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First Round Of Stock Show Starts Saturday

The weigh in of lambs at 8 a.m. and the lamb carcass show at 1 p.m. Saturday will begin the 34th Annual Sutton County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Other events in the show will begin next Wednesday.

Bud Whitehead is the chairman of the Livestock Show Committee this

year, and Billie Martin is serving as co-chairman.

The carcass lamb show is sponsored by First National Bank.

Judges for the live classes are Jack Groff of Kerrville and Rex Stultz of Del Rio, while Dr. Frank Orts of Texas A&M University will be the judge for the carcass class.

Two classes of carcass lambs will be judged: one for finewool and one for finewool cross lambs.

Each 4-H Club member is limited to one crossbred and one finewool entry.

An update on other parts of the show will be run in next week's DRN.

Bull Sale Brings Stock Yard To Life

The Sonora Stock Yards will come to life Saturday as the Stockman's Paradise Livestock Association hosts its first annual Bull Buyers Bonanza

beginning at 1 p.m.

Sale consignments consist of all breeds of bulls, and approximately 150 breeding age bulls will be placed

for sale.

The sale was the brainstorm of several local ranchers who wanted to have a sale offering all types of bulls for various breeding needs.

Among the local ranchers who will be offering stock at the sale are Guy Wyatt Askew (Brahmans), Joe Bacon (Brahmans and Herefords), David Shurley (Beefmasters and Herefords), Gene Wallace (Herefords), Frank Fish of Juno Ranch Co. (Angus) and Ruth Espy (Angus).

Other breeders selling at the sale include C&S Angus Farms of Oklahoma (Angus), Mark Campbell of Junction (Herefords), Bill Gustavson of Santa Anna (Brahmans), Arch Edmiston of Eldorado (Herefords), Lewis Barker of Indian Creek Ranch of Coleman (Brangus), Boss Polled Herefords of Christoval (Polled Herefords), Timber Mountain Ranch Co. of San Angelo (Simmental Cross), Wendland Ranches of Miles (Brangus), Jack Horne of Coleman (Herefords) and Gene Robberson of McAlister, N.M. (Brangus and Angus).

Pat D. Cooper of Sonora will serve as auctioneer, and anyone needing more information on the sale should contact him at 387-3620 or 387-5244.

Gayle Ingram will also be assisting with auctioneering chores.

All bulls sold will be guaranteed breeders, fertility tested, registered and commercial, range raised and ready to work with complete health papers.

A free barbecue lunch at 12 noon will precede the sales.

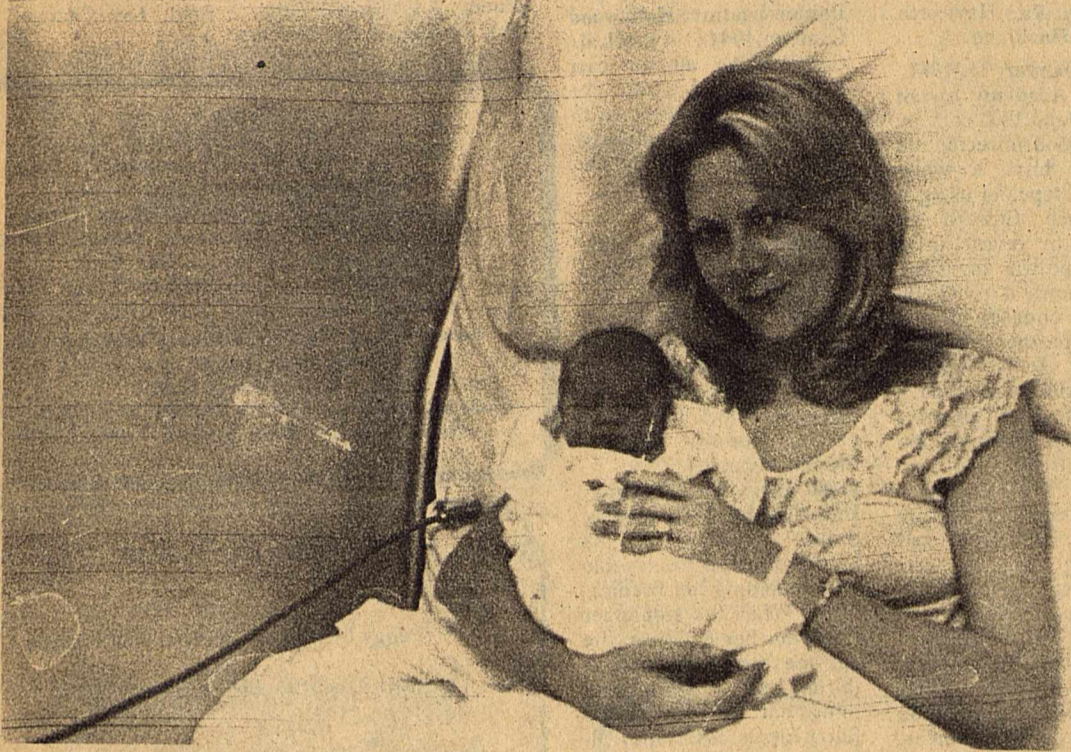
Gun Club Sets Meeting

The Sutton County Gun Club will hold its January meeting Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 8 p.m. in the HNG building.

All members are urged to attend this meeting. Several items of importance will be discussed and voted on.

This is also the meeting to elect officers for the upcoming year as well as the time to pay yearly dues. Dues are to be paid by the February meeting.

For more information get in touch with Jack Sykes after 5 p.m. at 387-5568.



Mrs. Joe H. Kennedy shows off her new baby born on New Year's Day at Hudspeth Hospital. Named Jessica Dawn, she arrived at 8:28 p.m. and weighed seven pounds, thirteen ounces.

Chamber Recaps Past Year's Activities

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce closed out the year of 1980 with both routine and new innovations.

Current Board of Directors are President Glen Fisher, Vice President Effie Harle, Executive Committee member Steve Swift, Ruthie Bounds, Robert Brown, Ed Carrasco, Sandra Cooper, Don Holdridge, Reverend Jim Miles and Jerry Kemp.

Honorary Board members are County Judge Charles Sherrill, City Manager Jim Dover, President, Ministerial Alliance David Griffin, Mayor Bill Gosney, School Board Representative Sam Perez and KVRN Representative Christie ST. Clair.

Major committees are: Industrial Committee, chaired by Bill Morris and members Robert Brown, James Dickason, Jim Dover, Glen Fisher, Charles Graves, Effie Harle, Earl Johnson, Don Holdridge, Jim Garrett, Lemuel Lopez, Doyle Morgan, Les Robertson, Charles Sherrill, and Steve Swift.

'Shine Sonora' Beautification Committee: Tri-chairmen, Effie Harle, Ed Carrasco and Ruthie Bounds. Housing Committee: Chairman

Charles Graves and members Charles Sherrill, Jim Dover and Robert Brown.

Red Carpet Committee: President Shelley Chaney and members Margaret Cascadden, Vickie Collier, Harva Cooper, Sandra Cooper, Peggy Dover, Jeryl Fields, Hilda Flores, Lilia Gonzales, Mary Gosney, Pat Gray, Camille Green, Olivia Hernandez, Shirley Hill, Dolores Hodges, Robin Hutchins, Nancy Johnson, Gloria Lopez, Judy Miles, Fae Morgan, Mary Owensby, Becky Ponsetti, Jan Robertson, Frances Ross, Jean Sherrill, Lori Shuler, Ruth Shurley, Betty Stewart, Lynn Swift, Diana Trainer, Sara Wade, Virginia Weatherford, Judy Webster and Leola Wiseman.

Brochure Committee: Members Glen Fisher, Don Holdridge, Virgil Poloczek, Joe Lane and Jim Dover.

Projects completed and near completion for 1980 include: Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new County Jail... provided TV and news media coverage for same;

Coordinated with Marlene Evans, Girl Scout leader, to provide enter-

tainment for 120 Girl Scouts on courthouse lawn on July 11th;

Coordinated with census enumerators in completing Sutton County census. Recorded names & addresses & directions for two census enumerators from Menard;

Compiled scrapbook on Devil's River News...to nominate for West Texas Chamber of Commerce's annual Community Service Award for West Texas newspapers by the West Texas Press Association;

Implemented a 'Citizen Of The Month' award, recipients of award to be considered for the annual 'Citizen Of The Year' and 'Senior Citizen of the Year';

Sponsored parade entry in Junction's Celebration, August, 1980; Sponsored Slave Auction at Sutton County Days Celebration, with proceeds donated to the ambulance fund;

Coordinated with Dr. David Owensby and Bill Watkins for a videotape presentation on Sutton County, with Owensby and Watkins volunteering time and expenditure; Coordinated with civic representatives and Bill Watkins a film segment on Sonora for Cable News Network in Atlanta;

Published weekly newsletter to keep C of C members and Sonorans informed on formation of a Retail Merchants Committee;

Conducted a Program of Work mail survey to C of C members; Sponsored a joint meeting between City, County, School, State and Federal officials and other interested citizens re: Program of Work;

Wrote news releases to newspapers in San Antonio, Odessa, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, Midland, San

Angelo, Del Rio, Kerrville, etc. re: Sonora activities;

Kept Texas Tourist Council, State Department Public Highways Information Office of Sutton County events; Kept Texas Industrial Commission, Texas Tourist Development Council, etc. in publicizing Sonora;

Mailed approximately 500 brochures to Travel Bureau Information Centers in Texas; mailed approximately 3,000 pieces of literature on Sonora; Conducted a lease service for landowners and hunters and distributed approximately 1,000 Hunting Maps to visitors, mail-out requests and local businesses for hand-outs;

Coordinated with Caverns of Sonora Board of Directors for Award Ceremony for National Historical Landmark and arranged for TV coverage;

Formed Industrial Committee with approximately 18 members; Industrial Committee members attended a seminar in Austin and seminars were held locally with Lone Star Gas Company and West Texas Utilities Company industrial department agents; Began serious mail-out campaign to industries related to components, etc. to use labor readily available in the 35-mile radius of Sonora; housewives, an untapped labor market in the area;

Formed Beautification Committee...held a slogan contest, meeting with civic organization representatives, initiated Yard of the Month contest with a traveling sign, released news releases with full cooperation from local news media; Met with the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce Area Relations Committee;

Lions Hold Queen Contest

Kemp, Harold Miller, Jim Dover, Al Elliott, Gary Pair and Clifford Thomas.

Poloczek offered a special invitation to all Lions, their wives and widows of Lions to attend

The Downtown Lions Club will host its annual Queen's Contest and Ladies Night Tuesday in the Junior High Snack Bar at 7 p.m.

Current Queen Linda Smith will be on hand to crown her successor.

Dr. Lonnie Pollard will serve as master of ceremonies for the evening, and the Kountry Kousins Square Dance Club of Eldorado will provide the entertainment. Mrs. Charlotte Willson will play special music for the queen candidates.

Girls competing for the title include Beth Bartz, escorted by Ed Hanna; Stacy Chandler, escorted by David Creek; Fran Friess, escorted by Espy Whitehead; Paula Friess, escorted by Cades Pope; Cody Gold, escorted by Rex Surber; Annabelle Gonzales, escorted by Mike Villanueva; Marche Lane, escorted by Curry Campbell;

Also, Trina Powers, escorted by Ben Ingham; Mary Hanna, escorted by Johnny Doan; Anna Martinez, escorted by John Blankenship; Rosa Noriega, escorted by George Sanchez; Cathy Poloczek, escorted by Lance Love; Tonya Ridgeway, escorted by Rick Powers; Jessica Robledo, escorted by Joe David Favila; Nanette Sanchez, escorted by Robert Noriega; and Julie Stewart, escorted by David Martin.

Current officers for the organization are Virgil Poloczek, president; Dr. Joe Andrews, first vice president; Smith Neal, second vice president; Hershel Davenport, secretary-treasurer; Bill Ware, tail twister; and Dr. Lonnie Pollard, Crippled Childrens Camp Director.

The club's directors are Jerry



Mayor Bill Gosney cuts the ribbon at ceremonies held last week to celebrate the recently remodeled Senior Citizens Center. Others at the ceremony include Sam Perez, president of the West Side Lions Club who donated the building; Elvira Holguin, center director; Rev. Clifton Hancock, Hershel Davenport, representing the Concho Valley Council of Governments; and

Pauline Salinas. The remodeling effort, aided by the City of Sonora through the CVCOG, added 30 feet to the building along with central heating and air conditioning, an office and a storage room. The center serves meals every day to anyone over 60-years old and also provides transportation for those who need it.

Rehab Telethon Slated Saturday

Hollywood, New York Nashville will be represented in West Texas when Rehab '81, the eleventh annual telethon benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, goes on the air January 10.

The broadcast, hosted by Rex Allen and Shari Lewis, will feature more than 20 dozen top entertainers from all areas of show business.

Among the featured entertainers will be Jimmy Dean, Slim Pickens, and James Drury.

Featured during the program will be a Big Band Showcase, hosted by Johnny Desmond, and including performances by Helen O'Connell and Rosemary Clooney.

Country and Western Showcase will be hosted by Rex Allen Jr. Performers will include Margo Smith, Jeannie C. Riley, Sammi Smith, Tex Williams, Montie Montana and the Lone Star Travelers.

Performances during the Lawrence Welk Showcase will be by Arthur Duncan, host, and Anacani and the Otwell Twins.

From "Days of Our Lives," stars Bill Hayes, and Susan Seaforth Hayes and Wesley Eure will perform for the Soap Opera Showcase.

Bob Hope, Darrell Royal and Grant Teaff will make special video tape appearances.

Also appearing are Jimmy Weldon, Pedro Gonzales Gonzalez, Yolanda, and the Angle Sisters.

The program, originating live from Abilene Civic Center, is the nation's largest regional telethon, carried on 15 television stations and 11 radio stations.

A special feature on the program will be the Rehab '81 Auction Board, featuring approximately \$100,000 in donated items open to telephone bids during the show. These items include a fur coat, round trip tickets on Pan American Airlines to London, England; The John Wayne Commemorative Collectors Rifle and Pistol Set; a 16' Glastron boat; bronze sculpture by noted Western artist

Terry Gilbreth of Snyder; items of Western attire, and farm equipment and feed.

Handmade quilts and afghans will also be auctioned.

All of these items will be displayed at the Abilene Civic Center from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan 7; 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 8, and Friday, Jan. 9 and from 9 a.m. until the close of the telethon, Saturday, Jan. 10.

The Colonial Rehab Ranger Program will be a feature of the show, in which children who have collected money door-to-door in their communities will turn in their proceeds.

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center, with campuses in Abilene, San Angelo, and Snyder, is a private, non-profit treatment facility for handicapped children and adults. In 1980, more than 8,000 people were treated at these three centers without charge.

The Rehab '81 telethon marks the beginning of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's year-long funding program. The budget of more than \$3 million will influence the services that can be offered by WTRC to the handicapped of the Southwest in the coming year.

Suicide Ruled Shooting

Sutton County Justice of the Peace Herman Moore has ruled a suicide in the Dec. 3, 1980 shooting death of Joyce Aileen Moore.

Judge Moore said after a thorough investigation by the Sheriff's Department, the autopsy report by Dr. James Womack of San Angelo states, "It is my ruling that Joyce Aileen Moore died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound on Dec. 3, 1980."

-Deaths-

Fred J. Ross
Fred J. Ross, 78, died Thursday, Dec. 25. He was buried in Oak Island Cemetery in San Antonio.
He was born in Bandera Nov. 18, 1901 and married Roda Moore Aug. 18, 1924. He had lived in San Antonio since 1927.

A member of the San Antonio Fire Department for 35 years, he retired in 1962. He was a member of the Methodist Church, Herman Sons, and Retired Firemen's and Policemen's Association of San Antonio.

Survivors include his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Pat Bentley of San Antonio; three sons, Colin Ross of Placerville, Ca. and Johnnie Ross and Stanley Ross of Redding, Ca.; a step-daughter, Mrs. R.S. Teaff of Sonora; four sisters; two brothers; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Ernest Perez
Ernest Perez, 67, died Friday, Jan. 2 in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo at 6:30 p.m. Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 4 at 2 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father John Waldron officiating. Burial was in Sonora Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 9, 1913 in Del Rio to Salome and Maria Sanchez Perez, and his family moved to Sonora in 1915. He married Francis Almaguer in Sonora Feb. 9, 1946 and had operated a grocery store since 1957.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Arturo Sanchez of Sonora; three brothers Salome Perez and Alfredo Perez of Sonora and Louis Perez of San Angelo; two sisters, Consuela Duran and Juanita Mejia, both of Sonora; and one granddaughter, Tabatha Sanchez. Pallbearers were Israel Perez, Victor Virgen, Ben Perez, Louis Perez, Oscar Perez and Henry Perez.

Quilts Donated For Telethon

For the past several years, quilting clubs and individuals throughout the Southwest have donated quilts and afghans to be auctioned during the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's January telethon.

These quilts and afghans made with loving care, have raised several thousand dollars each year for the Center to provide services for the more than 8,000 handicapped children and adults.

A number of quilts and afghans have already been received for the auction, but additional ones are needed as quickly as possible.

Once again this year, Bill and Susan Seaforth Hayes of Days of Our Lives, will host this segment of the Rehab '81 Telecast set for

Saturday, January 10 on 15 television and 12 radio stations throughout the Southwest.

The quilts and afghans usually sell for several hundred dollars each.

This year the quilts and afghans will be on public display prior to the telecast in the Abilene Civic Center Exhibition Hall on Wednesday from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m., on Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. and beginning on Saturday at 9 a.m.

The general public is invited to come by to see and bid on these lovely pieces of art.

Those wishing to donate quilts or afghans should contact the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's main office at (915) 692-1633.

WTBS Movie Schedule

Wed., January 7, 1981

9:00 a.m. TBS Theatre: Here Comes Mr. Jordan. 1941 fantasy drama. A young prizefighter, killed in a plane crash, returns to life in the body of a murdered millionaire, because he died before his time. Robert Montgomery, Claude Rains.

12:00 Noon TBS Theatre: Ruby Gentry. 1952 drama. A girl from the wrong side of the tracks and cast aside by the man she loves, marries the town's wealthiest businessman and sets out to destroy all those who snubbed her. Jennifer Jones, Charlton Heston, Karl Malden, Tom Tully.

11:00 p.m. Movie 17: Gypsy. 1963 musical biography. An ambitious stage mother promotes her two daughters to establish their performing careers. One of the girls makes it to the top as a striptease artist, achieving national recognition. Rosalind Russell, Natalie Wood, Karl Malden.

2:00 a.m. Movie 17: The Last Safari. 1967 adventure. Conflicts arise between a disillusioned white hunter and a wealthy American playboy as they set out after the killer elephant that killed the hunter's friend. Stewart Granger, Kaz Garas.

Thurs., January 8, 1981
9:00 a.m. TBS Theatre: Miss Sadie Thompson. 1954 drama. A marine, a minister and a woman with a sordid past all clash on a Pacific island. Based on the novel 'Rain', by Somerset Maugham. Jose Ferrer, Rita Hayworth, Aldo Ray, Russell Collins.

12:00 Noon TBS Theatre: The Falling Man. 1968 suspense drama. When a policeman's career is ruined by a frame-up that scatters his family, he sets out to find the criminals and clear their name. The truth brings sorrow to him and his trusting ex-colleague. Henry Silva, Beba Loncar, Keenan Wynn.

10:45 p.m. Movie 17: Act One. 1964 biographical drama. The 1920's story of playwright Moss Hart, who sends his play to Sam Harris and is advised to collaborate with the famed George S. Kaufman. George Hamilton, Jason Robards, Jr., Jack Klugman, Eli Wallach, George Segal.

1:00 a.m. Movie 17: Barabbas. 1962 drama. The story of Barabbas, the thief who lived when Christ died, and

his tortured search for faith Anthony Quinn, Silvana Margano, Arthur Kennedy, Jack Palance.

Friday, January 9, 1981
9:00 a.m. TBS Theatre: Psyche '59. 1964 drama. The psychosomatically blind wife of an industrialist tries to fill the gap in her memory that is causing her blindness. Her eyesight is restored when she discovers her husband and her younger sister having an affair. Curt Jurgens, Patricia Neal, Samantha Eggar.

12:00 Noon TBS Theatre: The Stanger. 1946 mystery drama. A government agent is assigned to head up a relentless manhunt for a disguised Nazi war criminal believed to be living in a small town. Suspenseful, gripping drama. Loretta Young, Orson Welles, Edward G. Robinson.

7:00 p.m. The TBS Friday Night Movie: The Mummy. 1959 horror drama. Three archaeologists searching for the 4,000-year-old tomb of Princess Ananka in the Egyptian ruins are warned not to violate her tomb. One of the men goes mad after they find the place, and when the others return to England with a mummy, a series of frightening murders begin. Peter Cushing, Christopher Lee, Yvonne Furneaux, Felix Aylmer.

10:30 p.m. Movie 17: Whatever Happened to Baby Jane? 1962 mystery drama. Follows the psychopathic relationship between two sisters who are bound together by hate in a house of fear. One is a former child vaudeville star; the other is a crippled ex-star of the silent screen. Bette Davis, Joan Crawford, Victor Buono.

1:15 a.m. Movie 17: Erik the Conqueror. 1964 spectacular drama. A 10th Century Viking spectacle involving massacre, a gory sea battle between the Vikings and the English, the love of twin sisters and the return of a lost brother. Cameron Mitchell, Alice and Ellen Kessler, Francoise Christophe.

3:00 a.m. Movie 17: Charlie Chan in Dead Men Tell. 1941 mystery. The famous detective gets his answers from the 'dead' while searching for a \$60 million treasure. Sidney Toler, Sheila Ryan.

Sat. January 10, 1981
9:00 a.m. Hollywood Classics: King of the Khyber Rifles. India, 1857. A half-caste British officer, the victim of discrimination, proves officer, the Victim of discrimination, proves his loyalty by quelling a fearsome native revolt. Tyrone Power, Michael Rennie.

11:00 a.m. TBS Theatre: River of No Return. 1954 romance drama. A barroom entertainer and his widow with a 10-year-old son travel downriver on a raft, menaced by rapids, Indians and a sneaky gambler. Robert Mitchum, Marilyn Monroe, Rory Calhoun.

11:00 a.m. TBS Theatre: Captain Horatio Hornblower. 1951 adventure. The tale of a British sea captain living at the time of the Napoleonic wars, and of his

love. Gregory Peck, Virginia Mayo.

12:30 a.m. Olivia De Havilland Double Feature: It's Love I'm After. 1937 comedy. A delightfully witty film about an egotistical actor and his co-star/fiancée, who explodes when he gets involved with an infatuated admirer. Archie Mayo, Bette Davis, Leslie Howard, Olivia de Havilland.

2:30 a.m. Olivia De Havilland Double Feature: The Strawberry Blonde. 1941 comedy/drama. A story of the gay '90's, and about a guy named Biff, who loses the Strawberry Blonde and marries Amy instead. James Cagney, Rita Hayworth, Olivia de Havilland.

Sunday, January 11, 1981
9:30 a.m. Academy Award Theatre: Pepe. 1961 comedy. A Hollywood director on the skids buys a white stallion in hopes of using it to convince Edward G. Robinson to invest in a movie. Pepe who loves the horse, follows it to Hollywood and ends up as the director's partner. Cantinflas, Dan Daily, Shirley Jones, Carlos Montalban.

12:45 p.m. TBS Theatre: Moment. 1966 mystery drama. A love story about a chance meeting with a stranger, a moment of impulsive desire and a startling twist of fate. Jean Seberg, Honor Blackman, Sean Garrison.

3:00 p.m. TBS Theatre: Road To Bali. 1953 musical comedy. American vaudevillians, fleeing from some irate Australian fathers, wind up as deep sea divers, hired by an island potentate to recover a treasure. Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Dorothy Lamour, Mervyn Vye.

7:00 p.m. TBS Sunday Night Movie: The Reluctant Astronaut. 1967 comedy. A small-town man who is deathly afraid of heights is

stunned to learn that his father has volunteered him for astronaut training, and that he has been accepted. On arrival, he finds out that this real job will be as apprentice janitor. Don Knotts, Arthur O'Connell, Jeannette Nolan, Leslie Nielsen.

12:00 a.m. Jack Carson Double Feature: Roughly Speaking. 1945 comedy/drama. A capable woman helps her happy-go-lucky husband in his business. A well-done and highly amusing comedy. Rosalind Russell, Jack Carson, Robert Hutton, Robert Arthur, Andrea King.

2:30 a.m. Jack Carson Double Feature: Hollywood Canteen. 1944 musical/comedy. An all-star cast entertains G.I.'s at the Hollywood Canteen, with some back-stage romance. Bette Davis, Jack Carson, Roy Rogers, Dane Clark.

Monday, January 12, 1981
9:00 a.m. Beach Party: Beach Party. 1963 comedy/musical. An anthropologist studying the sex habits of young people finds himself in the middle of a pie-throwing brawl. Bob Cummings, Dorothy Malone, Frankie Avalon.

12:00 noon TBS Theatre: Union Station. 1950 mystery drama. A blind girl is kidnapped, and has trouble understanding her predicament. When the kidnapper discovers her handicap, he becomes confused until a third party straightens things out. William Holden, Barry Fitzgerald, Nancy Olson, Jan Sterling.

7:00 p.m. The TBS Monday Night Movie: The Sterile Cuckoo. 1969 comedy/drama. Two lonely college students meet on the way to their respective schools and begin an affair that runs hot and cold until they realize they're not for each other.

Liza Minelli, Wendell Burton, Tim McIntire, Elizabeth Harrower.

10:40 p.m. Movie 17: Halls of Montezuma. 1951 drama. A realistic portrait of World War II soldiers, and a dramatic story about U.S. Marines on a reconnaissance patrol on a Japanese-held island in the Pacific. Richard Widmark, Jack Palance, Karl Malden.

1:10 a.m. Movie 17: Desiree. 1954 romance drama. The story of Napoleon and his thwarted first love, the daughter of a silk merchant and how their later meetings changed the course of history. Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Merle Oberon, Michael Rennie, Cameron Mitchell.

Tuesday, January 13, 1981
9:00 a.m. Beach Party: Bikini Beach. 1964 musical comedy. A group of youngsters surfing at the beach

meet a British recording star who is attracted to one of the girls. Frankie Avalon, Annette Funicello, Martha Hyer.

12:00 Noon TBS Theatre: It Should Happen To You. 1954 comedy. An unemployed model in New York rents a billboard, blazing her name. A soap company coveting the billboard for coveting the billboard location, trades her six other billboards for her one, and she's on her way. Judy Holliday, Jack Lemmon, Peter Lawford.

11:15 p.m. Movie 17: Manfish. 1956 adventure drama. A fishing captain, owner of the boat 'Manfish' in Jamaica, finds half of a coded map. Teaming up with a professor, whom he distrusts, the captain searches for treasure. John Bromfield, Lon Chaney, Victor Jory.

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Extension Club Officers Get Training

Officers of the two Sutton County Extension Home-maker Clubs will receive training Tuesday, January 13, 4 p.m. at the Founders Room of the bank. Sarah Wade, County Extension Agent will conduct the training.

Sonora Churches

Primera Baptist Church Rev. Basilio Esquivel Sunday School 9:15 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.	Hope Lutheran Church Dennis McKain-Pastor Ss-10:00 every Sunday morning. Hymn Study-10:00 Sunday Morning Worship Service-11:00	First Assembly of God Rev. Louis Halford, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.	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) PCUS/UCCUSA 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.
First United Methodist Church Rev. David Griffin, Pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.	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	Faith Christian Interdenominational Bible Study Prayer Group Bible Study Prayer Group Tuesday nights 7:30 pm. at 1302 Glasscock. 387-5069	St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. John Waldron Sat. Vigil Mass 7:00p.m. Sunday Masses 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.m.
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.	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	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	

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Chamber Chatter

By Lou Thomas

Texas industrial update, No. 6 reported that the 200 plus delegates attending the Texas State Conference on Business came up with a number of priority recommendations that they plan to submit to Governor Clements. The Governor has agreed to present their

proposals to the Legislature when it convenes in January. The recommendations include: eliminate the state inheritance tax; eliminate ad valorem taxes on business inventories; assist small businesses to get involved in international

trade; set up a special task force for entrepreneur education and training and repeal the sales tax on public utility services.

TIU also reports that according to a recently published federal report covering the past decade, average personal income in

the 70's grew faster in Texas than in any other of the most populous states. Latest figures available from the Department of Commerce show Texas second in the nation in productivity per wage dollar at \$4.99.

Also, according to "Adweek's" recently released "Growth Index," three of the top ten growth markets are located in just three Sunbelt states...Florida had four, Texas three, and California two.

In the December issue of Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives, Beaumont Chamber of Commerce Executive Dennis Sederholm reported that he recently did an extensive questionnaire aimed at nailing down their local priorities. The top 7 came out this way: (1) Labor-Management relations (2) City appearance (3) Crime Prevention (4) Downtown Development (5) Convention/Tourist Attractions (6) Industrial/Education Development and (7) Education/Economic Education.

Friendly face around town last week was Sammie Espy, who came by the office to turn in ticket sales from the Sonora Community Arts & Theatre production of "Annie Get Your Gun." Cast and crew members are reminded to go by the Photo Shop to order pictures taken during rehearsal and production.

Marilyn Adkins reported that the turn out for the Christmas Community Sing Along was good and that several Sonorans had expressed interest in working on similar "Sing Along" for Christmas, 1981.

There is still time for you to get your 'Citizen Of The Month' nomination in before the Chamber of Commerce board meeting on January 7th. Nomination blanks are available at the C of C office. Those nominated each month are added to other nominations. It is expected that monthly nominations will be used to select a 'Citizen Of The Year' and the 'Senior Citizen Of The Year' for announcement and plaque at the annual C of C banquet.

Diana Watkins replaces Brenda Wyatt as Red Carpet Committee secretary. The Wyatts have moved to San Angelo and we shall miss them.

The long awaited formation of a Retail Merchants Committee will begin after the first of the year, with those merchants serving who have indicated their interest in the formation.

The office is still receiving many phone requests and drop-ins who are looking for rental apartments, houses, and trailers. If you have rental property available, please call 7-2880 or 7-2816 and list with the Chamber of Commerce.

Firemen's News

12-22-80
7:30 p.m. A grass fire was called in behind La

Tienda units 40, 50, & 60 responded with 11 men on the trucks.

8:30 p.m. A grass fire was called in behind the fireworks stand. Units 20, 30, & 50 responded with 8 on the trucks.

Comptroller's Rep To Visit Sonora January 16

State Comptroller Bob Bullock will have a representative from his San Angelo Office in Sonora on January 16, 1981 to assist local taxpayers and answer questions about state taxes. Bullock said Enforcement Officer Esther Esparza will meet with local taxpayers at the County Clerk's Office in the County Courthouse from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

that matter, have any questions about state taxes or need help in preparing state tax forms, Ms. Esparza will be there to assist them," Bullock said.

"We're trying to cut the red tape in this office, and we believe these face to face sessions with taxpayers help do just that," Bullock added.

The San Angelo office, headed by Bill Weaver, serves San Angelo and surrounding counties.

2:00 p.m. A grass fire was called in at the traffic light & Hwy. 277. Units 40 & 50 responded with 8 men on the trucks.

4:30 p.m. A grass fire on the Bloodworth Ranch was called in. Units 30, 40, 50, 960 responded with 11 men on the trucks.

9:30 p.m. A grass fire on the dam by the hospital was called in. Units 40 & 50 responded with 7 men on the trucks. Fire was out on arrival.

1:30 p.m. A grass fire 2 miles south of Town on Hwy 277 was called in. Units 30, 40, & 50 responded with 7 men on the trucks.

New Reverend Named For First Assembly Of God

Rev. Louis Halford is now pastoring the First Assembly of God Church. He formerly was from Winters and has been evangelizing. While in Winters, he was youth leader for three years.

Rev. Halford and his wife and daughter are at home on the corner of West Third and Tom Green and cordially invite the public to attend services at Assembly of God Church.

Police Reports

Monday, Dec. 29
10:38 a.m. Caller reported a gun stolen the previous night.
7:30 p.m. Caller on St. Ann's reported kids popping firecrackers.
9:23 p.m. Caller on Rock Avenue reported kids popping firecrackers.
12:03 a.m. Caller reported wreck on Crockett Street bridge.

er reported someone shot a car with a gun.
7:59 p.m. Caller reported her back door was found open.
10:17 p.m. Caller reported a man spitting up blood with a bleeding ulcer. Requested an ambulance.
11:11 a.m. Caller reported an accident on Hwy. 277 S.
10:55 p.m. Caller reported drunk around store.

Wednesday, Dec. 31
11:00 a.m. Motel owner reported boy intentionally tore up room.
12:50 p.m. Caller on Glasscock reported a skunk.
11:28 p.m. Caller requested patrol by. She heard noises outside and also someone knocking on the door.

Friday, Jan. 2
5:23 p.m. Caller on Martin reported kids with BB guns.
10:29 p.m. Caller at cafe reported a disturbance.
Saturday, Jan. 3
11:20 a.m. Caller reported a possible rabid German Shepherd on 2nd St.
5:50 p.m. Caller reported a subject was shooting bottle rockets at other vehicles.
9:52 p.m. Caller reported a vehicle driving fast

Thursday, Jan. 1
10:33 a.m. Caller reported kids on Martin Street popping firecrackers.
7:13 p.m. Caller at bar requested information if they can stay open til 1 a.m. since it is New Year's Eve.
7:19 p.m. Caller at theat-

around the Senior Citizen Building.

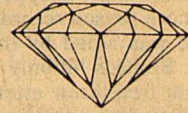
School Menu

BREAKFAST
Monday, January 12
Apple Juice
Oatmeal
Milk
Tuesday, January 13
Grape Juice
Cinnamon Toast
Milk
Wednesday, January 14
Orange Juice
Glazed Donut
Milk
Thursday, January 15
Apple Juice
Cheese Toast
Milk
Friday, January 16
Grape Juice
Hot Biscuits/Jelly
Sausage
Milk

ANY MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE! LUNCH
Monday, January 12
Fried Fish
Scalloped Potatoes
Cole Slaw
Cornbread
Chocolate Cake
Milk
Tuesday, January 13.
Burritos
Tossed Salad
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Wednesday, January 14
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English Peas
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Hot Rolls
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JV Boys Win Only Ozona Game; Varsities Nipped

The Sonora junior varsity boys salvaged the only victory in four games at Ozona Saturday night as the three other teams went down to narrow defeats.

Varsity Boys
Ozona's Gary Smith hit an off balance, underhanded shot at the final buzzer to nip the Sonora Broncos, 43-42.

Johnny Doan had hit a layup with seven seconds remaining in the game to put the Broncos in the lead, 42-41.

The contest never saw more than a four-point margin at any time. Armando Martinez came off the bench late in the second stanza and hit two 20-footers that forced the game into a tie at halftime, 19-19.

The Lions climbed on top after three quarters, 32-29,

but the Broncos made it close again behind the scoring of Doan who finished the game with 21 points.

The loss dropped the Sonora season record to 5-8 and was aided by the fact the Broncos hit only two of eight free throw attempts.

Rounding out the scoring were David Creek with eight, Martinez and John Blankenship with four each, Allen Stewart with three and Scott Savell with two.

Varsity Girls
For the Bronco girls, it was a case of too little, too late as they dropped a 50-46 decision after a furious fourth quarter rally.

Debbie Kemp held the score close with 10 first half points as Sonora trailed, 24-20, at the half.

But a disastrous third

quarter spelled doom as Ozona outgunned their visitors, 14-5 to take a commanding 38-25 lead.

Jessica Robledo finally found her shooting range as she hit for 10 points in the final stanza in leading a 21-12 blitz.

Paula Friess hit a basket with less than a minute in

the game that pulled the score to 46-43, but the girls could never close the gap any farther.

Robledo headed the Sonora scoring with 14 points, followed by Annabelle Gonzales with 13, Kemp with 11, Friess with four and Tonya Evans and Rosa Noriega with two each.

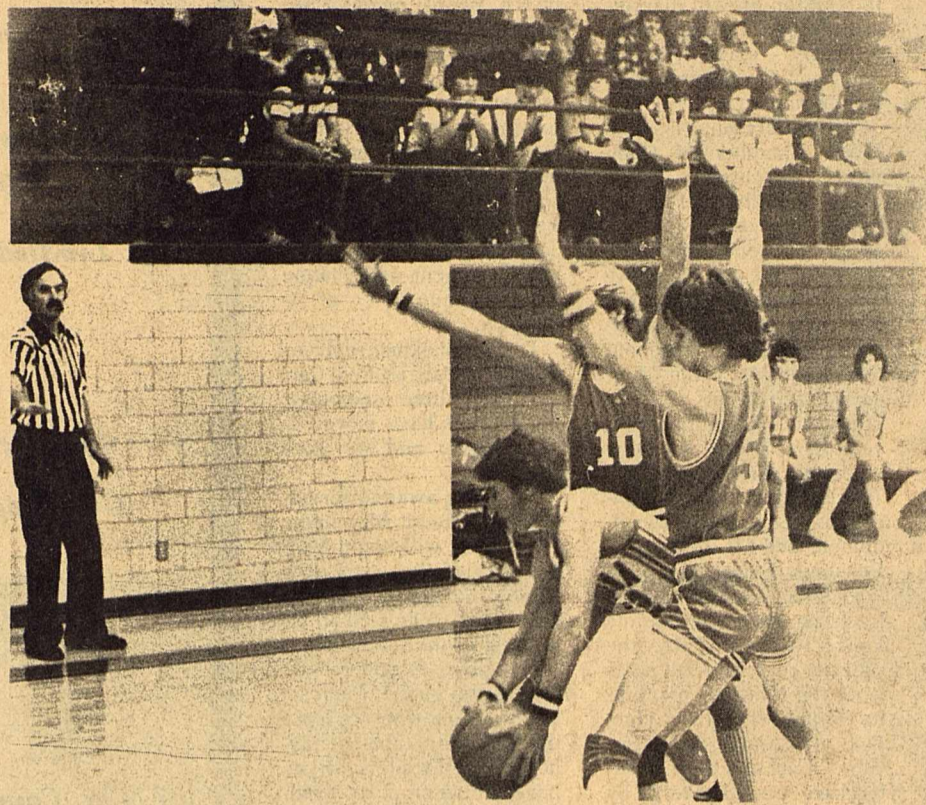
Junior Varsity Boys
The JV boys kept their record unblemished as they breezed by Ozona, 42-24.

They held a narrow 11-9 margin after the opening period, but extended the lead to 23-17 at intermission.

The second half belonged

entirely to the Broncos as they outscored their hosts, 19-7, over the final two stanzas.

Ronnie Anderson topped all scorers with 18 points, followed by DeVoe Smith with 10, Joey Samaniego with six, Matt Favila with four and Tino Martinez and Louis Oliver, both with two.



John Blankenship (10) and Marney Sorenson (5) trap Ozona's Varlynn Aldridge on the press in Saturday's disappointing loss to the Lions, 43-42. After playing Eldorado this weekend, the Broncos will get District 8-AAA competition as they host Ballinger next Tuesday night. Junior varsity games begin at 5 p.m.

Sporting Chance By Don Holdridge

The past week has been a big one in sports with all the major bowl games, Bum Phillips getting fired and Danny White looking like the reincarnation of Roger Staubach.

The Southwest Conference did a belly up as far as the bowl games went. Only Arkansas and Houston managed to win as Texas, Baylor and SMU all lost. Is it possible that instead of the conference teams all being super strong this year that they were all super mediocre?

I have a question, at least to a certain degree, Bud Adams' firing of Phillips. Phillips was probably wrong in refusing to hire an offensive coordinator, but I have to believe if Adams had talked with him in depth on the subject, he would have come around.

Adams has always had a penchant for firing coaches and the speed with which the firing came is certainly questionable.

Phillips had to be one of the most popular coaches around, and his shoes will be hard to fill in the hearts of Oiler fans.

I would normally be disappointed in last week's pickings, but it is about what I've come to expect after a whole year of frustration. For the record, I hit six of 10 games, bringing my season total to 205 of 310 for a .661 percentage. Things reversed from their norm, however as I missed four out of the six bowl games, but hit all four of the pro playoff games. I'll never get it figured out.

Dallas at Philadelphia
After having split their regular season games and with Philadelphia playing at home, I would normally favor the Eagles. But there are several intangibles that figure in here. The Eagles have several key injuries on offense, and if the Cowboy's front four can keep enough pressure on Jaworski, their young secondary may hold up. The second intangible is momentum. The Cowboys seemed to have hit their stride just at the right time, while the Eagles may have hit their peak too early. Take away the loss at Los Angeles, and Tom Landry's troops have continued to look sharper, each game over the last six weeks. Dallas 17-14.

Oakland at San Diego
As usual, the Raiders found some way to win last week, and that has to be a plus on their side of the ledger. They have the type of defense that can slow the Dan Fouts Aerial Circus down. But I have some serious doubts if they can completely stop the Chargers there's just too many weapons. San Diego 24-10.

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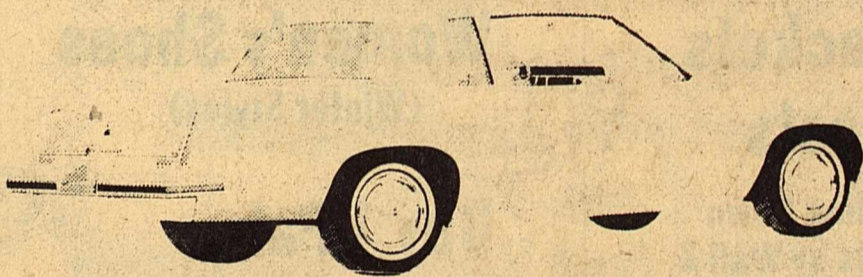
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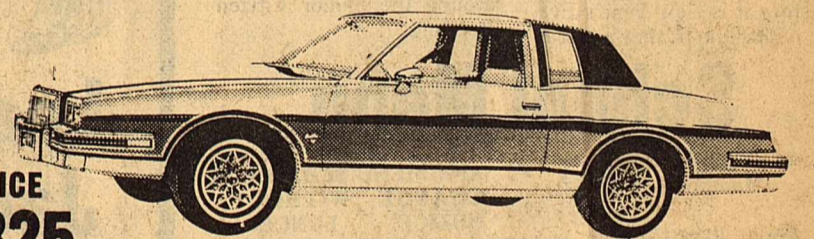
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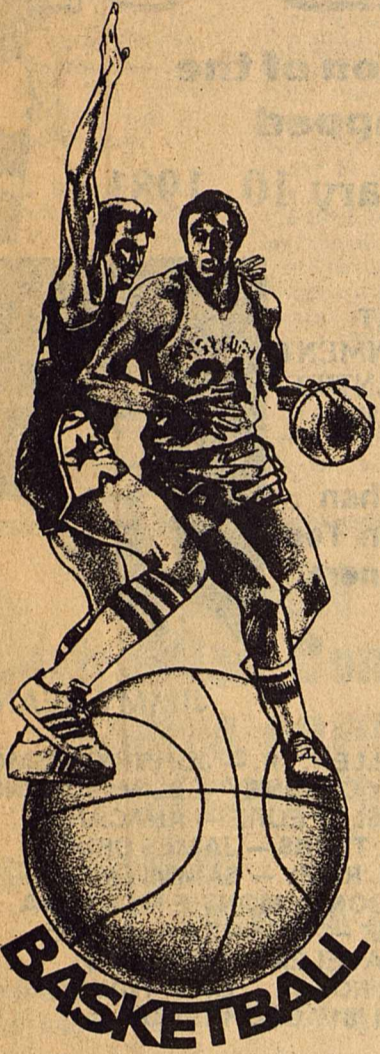
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annual Sutton Co. Game Dinner; Worked directly with approximately ten inquiries; Distributed city and county maps to Chamber of Commerce business memberships; Distributed approximately 50 Newcomer Packets containing information on Sutton County promoted and held a most successful annual banquet; Mayor and Chamber officials welcomed the West Texas Flyers club to Sonora; Sponsored a candidate for Miss Sutton County Days celebration; Began work on improving and updating maps, for a 3-in-1 brochure that would include city, county, hunting map and colored brochure combination; Sponsored Effie Harle in the November American Heart Association Turkey Walk; Wrote news releases on "Know Your Chamber of Commerce Directors" and "Know Your Red Carpet Committee Members" and provided publicity for various events in Sutton County.

The following is a list of Chamber of Commerce memberships; ABC Fun Factory, A&K Auto Parts & Supply, ADCO Water Wells, Inc., N.L. Acme Tool Company, Lea Roy Aldwell, George E. Allison, Lea Allison, S.H. Allison, Ashley's Western Outfitters, Guy Wyatt Askw, Vestel Askw, Atlas Electric Co., Best Well Services, Inc., Big Tree Restaurant, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Bounds, Ken Braden Motor Company, CRC Wireline, Inc., Carl J. Cahill, Inc., Mack & Addah Cauthorn, Caverns of Sonora, Vicenta & Polo Cervantes, Chavarria Grocery & Station, Chuck Wagon Grocery, City of Sonora, Commercial Restaurant, Country Fried Chicken 'N Fish,

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A membership drive was not held in 1980. The C of C membership welcomes new members. Business memberships are \$120.00 annually, payable monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. Individual membership is \$60.00 annually, payable in the same manner. Last year's membership drive added 44 new members to the roster.

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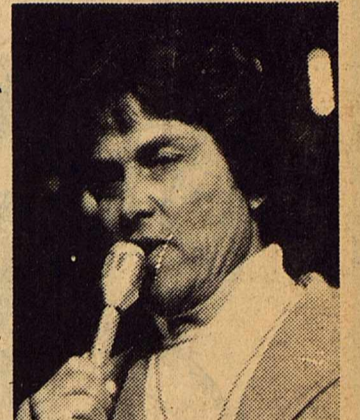


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The Fashion Review is designed to promote the use of natural fibers produced in the Southwest and to emphasize excellence in garment construction and fashion in home sewing. Garments entered in the

show must be made of a minimum blend of 50 percent cotton or 50 percent wool and/or mohair.

The competition will have four divisions: day wear, evening wear, mother and child, and former grand award winners. The mother and child division and former grand winners division are new this year. The contest is being expanded to provide a better showcase for exhibiting designs made from natural fibers and to attract more contestants.

Entries must be submitted by February 20, 1981. Contest rules and entry blanks may be obtained from county Extension offices, young homemaker

organizations, and local tractor pulling associations. The Natural Fibers Fashion Review will be presented at 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 7, at the Southwest

Farm Show in Fort Worth. The Sutton County Extension office is located on the third floor of the City Hall Building in downtown Sonora.



Johnny Doan puts in two of the 21 points he scored last week in a last second loss to Ozona. The Bronco boys will host Eldorado Friday night while the girls will be playing in the Eldorado Tournament.

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PBPA Report

**Fed. Try To Dismiss Suit
Against Windfall Profits Tax**

The federal government is trying to have the courts dismiss the lawsuit filed against the Windfall Profits (Excise) Tax. The government claims the Wyoming District Court has no jurisdiction because of the doctrine of sovereign immunity. That means the government hasn't granted permission to be sued.

Second, the government says no refund was claimed by the plaintiffs nor denied by the IRS.

And, third, Federal law prohibits declaratory judgments or injunctions in tax suits. The State of Texas has filed as a friend of the Court against the tax. We'll keep you posted on further

developments in the case. The governments in England and Canada are following in the footsteps of the United States and have imposed taxes and restrictions on the oil industry.

England slapped a 20 percent tax on gross revenues from North Sea production. The government has also made six changes in the Petroleum Revenue Tax in the last 18 months and all of the changes have hurt the oil industry.

In Canada, there will be 50 percent less exploration money available in 1981 than in 1980, up to 4 billion dollars will be spent by Canadians in the United States rather than in Canada, and some 20,000 jobs will be lost because of

government energy policies.

You would think that the politicians in Canada and England would have learned a lesson from our disastrous energy policy of the last 25 years, but I guess they'll have to learn for themselves.

Rotary rigs in the United States set another record last week. Three thousand, three hundred twenty-eight rigs were running and this is 191 more than the oil rig count was in 1955. The Permian Basin rig count was not available due to the holidays.

Temple Assumes RRC Post

Buddy Temple, 38, businessman and a four-term state legislator from Diboll, took his oath of office as a Texas Railroad Commissioner during a ceremony at railroad Commission headquarters in Austin Jan. 2.

Temple won a seat on the three-member energy and transportation regulatory board in the general election last Nov. 4. He was chosen for a full, six-year term on the Commission.

Temple is the thirtieth Texan to become a Railroad Commissioner.

Administering the oath of office at today's ceremony was a long-time friend of Commissioner Temple, Lufkin Attorney Ward Burke. Another friend of many years, Lufkin Businessman James P. Hunter III, was master of ceremonies for the event.

Scores of friends, family members, state officials and Commission employees attended the oath-taking ceremony in the auditorium of the RRC headquarters building. Seated on the dais were Commissioner Temple's wife, Ellen, and their four children; other family members and Commissioners Mack Wallace and James E. (Jim) Nugent.

Production Rates Listed For Sept.

Texas oil and gas wells produced 560,361,351 Mcf of gas in September 1980, down 3.71 percent from field runs a year earlier.

Marketed gas production totaled 472,153,173 Mcf and reflected a 4.38 percent decrease from the September 1979 volume. Marketed production is the total gas to transmission lines, carbon black and plant fuel and lease use.

Gas exported from Texas in September totaled 262,230,483 Mcf. Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America was the month's largest exporter, moving 65,147,264 Mcf of gas of which 33,692,876 Mcf was Texas produced gas.

Exports of Texas-produced gas in September totaled 206,008 oil and gas wells.

EPA Rules Drive Oil Prices Higher

At a time when the price of oil is rising sky-high, it certainly doesn't make sense to adopt useless government regulations on oil production that will drive up the price even more.

Yet, the Environmental Protection Agency has proposed that drilling mud be regulated as a "Hazardous waste." This action could more than double the cost of drilling for oil and gas.

Drilling mud is a clay used at wells to bring up pieces of rock ground up by the drilling bit. The mud also serves to cool the bit. After use the mud is dumped into pits and allowed to dry.

Once the drilling operation is completed, and the mud has dried, it can be covered with topsoil and returned to use as pasture or farmland. Farmers find this especially good land since the layer of dried and hardened drilling mud clay helps hold water in the topsoil and prevents it from filtering down.

Under the proposed EPA regulations, the cost of building and operating the drying pits would surge. The rules would require, among other things, that extensive fencing be installed and that numerous test holes be drilled around the perimeter of each pit.

Meanwhile, as is always the case when dealing with government regulations, countless reports would have to be filed—over a period of many years—with regard to the status of the pits.

However, while the EPA proposed this stringent regulation, it admitted that it "has very little information on the composition, characteristics and the degree of hazard posed by" drilling mud. The information it does have indicates "that the potential hazards...are very low."

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that it would cost over \$10 billion a year to comply with the proposed EPA regulations. That's more than we spent on all drilling for oil and gas in this country during 1977.

It seems that, in this case, government regulators wanted to make a mountain out of a molehill.

Recently the President signed into law my bill which delays for at least two years the EPA proposal to regulate drilling mud as a "hazardous waste." The bill also requires that Congress act to approve or disapprove any regulations that may be proposed later.

As a result of this legislation, existing state and federal programs will control the disposal of drilling muds for at least the next

two years, while the EPA focuses its regulatory efforts on wastes that pose more significant hazards.

The American people are rightfully concerned about slipshod handling of hazardous substances. The impact of hazardous substances on our lives has generated a widespread sense of urgency that these compounds must somehow be controlled.

As a member of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works I am working on legislation that seeks to reduce this hazard.

But the decisions on developing new legislation in this area must be made with a clear understanding of the risks, the benefits and the costs of hazardous substance exposure and control.

The hazards or risks involved with drilling mud, if any, are minimal and it makes no sense to establish harsh regulations for deal-

ing with them that will drive up the already high cost of energy through the roof.

In the case of drilling mud, the regulations that have been proposed would seem to far more hazardous than the mud itself.

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General Telephone Starts Service Improvement Plans

A giant service improvement program involving millions of dollars, hundreds of new employees, revamped training programs and earlier conversion dates on some installations has been inaugurated by General Telephone Company of the Southwest, according to Rex Bailey, vice president-marketing and customer service. Bailey said programs to provide customers new and expanded services are a continuing activity at GTSW; however, the accelerated program now underway was inaugurated to comply with the Texas Public Utility Commission directive to improve service issued late last summer. "Prior to the Commission order in August, the company was working diligently to provide acceptable service while keeping rates at the lowest possible level," Bailey said. "The Commission order made it clear the company's effort was not acceptable so our service improvement plans were expanded and expedited to meet the PUC order."

Bailey summarized the revised companywide service improvement program, which is being reviewed daily within the company and monthly with the Commission staff as follows: A commitment has been made to use whatever resources are necessary to improve the quality of service...

Lone Star

Explains Curtailment

Texas and Oklahoma residents have already had a taste of cold winter weather but Lone Star Gas Co. residential customers can anticipate clean, reliable gas heat even on the coldest days. "We don't foresee an exceptionally long, cold winter this year," says Jack Cole, Lone Star's chief gas controller. "We anticipate a relatively normal winter, and we base that opinion on forecasts from the National Weather Service."

During the spring and fall when little gas heating or air conditioning is normally required, Lone Star takes millions of cubic feet of gas from producing fields and injects it into one of the company's nine active storage facilities located near Athens, San Angelo, Denton, Pottsville, Cisco or Wichita Falls. On cold winter days when customer demand for natural gas is high, Lone Star can withdraw the stored gas from these reservoirs and route it to the homes and businesses where it is needed. Efficient storage operations like these enable Lone Star to enter into gas purchase contracts that help hold down the cost of gas and, at the same time, assure dependable service to customers.

In the event Lone Star customers experience a period of bitter weather, it is possible that some gas service to certain large industrial and electric generation customers might be curtailed.

"This does not mean that Lone Star does not have the gas to serve all its customers," Cole explains. "It simply means that the Lone Star pipeline network is designed to carry less than a peak-day load. Designing the system to carry the maximum load for only a few days per year would be like building a church large enough to handle the Easter Sunday congregation.

...whether those resources are human or financial. This amounts to millions of dollars and is being done with the support of GTSW parent company, General Telephone & Electronics Corporation.

Over 750 new switching technicians and installation and repair personnel are being added to the 1980-81 employee budget.

Large telephone cables are being put "under pressure" which will reduce service interruptions caused by moisture seeping into cables. This is expected to take a maximum of one year.

A Direct Distance Dialing auditing team is auditing all GTSW DDD offices to identify service problem. The auditing team is backed up by two special crews who are correcting the problems found by the auditing team. This three pronged effort—a DDD auditing team, special crews to correct troubles found and additions to the switching crews in electromechanical offices—are expected to bring noticeable improvement in DDD switching service.

By 1985, 50 percent of GTSW customers will be served by electronic equipment which provides reliable service with fewer moving parts and less maintenance. These replacements, in concert with expanding maintenance in electromechanical, labor intensive offices until they can be replaced, are expected to bring service to an acceptable level.

An accelerated program has already begun to put into service new trunks (conversion paths between switching offices; at an earlier date than originally scheduled. This will reduce to an acceptable level the fast busy tone customers sometimes receive when calling between offices where shortages of talking paths exist.

Training programs have been revamped and rescheduled to accommodate the newly hired technicians. With the influx of new technicians, the promotion of existing employees to supervisory level jobs and other factors, the experience level of the average employee has been reduced; however, the expanded and intensified training programs are expected to make new employees more productive more quickly.

A careful review of administrative functions, reports and reporting lines has been implemented to assure that all company practices are being followed and reports are being made in accordance with company standards.

Bailey describes these efforts as the major ones being made to assure that service levels are brought to a level satisfactory to customers and the PUC, adding that the local employee teams are also implementing actions to assure that customer service needs are being met. "I want our customers to know that we appreciate their patience as we expedite these services improvements, hire and train new employees and keep pace with the rapid growth that the Sun Belt is enjoying," Bailey emphasized. "It takes time to fully implement such a massive companywide service improvement program. Service levels are already trending significantly upward, but even better service should be evident when the full impact of the improvement program is felt before the end of next year."

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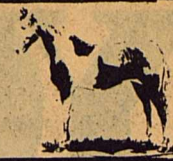
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Sutton County Ranch News



1980 A Year For Farmers And Ranchers To Forget

NINETEEN-EIGHTY has been a year that many Texas farmers and ranchers would like to forget. But most cannot help but remember the devastating drought and killer heat wave which dominated the farm news in Texas and many other states this summer.

In all, weather problems cost Texas producers over \$1.5 billion in lost production, or about 15 percent of the previous year's total cash receipts for crops and livestock. The latest production report reveals that: Cotton production is down 38 percent; grain sorghum, down 28 percent; peanuts, down 48 percent; corn,

down 18 percent. When livestock losses and damage to pasture and rangeland are included, it became obvious that 1980 was not the best of years for Texas agriculture, and especially for the 3,000 farmers and ranchers who are expected to go out of business this year.

Further bad news for Texas producers came in the form of extremely high interest rates at Spring planting time, and these further contributed to the cost/price squeeze which is a persistent problem of agriculture. Overall farm and ranch production costs increased an average of 10 to 12 percent in 1980, lead by 40 percent higher fuel costs, fertilizers which were 25 percent higher, and an 18 percent rise in other chemical costs.

The sharp increases in production costs, coupled with low farm prices, will cut net farm income by 20 percent or more from last year.

That, as they say, is the bad news. But is there any good news to report?

The answer must be yes, because I feel there are a number of bright spots in the Texas farm economy for 1981.

Overall crop prices in 1981 could average 12 to 16 percent higher than in 1980, with corn prices up by more than one-third, soybeans up by almost 40 percent, and wheat prices

rising by 5 to 10 percent. Livestock and poultry prices also should register increases in the 16 to 20 percent range. Certainly, the economic impact of a bad year such as 1980 does not disappear overnight, and many producers will enter 1981 deeply in debt. But a good production year in 1981, coupled with stronger crop and livestock prices and moderate production costs, could allow net farm income to rebound substantially.

Strong export demand has been a major factor in the farm economy throughout the past decade, and will continue to play an important role in the 1980's.

Exports of U.S. farm products have risen dramatically from \$6.7 billion in 1970, to \$40.5 billion in 1980 and a projected \$48 billion in 1981. With the signing of the recent U.S.-

Mexico agricultural agreements (making Mexico a \$2 billion U.S. market), the importance of Texas and the U.S. as agricultural suppliers to the world comes into sharp focus.

I think that 1981 is shaping up as a good year for consumers, too. Unlike many countries, we are blessed with plentiful, safe, and wholesome food supplies to the world comes into sharp focus.

I think that 1981 is shaping up as a good year for consumers, too. Unlike many countries, we are blessed with plentiful, safe, and wholesome food supplies, and this will continue to be the case. Consumers will find that food may cost more in 1981, of course. In our inflationary economy, it would be unrealistic to expect otherwise. But food costs should rise only moderately, with few unexpected surprises.

USDA Hopes To Eradicate Screwworms From Southwest

Screwworms were eradicated in the southeastern U.S. in 1959, in Puerto Rico in 1976, and by 1981, they may be completely eradicated from the southwest, hopes a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) veterinarian.

Dr. James E. Novy, director of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) screwworm Laboratory, says the two screwworm cases known in U.S. animals during 1980 occurred in Texas, in April and August. Both were 250 to 300 miles from the nearest known wild screwworm populations—in Mexico.

Screwworm flies are native to the American tropics. In Mexico and the United States they migrate northward with warm weather in spring and summer. In 1972 the U.S. and Mexico agreed to jointly eradicate the pest from all parts of the Continent north of Mexico's narrowest point the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Most of northern Mexico is now free of screwworms. However, there is continued reporting of a large number of cases about 250 miles south of the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

Texas Animal Health Commission inspectors maintain fly traps along the Rio Grande in an attempt to detect any wild screwworm flies that approach the border. Prime reliance for detecting wild screwworms remains sample submission of all worms found in wounds in warm blooded animals by ranchers, veterinarians, and pet owners for laboratory identification.

Larvae of this fly feed on live flesh in wounds of warm blooded animals. Odors produced by feeding larvae attract gravid female flies, leading to reinfestations. Repeated infestations, if untreated, have been known to kill adult cattle within ten days.

Basic tool of screwworm eradication is production and release of millions of sterile male flies. Females of this species mate only once in their lifetimes. Any eggs produced after a mating with a sterile male will not hatch, ending the life cycle.

As the eradication program moves farther south in Mexico during winter and spring it is expected sterile fly production at Mission will cease. When that happens all sterile screwworm fly production will be done at Tuxtla Gutierrez, Mexico.

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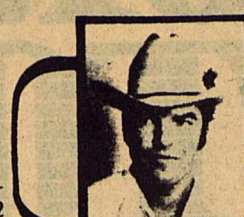
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Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

Setting the dominoes on end and forming a snake like line across the table, one of the small boys touched the first domino and down they all tumbled!

Picture the scene in the back of a turn-of-the-century business converted into the community center. At the annual Miles Livestock Show with smoke rising from the barbecue pit in the corner, several elderly men had left a completed domino game to check the fire and meat. The boys were between classes of showing their animals.

Puffing on my pipe, I stood not far away in a spot graced many times over 20 years. I started covering livestock shows across West Texas in 1961. Miles was my first one as a young reporter for the San Angelo Standard-Times.

From Miles and the hundreds of miles since, event and experiences of this journalist have moved as fast as those dominoes tumbled.

And the lifestyles of community and county livestock shows have advanced just as rapidly. I remember those early days when livestock were shown outdoors long before the nicely heated community centers.

In those days before computers, us reporters carried the big 4X5 graphic cameras with sheet film and our portable typewriters. Between making pictures and collecting Windmill column tidbits, we would type the individual class results. This way, when we returned to the newspaper office after seven or eight more stock shows at the end of the day, most of our copy could go directly to the linotype operator. And while he put all those names and placings into type and the photography lab processed our pictures, we would write the leads and headlines.

Yes, those were 20 hour days, 29 years ago. Some of the youth of that generation are turning gray now, like me. Matter of fact, it's their children in the show ring these days. About the only thing that has not taken such a drastic change in the time span is farming and ranching. Oh, the cost is double or more but basically it's an industry which depends on moisture or the lack of it. Take 1980... "It was too dry and hot in the summer to help the cotton, and what little yield produced by picking time, it turned off rainy and my crop is still in the field," commented a Rowena farmer. That has been the story for most all West Texas agriculturalists in 1980. Ranchmen had daily chores of supplemental feeding routes right into spring. When summer arrived, days of 110 degrees also brought waterhauling in addition to feeding. I heard in Brady the other day the peanut farmers in McCulloch and Mason counties failed to produce enough nuts to call it a crop...and they irrigated. The peanut shortage is nationwide and is so serious, candy houses and peanut butter kitchens may necessitate a substitute for their major ingredients. Some ranchmen might recall January one year ago. Three and four inches of moisture came to parts of the country. However, it was mid-autumn before general rains over West Texas could be reported. South Texas was in the worst drought in years. Now, ranchmen are predicting an unusually good spring, 1981. The year 1980 will be remembered as the year when the people got fed up with Uncle Sam. They spoke electing Ronald Reagan president and changing the course of the congress. The new govern-

ment takes over in a few weeks and I can't wait.

I like what the new Reagan cabinet leaders are saying. I agree with the new secretary of agriculture that we need to "use our food supply as a weapon." I like the philosophy of the new secretary of interior. Too long has our public lands been dictated to by environmentalists. Why, the farmers and ranchers are the true environmentalists, not those radical card-carrying extremist kind. That big fire which burn-

ed so many homes in California back in November and early December is a good example of their kind of "balance of nature thinking." I was talking to Rex Allen about it. Fortunately the fire stopped at his ranch fence line. "If there would have been sheep and cattle grazing the government range, the fire would not have happened," he said.

As 1981 unfolds, may your dominoes tumble slower and in the direction of progress. Happy New Year.

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