the Chairmanship of the Annual Fall Campaign on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. He will be recruiting volunteers within the Community to plan a "Breath of Life Campaign" to take place this fall in Sonora. The purpose of this fall campaign will be to provide the community with information about Cystic Fibrosis and to raise funds to support research, education and care programs for children affected by cystic fibrosis, and other lung-damaging diseases like severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, and bronchiectasis.

Cystic Fibrosis is the number one genetic killer of children. Approximately one in every twenty Americans is a symptomless carrier of the recessive CF gene. Cystic Fibrosis is inherited when both parents carry the recessive gene. At the present time, no cure for Cystic Fibrosis is known.

New Hours For Driver's License Office

The Driver's License Office will be open every Monday and the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting this month. The Driver's License Office is located in the main office of the Police Station. Office hours are from 9-5.

First Baptist Church To Hold Bible School

The First Baptist Church of Sonora will hold its annual Vacation Bible School beginning Monday, August 13 and ending Friday, August 17. Classes will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 each morning. All children age three through the 6th grade.

Vacation Bible School is sponsored by the Church Sunday School Department each year in order to provide a special opportunity for people to study the scriptures as they reveal the nature and purpose of God and how he has dealt with His children throughout history. Children learn of God's love and

concern for His People. They learn through study of the Word, Bible characters, singing and study of nature.

Vacation Bible School is a long established tradition and is used by many denominations to share the Gospel with community. Southern Baptist alone reaches millions of people each year through this activity. We at First Baptist enrolled 179 children last year and involved 40 adults in the school administration.

We wish to invite all the children of Sonora to participate with us this year.

Special Election-Aug. 11th

The Special Election to separate the Tax-Assessor Collector Office and the Sheriff's Office will be held August 11. Absentee voting ended yesterday with a very light voter turnout.

Voting Boxes will be at the following locations,

and the precincts will vote as follows: Precinct 1 will vote at the 4-H Center, Precinct 2 will vote at Sonora Wool and Mohair Co., Precinct 3 will vote at the Courthouse, there will be three voting boxes set up inside the courthouse, and Precinct 4 will vote at the Fire Station.

Dennis Robertson-New Administrator

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital has a new administrator. Dennis Robertson moved to Sonora from San Antonio to accept the post. He has eleven years experience working in hospitals and nursing homes, and has an Associates Degree in Nursing Home Administration.

Mr. Robertson, who seems to like the small-town lifestyle that Sonora

offers, has brought his mother, Virginia, to live with him. Originally from Cushing, Oklahoma, Mr. Robertson grew up in a town not much larger than Sonora.

Since taking over the position of administrator after the retirement of Francis Burt, Mr. Robertson has begun several new projects to upgrade the facilities of the hospital and nursing home. The hospital

ceilings are being chipped away to put in a new sprinkler system that is necessary to meet the requirements of the state of Texas. A new emergency generator has been installed in the Nursing Home. Mr. Robertson is also looking forward to installing a new X-ray processor which will cut down the time necessary to process an X-ray from 5½ minutes to 2½ minutes.

Little Miss Contest During Sutton County Days

The Sutton County Days Celebration will feature many things for many people, but one of the most enjoyable events will be the Little Miss Contest. The selection of Little Miss Sutton County will be held at 10:15 a.m. Saturday morning the 25th of August.

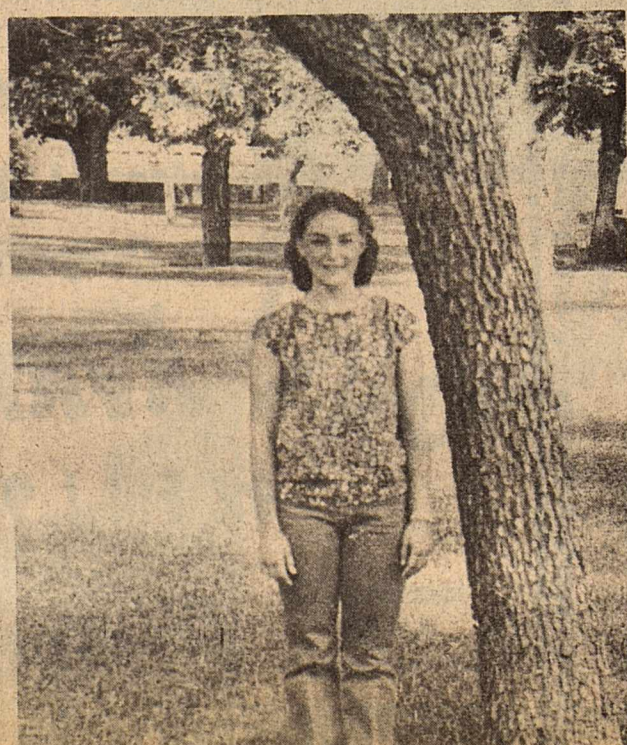
The contest is for girls ages two through five years of age. Dress for the contest will be sportswear. The contestants will model one outfit.

The contest will be held at the Old Fiddlers Steps. Those wishing to enter should contact Jan Robertson at 387-3475. A 50 cent entry fee will be charged. The last day for registration is August 21st.

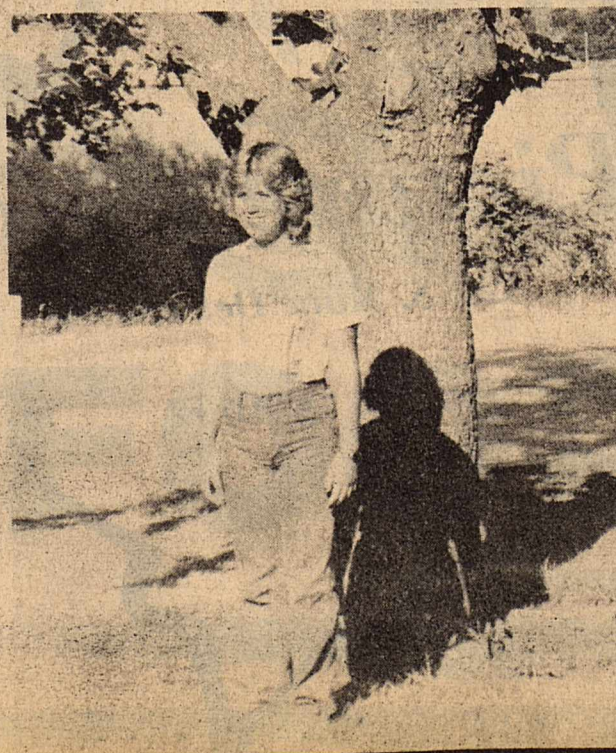
You will want to make all the events at Sutton County Days. It'll be a lot of good family fun!

Sutton County Days Rodeo Queen Contestants

Fran Friess



Donna Kellogg



Paula Freiss



Correct Tire Pressure Saves Gas

Check the air pressure in tires at least once a month, a housing and home furnishings specialist recommends. Underinflated tires put an extra drag on the engine and require it to use more gasoline, says a Seaman with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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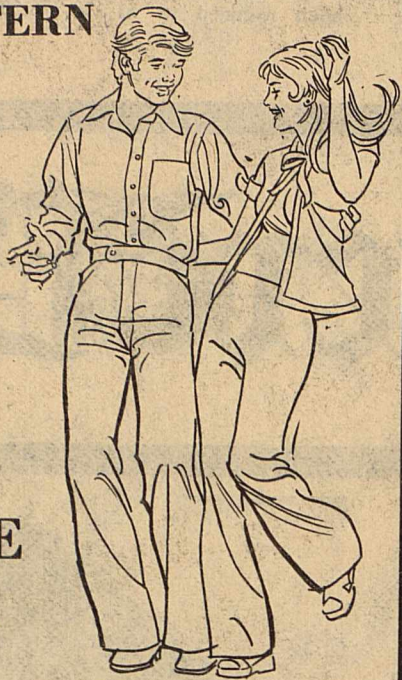
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This Antique base runner was out at first, but the Antiques won the playoff game with Amoco 15-9.

Whiz-Antiques Win League Championships

Men's slow-pitch softball season wound down this week with Whiz taking the American League title with a 15-2 record over Bishop who ended league play with 13 wins and 3 losses. The Antiques took the National League title with a record of 14-5 over Amoco's 13-6 season standing. Hooper dropped a game to Dresser in a see-saw battle that was Dresser's sixth win of the season. Jackie Sinks was the winning pitcher. Don Lawson pitched for Hooper.

In a high-scoring game Western slid by the Gassers with a score of 22-27. There were a total of 72 hits for both teams and 5 errors made in this action-packed game.

Halberts upended HNG 37-17 in a game with five home-runs hit. Home-runs were hit by Jackie Willis, Richard Preston and Larry Mitchell of Halberts and Alex Castro and Mike Arnold of HNG. There were a total of nine errors scored in the game.

In the third shut-out of the season, Dresser took the Gassers 11-0 in a 5 inning game. Jackie Sinks pitching for Dresser faced 21 batters allowing no runs and only 6 hits and 2 walks. Gene West pitching for the Gassers

faced 32 batters allowing 11 runs with 17 hits and 1 home run hit courtesy of Frank Gamboa, his fifth of the season.

Hooper lost to Antiques in a game that was played right down to the wire. Hooper led into the seventh inning by three but 2 errors made it possible for the Antiques to score 5 runs. John

Harrison slugged in one more run for Hooper making the final score Antiques 16-Hooper 15.

In the second close game of the night, S&S slid by Western 18-17. The two teams were tied at 16-all at the bottom of the seventh and had to go into an extra inning. S&S scored two runs on five hits and held Western to one run to take their fourth win of the season. Scoring home runs in the game were Kenny Daniels and Travis Morgan, both from S&S. Rick Cagle pitched for S&S and Jerry Edmiston and Butch Copeland share the loss for Western.

Dresser dropped a game to Amoco in a game played with errors. Some fine hitting was done by both teams with Frank Gamboa belting out two home runs to make his total seven. Amoco played a fine defensive game,

however and won the game 8-7.

Halberts took Dresser 12-10 in an exciting game in which the only grand-slam of the season was scored, courtesy of Frank Gamboa. Despite the excellent offensive game

played by Dresser, Halberts held them down to ten runs and scored twelve to win.

In the play-off for first place in the National League, the Antiques team beat Amoco by a score of 15-9 making their season record 14-5 over Amoco's 13-6.

Regular season has ended but softball action will continue this week with a City Championship tournament to be played Tuesday and Wednesday between Whiz, Bishop, Amoco and Antiques teams. Thursday night the end of the season tournament will begin. This tourney will be a 3-2 with all teams participating.

Finals

American League
Whiz, 15-2; Bishop 14-3; Hooper 7-10; Dresser 7-10; Gassers 7-10; and Dowell 3-14

National League
Antiques 14-5; Amoco 13-6; Halberts 12-6; Western 6-12; S&S 4-14; and OFT 3-15

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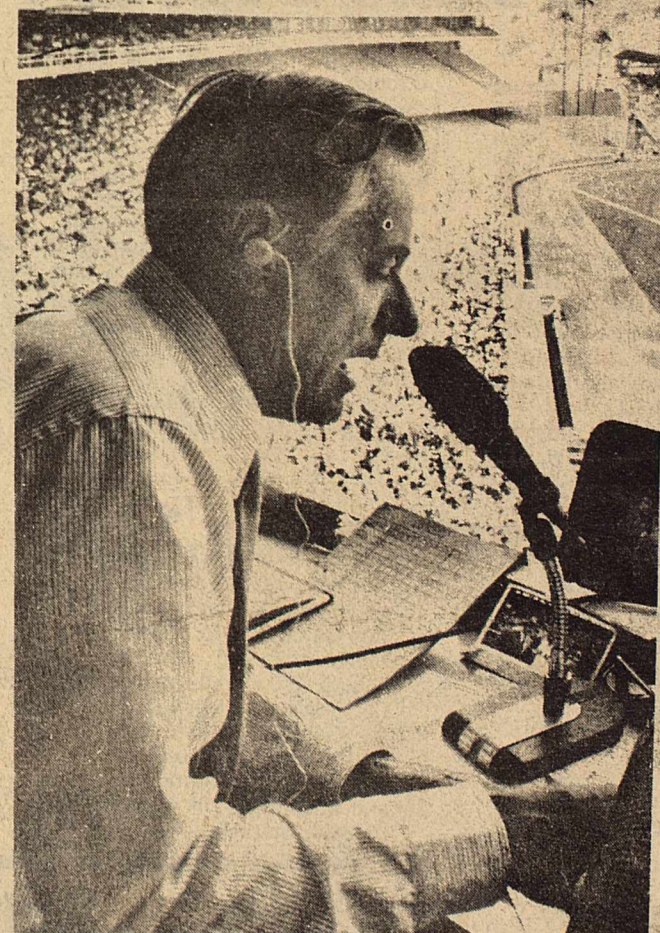
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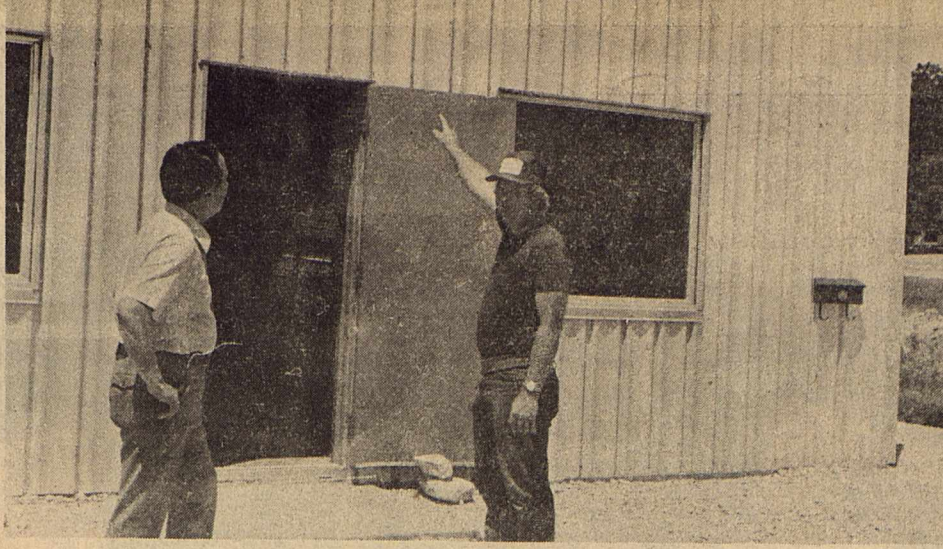
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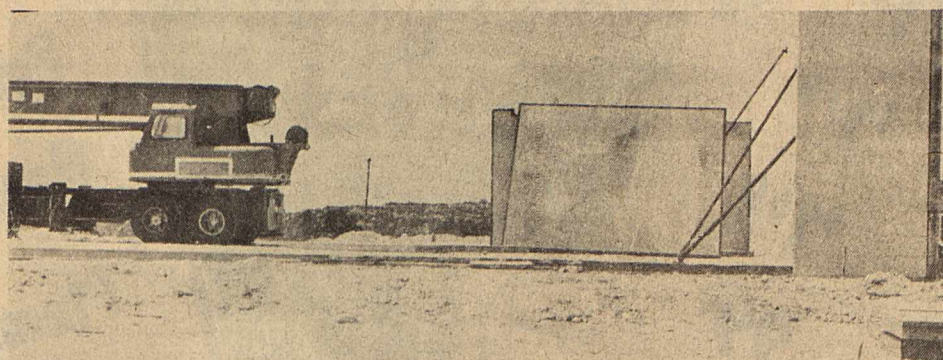


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Ashley's Moves To Sonora

Ashley's Boot and Western Wear is coming to Sonora. They will be in their temporary location in the old Wilderness Taxidermy Shop off Hwy. 277 N. and will open their doors on August 15. Ashley's is famous for the selection and quality or merchandise they offer. Their wide selection of boots includes Tony Lama, Justin, Nocona, Adams, Larry Mahan, Texas and H&H. The western wear featured at Ashley's includes well-known brands like Levi, Wrangler, Lee, Pan handle, Slim, Tem-Tex, and Mesquite. Also featured are hats by Bailey and Resistol. Tony Wallace will be moving from San Angelo

to manage the new store, as will his wife Candyce and two children ages 10 and 11. Ashley's present location in San Angelo is at 64 E. 5th Street.

IT'S A FACT!



Americans may find their clothing choices getting smaller, according to the National Cotton Council. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration's rush to regulations—unless halted by the courts—will cost the industry over \$2 billion and could well increase consumer prices of fabric and clothing.

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by Becky Ponsetti

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Texas Markets- Best Buys

Best buys at Texas grocery markets this week include poultry, some fresh fruits and vegetables and many "specials", says Gwendolyn Clyatt, a consumer marketing information specialist.

Also, cheese is in the dairy spotlight, and pork offers budget choices. Mrs. Clyatt is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Poultry-Fryer chickens have low prices-with meatiness and tenderness as a bonus quality.

Turkey and turkey parts make good values, too.

Fresh Fruits-Best buys include plums, nectarines, grapes, bananas, limes, oranges, cantaloupes, honeydew melons and

watermelons. Peaches have moderate prices, and they show good quality and size.

Fresh Vegetables-Thriftly buys include corn, carrots, okra, potatoes, lettuce and greens.

Also, purple hull peas, cabbage, cucumbers, green peppers, celery and newcrop red potatoes.

Grocery Market Aisles-"Specials" appear on tuna fish, pork and beans, salt, honey, sugar, tea bags, shortening and pasta products.

Also, as the new-pack season approaches, consumers can expect low prices on many canned fruits and

vegetables. Pork-Reasonably priced items are hams and bacon, along with Boston butts, chops, whole loins and liver.

Beef-Features include boneless blade chuck roasts, corned beef and round steak. Moderate prices appear on ground beef, rib steaks and liver.

Consumer Watchwords: Good quality watermelons are firm and symmetrical, fresh and attractive looking with a velvety bloom

over the rind-and a yellowish underside rather than a white or greenish underside.

Police Report

July 28, 1979

9:51 a.m., Prospect St. resident reported oil leaking from utility pole.

2:37 a.m., Tayloe St. resident reported possibly rabid cat. Unit 9 responded to call.

1:54 a.m., Unknown female reported speeding car on St. Ann's St. Units 6 and 7 responded.

July 29, 1979

8:15 a.m., Popular St. resident reported skunk in her yard. Unit 7 responded to call.

2:01 p.m., Possible break-in reported. Unit 7 responded to call.

2:10 p.m., Veterinarian reported two horses down in trailer, needed assistance. Unit 7 responded to call.

7:52 p.m., Crockett St. resident reported strange car bearing out-of-state license plates parked in front of her residence. Units 6 and 8 responded to call.

10:36 p.m., Disturbance reported at local bar. Units 6 and 8 responded to call.

2:48 a.m., Mulberry resident reports barking dogs. Units 6 and 8 responded to call.

11:17 p.m., Possible disturbance reported at a Ben Juaraz residence.

July 30, 1979

6:51 p.m., Employee at bus station reported welfare case. Unit 8 responded to call.

3:30 a.m., Possible prowler reported. Units 6 and 8 responded to call.

July 31, 1979

6:57 p.m., Employee of local motel requested an officer to meet with her and other subjects. Unit 6 responded.

11:03 p.m., Local convenience store employee reported suspicious subject in parking lot. Unit 3, 6 and 9 responded to call.

12:52 p.m., Sinaloa resident reported a speeding car. Units 6 and 9 responded to call.

1:30 a.m., Employee at a local restaurant reported possible disturbance. Units 6 and 9 responded to call.

August 1, 1979

10:30 a.m., Unit 1 reported an accident at the Post Office. Unit 7 advised.

4:45 p.m., Postmaster requested close patrol of Post Office due to accident earlier in the day.

5 p.m., Report of

obscene calls.

8:43 p.m., Chestnut resident reported two speeding vehicles. Unit 9 responded.

August 2, 1979

11:45 a.m., Local proprietor advised officers of a welfare case at her place of business. Unit 5 responded to call.

6:40 p.m., Local filling station employee reported an accident. Units 8 and 9 responded to call.

7:55 p.m., Popular St. resident reported a loose dog. Unit 8 responded to call.

Harlin Accepted At A & M

William R. Harlin of Sonora has been accepted for the 1979 first-year class at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine, the nation's largest.

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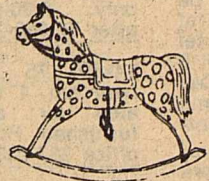


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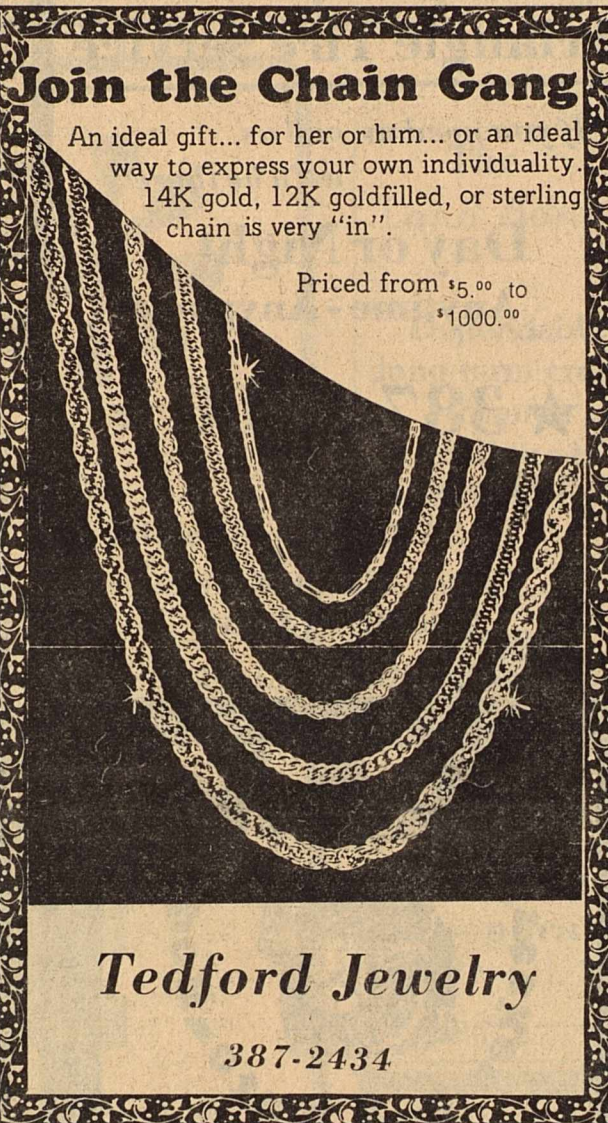
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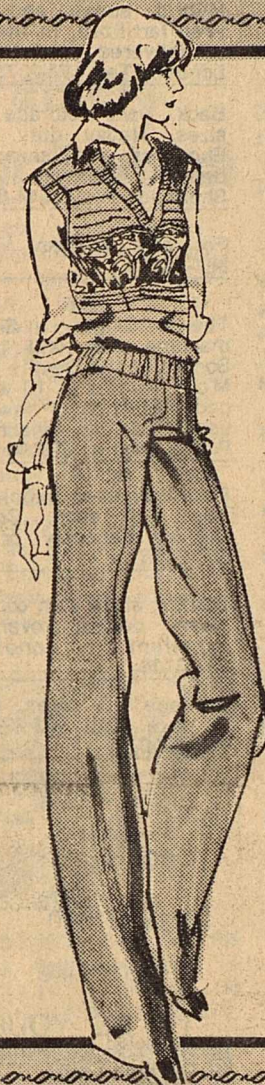
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Kindergarten Supply List

- 1 pkg. kleenex (large)
- 1 box crayons (8 count)
- 1 large assorted color construction paper
- 1 large bottle glue
- 1 resting mat (first day)
- Label Everything

First Grade Supply List

- 2 thick pkgs. assorted colors construction paper (50 sheets) OR 4 thin pkgs. assorted color construction paper
- 6 #2 pencils
- 1 large eraser
- 8 oz. bottle of elmer's glue
- Sharp pointed scissors
- Box Of 16 crayons
- 2 boxes kleenex
- Watercolors
- Box for supplies (preferably plastic)
- 2 Aladdin tablets #1251
- 2 Hytone tablets #48-1022
- No Big Chief

Second Grade Supply List

- Scissors-sharp pointed
- Ruler
- #2 pencils
- Tablet #2225
- 24 or 48 crayons
- Glue not paste
- Watercolors
- Old Shirt
- Box of kleenex
- Box for supplies
- 12x9 pkgs. assorted colors construction paper

Thrd Grade Supply List

- 2 pencils #2
- Eraser
- 4 oz. bottle white glue
- Imaginary Line Tablet #225 or #2225
- Large pkg. assorted colors construction paper
- 16 or 24 box crayons
- 1 large box kleenex
- Pointed scissors
- Music spiral notebook for music
- No Notebooks

Fourth Grade Supply List

- 1 pkg. mixed colors construction paper
- 1 pair sharp scissors
- 1 box #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. notebook paper
- 1 clipboard
- 5 folders
- 1 small bottle glue
- 1 large box kleenex
- 1 box crayons (48)
- 1 box water colors
- 1 pkg. drawing paper
- 1 eraser
- 1 pkg. small note pads
- Ruler
- 1 pkg. of magic markers
- 6 manila folders
- No Notebooks
- No Spirals

Fifth Grade Supply List

- 2 #2 pencils
- 1 box crayons (16)
- 1 white glue in plastic bottle
- scissors-pointed
- 1 box kleenex (200)
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200 State Employees Loose 1 Paycheck

State Comptroller Bob Bullock recently said more than 200 state employees who defaulted on student loans they got in college may not get state paychecks this month.

Bullock said the former students were identified in a computer cross-check of loan defaults against the July payrolls submitted by state agencies.

State law prohibits a person owing the state a debt from receiving state payments of any kind.

Bullock said he's written the former students telling them their paychecks will not be released until the debts have been resolved.

"This is the first time we've worked overdue students loans and it's safe to say it won't be the last," Bullock said.

The 200 employees in

question are part of 24,685 named by the Texas College and University Coordinating Board as being in default on education loans worth \$39.6 million under the Hinson-Hazelwood program.

The 200 state employees collectively owe the state some \$327,000 in amounts ranging from \$48.32 to \$7,781, according to Bullock.

The payroll checks will be held by the Comptroller's office until the Coordinating Board says the debts have been settled.

"Leaving college without paying back state-sponsored education loans is going to be a lot tougher than skipping book fines," Bullock said.

Fathers Gain Respect

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Green News

By Jo Neville

Fifty six teams from all over Texas and New Mexico participated in Sonora Mens Invitational Partnership Tournament August 4 and 5. Perez and Green, San Angelo and Green, won the Championship Flight with Doan and Fudge-2nd; George Johnson and Covington-3rd; Seuart and Menchoca-4th.

First Flight Winners: 1st Daughtery and Davis; 2nd Adams and Adams; 3rd Steve Thorp and Tom Clifton; 4th Mike Sipes and Schuch.

Second Flight Winners: 1st Pennington and Pelli-

zare; 2nd Baker and Rae; 3rd Alexander and Jackson; 4th Williams and Hood.

Third Flight Winners: 1st Moore and Smith; 2nd Harris and Black; 3rd Feller and Caddel; 4th Harris and Yarbrough.

Sammie Espy, Wanda and Dur Neville played in Del Rio at San Felipes 3 Day Couples Tournament. Wanda and Dur won second place in the Championship Flight.

Sonora Lady Golfers will have their annual partnership tournament August 11. Ethel Olsen is chairman.

Sonora Hospital Member Of TNHA

The Lillian M. Hudspeth Nursing Home, 310 Hudspeth, Sonora, was accepted as a member of the Texas Nursing Home Association by the TNHA Board of Directors at their July meeting in Austin. Dennis R. Robertson will serve as the representative of the home in TNHA activities.

By becoming a member of the Texas Nursing Home Association, the facility has agreed to abide by the TNHA Code of Ethics and to join the state organization in its efforts to raise nursing home standards and to improve patient care in Texas.

TNHA is the professional association of licensed nursing home facilities in Texas. Its Membership is made up of proprietary and non-proprietary homes. All members of TNHA are also affiliated with the American Health Care Association.

The areas of activities in which TNHA engages include information, education, publications, representation, public relations, and many others. TNHA's objective is to work for the professionalism of nursing home personnel with the care of the patient as the ultimate consideration.

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Edwards Plateau Petro News

Kirby Exploration Co. And Five Others Have Applications Approved

The Railroad Commission has approved the application of Kirby Exploration Co., Houston, and five other interest owners for determination of the El Gordo (Miocene) Field, a multi-pay gas area seven miles offshore from Matagorda Peninsula in Matagorda County.

Chairman John H. Poerner and Commissioner Mack Wallace sustained the recommendation of Technical Hearings Director Billy D. Thomas that the Commission adopt acreage proposals of Kirby, Kilroy Co. of Houston, Dan A. Hughes of Beeville, Bethlehem

Steel Co., Dr. George Morris of Houston and Chesley Pruet.

Commissioner James E. (Jim) Nugent dissented and moved that the case be remanded to the Oil and Gas Division examiner "with a request that the parties provide further evidence and argument" on several issues. His motion was not supported by either Poerner or Wallace.

The adopted order sets the productive acreage of the one well in State Tract 485-L SW/4 at 275.42 acres compared to 73.70 acres proposed by Corpus Christi Oil & Gas Co.,

operator of the five wells in the El Gordo Field. The Kirby group is a 40 percent working interest owner in the Tract 485-L SW/4 well.

The order also set the productive acreage of the four wells in State Tract 520-L NW/4 at 1,041.54 acres. Corpus Christi Oil & Gas had sought a determination of 1,293.43 acres per well.

Wallace made the motion to sustain the examiner's recommendation, saying he supported Thomas based "on what he heard...that's what we are suppose to rule on."

Nugent read this state-

ment before the three-member Commission acted on the El Gordo case:

"I am not satisfied that the parties have sufficiently developed the record to permit a final decision by the Commission in this matter. I move that the case be remanded to the examiner with a request that the parties provide further evidence and argument on the following issues:

"1. What is the proper location and trend of the fault(s) marking the western and northern limits of the field?

"All available seismic and well control data

should be included in the record and the analyses and evaluation of that data should come closer to resolving the differences between the parties.

"2. What is the formation dip north of the Kirby well?

"The record now reflects figures of four, seven, and thirteen degrees. I would like to see these differences evaluated and resolved if at all possible.

"3. What is the level of gas-water contact along the northern limits of the field and what is the evidence supporting the location of the gas-water

contact?

"Based on the additional evidence and argument presented by the parties, I would like the examiner to recommend specific findings of fact on each of these issues, including a redetermination of the

acreage allocated to the respective wells in the field, if required. A new proposal for decision should be prepared and circulated, with an opportunity for the parties to file exceptions and replies before this matter is again

brought before the Commission for a final decision. It is my desire that this matter be handled as expeditiously as possible."

On Nugent's request, the statement was made a part of the record of the proceeding.

West Texas Chamber Of Commerce Opposes Windfall Profits Tax

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce in a position statement issued July 30 went on record as strongly opposing the assessment of a so-called windfall profits tax on domestically produced oil.

Edward H. Coltharp, WTCC Executive Vice President, stated that the regional chamber had contacted all members of the West Texas delegation in Washington informing them of the chamber's position. It is the opinion of the WTCC that the domestic oil and gas industry must be

depended upon to help produce the country out of the current energy crisis.

In view of this, Coltharp stated that the WTCC stands opposed to the windfall profits tax which will serve only to place the federal government in the energy business and further hinder efforts by the oil and gas industry to adequately increase exploration and production.

In its five point position statement, the WTCC called for immediate steps to bring about full production of coal using conventional methods along with accelerated development of

nuclear power, production of synthetic oil and gas from coal and the development of shale oil resources.

The WTCC called for strict cost benefit controls to be used in administering EPA regulations when these regulations are found to be stalling energy development, without commensurate benefits to the general public.

Opposition to fixed import quotas was strongly voiced by the WTCC on the basis that quotas can subject the nation to a no-growth policy with severe recessionary implications.

11,696 Well Classification Received From Oil-Gas Operators

The Railroad Commission's Well Classification Section reported recently that 11,696 applications have been filed by oil and gas operators seeking natural gas production and pricing determinations under the federal Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978.

The Commission, pursuant to guidelines set forth by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, initiated the classification program last December.

The section is respon-

sible for the processing of operator applications for natural gas well determinations under five different producing and pricing categories of the NGPA.

Section Supervisor Ted J. Bond reported in a recapitulation of section statistics that the 11,696 applications had been received and docketed as of July 27.

Each application filed by an operator is processed through a series of reviews and public hearings before a final determination is

made by the Commission.

The Commission may either approve or disapprove an application for gas well determinations under the five NGPA categories. Thus far, the Commission has approved 2,039 applications, according to the section's July 30 report.

Once an application is approved by the Commission, it is transmitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for final disposition. The FERC has the authority to remand determinations made by the Railroad Commission, but up to now none have been returned. The RRC has transmitted 1,448 applications to the FERC as of July 27. Another 591 applications are in waiting period before transmittal to the FERC.

The section report shows the following breakdown of categories applied for by operators and finally approved by the Commission:

1) 6,081 applications for determinations under NGPA Section 108 for stripper well natural gas from wells producing an average of no more than 60,000 cubic feet per production day. The Commission has approved 323.

2) 4,793 applications for determinations under Section 103--new onshore production wells drilled after Feb. 19, 1977. The RRC has approved 1,554.

3) 643 applications for Section 102 (c) (1) (C) wells drilled in new onshore reservoirs. One hundred twenty-six have been approved.

4) 130 applications for determinations under Section 107--high cost gas wells drilled after Feb. 19, 1977 and completed at a depth below 15,000 feet. Fifteen have been approved.

5) 121 applications for determinations under Section 102 (c) (1) (B)--gas from wells meeting distance requirements from other wells. Twenty-one have been approved.

The section report shows that a total of 5,244 hearings have been conducted on the applicants' applications as of July 26.

Amoco Gets Capacity Oil Production In Hockley-Terry Counties

The Railroad Commission has approved a capacity waterflood allowable for oil production on an Amoco Production Co. lease in Hockley and Terry Counties, preventing possible waste of oil which Amoco would be unable to produce under the currently assigned rate of output.

Presently, the 16 wells on the W.G. Frazier lease in the Kingdom (Abo) Field have a total project allowable of 2,128 barrels per day, or 133 barrels per well. Within a year, the Commission has been advised by Amoco, the lease could be producing 3,000 barrels daily of oil as the result of the waterflood project now operating there.

Chairman John H. Poerner and Commissioners James E. (Jim) Nugent and Mack Wallace approved the application for capacity allowable for the Frazier lease during this week's conference on Oil and Gas Division matter.

They also directed that authority for other waterflood projects in the field may be granted through administrative channels.

Approval of the Amoco application was recommended by Senior Staff Geologist Bill E. Watson who conducted a public hearing on the request on June 21.

Watson advised the Commission that the maximum lease allowable of 2,128 barrels daily of oil is expected to be exceeded in

July or August 1979. Without an adjustment in the allowable, he said, Amoco will be forced to curtail production of the wells, or shut in selective wells.

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Mitchell Energy Corp. Splits Common Stock

Directors of Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. has voted a 4-for-3 split of the company's common stock, payable September 7, 1979, to stockholders of record on August 15, 1979. Fractional shares will be paid

in cash.

George P. Mitchell, chairman and president, said the directors also indicated their intention to maintain the current quarterly dividend rate of 5 cents on the old shares and apply the same rate to the new shares.

The company now has approximately 13.6 million shares outstanding. Following the split, approximately 18.1 million shares will be outstanding.

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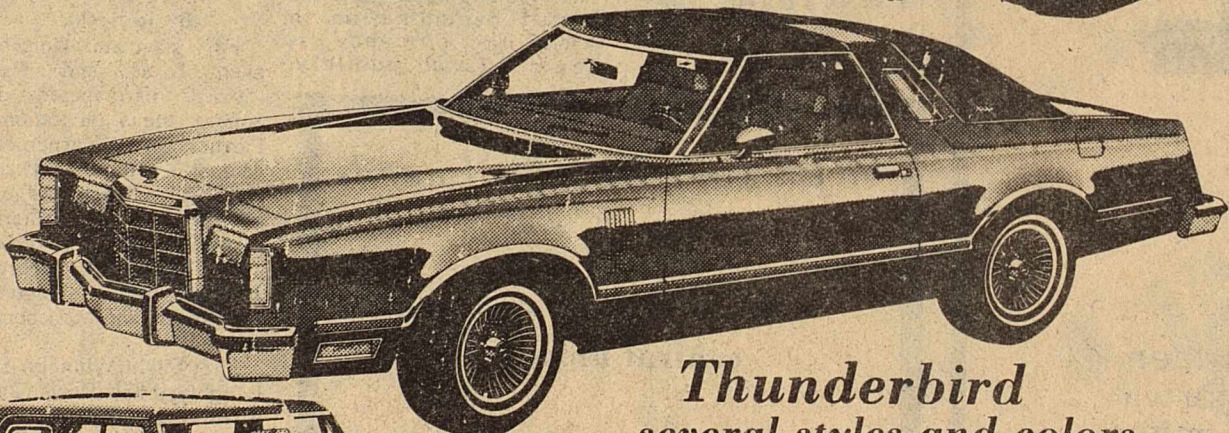
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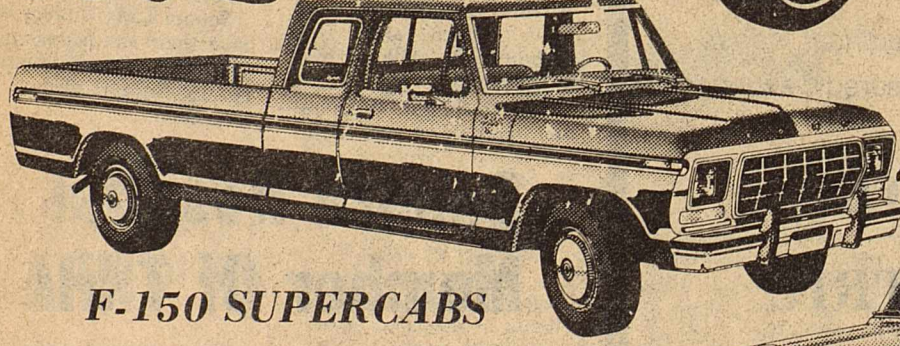
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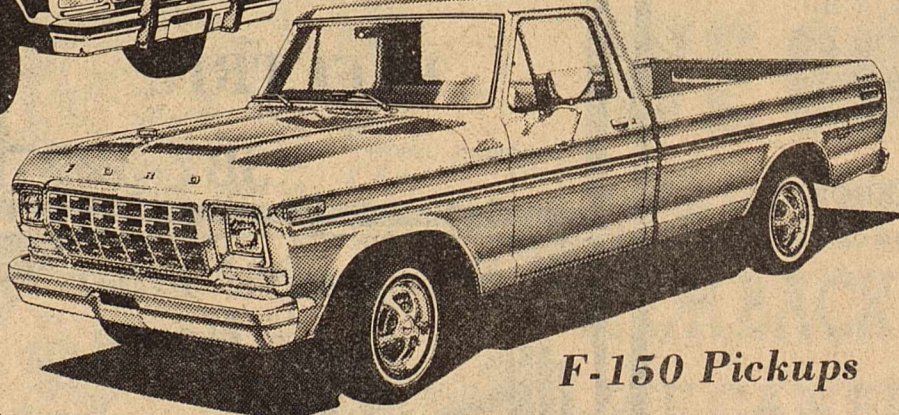
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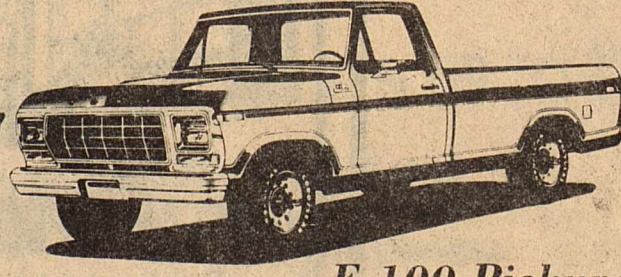
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Letters Become Hazard To Wildlife Dept.

Participation in government is a constitutionally guaranteed right in this country, but that right carries certain responsibilities. One of the primary responsibilities is to know what you're talking about before you go demanding that things be done your way.

Judging from public reaction to the federal predator control program, a whole of a lot of our citizenry devotes much more attention to its rights than to its responsibilities.

Simply stated, those who do the most yelling also do the least thinking.

A recently-released environmental impact statement on predator control contained roughly 300 letters, about half from individuals and the

balance from government agencies, organizations and institutions. No pun intended, but a goodly sampling of those from individuals read like they originated inside the walls of certain institutions, too.

Actually, the Fish and Wildlife Service, which collected the letters and published the impact statement, notes that there were a total of 1418 letter from individuals. They declined to print 1288 of them in the statement, however, because they were "almost identical" duplicates of two other letters. The letter "writers" who engaged in this little exercise in duplicity were all opponents of predator control. Many of the other

respondents condemning predator control had obviously also let others do much of their thinking for them, judging from the fact that so many of them kept bringing up the same obscure points of complaint. Not that it would

have been totally impossible for so many of them to have hit upon the same minor details—improbable, yes, but still possible. What gives them away is that they kept parroting each other, right down to

the same sentences and even entire paragraphs.

Still, the apparent necessity these people felt to play copycat is not the most disturbing aspect of the letters. That distinction must be reserved for the high degree of ignorance so many of them displayed—especially when it's realized that Washington politicians and bureaucrats, in their own remarkable ignorance, will undoubtedly allow the poor thinking of such people to influence the future of predator control effects.

Take for instance, the write who demanded an end to predator control entirely, insisting that stockmen instead "train dogs and geese to guard duty".

Nor was that by any means an unusual letter, most of the respondents

insisted that livestock and livestock producers be controlled, rather than predators. A popular theme was that stockmen should be forced by law to manage their stock the way the urban letter writers think they ought to be managed—after all, who should be better qualified to dictate ranching procedures than a New Yorker who knows for a fact that meat comes from Safeway and livestock are just an excuse for crazy ranchers to murder helpless little coyotes?

Don't snicker. The letters make it apparent many people actually believe that sort of thing. They also apparently believe that sheep destroy every inch of range land they trod; ranchers force their stock to go weeks without a drink of water and months without graz-

ing or feed; and incredibly, that coyotes are a threatened or endangered species.

One family wrote that they sleep outdoors roughly 50 nights a year (that averages once a week with two weeks off for Christmas) and are thus able to state with certainty that coyotes are nowhere near as prevalent as the experts have determined. The family apparently judges coyotes density on the basis of yelp count. They also apparently take the experts' averages literally—when it is reported that density is equivalent to one coyote per 2.3 square miles, they expect to find exactly one coyote on every 2.3 square miles.

Such foolishness pours from sources of other letters, including those from people who should know better, in fact from

some who are paid to know better. Take the letter from a state wildlife official in Wyoming—of all places!—who demands to know why ranchers still want to control predators when they should instead be breeding a type of sheep immune to predation.

The letters as a whole are hilarious, or they would be except that they will probably be the basis for decisions about the future of predator control, indeed the future of livestock production in most of this country.

On second thought maybe there's hilarious about them—maybe they are instead a warning of just how far our citizenry has wandered from the basic virtues of common sense, practicality and belief in productivity that once made this nation great.

President Of ICA Critical Of USDA

Roy Wheeler, President of the Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas, has sharply criticized top officials in USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) for ignoring the input of cattle industry representatives concerning proposed changes in the Uniform Methods & Rules (UM&R) for brucellosis eradication.

Wheeler and ICA First Vice President Dr. Eddie Payne have spent months conferring with USDA officials on the state and national level in an attempt to modify proposed changes they and other cattlemen feel would harm the already overburdened cattle industry.

The proposed changes include, among other things, changing the definition of a herd from a group of cattle under one fence to all cattle that an individual owns; an adjacent pasture provision which ICA is opposed to; a dealer licensing and registration law; a requirement to lower the age of test-eligible cattle from 24 to 18 months; and a provision to require a producer to have two clean tests 60 days apart before his cattle could be moved and by 1983 the cattle will have to undergo three clean tests 90 days apart. This would mean a producer would have to plan to sell his cattle at least 9 months or 270 days before he can move them.

Wheeler and Payne testified in Washington May 23 before a Senate appropriations subcommittee chaired by Oklahoma Senator Henry Bellmon that "producers cannot continue to

bear the economic hardships of an ineffective brucellosis program."

The two cattlemen told congressmen that if the changes are adopted, they would "change the normal marketing practices of producers, interrupt the normal flow of cattle in marketing channels and most likely would bring about a total rejection of brucellosis eradication program by the commercial beef segment of the industry."

Despite the warnings, Wheeler said he and other industry leaders learned after a meeting with APHIS officials in Chicago July 11 that APHIS has taken the position that the program was virtually finalized when first presented to cattlemen earlier this year.

"In our opinion," he said, "industry spoke loud and clear but our suggestions fell on deaf ears. The input was in accordance with what we understood APHIS wanted when the new UM&R was presented."

"We feel we have wasted our time and money trying to improve a program that was already concrete," he said.

As a result of APHIS's failure to incorporate industry suggestions in its program, the regulatory agency has lost its credibility with Texas cattlemen, according to Wheeler.

The ICA President notified Dr. Frank Mulhern, Administrator of APHIS; Dr. Paul Becton, Director of the National Brucellosis Program; U.S. Sen. Henry Bellmon of Oklahoma, who carried the congressional hearings in May; Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland; and John Armstrong.

Chairman of the Texas Animal Health Commission, that APHIS "will have difficulty finding support for additional funding or for maintaining support of funding at the present level for a program which is not beneficial to the cattle industry."

Members of the Texas congressional delegation in Washington, D.C., were also told of the Independent Cattlemen's Association displeasure.

"To justify the cost to APHIS and to the producer who's supposed to benefit by the program, the economic practicality of the program must be based on flexibility," said Wheeler. "That flexibility is absent from the proposed UM&R and we will find it difficult for our people to support."

He said he is "very disappointed in your (APHIS) lack of concern for the cattle industry in Texas."

Despite the lack of response from the government agency, Wheeler said his group will continue to speak out for Texas cattlemen on issues which affect them the most. ICA representatives will attend the final hearing on the brucellosis program in San Diego, Calif., the last week in October. He encouraged cattlemen to contact Dr. Mulhern and Dr. Becton in the meantime to let them know how Texas cattlemen feel. Mulhern's address is: Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA, 312 E. Administration Building, Washington, D.C. 20250. Becton can be reached by writing the National Brucellosis Program, 856 CB-1 PGP, Hyattsville, Md. 20788.

ICA is a grass-roots organization structured from the county level up and is the largest non-affiliated cattle organization in the U.S.

Ticks Cause Quarantine

Three premises in Hidalgo County have been quarantined as a result of finding cattle fever ticks, reports a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) spokesman.

Dr. Wilson Boaz of Laredo is veterinarian in charge of the State-Federal Fever Tick Eradication Force. He says fever ticks were found on two cows at an Edinburg livestock auction July 12 by Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) inspectors.

The animals were immediately segregated and sample of the ticks taken to the McAllen office of the Tick Force. The ticks were identified as Boophilus microplus, one of two species known to transmit piropalmsiosis, or "cattle fever".

Federal tick inspectors inspected the cattle.

The ticks were sent to the State-Federal Tick Identification Laboratory at Austin where the identification was confirmed. A similar result was obtained

at the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) National Veterinary Services Laboratory at Ames, Iowa.

Inspectors have completely cleaned and disinfected premises of the sales barn at Edinburg.

Subsequent investigations resulted in quarantines being placed on one premise along the Rio Grande south of Donna, and two north of Highway 107 near Mission.

Range Fire Prevention

Fire is the greatest hazard to rangeland during the hot dry summer months and into the fall and winter. And everyone has a stake in preventing wild, range fires.

The rancher depends upon range vegetation to produce livestock which ends up as steaks, lamb chops and other meat products. Fishermen and water enthusiasts want clear rivers and lakes for fishing and water sports. Those who enjoy hunting need the forage produced on rangeland to provide cover and food for wildlife.

Most ranges have good vegetative growth due to a wet spring, and the hot, dry summer has combined for optimum fire conditions, notes Dr. B.J. Ragsdale, range specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

"Thousands of acres are burned by wild fires each year. Afterwards, these ranges must be managed properly to reestablish forages," says Ragsdale. "Burned-off land should be deferred from grazing the rest of the year and the following growing season." When land is not deferred, livestock eat forage down to the ground. This keeps plants from building up food reserves and completing reproductive cycles, thus killing many plant species, explains the range specialist.

Doves, quail, deer and other wildlife, unable to find the type food they

need, move to other areas, and serious erosion problems may develop because of continued lack of cover.

As far as wild fires are concerned, the old saying that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" still holds true, contends Ragsdale.

"Motorists should snuff out cigars and cigarettes and place them in the car's ash tray instead of throwing them out the car window," he advises. "Recreationists should be careful with camp fires and should never leave them unattended."

Screwworm Records Set

New and long sought records were again set by only four known screwworm infestations in Texas during July, says Dr. James E. Novy.

The Director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Screwworm Laboratory says the four known Texas screwworm cases during July are the fewest ever recorded in that month during the 18 year history of the program.

The year's total of 24 in Texas through July also sets a new all time low, notes Novy.

Case numbers are also low in other southwestern states with 13 tallied this year in New Mexico, 24 in Arizona, and one in California.

Latest screwworm sample identified from the Karnes-DeWitt County outbreak was collected June 29

"Landowners can protect their ranges by building fire guards. Sprayers and other fire fighting equipment should be kept in good repair and readily available for any emergency," suggests Ragsdale. "Communities and counties should have up-to-date workable plans for fighting fires."

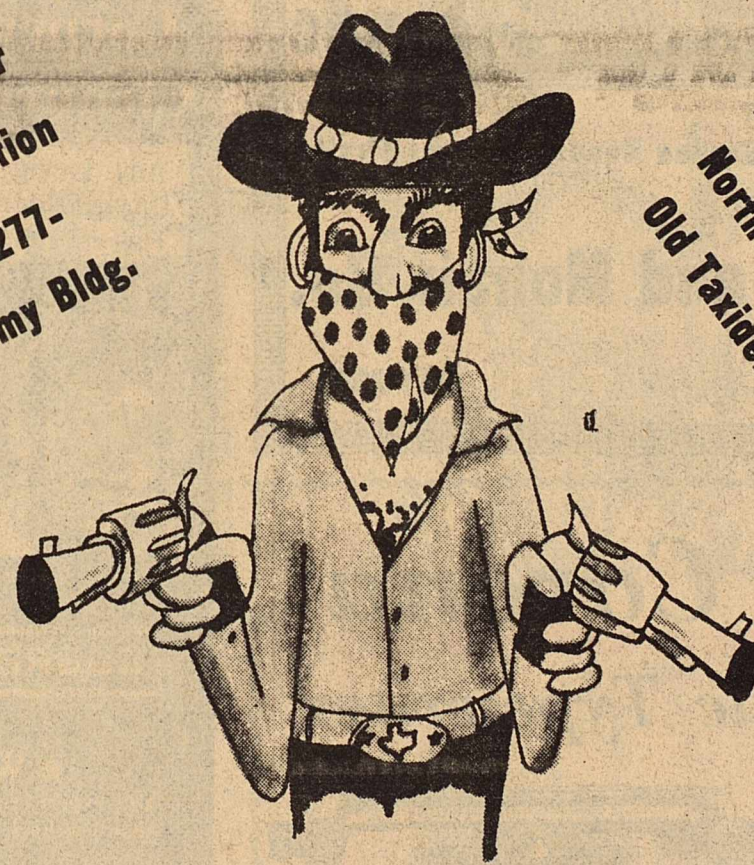
Because everyone has a part in preventing range fires and much to lose in case of fire, the specialist urges full compliance with all safety measures and immediate reporting of any fire.

from a calf navel northwest of Cuero by Edwin J. Sinast. It reached the lab and was officially identified July 1.

On July 5 three samples collected from calf naves 30 miles northwest of Sierra Blanca in Hudspeth County were identified. They had been collected July 1 by Ed A. Mosely.

Both areas have been treated with release of sterile screwworm flies and release of Screwworm Adult Suppression System (SWASS) pellets. The pellets contain a chemical which attracts screwworm flies and an insecticide laced feeding bait. They are designed to quickly reduce populations of adult screwworm flies so the sterile male release technique can be most effective.

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Cleanse the skin regularly, they advise, at least three times a day. Don't remove cleansers with a tissue, which could irritate the skin; use a clean soft cloth. Use a water rather than an oil-base makeup. Makeup used should be sheer or translucent and protect the skin from smog, smoke, air conditioners.

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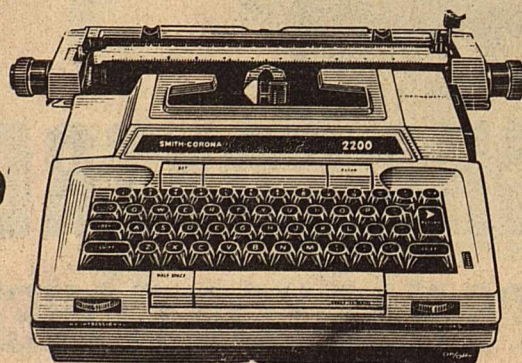
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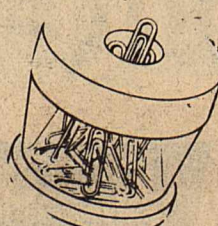


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- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 teaspoon celery salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 pounds boned leg or shoulder of lamb, cut into 1-1/2-inch cubes
- 8 slices fresh zucchini, about 3/4-inch thick
- 16 pitted Jumbo ripe olives
- 12 cherry tomatoes

Heat oil in a saucepan; add onion and cook until limp. Add ketchup, water, brown sugar, vinegar, Worcestershire, chili powder, celery salt and mustard. Simmer about 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. If necessary, add a little additional water during cooking.

Place lamb on 4 skewers. Parboil zucchini about 5 minutes; drain well. Alternate 2 zucchini slices, 4 olives and 3 cherry tomatoes on each of 4 separate skewers. Grill lamb kebabs 7 to 8 minutes on each side, or until desired degree of doneness, brushing lamb occasionally with barbecue sauce. Grill vegetable kebabs about 4 minutes on each side or longer as desired, brushing occasionally with barbecue sauce. Heat any remaining barbecue sauce and serve with kebabs.

Young People Learn Through 4-H

Young people with a desire to learn more about their world have the opportunity to participate

in a fast-growing organization-4-H, says Charles F. Gardner, 4-H and youth specialist with the Texas

Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

The 4-H program offers a variety of activities for youth between the ages of 9 and 19.

Young people can get involved in project groups, special interest groups or service groups that appeal to their interests.

While 4-H meetings cover a variety of subjects and activities and are held periodically, project groups work on one specific subject and last only as long as the project endures.

Project subjects may include gardening, auto

repair, raising and caring for an animal, safety and clothing. These project groups are usually directed by a volunteer leader.

Special interest groups are a vital part of the 4-H program and may deal with such subjects as drugs, dating, etiquette and ecology.

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