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Preliminary Census Count Falls Below Estimate Of Officials

Sonora and Sutton County officials were shocked, to say the least, as they received their preliminary reports from the Bureau of the Census last week.

The early reports show 3,710 within the City Limits for Sonora, 4,390 in the Sonora division (including Loma Alta and Sinaloa) and 4,781 in the County altogether.

City officials had hoped for the 5,000 magic number, and going by the number of water customers, City Manager Jim Dover had estimated the count would easily reach the figure.

However, included in those calculations were areas surrounding the City that are serviced with City

water, but do not actually set inside the City boundary.

The City Council voted Tuesday no contest to the figures unless it could actually be substantiated the town might reach the 5,000 figure. Dover said he felt the count was still a little low, but that it would be virtually impossible to reach the desired plateau.

Devil's River Minnow May Be Next Snail Darter

Here we go again. Ever hear of the Devil's River Minnow? Most folks haven't, yet. And some of those who have are wishing they hadn't.

The federal, you see, are in the process of making another Snail Darter out of the inoffensive little critter. A couple of years ago the Fish and Wildlife Service began efforts to have the Devil's River Minnow declared officially threatened and, at the same time, declare parts of Devil's River and San Felipe

Springs a "critical habitat."

There have since been some changes in the Endangered Species Act, and it appears some of the federal plans have consequently changed. We're not sure just what the minnow's status is now, but efforts to declare a critical habitat continue.

The Sonora City Council passed a resolution stating its opposition to the proposal, and Mayor Bill Gosney and County Judge Charles Sherrill are preparing a

letter to be filed as record at a public hearing to be held July 23rd in Del Rio at 7 pm in the Civic Center.

Gosney stated the action by the Interior Department could have disastrous effects on Sonora's economy, especially if the City's water supply is restricted in the future.

Gosney said it would be impossible to foresee all the effects, but that both ranchers and oil companies could very easily be adversely affected if the Devil's river minnow's habitat is made

into a preserve.

Everyone possible is urged to attend the public hearing in Del Rio.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association has investigated the government's position and gone on record in opposition to the plan. What we've found, essentially, is that the claimed justification for a critical habitat designation is groundless. We also believe that the Devil's River Minnow is

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Sutton County Days Planned

The Sonora Jaycees are already making plans to make this year's Sutton County Days Aug. 22-23 celebration the biggest and best yet.

A parade followed by a barbecue on the courthouse lawn will start the two-day fun fest on Friday. The annual rodeo will commence that

night with a dance on the slab featuring the Methenue Brothers.

Recording star Darrell McCall will provide the music for the Saturday night dance.

Games, bands, food booths and arts and crafts exhibits are planned for the day-long activities Saturday.

Little boys will be added to the competition this year in the Little Miss contest, so a Little Mr. Sutton County will also be named.

The Devil's River News will again sponsor a beard growing contest. Prizes will be announced at a later date.

Organizations interested in sponsoring a queen candidate will be able to share in the profit from her ticket sales this year. Contestants should be confirmed with Herb Jones as quickly as possible so they may begin their ticket sales.

Anyone interested in having arts and crafts booths should contact Jeanette Sipes and parade participants should contact Jo Ann Jones.

Watering Cutback Urged

City Water Superintendent Gene West stated that although Sonora is not yet experiencing a water shortage, an excessively heavy demand is being placed on the City's pumps.

He asked that citizens please hold

their yard watering to odd days after 9 p.m.

He said this program is strictly voluntary, but mandatory controls may have to be imposed later if citizens do not heed the warnings.



Mayor Bill Gosney and Chamber of Commerce Manager Lou Thomas look on as Chamber President Glen Fisher presents a letter of congratulations to Thomas Morris on

being named the June "Citizen of the Month" are now being taken at the Chamber office in City Hall.

Thomas Morriss Named First Citizen Of The Month

Glen Fisher, president, Sonora Chamber of Commerce announced this week that Thomas Morriss has been selected as the June Citizen of The Month.

In making the announcement, Fisher reported that Morriss has been making monetary and valuable time contributions for a number of years.

"The purpose of the monthly

award is to recognize and publicly thank those citizens who, in past years, or more recently have given much toward the betterment of this community," stated Fisher.

Morriss was born in Kerrville and he and wife, Lucy Mae, lived on the Divide Ranch until 1945. They moved to the Sutton County Ranch in 1945 where they made their home

until 1964, when they moved to Sonora, though they continued ranching.

Morriss has been very active throughout his lifetime in civic and church work. He served as chairman of the Board of Deacons of the First Baptist Church of Sonora for twenty-seven years.

While living on the Divide, he helped organize the Hill Country Cowboy Camp Meeting in Kerr County and served as its president. He has been a generous contributor to causes that help his fellow man.

He and W.E. Allen of Kimble County flew to Washington, D.C. at the close of the war to seek aid from Congressman O.C. Fisher and other Congressmen in obtaining rural electrification for many West Texas counties.

Thomas and Lucy Mae are parents of two sons, Bill, of Sonora and Tommy, of Uvalde. The Morriss' have six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Fisher remarked that the Board of Directors and the Honorary Members and the members of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce congratulate Morriss on the selection.

Commissioners Give Approval For Plans On New Library

Doris Rousselot, heading a delegation from the Sonora Women's Club, told Sutton County Commissioners that the library would need a budget of around \$20,000 for the first year.

In their regular monthly meeting, the Commissioners gave their approval to proceed with the hiring of a full time librarian that would be classified as a County employee.

Judge Charles Sherrill told the group he would also meet with the City Council to confirm the City's offer of financial assistance.

Don Wooten, chief appraiser for the new county-wide tax district, also met with the Commissioner's Court to discuss a contract for services.

The contract was approved for a total of \$36,960. The total for appraisal was \$26,551 while collection will be \$10,409. However, the collection portion may be smaller.

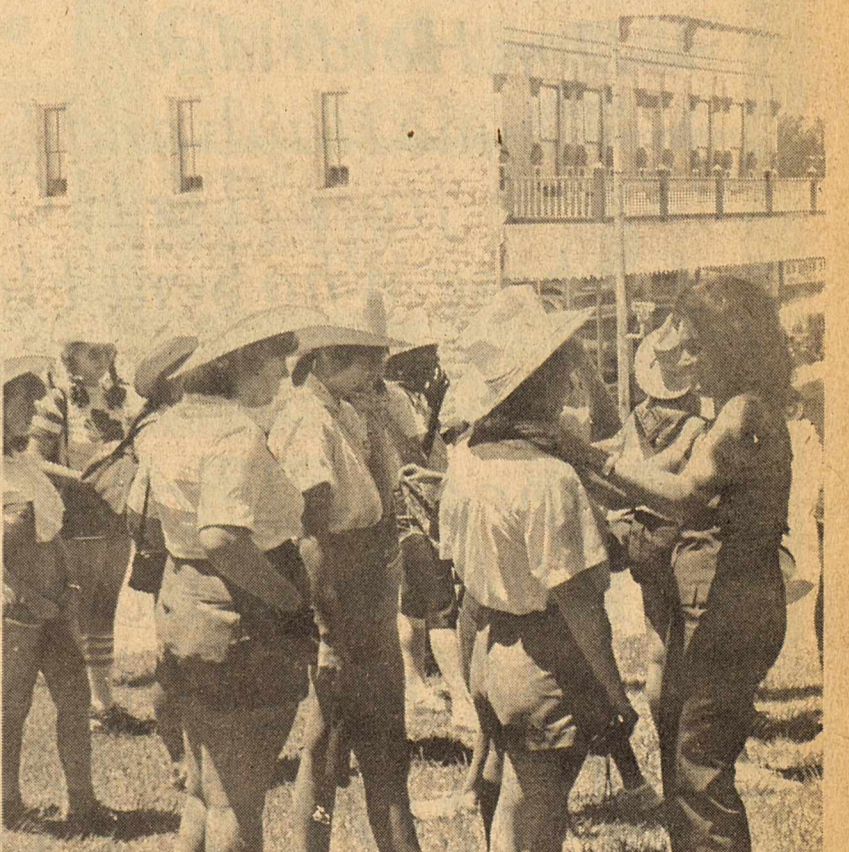
A plan to extend water lines to the new sections of the cemetery was also approved, and Oscar Galindo will take over Bruce Kerbow's duties of oversight of County employees at the cemetery.

Jim Nance appeared before the group as an interested citizen, stating opinion that County employees should receive higher wages.

County Attorney Al Elliot, County Auditor Charles Graves and Road Superintendent Joe Ed Harrell submitted a list of county roads as to classification. The Commissioners agreed to table the proposed classification until the next meeting.

Graves also submitted a proposal that the beginning of the fiscal year be changed to Oct. 1 coincide with the first day of tax collection. The proposal met no resistance.

The group closed the meeting by going into executive session to discuss the possibility of employee raises to be considered in the 1981 budget, but no official action was taken.



Nelda Mayfield assists a visiting Girl Scout with her bandana which was given to all of the girls on the Trails of Texas Tales tour stopping in Sonora. The girls, after touring the Caverns of Sonora, were treated to a barbecue lunch, music by Oscar Galindo's band, art exhibits and tours of the Miers Home Museum and the Old Sutton County Jail.



Mayor Pro-Tem Lemuel Lopez assists owners Nancy and Jerry Johnson in the ribbon cutting ceremonies at the PhotoRanch grand opening last week. Also pictured are

members of the Red Carpet Committee and Wayne and Larry LeBlanc of H&H Color Labs who traveled to Sonora for the occasion.

DEATHS

Miguel Lumberas

Final rites for Miguel Lumberas, 55, were held Sunday, July 13, at St. Ann's Catholic Church at 2 pm, with Rev. John Waldron officiating. Burial was at Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

A lifetime resident of Sonora, Lumberas died Thursday, July 10 after an eight day stay in San Antonio Community Hospital.

A roustabout employed by Brittain Construction, he was born to Victoriano and Juanita Moreno Lumberas on June 16, 1925. He married Jesusita Sanchez March 11, 1949 and was a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his wife, a son, Erasmo Lumberas; three daughters, Blanca Virgen, Linda Patlan and Mary Lou Solis; all of Sonora; two brothers, Erasmo Lumberas of Gilroy, Ca., and Florentino Lumberas of Woodlawn, Or.; a sister, Rosa Noriega of Sonora; three half sisters; and 12 grandchildren.



Craig Collier at Pearl's Pizzeria give students from the combined Methodist-Presterian-Episcopalian Vacation Bible School a lesson in making a pizza. The demonstration was part of a field trip taken by one of the classes.

Local Youth Attend Jr. High Band Camp

Fifteen junior high students from Sonora are attending the 10th annual Abilene Christian University band camp this week in Abilene.

The students are: Carol Cayce, Tammy Martin, Bonnie Jackson, Cathy Doran, Nora Gonzales, Brien and Traci Cascadden, Doug Martin, Craig Hopper, Greg Stewart, Edmond Martinez, Oscar R. Gutierrez, Courtney Cauthorn, Robert Fierro Jr., and Keith Rapp. Approximately 200 students participating in the camp are receiving individual instrument instruction as well as instruction in several classes of their choice, including twirling, drum majoring, flags, ensemble, marching, conducting and rhythm.

More than two dozen instructors from throughout Texas, including professors from the ACU and Baylor University music departments, are conducting the classes and giving private lessons.

The band will present a concert on the last day of camp on the last day of the camp. The concerts which are scheduled for 6:30 pm in ACU's Cullen Auditorium, will be free to the public.

The junior high camp, for band students in grades six through eight, began July 14 and will conclude July 18. The high school camp for students who will be in grades nine through 12 this fall, was conducted last week.

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Minnow

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not the real intended beneficiary of the scheme.

First, the government's position.

USFWS says the minnow's habitat is declining, constituting a threat to the survival of the species. The agency claims, among other things, that (1) the habitat has been adversely modified over the last 20 years. (2) groundwater removal is desiccating stream and spring flow. (3) proposed flood control efforts on the San Felipe may adversely affect the minnow.

TS&GRA responded that: (1) what happened over the last 20 years—chiefly Amistad Reservoir—is already done, isn't about to be undone, and won't be done again. (2) we'll come back to this one. (3) It's our understanding the proposed flood control dam on the San Felipe has been turned down. Furthermore, there's no data to indicate that such a project, if carried out, would adversely affect the minnow's habitat. In fact, there are reasons to believe that such a structure could do just the opposite, by helping enhance recharge of the Ed-the springs of the watercourse.

Now, back to (2). The government claims that groundwater removal has caused a decrease in spring

and stream flow. Our data, obtained from the raw records of the International Water and Boundary Commission, shows that the Devil's River stream flow fluctuates yearly, a fluctuation we believe correlates with rainfall in the charge area. The data is complete from 1938-1977. In direct conflict with the government's claims, that stream flow data shows no decline in recent years. In fact, annual stream flow during 1968-1977 averaged 456.3 cubic feet per second, up from 405.3 cubic feet per second between 1938 and 1947. Further, the government has presented no figures to support its claim of "excessive pumping of groundwater."

Do they mean that this "excessive pumping" is occurring in the Devil's River area? If so, we'd like to see the windmills productive enough to do it, not to mention our interest in what such water is being used for. If they mean excessive pumping from

the Edwards Aquifer in general, then they must also be relying on that aquifer can extract for their citizenry. Maybe someone has plans to establish a maximum population for much of the state?

In short, the whole thing clearly appears to be groundless—and purposeless. Why establish a protected "critical habitat" status for a minnow whose habitat is in no danger?

We may have the answer for that, but it has next to nothing to do with the Devil's River Minnow. On page four of the FW&S environmental assessment, the first paragraph says the proposed protected site "may provide an acceptable habitat for the reestablishment" of the Goodenough gambusia. This little fish had its natural habitat altered forever when Lake Amistad filled up, and the only surviving member of the species are maintained in captivity at the University of Texas.

Presbyterian Church Schedules Special Worship Service Sunday

In a special service of worship at the Church of the Good Shepherd next Sunday, Elder Nelson Sutcliffe will reflect on his experience at the 120th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the

U.S., according to the pastor, Rev. Jim Miles.

The assembly was held in Myrtle Beach, S.C. last spring.

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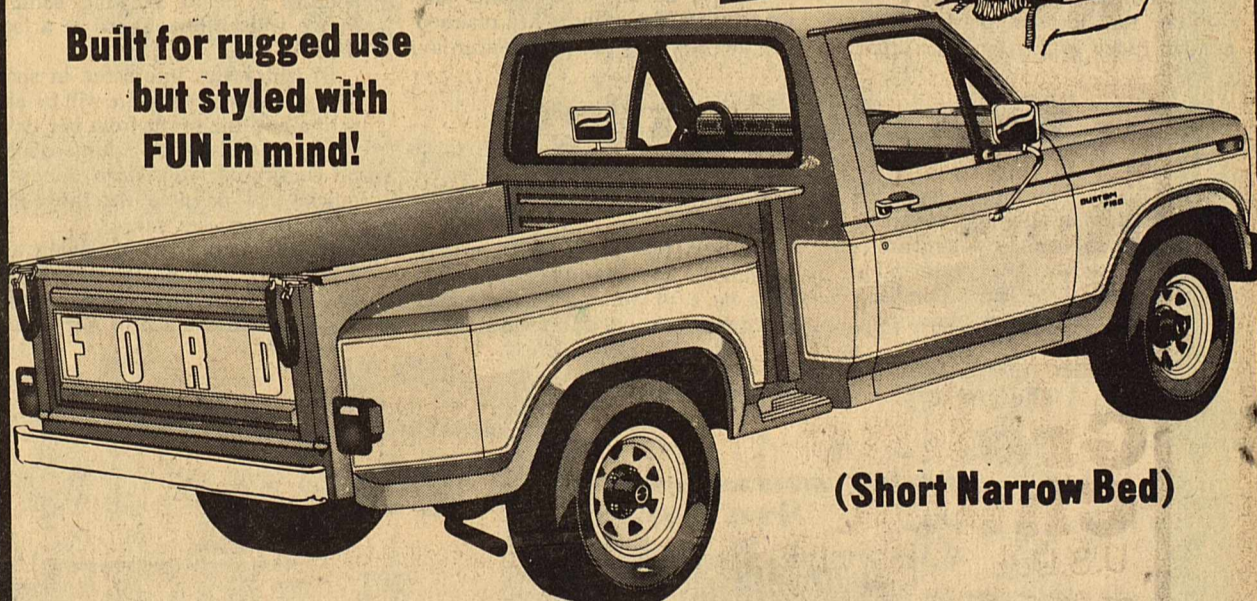
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Sutton County Ranch News



Susan McBee Honored

Susan Gurley McBee, state representative from Del Rio, has been named a "Man of the Year in Texas Agriculture" for 1980 by the Texas County Agriculture Agents Association. She is the first woman to receive the honor since the association initiated the award in 1962.

One of the seven Texans selected for the honor, McBee was nominated by county agents in District 13 (Southwest Texas) of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

Other recipients include Carrol G. Chaloupka, Dalhart farmer and rancher and president of the Texas Farm Bureau; J.T. Smith, former farm editor with the Abilene Reporter News; Harvey W. Loupee with the Lloyd Justiss Farms, Inc. of Daingerfield; Joe Mertz, San Angelo rancher; and Don Jobs, Jr., assistant general manager of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

The awards are presented annually to outstanding leaders in agriculture and related industries, said Potter county Extension Agent Gaines Franks, president of the state county agents association. The awards also recognize contributions made by these leaders to improving levels of living and economic growth in their communities, counties, state, and nation.

McBee will receive her award during the state association annual meeting Aug. 3-6 in San Antonio.

In 1974 McBee was elected to the Texas House of Representatives from District 70, a nine-county area

centered around agriculture and tourism. Her election came 24 years after her mother had been elected from basically the same district. She is currently serving her third term in the Texas Legislature.

McBee has served on the Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, Committee on Calendars and Committee on Elections during the past three sessions of the Texas Legislature. She chaired the Committee on Elections during the most recent session and has served as vice chairman of the Committee on Calendars for the past two sessions.

During the interim of the 64th legislative session, McBee chaired an Elections Subcommittee, served on an Agriculture Subcommittee and a State Affairs Subcommittee, and was on a committee to study drug abuse education.

McBee was vice chairman of the Texas Election Code Revision Commission during the interim of the 65th legislative session and chaired an Agriculture Subcommittee or Eminent Domain.

She is chairing a Subcommittee on Agricultural Commodities during the current interim of the legislature and is vice chairman of the Election Code Revision Committee. During all three interim sessions McBee has been a member of the Legislative Council.

McBee represented Texas at the Southern Regional Education Board Workshop in 1976. She also served on the Rural Development Committee of the National Conference of State Legis-

latures. Before entering politics, McBee was a special education teacher in the San Felipe-Del Rio Consolidated Independent School District.

In 1976 McBee was named the first recipient of the "Del Rioan of the Year Award" by the Del Rio News-Herald. She was se-

lected the Outstanding Volunteer by the Val Verde County Child Welfare Board in 1979.

A native of Del Rio, McBee was graduated with honors from Texas A&M University in 1969 with a B.A. degree in modern languages.

She and her husband, Larry, have a son, J.R.

The long, hot spell that has plagued Texas and the Southwest for the last month and claimed over 600 lives is taking its toll in West Texas as evidenced by this dry stock

tank. The continuing 100-degree plus temperature shows little signs of letting up in the future.

ICA Draws Large Crowd

Almost 500 cattlemen and their families attended the 6th annual ICA convention in San Antonio June 26-28 and enjoyed the most informative, entertaining annual meeting ever.

Roy Wheeler, President, sends his thanks to everyone for helping make the convention a success.

Crowd scanners noticed that more and more young ranchers are attending each convention. This spells good news for those who founded the association.

These young ranchers can carry on the goals of ICA and hopefully preserve the way of life which has blessed this country with such an abundance of food.

Special guest speakers included former Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe, Washington consultant Harry McAdams who once headed Briscoe's State of Texas office in Washington, Texas A&M agricultural economist Dr. Ernie Davis, U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's agricultural assistant Marty Clayton, U.S. Sen. John Tower's agricultural assistant Terry Stark, KTRH Agri-news Director Ben Oldag, Texas Animal Health Commission Executive Director Dr. John Holcombe and Congressman Tom Loefler.

New faces included Mike Newlin and Ed Tapp of Boise City, Oklahoma, who own a top Beefmaster herd

there; R.J. Nunley of Sabinal, the rancher who won an injunction preventing the Texas Animal Health Commission from testing his cattle for brucellosis; Mrs. Tom East and daughters and Mike East, prominent Texas ranchers; R.A. Guerra and family of Linn; Jim, Anne, and Ross Anderson of the Texas Cattle Feeders Assn.; the Dan Kinsel family of Cotulla; and the Guillermo Benavides family of Laredo.

Roy Wheeler was elected to serve his third term as president. Also on the executive board are Dr. C.E. Payne of Bryan, 1st vice president; Bill Whitehead of Sonora, second vice president; H.C. Youmans of Beaumont, secretary; and Joe Conti, Jr., of Victoria, treasurer.

Elected to fill positions on the Board of Directors were Fred Brown of Gonzales, C.P. Hamer of Giddings, Hollis Giffillan of Hamshire, Guillermo Benavides of Laredo and Sedley Martin of Leesville.

Because of an amendment to the by-laws calling for redistricting of councilor districts, vacant councilor positions will be filled at a later date by residents of each new district. Executive Secretary Donald Hoffman will be contacting the county officers and directors to set up district meetings for election of councilors. Councilors already serving will remain.

Busloads of ICA members are already planning to attend U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's hearing July 17, at 10 am in Austin on the windfall profits tax. The hearing will be held in the University of Texas Special Events Center, 1701 Red River. The "Super Drum" will hold thousands of people and it's important that every seat is full to impress Washington with the fact that Bentsen's legislation exempting royalty owners from the windfall profits tax needs to be passed.

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Monday, July 7
 8:30 am Caller reported two kittens in a trap.
 2:40 pm Caller at restaurant reported girls calling and giving false orders.
 2:42 pm Caller reported her daughter missing.
 5:53 pm Caller at mobile home park reported someone had disassembled his furniture and took a camera and microphone.
 3:30 pm Caller on Chestnut advised there were two dogs loose in his mother's back yard. Called back at 3:45 pm. Unable to locate animal control officer both times. Insisted dogs be picked up.
 6:51 pm Caller at mobile home park has skunk under her trailer.
 8:45 Caller reported man prowling around old movie theater.
 9:51 pm Caller at restaurant reported boy leaving without paying for six large drinks.
 Tuesday, July 8
 9:30 am Caller reported her son's dog missing.
 6:21 pm Caller reported a series of calls. Caller would not talk, but just hear them breathing, then they hung up.
 7:23 pm Motel called to have two drunks evicted.
 12:21 am Caller on Fay reported a black horse in her yard.
 Wednesday, July 9
 9:11 pm Caller complained of car blocking the street on W. 1st.
 10:02 pm Caller at bar reported a fight that had been resolved.
 10:20 am Caller reported receiving obscene phone calls.
 1:14 am Caller reported possum in front of her house.
 Thursday, July 10
 2:00 pm Caller on Wilson reported black dog that lays in her yard all the time. Requested he be picked

up.
 3:12 pm Close patrol around swimming pool requested between 11 pm and 1 am. They are having considerable vandalism and filthy words written on the wall.
 12:47 pm Man reported minor accident.
 1:22 am Caller at service station doesn't want to pay bill.
 7:11 pm Caller reported unattended kid in jeep causing trouble.
 7:15 pm Caller reported possible drunk driver pulling in at convenience store.
 9:39 pm A male caller reported wife split with belongings.
 11:55 pm Caller reported speeding vehicle.
 Saturday, July 12
 7:50 pm Caller reported kids hanging around her beauty shop.
 11:05 pm Caller reported someone knocking on her door in early morning hours.
 Sunday, July 13
 2:17 am Clerk at convenience store told by customer that subject in parking lot was armed with a pistol.
 6:04 Caller on croquet reported dog causing disturbance for last several days.

Andersons Share New Arrival

Steve and Michelle Anderson are the proud parents of a son, Mayer Clay Anderson, born June 28, 1980 in Schleicher County Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces.
 He is welcomed by his maternal grandparents, Doris and Norm Rousselot, and his paternal grandparents, Sonny Anderson of Sonora and Ganelle of Kerrville.
 He is also welcomed by his maternal great-grandmother, Mary Rousselot of Palos Verdes Estates, California, and his paternal great grandparents, W.S. and Honey Anderson of Sonora.

Softball Schedule

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
 Wednesday, July 16
 Casa Arispe vs. HNG
 Thursday, July 17
 Hooper vs. Poyner-Beta
 Monday, July 21
 Pearl's vs. Producer
 Tuesday, July 22
 1st National vs. Abest
 Wednesday, July 23
 Poyner-Beta vs. HNG

MEN'S SOFTBALL
 Wednesday, July 16
 Hooper at Bishop
 S&S at Casparis
 Bradens at Patchers
 Halberts at Western
 Thursday, July 17
 Western at S&S

Casparis at Halberts
 Whiz at Bishop
 HNG at Hooper
 Monday, July 21
 Patchers at S&S
 Bishop at Bradens
 Hooper at Whiz
 Casparis at HNG
 Tuesday, July 22
 Patchers at Halberts
 Whiz at Bradens
 S&S at Bishop
 Western at HNG
 Wednesday, July 23
 S&S at Whiz
 Bradens at Hooper
 Patchers at HNG
 Bishop at Halberts

Local Residents Attend State Fireman's Convention

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Teaff and Mr. and Mrs. Gene West attended the State Fireman's Convention June 15-18.
 The convention was held at the Loews-Anatole Hotel in Dallas.
 Carl and Gene attended many interesting meetings throughout the three-day convention.
 Melissa and Frances attended the ladies luncheon and a fashion show and program based on a patriotic theme.
 The pumper races were held Tuesday afternoon with plenty of excitement.
 A highlight of the convention was a surprise appearance by Jerry Lewis

who thanked the firemen for their support of his muscular dystrophy campaign.
 The group described the trip as tiring, but a great experience.

Renee Rousselot Receives BA Degree

Renee Rousselot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rousselot, graduated from SMU in May with a B.A. degree in theatre.
 She was one of 12 students in SMU's Professional School of Acting.

Chamber Chatter

By Lou Thomas

INDUSTRIAL TEAM members will attend a training seminar today from 8:30 a.m. until noon at the Founder's Room at First National Bank building.
 The Texas Highway Department in San Angelo mails to the C of C office periodically a listing of jobs available in the immediate area (Eden, Ozona, Barnhart, San Angelo, etc.). The listing includes positions available, job description, salary, job location, and person to contact for an interview. Anyone interested may call the office a

7-2880 or come by the office in City Hall.
 Friendly face around town this week is James McLaughlin at City Hall.
 The C of C office is still in need of rental units. If you have an apartment or house or trailer vacant and you wish to rent it, please call the office between 8:30 am and 10:30 am.
 Enjoyed having coffee Friday morning with our June Citizen-of-the-Month Thomas Morriss, C of C president Glen Fisher, County Judge Charles Sherrill, Gus Allen, and Don Holdridge. Someone asked Thomas if he thought this area could be considered to be a drought area and he remarked, "Well, let's just say you could call it a dry spell". Congratulations, Thomas, on being selected as Sonora's Citizen-of-the-Month!
 The follow-up enumerators for the U.S. Census will be contacting Sutton County residents for a number of reasons: (1) Not previously counted (2) Information on housing that was enumerated and now needs additional info. Sutton County residents are reminded that there are a number of ways the census aids citizens; (1) Determines the number of representatives our area will have in Congress, the State legislature, county, city and local elective governing bodies (2) Affects the distribution of funds for housing, public works, education, crime prevention, fire protection, job training and other programs to make life better (3) Helps private industry put new jobs where the work forces are, new stores where the customers are (4) Shows us where we are as a nation, and as communities, so we can plan effectively for the challenges of 1980.

Sonora Churches

<p>Primera Baptist Church Rev. Basilio Esquivel 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>Hope Lutheran Church Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Adult Inquirers Class 6:00 p.m. Saturday Confirmation Instruction 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>First Assembly of God Rev. Ned Smith, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Service 7:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Rev. Jim Miles Sunday Church School 10 a.m. Fellowship 10:45 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. (Communion of first Sunday of each month)</p>
<p>First United Methodist Church Rev. David Griffin, Pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Jehovah's Witnesses Sunday Public Talk 10:00 a.m. Watchtower Study 10:50 Tuesday Theocratic School 7:30 Service Meeting 8:30 Thursday Bible Study 7:30</p>	<p>Faith Christian Fellowship of Sonora Interdenominational 116 West Main Michael Kyle, Pastor Sunday 10:30 a.m. Special Children's Church 10:30 a.m. 387-5069</p>	<p>Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle Pastor Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.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 Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Bishop Ray Hendershot Joe Moran Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Priesthood 10:00 a.m. Relief Society 10:00 a.m. Sacrament Mtg. 11:00 am Visitors Welcome</p>	<p>Saint John's Episcopal Church Rev. John W. Fritts, Pastor Sunday 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (2nd and 4th Sun. MP) Wednesday 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist Holy Days as announced</p>	<p>St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. John Waldron Sat. Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. Sunday Masses 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.m.</p>

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REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS, OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30, 1980

FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFER IN	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERRED OUT	BALANCE
Jury						38,119.37
Road & Bridge	103,889.02	62,033.40		127,803.05		97,775.42
General	242,935.62	73,830.04		203,527.74	15,462.50	
Permanent Improvement						
Park					1,000.00	97,144.83
F. M. & L. Road	96,989.82	1,155.01				
Road & Bridge Machinery						15,489.91
Road & Bridge Special	15,489.91					
Officers Salary				425.00		9,066.89
Flood Control	9,491.89			289.55		1,434.15
Law Library	1,469.70	254.00				
Interest & Sinking, 19 76	-0-		1,000.00	1,000.00		-0-
Interest & Sinking, 19	6,902.46					6,902.46
Interest & Sinking, 19 79	-0-		15,462.50	15,462.50		-0-
Interest & Sinking, 19						
Rev. SHARING 10 TH	73,776.00			29,531.53		44,244.47
Rev. SHARING 11 TH	21,232.00	21,232.00				42,464.00
TOTAL	572,176.42	158,504.45	16,462.50	378,039.37	16,462.50	352,641.50
Social Security Account	4,190.67	15,000.00		16,196.82		2,993.85
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	576,367.09	173,504.45	16,462.50	394,236.19	16,462.50	355,635.35

STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF SUTTON)

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____ Metha V. Trainer
 County Treasurer of Sutton County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 14th day of July, 1980
 (SEAL) Erma Lee Turner Clerk,
 County Court, Sutton County, Texas.
 Deputy.

Helpful Hints For The Hot Summer Months

If you become overexposed to the sun or overexert during extreme heat and humidity this summer, you may get heat cramps, heat exhaustion, or possibly even the rare but serious heatstroke.

Avoiding these hot-weather complications is more than simply a matter of staying in cool or air-conditioned areas and walking on the shady side of the street as important as those precautions are. You'll also need to pay attention to medically sound preventive steps.

1. Wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing that reflects the sun's rays and allows for better sweat evaporation, and wear a wide-brimmed hat for added protection.

2. Avoid sudden changes of temperature, such as dashing from an air-conditioned building to a hot sidewalk or car. Before getting into a car that's been parked in the sun, open it up for a few minutes.

3. Stick to cook drinks and food, and salt your food liberally. Salt tablets are seldom necessary if you have a well-balanced diet. If you feel the need for salt tablets, check first with your doctor. (see #12)

4. Don't overeat. Don't overindulge in alcoholic drinks. Your body system needs extra water in hot weather, whether or not your thirst sensation increases. Drink water often, even when you don't feel the urge.

5. Acclimate yourself by limiting exposure to the sun or strenuous outdoor activities to just 15 minutes on the first hot day, adding 15-30 minutes each day over a week or 10 days.

6. Avoid outdoor physical activity between 10 AM and 2PM whenever possible.

7. When you exercise in the heat, take a 5-10 minute break every half-hour. Don't exercise just before or after meals.

8. Drink plenty of water or salted lemonade when you're exercising. You may have heard that drinking water when you're hot and active will bring on stomach cramps, but it is not true; you need to keep up your water intake to replace what you're losing in sweat-so drink when you're thirsty.

9. Also take extra precautions when-ever the humidity is high during the heat wave. When the relative humidity gets above 60 percent, the air won't absorb as much sweat as your body needs to get rid of, and by 75 percent relative humidity, it won't absorb any. This, coupled with high temperatures, is particularly dangerous.

10. If the weather is hot and dry, you may not feel sweaty, but in high temperatures you indeed are sweating; the dry air is evaporating the sweat so effectively that you don't get damp skin or soaked clothes. Drink plenty of water; don't be lulled by the false idea that you're not losing any.

11. Take extra care when the official temperature is higher than 85 degrees F. If the official temperature is, say, 95 degrees F, it may be well over 105 degrees F on a tennis court or in your backyard garden, even in the shade. Official readings are often taken from towers or high buildings.

12. If you are on a low-salt or salt-free diet, or if you have a chronic disease-heart disease, hypertension, diabetes, or lung disease, for example--high heat and humidity will put an especially heavy burden on you. Consult your doctor before engaging in any unusual activity or changing your salt intake.

13. If you do feel the effects of the heat and humidity-unexplained stomach or arm and leg cramps, extreme fatigue, nausea, headache, or dizziness-get medical attention as soon as possible.

Softball Standings

MEN'S SOFTBALL

- Whiz (16-1), 2. Bishop (14-4, 2 1/2 GB), 3. Birds (14-5, 3 GB), 4. Hooper (11-6, 4 1/2 GB), 5. Patchers (11-6, 5 GB), 6. Bradens (9-9, 7 1/2 GB), 7. Casparis (8-10, 8 1/2 GB), 8. S&S (5-14, 12 GB), 9. HNG (3-14, 13 GB), 10. Western (2-15, 14 GB).

Last Week's Results
Patchers 12, Casparis 7
Birds 17, S&S 6
Bishop 11, HNG 1
Hooper 8, Birds 7
Patchers 17, HNG 7
Hooper 7, Western 0

Highway Department To Improve Section of IH-10

Bids will be received in July by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation for the improvement of a 12.1-mile section of Interstate Highway 10 in Sutton County. District Engineer D.R. Watson said the highway from the Crockett County line to approximately 7.5 miles west of Sonora and will receive a fabric underseal and a new asphaltic concrete pavement overlay. Joe W. Lane of Sonora will be the department's engineer in charge of supervising the work.



TOM LOEFFLER
Congressman
1st District-Texas

Reports from Washington

Deregulation: Essential But How We Achieve It Is Equally As Important

Getting government off our backs and out of our pocketbooks is an objective many of us in Congress are working hard to achieve.

If there is one common complaint heard all over the country, it is that government is strangling us to death with its intrusion into our daily lives, and its ruinous impact on our free market economy.

Loosening government's grip on us individually, and collectively as a society, is an objective to which this Congress has given a high priority. It is doing so through attempted deregulation of various industries.

No one who truly believes in a free market would deny this objective is a most important one. I believe it to be essential. But the question is whether deregulation works in every instance, in every industry.

Congress must answer this question in every instance, for every industry.

The real goal of deregulation is increased competition, unfettered by ineffective and unnecessary government intervention. Competition provides the very best product or service at the lowest possible price to the consumer. Those with the best goods and services will attract the most business. Allocation of goods and services is determined by the marketplace, not by a set of government mandates and regulations.

As a result, each of us as individuals, as families, as business-people, would be able to exercise freedom of choice in determining what we wish to purchase.

This Congress is laying the groundwork for deregulation in a number of industries. During June, the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Subcommittee on Communications, on which I am privileged to serve, considered a very important deregulation measure. It concentrates on deregulation of the telecommunications industry, a critically important undertaking. Advances in modern telecommunications technology have far exceeded the scope of the 1934 Act, which established the original regulatory framework for the industry.

The full Committee also reported out a deregulation measure for the railroad industry.

There have been others. Earlier this year, Congress passed, and the President signed into law a sweeping set of banking reforms. They modified Federal controls, and made other changes meant ultimately to benefit the consumer. And just last week, the House passed legislation deregulating the trucking industry.

Deregulation must do one thing. It must insure competition and incentive — otherwise we may lose essential goods and services, and merely perpetuate monopoly.

Let me cite a few examples.

A major thrust of communications legislation is increased competition in the telephone industry — to be achieved through deregulation.

New businesses are entering the marketplace daily. The basic telephone system we have known in the past is facing competition from specialized data transfer systems, and two-way voice transmission, which actually amounts to regular long-distance service.

As we change from the old system to the new, we must ensure equity to the industry, while continuing to provide telephone service at reasonable rates to consumers in both rural and urban areas.

Mere deregulation of the telephone industry would not assure this goal.

The City of San Antonio is another example. For years, San Antonio consumers have been forced to pay ever higher energy bills. The reason is only one railroad carries coal to San Antonio, and the City is therefore forced to pay whatever rate the Burlington Northern establishes.

Under pending deregulation legislation, the Burlington Northern could raise its rates even higher, affecting consumers even more drastically. In this instance, the difference between deregulation in theory, and deregulation in practice, is substantial. It would result in an exorbitant and unfair cost to San Antonio consumers. It would also clearly perpetuate monopoly.

If equity and fairness coupled with true competition and incentive cannot be assured, then deregulation has not achieved its intended objective.

Getting government out of the business of regulation is important and essential to this country's free market economy. But just how we achieve it is equally as important.

Sales Tax Up From Last Year

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said city sales tax payments to Texas cities for the first seven months of 1980 are running about 20 percent more than payments during the same period in 1979.

He said payments for July to 936 cities total \$25 million compared to \$23.5 million during July of 1979—a 6.6 percent increase.

Sales tax payments are just slightly ahead of the inflation rate for the first six months which the federal government has set at about 13 percent, Bullock said.

Sales tax rebates for the City of Sonora continued even above the state average increase as the City received 8,216.17 during the period as compared to \$7,600.11 for the same month last year.

That brings the City's total for the year to \$123,288.76, an increase of \$32,953.93 or 36 percent over the \$90,334.83 figure in 1979.

Figures for other area cities include Big Lake, \$8,021.82, up 31 percent; Brady, \$10,483.36, up 29 percent; Del Rio, \$46,649.90, up 28 percent; Eldorado, \$2,875.43, up 13 percent; Junction, \$3,621.55, up 16 percent; Mason, \$2,389.33, up 19 percent; Menard, \$750.30, up 8 percent; Ricksprings, \$85.19, up 17 percent; and San Angelo, \$194,209.53, up 23 percent.

Dallas' July check will total \$3 million compared to \$2.7 million in July of last year.

Houston will receive \$5.2 million, up from 5 million during the same period in 1979.

Fort Worth's payment this month will be \$998,006 compared to a rebate payment of \$929,218 last July.

San Antonio will receive \$1.4 million this month, compared to \$1.3 million for July of 1979.

Bullock also announced that San Antonio would receive \$809,147 and Hous-

ton would receive \$6.5 million in allocations for mass transit operations.

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Views On Dental Health

CHECKING DENTURES

By Lonnie M. Pollard, D.D.S.

Fortunately - or unfortunately - you no longer have any problems with your upper teeth. They were all removed some years ago and you now wear a full upper denture. Does this mean you can forget about visiting your dentist regularly? Not if you value your health and future comfort!

Regular appointments with the dentist are as important for denture-wearers as for people with natural teeth. The mouth tissue, bony ridges and gums that support dentures are constantly undergoing changes and may impair the dentures' proper function. Even such general health ailments as vitamin deficiencies, extended illness, drug therapy, weight loss, diabetes or high blood pressure can change the way dentures fit.

Ill-fitting dentures can seriously damage the mouth, causing abrasions, bruises, inflammation and rapid destruction of the supporting bone. Prolonged irritation of this kind may result in the development of tumors.

It is important to have a dental at least once a year to insure that your dentures are properly adjusted and that your mouth is in good health.

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Virginia Weatherford Joins Red Carpet Committee

Shelley Chaney, Red Carpet Committee, Sonora Chamber of Commerce announced this week that Virginia Weatherford, a newcomer to Sonora, has been appointed to serve of the RCC.

Virginia and husband Jerry moved to Sonora from Ozona. Jerry is employed with R.L. Burns Corpora-

tion. The Weatherfords are Baptists.

They have one daughter, Terri, age 15, who plays the flute in band and will be a sophomore.

Chaney joins the C of C directors and its members and the citizens of Sonora in welcoming the Weatherfords to our town.

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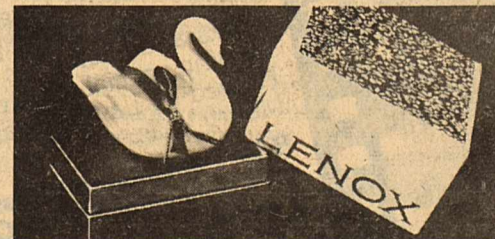
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Bentsen: Windfall Tax Aimed At Sunbelt

The so-called Windfall Profits Tax will take billions of dollars out of the economies of Texas and other states in the South and West, but legislators from industrial states in the Northeast and Midwest are pushing for even more.

Their efforts could balkanize this country. They have formed a Northeast-Midwest coalition in Congress, using a paid staff to assemble statistics and plant stories.

These "Snowbelt" legislators claim that producing states, like Texas, are reaping a windfall profit from

revenue to pillage their industrial base. They propose that laws be rewritten to give their states a bigger portion of money distributed by the federal government. Many of the laws are already biased in their favor.

The fact is, the so-called Windfall Profits Tax may well result in the most massive transfer of wealth in the history of our nation.

This tax will place \$227 billion in the coffers of the U.S. Treasury over the next 10 years. How much of that money is going to come out of New Jersey or Ohio? Not Much. It's going to come

from Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana -- the producer states.

Will this money come back to the 'sunbelt' in the form of benefits? Don't count on it.

For example, \$57 billion of that tax is targeted for low-income hearing aid, and there is a good chance that two-thirds of that amount will be spent in the 'frostbelt.'

Texas is going to prosper in the future, make no mistake about that. But our wealth will be fairly earned and long in coming. And we will stand ready to defend it against raids from 'frostbelt' legislators armed with twisted logic.

Where were these concerned individuals for the past century when the 'sunbelt' and oil-producing states were an economic

backwater -- and all the capital, power and jobs were concentrated in the Northeast and Midwest?

Although Texas still has some of the poorest regions in the country, our state is finally nearing the national average in per capita income. Why should we be punished for catching up with the rest of America? Is it carved on a stone tablet that Connecticut and New York shall forever have the highest per capita income in America?

Let us take a look at these arguments about a producer state rip-off as a result of decontrol. What are the facts? The facts are that people, jobs and capital have been moving into the 'sunbelt' states for more than a decade.

As a result of the 1980

census, we will gain about 10 seats in Congress, with two of those seats going to Texas. This southward migration began long before the energy crisis and it will continue long after it is over. People come here to set up businesses, to live and work, because we offer an attractive economic environment that is committed to the free enterprise system.

That has been the secret of 'sunbelt' success -- it's a lesson our neighbors would do well to learn.

Our friends to the North who talk about 'windfall profits' tend to overlook the costs involved with complying with national energy policy, especially if you are a producer state. Texas, for example, is being forced to convert from gas-fired to

coal-fired utility boilers during the next decade. That is the law. We have no choice in the matter.

This process will cost perhaps hundreds of billions of dollars by the time we're through. That's because we must ship the coal from states like Montana that put a 30 percent severance tax on it -- and most of that coal comes from federal lands, that belongs to all of us. And as if that's not enough, the railroads then charge us top dollar to transport it to Texas.

Everybody makes money but the poor Texas consumer who pays a higher utility bill and breathes dirtier air in the cause of a national energy policy that makes no sense at all. Allegations that Texas and other 'sunbelt' states

are prospering at the expense of our fellow Americans in the Northeast and Midwest have no basis at all in fact.

Rampant, divisive regionalism does no one any good in this country, whether North or South. The tragic periods in our history have occurred when

unity was absent, when we worked at cross purpose or turned on one another.

I would remind my Northern colleagues of Benjamin Franklin's words at the signing of the Declaration of Independence: "We must all hang together or assuredly we shall hang separately."

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TSGRA Sponsors Seminar

Heard any good hair-raising oil lease stories lately? If you haven't yet, you probably will, the way high oil prices and tight supplies have exploration spreading out into areas once considered just plain hopeless.

Many landowners in these once-ignored areas know no more about negotiating oil or gas leases than they do about sailing a three-masted schooner. And handled wrong, the former can cause you at least as much grief as the latter.

That's why the Natural Resources Committee of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser's Association is sponsoring an oil and gas leasing seminar beginning Thursday, July 17 at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville. The seminar will be in conjunction with the association's annual conven-

tion, but any interested party is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Starting time is 7 pm, and the seminar will conclude with a Friday morning session from 9-11 am. Registration is \$5 a head.

Committee chairman John Davis, Rocksprings, says the seminar will feature a five-person panel, including an oil company land man, an attorney, a landowner, a royalty-owner and a professional lease consultant. After short introductory presentations, the panel members will answer written questions submitted from the floor.

New Pipelines Receive Approval In Sutton County

A total of 51 permits for more than 448 miles in the new pipelines were granted by the Railroad Commission through the first five months of 1980, according to the RRC's Administrative Services Division.

Twenty-eight of the permits were for gathering pipelines, 13 were for trunk transmission lines, two were for gas plants, and one each was for gas injection and feed stock. Six were for multipurpose and other lines.

Thirty-seven of the newly permitted pipelines will transport gas, seven will carry petroleum products, six will contain crude oil and condensates, and one is designed for other materials.

Private pipelines accounted for 42 of the permits, followed by six for common carriers and three for gas utilities.

In the five-month period, Southeast Texas led other areas of the state with 13 new permits. Nine were granted in West Central Texas, five each in East Central Texas and the San Antonio and Refugio area, three each in East Texas, North Texas and the San Angelo area, two each in Deep South Texas and the Midland area, and one in the Lubbock area.

Gathering lines approved include: Cisco Corp. Midland, gas, Crockett County; San Andreas Corp., Richardson, gas, Crockett County, 4-inch, 4,575 feet; Gas Pipeline Service, Inc., Rocksprings, gas, Edwards

County, Sutton, County Pipeline Co., Midland, gas, Sutton County, 4-inch, 14,400 feet.

Drilling Reaches Record

For the first five months of this year the oil and gas industry drilled an average of 4,933 wells a month nationwide and that set a new all-time record for rotary rigs. The old January through May record was 4,847 rigs in 1956. It should be pointed out, however, that we are just now getting back to the number that we drilled 24 years ago. According to the International Association of Drilling Contractors, 25 to 30 new rigs are being put into service each month.

Americans used 7.7 percent less gasoline through June 20th of this year compared to the same period last year. The Department of Energy has set a five percent nationwide gasoline reduction target for the last six months of this year. In New Mexico, the target for the state is a reduction of 2.8 percent or 402 million gallons of gasoline for the remainder of 1980. In Texas, the goal is 4 billion 200 million gallons or 5.6 percent for the second half of this year.

equipment entering their property be thoroughly washed first to prevent possible bitterweed infestation from elsewhere. Some others require that collecting pipelines from individual wells be buried, so as not to interfere with normal livestock or farming operations.

"The important thing," Davis explains, "is to be sure that if you get production, you'll still be able to operate your land as a farm or ranch, instead of having to ranch around the oil."

These things can be carried too far, of course, and Davis says the presence of oil company people at the seminar will help assure that prospective lessors get an idea how much they can expect in concessions, and how much is too much.

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Public Notice
City of Sonora, P.O. Box 837, Sonora, Texas 76950 has applied to the Texas Department of Water Resources for an amendment to Permit No. 10545 to upgrade existing sewage treatment facilities. The existing permit authorizes the disposal by irrigation of 403,000 gallons per day of treated domestic sewage effluent. The applicant proposes to abandon the existing major treatment unit and construct a new secondary plant with design capacity of 876,000 gallons a day. A discharge to surface waters from the facility is proposed.

The plant is to be located south of Sonora and south of Dry Devil's River, approximately 6,000 feet south and 2,000 feet west of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 and U.S. Highway 290 in Sutton County, Texas.

The effluent will be discharged to Dry Devil's River; thence to Devil's River in the Rio Grande River Basin.

Legal Authority: Section 26.028 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and Chapter 25 of the Rules of the Texas Department of Water Resources.

No public hearing will be held on this application unless an affected person who has received notice of the application has requested a public hearing. Any such request for a public hearing shall be in writing and contain: (1) the name, mailing address, and phone number of the person making the request; and (2) a brief description of how the requester, or persons represented by the requester, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application. If the Commission determines that the request sets out an issue which is relevant to the waste discharge permit decision, or that a public hearing would serve the

public interest, the Commission shall conduct a public hearing, after the issuance of proper and timely notice of the hearing. If no sufficient request for hearing is received within 45 days of the date of publication of the notice concerning the application, the permit will be submitted to the Commission for final decision on the application. Requests for a public hearing and/or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing to Larry R. Soward, Assistant Chief Hearings Examiner, Texas Water Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, Telephone (512) 475-1311.

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It is expected that the requested rate schedule will furnish an 11.65 percent increase in the company's intrastate revenues.

A complete copy of the new rate schedule is on file with the Public Utility Commission at Austin, Texas, and with each affected municipality, and is available for inspection in each of the company's public business offices in Texas.



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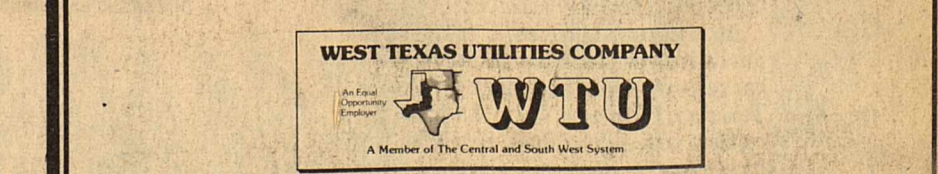
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**WTBS
Con't From P. 5**

2:30 am The Big Wheel. A son follows his father's autoracing career and the love, hate and tragedy of the track. Set at Indianapolis. Mickey Rooney, Thomas Mitchell.

Monday, July 21
9:00 am Top Secret Affair. Subject to Senate approval, a tough Major General is named for an important diplomatic post, unless a certain glamorous and hard-driven publisher can prevent it. Susan Hayward, Kirk Douglas, Paul Stewart, Jim Backus.

12:00 pm The Second Time Around. In 1911, a young widow with two children arrives in an Arizona town jobless and friendless. Not for long, though, as she switches from a ranch hand to a twofisted, umbrella-swinging sheriff. Debbie Reynolds, Andy Griffith, Thelma Ritter.

10:30 pm Bedtime Story. The riotous, devil-may-care comedy that asks the searing question: can a beautiful American heiress find true love romping on the Riviera with a couple of madcap con-men? Shirley Jones, Marlon Brando, David Niven.

Tuesday, July 22
9:00 am She's Back on Broadway. Two beauties are matched against one another for one man's affection and the honor of becoming the 'toast' of Broadway. Virginia Mayo, Gene Nelson, Frank Lovejoy.

12:00 pm Track of the Cat. During the 1890's in Northern California, brothers set out to capture a mountain lion that has been destroying their cattle. Robert Mitchum, Tab Hunter, Teresa Wright, Diana Lynn, William Hopper.

7:00 pm Evil Knievel. The story of the famed dare-devil motorcycle stunt rider, Evil Knievel. George Hamilton, Sue Lyon, Rod Cameron.

10:30 pm Winner Take All. A woman's addiction to all forms of gambling becomes progressively worse and threatens to ruin her marriage. Shirley Jones, Laurence Luckenbill, Sam Groom, Joan Blondell, Joyce Van Patten.

12:35 am Samson and the Seven Miracles of the World. In 13th Century China, a Tartar tyrant who covets the emperor's throne plots to ambush the Royal children. Samson must come to the rescue. Gordon Scott, Yoko Tani, Helene Chanel, Dante Di Paolo.

Mayor Bill Gosney and County Judge Charles Sherrill extend their welcome to the girls and leaders on the Tralls of Texas Tales tour last Friday.

Jinx Taylor Hosts Fireman's Auxiliary

Jinx Taylor was the hostess at the Firehall July 8 as the Fireman's Auxiliary met.

A business meeting was held and Yahtzee was played.

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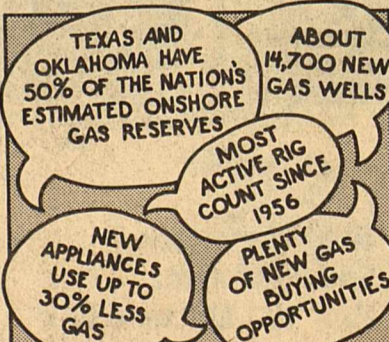
Rumors are usually more exciting than fact, but the fact is that approximately 2,500 drilling rigs were at work in the United States in December 1979. This was the highest active rig count since 1956.

Despite persistent rumors that America is running out of natural gas, industry statistics reveal an increase in the ratio of successes to failures in gas-well completions in 1979.

As a result, the United States has about 14,700* new gas wells it didn't have a year ago. And exploration is expected to increase — not decrease — as higher gas prices offset the increasing cost of drilling.

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*Source: American Gas Association and The American Petroleum Institute.

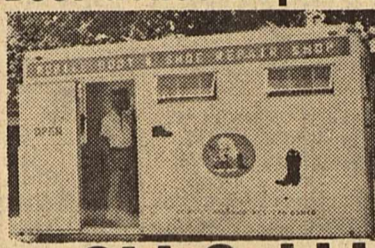
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Al Elliot and Judy Webster help serve the Girl Scouts on the Tralls of Texas Tales tour during their noon barbecue held for them during their stop in Sonora last Friday. One hundred girls along with 20 sponsors from all over the United States, Canada and Bolivia are on the West Texas trip.

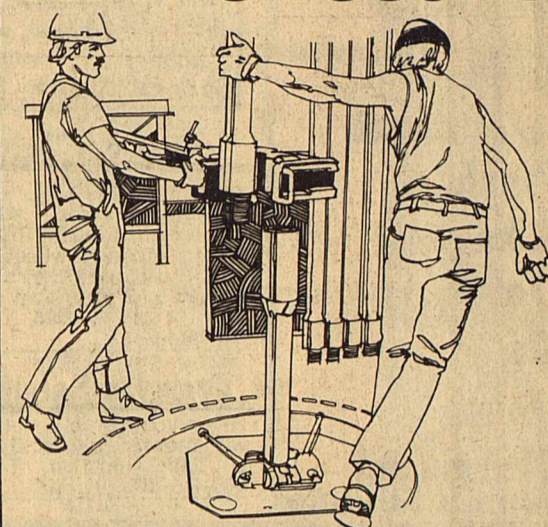
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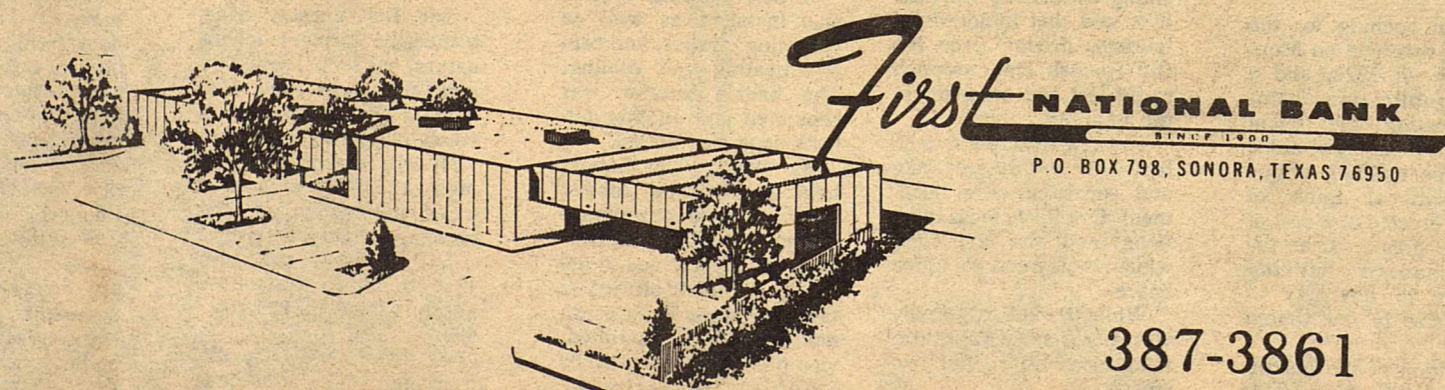


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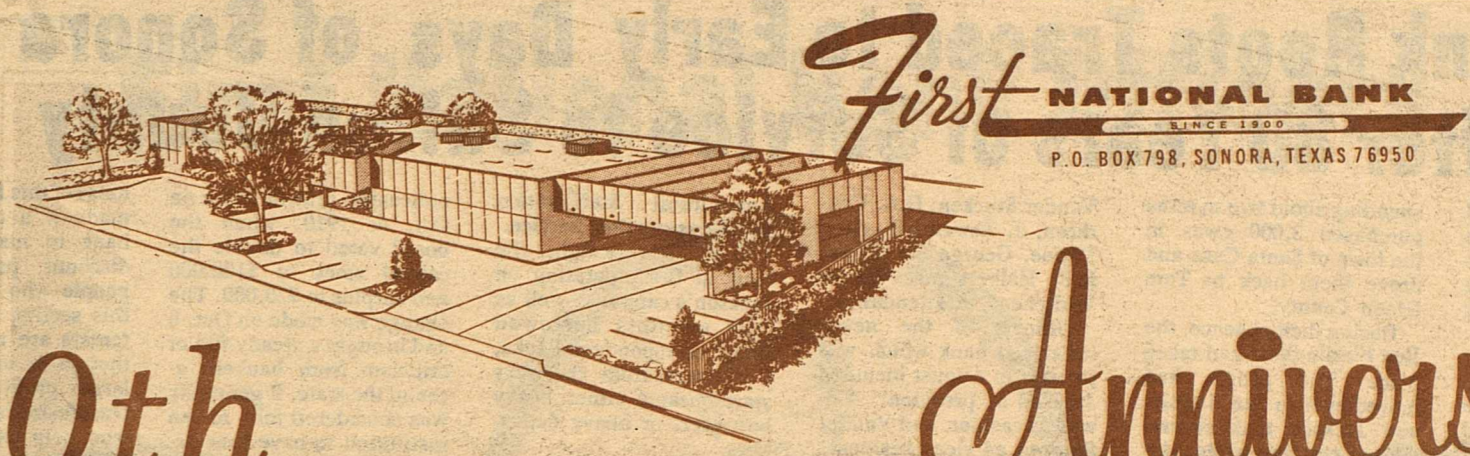
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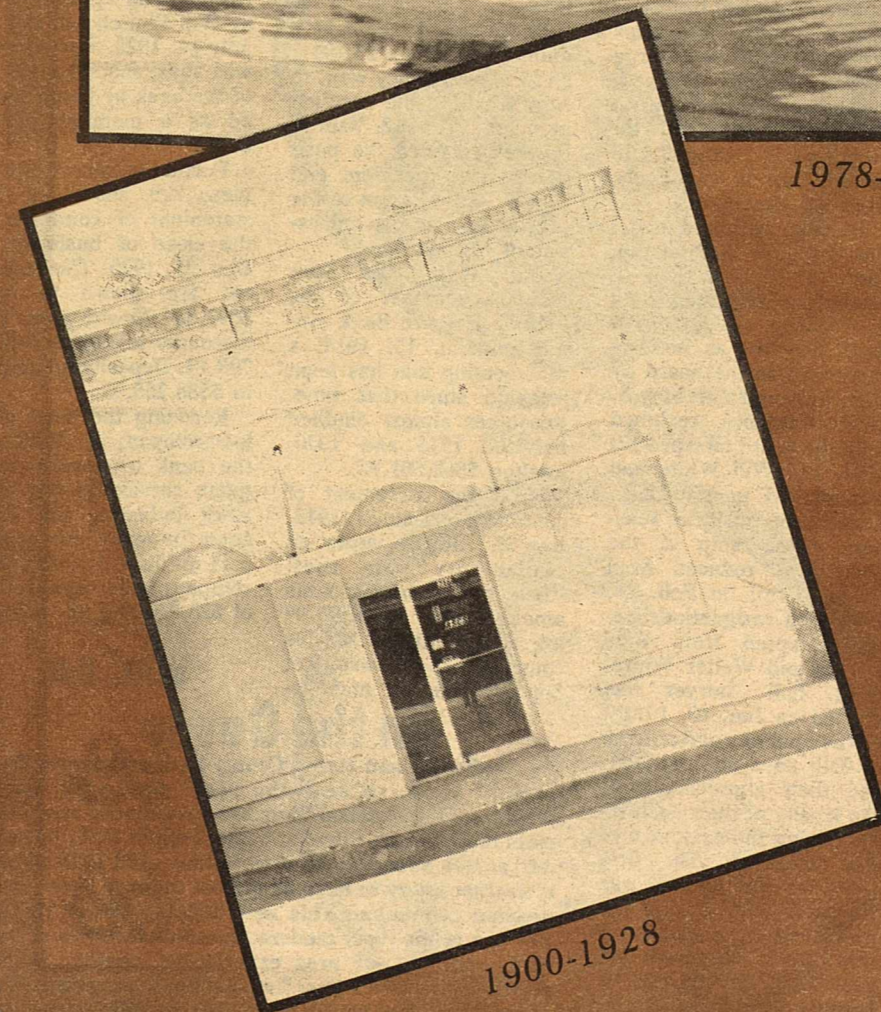
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1978-Present



1900-1928



1928-1978

Bank Roots Traced to Early Days of Sonora After 80 Years of Service to Sutton County

As the First National Bank of Sonora takes this opportunity to observe its 80th Anniversary, it is only appropriate to look back over these past 80 years. Sonora and Sutton County have seen many changes and much growth since 1900, and First National Bank has been there all along, constantly growing and improving to meet the needs of our customers.

The bank was organized by E.R. Jackson in 1900, only 10 years after Sonora became a town. The move to organize a bank was deemed foolhardy by some who had already seen two financial institutions, the Sutton County Bank and the Bank of Sonora, fail.

Jackson was born in Kentucky and came to Texas around 1875, locating in Austin where he worked at several jobs. He later worked as a shepherd in Tom Green County where he met W.L. Aldwell, forming an association later to play an important role in the founding of the First National Bank.

The pair traveled to Sonora, Mexico, and after

spending about two months purchased 3,000 ewes in the town of Santa Casa and drove them back to Tom Green County.

During their absence, the Ben Ficklin flood had taken place. The people had moved over to San Angelo, and Jackson took several jobs of painting while Aldwell looked after the sheep. That was the foundation of the magnificent fortune Jackson had accumulated when he died.

In 1896 Jackson purchased the Natural Well Ranch, which was afterward known as the "09" Ranch. He and Aldwell then dissolved their partnership for two or three years.

The two formed another partnership in 1900, this time in the cattle business. Jackson busied himself with plans to organize the bank, consulting with many local citizens including E.F. Vander Stucken. Much of the capital to be used would be from the sale of his "09" Ranch in 1899.

The organizational meeting was held May 3, 1900 with Jackson, Aldwell,

Vander Stucken, D.A. Cauthorn, J. Lewenthan, S.G. Tayloe, George S. Allison, R.F. Halbert and Walter Whitehead in attendance.

Officers of the newly organized bank which was to open in August included Jackson as president, Aldwell as cashier, and Vander Stucken as vice president.

The first directors of the bank were Jackson, Aldwell, Vander Stucken, Allison, Halbert, Cauthorn, and Whitehead.

The building committee of Vander Stucken, Allison, and Halbert was to supervise construction of a building to provide office space for the institution. But because of the slight delay in completion of the construction of the building, the bank opened for business of August 15 in the office of Vander Stucken's general store, staying there a few days and then going to the Bank of Sonora, located in Hagerlund Brother's store.

The new bank used these quarters for two or three weeks until the new building was completed. The structure, built at a cost of \$2,500, now houses the

Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Deposits were light, the bank at first operating on Jackson's capital as well as with amounts borrowed from correspondent banks. Customers from the very start became either heavy borrowers or heavy depositors.

The first report to the Comptroller of the Currency on the condition of the bank was made at the close of business on Sept. 5, 1900 after the institution had been open less than a month.

Resources were shown to total \$88,128.87, with loans and discounts amounting to \$27,549.63, United States bonds and premiums totaling \$13,000, the banking house and furniture and fixtures were valued at \$2,509.93, and cash on hand and in banks aggregated \$45,077.31.

Liabilities showed capital stock, paid in, to be \$50,000, undivided profits during the short time totaled \$366.94, deposits were \$37,717.24 and other liabilities totaled \$44.69.

Though he was consulted on all matters of importance, Jackson spent little time inside the bank, devoting most of his attention to ranching interests. His judgment was always considered in banking problems, however.

A loss of approximately \$3,000 was suffered by the bank shortly after it had passed its second birthday. Sonora's most disastrous fire which destroyed a large portion of the business district and burned several residences, damaged the building and contents. The records, all in the vault, were not damaged.

Halbert resigned from the board of directors on Jan. 13, 1903 with J.C. Medkiff being named to fill the vacancy. His term was short however as he was succeeded on the board by D.H. Burroughs on May 5, 1903. Cauthorn resigned from the board on April 12, 1904, and Will Whitehead was named in his place. Because of business reasons, membership of the board was reduced from seven to five on Feb. 21, 1905 with resignations being accepted from Burroughs and Walter Whitehead. E.E. Sawyer was elected on Jan. 10, 1911.

The directors and officers of FNB have often expressed their appreciation of the loyalty of their customers during the existence of the institution. The first proof of the loyalty was shown in 1907 during the unprecedented panic of that year. It was during this year that the bank had its hardest struggle to serve its patrons, but with their cooperation, the institution, unlike many that failed, was able to withstand the money shortage.

The institution's first

noticeable growth came on Oct. 4, 1910, when the board voted to double the capital stock to \$100,000 and surplus to \$20,000. The change was made on Oct. 8 and brought a steady fire of criticism from bankers around the state. It generally was considered folly for an institution to have less deposits than capital stock. On Oct. 8, the day the change was made, deposits amounted to \$84,347.80.

The directors of the institution in the 1920's readily admitted that the move made almost 20 years previously was not folly, but wisdom, as shown by the financial condition of the bank at the time.

On Sept. 5, 1910, shortly before the capitol stock was increased, the financial statement of the bank showed resources to total \$273,754.35, of which \$179,843.16 was loans, \$50,000 was in US bonds, \$800 was from premiums on bonds, \$4,800 was the value placed on the banking house and fixtures, \$2.50 was due from the national treasury, \$35,808.69 was in cash on hand and in banks and \$2,500 was in the five percent fund.

Liabilities showed a capital stock of \$50,000, a surplus fund of \$30,000, undivided profits of \$16,777.69, due to banks \$7,326.10, circulation of \$50,000, deposits of \$101,325.56, bills payable of \$18,000 and \$325 reserved for taxes.

Death came to the bank's founder on Dec. 23, 1911, and the presidency went to Aldwell after the election held Jan. 31, 1912. Vander Stucken retained the position of vice president and Roy E. Aldwell, son of the president, was elected assistant cashier.

D.J. Wyatt had been made a member of the Federal Reserve Bank system on Jan. 13, 1914, a membership that has been retained since that time. Resources almost doubled between 1915 and 1920, totaling \$868,501.93.

With the statement of condition, on Dec. 31, 1915, Roy E. Aldwell wrote an explanatory note that, "Our loans and discounts amounting to \$292,578.09 are all to citizens of this county and of the vicinity of Sonora, and the manage-

ment of this bank has never made it a custom of the bank to make loans and discount paper for the people who do not live in this section and whose interests are not here, even though it might result in larger profits to the bank. Our desire is to help those who help us by giving us their business, and by making our loans to people in this vicinity, to aid and assist in its development. In calling your attention to our rediscounts we wish to state that we rediscounted this paper with the Federal Reserve Bank in order that we might bring cash into the county and be better able to extend to our customers needed accommodations."

The bank felt the influence of World War I. Roy Aldwell was among those resigning as cashier to serve as a commissioned officer of the American Expeditionary Forces. He returned to the position of cashier on June 10, 1919, but resigned on Aug. 23, 1919 due to business matters.

George H. "Jack" Neill, the bank's current chairman of the board, was elected to fill Aldwell's position on Jan. 16, 1920.

S.E. McKnight became a member of the board of directors on Jan. 23, 1924, taking the place caused vacant by the resignation of George Allison. Another resignation was tendered the board on April 27, 1925, by Will Whitehead, and on July 14, 1925, Roy Aldwell was again made an official of the bank by being elected as a member of the board.

Further increases in business are shown in the statement of condition at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1925. The resources are shown to total \$897,824.70 with loans and discounts taking up \$493,799.13. Deposits amounted to \$588,255.95.

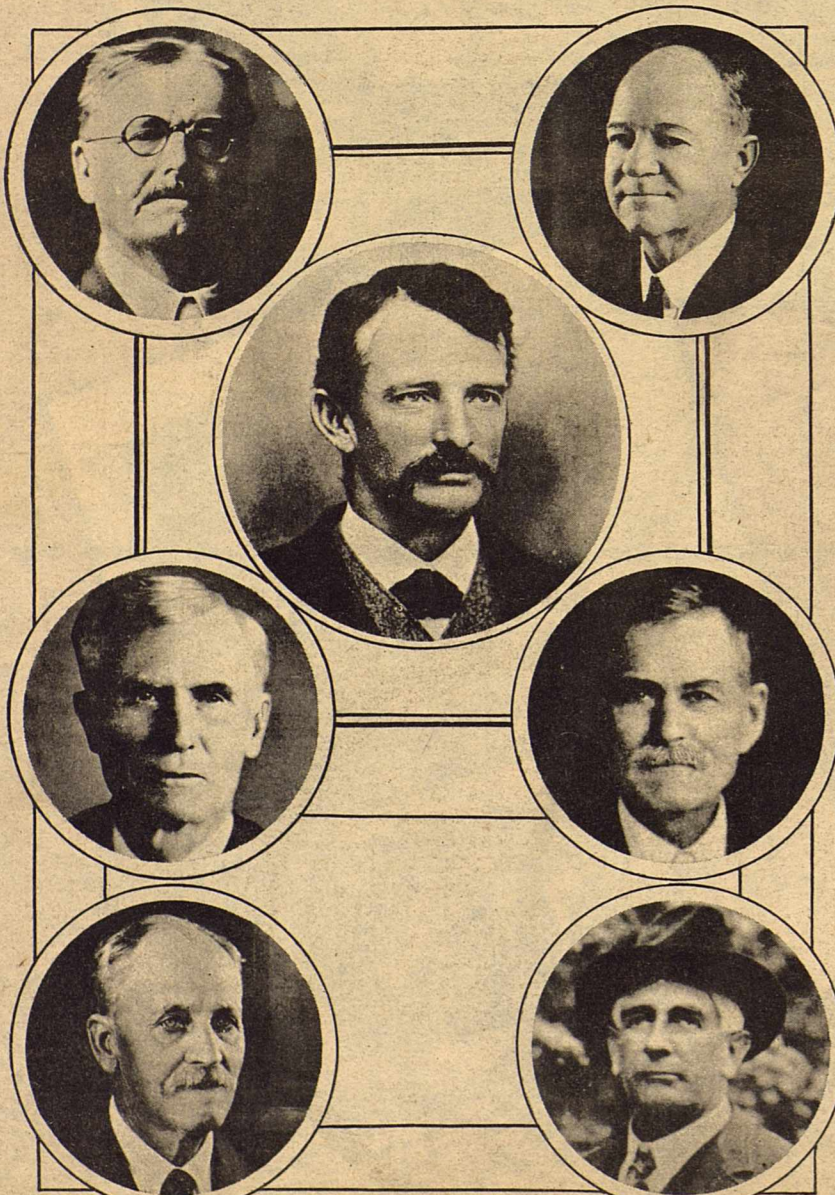
Realizing the need of a loan company in addition to the bank to provide adequate service to the livestock industry, the First Loan Company was organized on June 1, 1926. The company had a capital stock of \$25,000 and its officers

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As Sonora and Sutton County have grown over the past 80 years, so have the needs for larger bank facilities. First National Bank has always been ready to meet those needs. Our first home, built in 1900, [lower left] served Sonora and Sutton County until 1928 when it was necessary to have additional room to serve our growing population. This new building [lower right] was one of the most modern, spacious facilities of its kind then. As our area experienced another large growth in the 1970's First National Bank recognized the current building would be unable to fully serve its customers in its present location, a move that allowed room for even more growth in the community. And even today, both the former FNB homes continue to serve Sonora and Sutton County--the first as the office for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service and the second as Sonora City Hall.

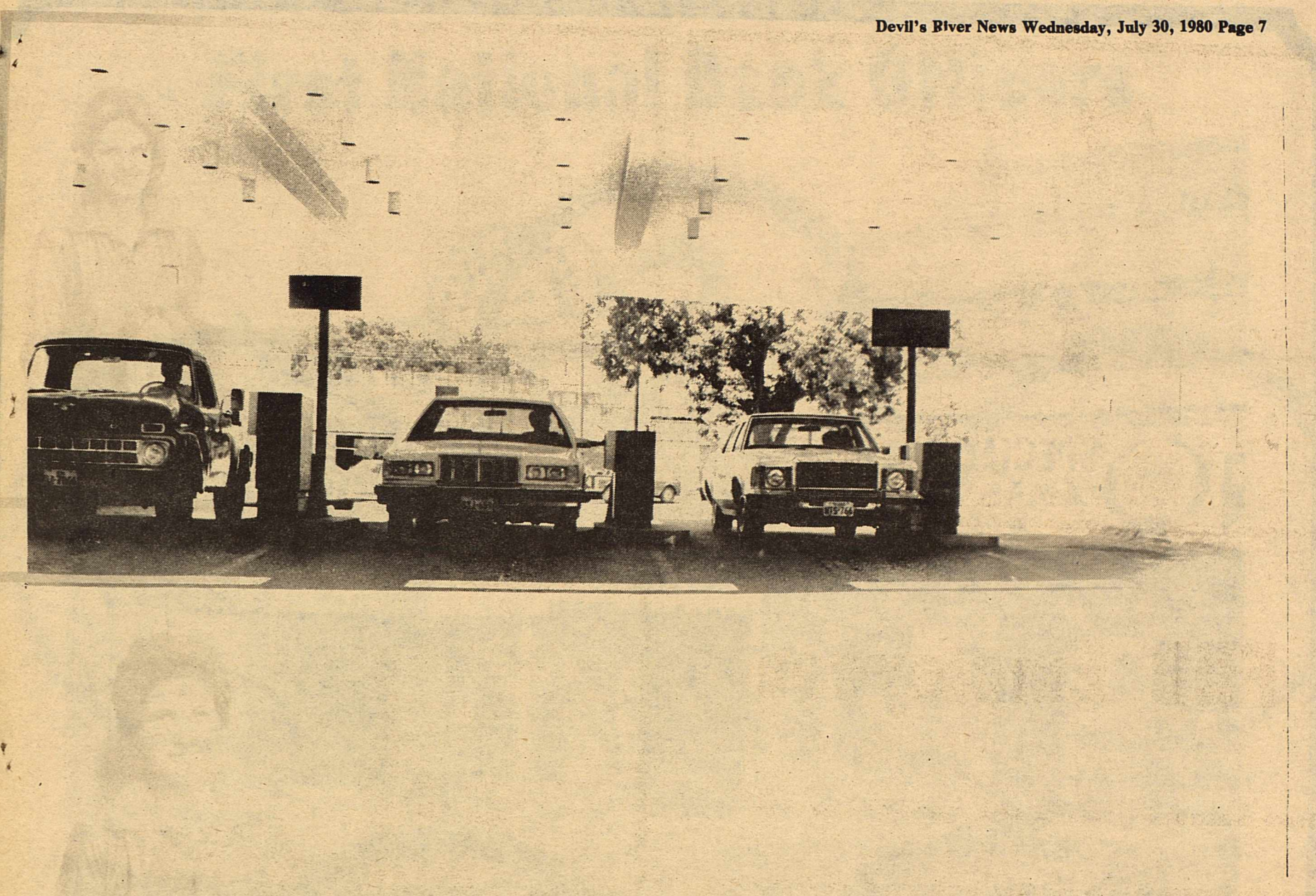
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Sonora is a town on the move, and when First National Bank began formulating plans for its new home, drive-in windows were a top priority. Four lanes make for easy access from 8 a.m. til 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lane 1 is a commercial lane, while Lane 4 is made especially to accomodate pickups.

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are still made up from members of the board.

The building of the First National Bank's new home in 1928 was evidence of belief in Sonora by bank executives. Members of the building committee, Vander Stucken(a member of the original building committee), Roy Aldwell and Sawyer, made the recommendation for the construction in spite of the fact that \$1,000 had been spent in repairs on the current building only a short time before.

Formal opening for the building was held on Monday, Jan. 7, 1928, and a bank publication commemorating the event boasted, "The new home and office building of the First National Bank of Sonora, erected at a cost of \$75,000, stands out as the most modern banking structure in any city of similar size in the United States.

"Erection of the beautiful home and office building climaxes 28 years of service to the Sonora country and indicates the respect the bank has for its customers, as well as

proves its faith in the future of the city."

"The building is not only fireproof throughout, but has been modeled after the most up-to-date type of banking structure such as is featured in so many of the recent Federal Reserve Bank buildings."

The new building, now City Hall, was located on one of the main corners of the town and was directly on the Old Spanish Trail, facing Main Street and siding on Concho Avenue. It is said that hundreds of tourists, driving over the Old Spanish Trail, stopped to inspect and compliment the building.

The new structure was 35 feet wide and 90 feet long and consisted of a basement, first floor, mezzanine floor, and the top floor which is devoted to office space.

While the building really was a four-story structure, it appeared to be but two stories.

Roy Aldwell had been elected second vice president in January of that year, but in 1931 was named to succeed his father

as president.

The bank celebrated its Golden Anniversary in 1950, and in 1959, undertook a giant remodeling job to better meet the more complex needs of a growing town.

The Hamilton Grocery Store next to the bank was purchased and used to enlarge the bank's office space. The ceiling was lowered and the mezzanine floor, used for directors and stockholders' meetings, was enlarged.

A new lighting system was installed as well as carpeting, drapes, and central heating and cooling. The bank's interior was repainted and another teller's cage was added.

By 1965, when Sonora held its Diamond Jubilee Celebration in observance of the town's 75th Anniversary, the bank joined in the festivities. Bank officers at that time were Neill, president; Clayton Hamilton, vice president; Mary Belle Stubblefield, assistant cashier; and Sue L. Rosford, secretary. Members of the staff included Charles F. West, Mrs. Ray Shelton, Mrs. Rex Merri-

man, Mrs. Milton Cavanaugh, Mrs. Dorothy Baker and Warren C. Hemphill.

By the end of that year, the banks total assets were listed at \$7,469,000.

As the decade of the 1970's dawned upon Sonora, few people could foresee the changes that would take place over the next 10 years. The population of both Sonora and Sutton County had begun to slowly dwindle with agriculture as the only real base of the economy.

But the energy crisis turned the dormant Sonora natural gas fields, called by many the largest field of its kind in the world, into a boom town. The population virtually doubled overnight, and FNB was there to meet the needs of the growing, changing town.

In the 10-year span from 1965 to 1975, the assets nearly tripled to \$19,766,400.

As Sonora grew, so did its need for additional banking services, and on Monday, Jan. 30, 1978, the doors of the current building were opened to the public. It seemed only fit-

ting that the new facility, with more employees, room and services in addition to four drive-in windows, should have as its first customer Mrs. Mable Vander Stucken, wife of the director and the daughter-in-law of one of the bank's founders.

Another customer that first morning was John Ward, one of the few people who has transacted business at all three of the institution's locations.

Present members of the board of directors for the bank are Hamilton, president; Neill, chairman of the board; Lea Roy Aldwell, vice president; Joe M. Vander Stucken, vice president; Sam H. Allison, director; Edwin E. Sawyer, director; Winnie W. McPherson, director; and J.W. Elliot, legal advisor.

Other officers of the bank are Sue L. Rosford, vice president, Michael V. Hale, cashier; Mary Belle Stubblefield, assistant cashier; Doris Merriman, assistant cashier; Robert R. Garrett, assistant cashier; Kenneth A. Land, assistant cashier; and K. King, assistant cashier.



FNB Employees

PROOF OPERATORS:[Top left] Retha Secrist, Charlene Terry, Lisa Gamez

BOOKKEEPERS:[Top right] Dorothy Baker, Joe Jimenez, Jo Ann Jones, Johnnie Moon, Linda Hamilton

SECRETARIES: [Center] Joy Kemp, Roy Jean Johnson, Lori Mohler

TELLERS: [Bottom left] Dorothy Casmer, Lou Adams, Elaine Donaldson, Jill Freeman

TELLERS:[Bottom right] Betty Weant, Liz Gold, Cindy Fields



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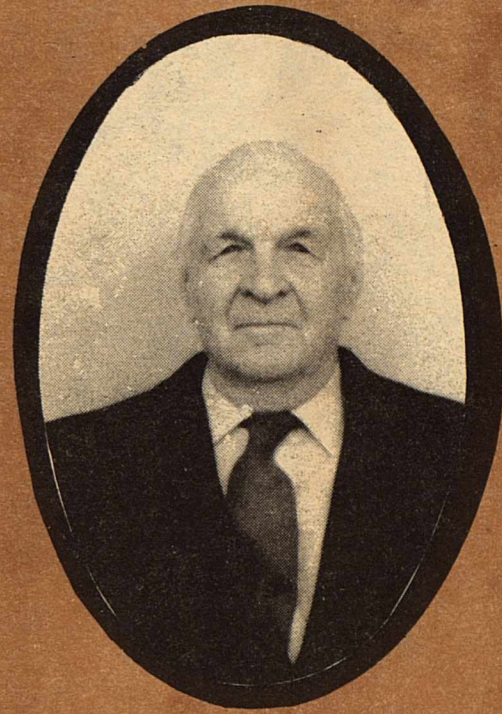
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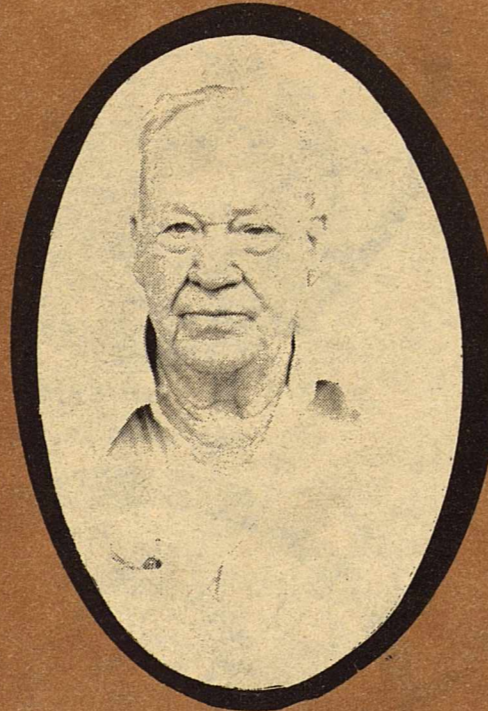
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