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Marry Barrow presents Linda Fisher a \$5,000 check for the Sutton County Library on behalf of an anonymous donor in memory of H.T. "Womp" Espy. Construction has begun on the building donated by Rev. and Mrs. Lea Roy Alder. The move to the new library should be complete around July 1. The Sonora Womens Club is still seeking any donations to help purchase new supplies and furnishings.

New Library Plans Opening By July 1

The Sutton County Public Library is becoming a reality! Rev. and Mrs. Lea Roy Alder have given Mrs. Roy Alder's home to the county for library use.

Work has already begun on the remodeling, and we hope to be ready to move to the new location by July 1.

The building will initially house approximately 8,000 volumes and there will be many additional services and programs to benefit everyone in the community.

Although the library is now county owned, the Sonora Woman's Club will continue to support the library in every possible way. The money the Club has raised in the past will help

defray the actual cost of the remodeling and will cover the cost of the new shelves.

Funds for the library are, however, limited, and there is a great need for some rather expensive equipment and furniture if we are going to have a library that the citizens of Sutton County can be truly proud of.

With this in mind, we are asking for your tax-deductible donation. If you wish to make a donation in any amount, please make your check payable to the Sonora Woman's Club Library Association and send it to Mrs. Sandra Cooper, Box 948, Sonora.

Loeffler Lands Passage Of Budget Resolution

Congressman Tom Loeffler on Thursday hailed passage of the Reagan Administration's bipartisan budget resolution, saying it was "an important first step" in getting the economy back on an even course.

The measure, which passed by a vote of 253-176 signaled a major victory for President Reagan who was able to muster support from Republicans and Democrats alike to win approval of the \$689 billion budget.

"We have taken an important first step. Congress is on record for beginning a very historic process which will result in the most dramatic and substantial change in Federal fiscal policy that has occurred since the New Deal," Loeffler said.

The Texas Republican said the vote on the Gramm-Latta bipartisan resolution reflected a mandate of the people who sent President Reagan to the White House in November with the set mission of doing something about the country's economic problems.

"Whether Republican or Democrat, I think all of us in the Congress read what the people were demanding," Loeffler said. "The people were insisting that there be serious restraint on the growth of Federal spending and that we get our fiscal house in order."

Before the decisive vote Thursday (May 7) the House rejected two liberal budget alternatives for the fiscal year 1982 in lopsided votes that dramatically illustrated the liberals' loss of power. The votes followed two days of debate in which the liberals pleaded for restoration of funds for programs they considered vital.

Loeffler disagreed with critics of the Reagan budget.

"The Reagan budget quite clearly preserves benefits for those who need our help," Loeffler said. "It is true that national defense spending will increase from 24 percent to 33 percent in the next three years, but expenditures for social programs will increase from 37 percent to 40 percent during the same period."

Loeffler said the bipartisan budget is the first essential step toward reaching a balanced budget in 1984 and would set in motion fiscal practices to attack the country's

economic ills.

"The government is too large, taxes are too high and the national defense must be given higher priority," Loeffler said.

Loeffler said the real test for the Reagan budget lies ahead in the coming weeks when the various

House committees begin work on the real dollar issues that make up the country's spending package for 1982.

"We must develop a budget based on today's reality and one that will stand the test of time. That process has begun," he said.

S&L Makes \$700,000 in Loans

Jim Farley, Vice-President and Regional Coordinator of Heart O' Texas Savings Association, has expressed his thanks to the community of Sonora for the overwhelming response Heart O' Texas Savings has received in its first year of operations

Graduation Set May 28

Graduation exercises for the Sonora High School Class of 1981 will be held Friday, May 22 at 8:30 p.m. at Bronco Stadium.

Invitations sent by the graduating seniors incorrectly listed the graduation ceremonies at 8 p.m. at the high school.

Mildred Cauthorn Named Citizen Of The Month

Sandra Cooper, President, Sonora Chamber of Commerce announced that Mildred Cauthorn has been named as the April Citizen of the Month.

Mrs. Cauthorn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lambenske, deceased and resides at 210 Murphy Avenue. She is the owner of the Labenske Dress Shop.

She was one of the first women elders in the Presbyterian Church and is presently an elder and Trustee. She was active in the Sonora Womens Club and is well known for her love of people and animals.

Local law enforcement officials made six arrests in three separate drug raids last week.

The first arrests came when two juveniles were apprehended in a residential area of town after police found a baggie of marijuana. Another baggie was found later.

The two youths were booked and released to their parents pending action in juvenile court.

Robert Lee Hood, 36, was arrested Friday night when a raiding party of Sheriff Bill Webster, Deputies Joe Fincher, Roy Gladden and Joe Rios and Sgt. Bill Ware of the Sonora Police Department executed a search warrant at 203 W. 2nd St.

Officers confiscated approximately one pound of marijuana and 31 bags containing materials thought to be methamphetamine. Felony charges of possession of marijuana and possession of a controlled substance were filed.

Hood was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Herman Moore who set bond at \$10,000. He posted bond Sunday night.

The largest seizure came Sunday night when a team of Chief of Police Brent Gesch, Sgt. Little, Officer Bobby Witt, Rios and DPS Patrolmen Charlie De La Rosa and Jim Walker raided a residence at 106 NW Plum at approximately 11:05 p.m. Arrested were Felipe A. "Tito" Vargas, 46; Bobby Galvan Vargas, 18; and a 15-year juvenile.

Law enforcement officials discovered 21 baggies of a green, leafy substance believed to be unmanicured marijuana, a paper bag with apparent marijuana, 14 live plants thought to be marijuana, a Colt .357 magnum revolver reported stolen in San Angelo in an aggravated robbery in August, 1979 and \$1,140 in cash.

All three were arrested on charges of possession of a controlled sub-

stance, a third degree felony, and bond was set on the adults at \$10,000.

The youth was taken before Sutton County Judge Charles Sherrill who ordered he be detained for 10 days for testing to determine if he was capable of standing trial as an adult.

The drug arrests ended a busy week for local officers. Earlier in the week officers arrested two males felons.

Christopher Gag Dey, 21, was wanted for felony probation offenses in Florida, and Steve Shortridge Fryer, 25, was wanted for grand

theft and forgery in California. Also arrested on Friday was William Anderson "Bill" Drake of Sonora, 43.

Drake was arrested at 5:10 p.m. on a felony warrant and charged with indecency with a child. Bond was set at \$3,500 which he later posted.

SISD Trustees Consider Auditorium Renovation

The board of trustees of the Sonora Independent School District met in a special meeting May 5 to consider converting the elementary school auditorium into a gymnasium, hiring a long-range building planner and for an executive session.

The board discussed removing the auditorium chairs, the inclined floor and poring a level floor in the auditorium and asked Arturo "Square" Sanchez for an estimate of the cost.

The board also discussed covering the inclined floor with indoor-out-

door carpeting and replacing the auditorium chairs with folding chairs.

Scott Shurley recommended the district consider employment of a person for long-range planning. This will be discussed further at the next meeting, May 12.

The following teachers were elected for the 1981-82 school year:

Margarita San Miguel will be assigned to English-Language Arts at the Jr. High School. She is a native of Sonora and has a B.S. degree from West Texas State

University and two years experience at Seminole.

Janis Patterson will be assigned to a bilingual class in the first grade. She has a B.S. degree from Tarleton State University and a Masters degree from Angelo State University. She has ten years of experience in Ozona and Kermit.

Wayne Patterson was elected as Distributive Education teacher. He has a B.B.A. degree from Angelo State University and eighteen hours toward a Masters degree. He has four years of teaching experience.

Retail Merchants Sponsor May Trade Days Sale This Week

The Retail Merchants Committee of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a May Trade Days Sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Twenty-four merchants are participating in the sale, making it the largest joint effort by local businesses ever in Sonora.

Big Tree Restaurant and The Image.

Other Chamber of Commerce members participating include Foxworth-Galbreath Lumber Co., Kerbow Furniture, Sutton County Steak House, The Old Shop, Sonora Floral

and Gifts, Devil's River Ranch Supply, Sonic Drive-In, La Tienda and Thorp's Laundry.

For just some of the special values the merchants are offering, see Pages 3B and 4B.

Twirlers, Cheerleaders Named

Twirlers and flag corps members for the Sonora High School Mighty Bronco Band were named recently and cheerleaders for both high school and junior high were named for the 1981-82 school year.

Twirlers named were Anna Martinez, Debra Maldonado and Tracey Thompson with Martinez serving as head twirler.

Named to the flag corps were Sonya Ridgeway, Kathryn Parker, Kristi Hill, Melanie Kelly, Candy Cauthorn, Patricia Bible, Nanette Sanchez and Clalene Stewart.

Tonya Ridgeway will serve as

drum major.

High school cheerleaders elected were Casey Crites, Judy Merrill, Mary Hanna, Jennifer Spencer and Rosa Noriega.

Julie Stewart was elected Bronco mascot, and Crites will serve as head cheerleader.

Serving as junior high cheerleaders will be Bonnie Jackson, Rachel Chavez, Sidonna Ridgeway, Jari Todd, Gail Meas and Lauri Sotelo.

Jackson was elected head cheerleader.

YAC Meeting Scheduled

Bill Webster, Chairman, Youth Activities Committee announced that the YAC will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. May 14 at the HNG building.

Items on the agenda will include a report from the Dance Committee, a report from F.W. Ferrell regarding the incorporation of the group, a report from Reverend David Griffin re: architectural plans for the railroad depot and the progress of the donation from the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company.

Also, the upcoming summer scheduling for events will be discussed.

Hill Fund Begun

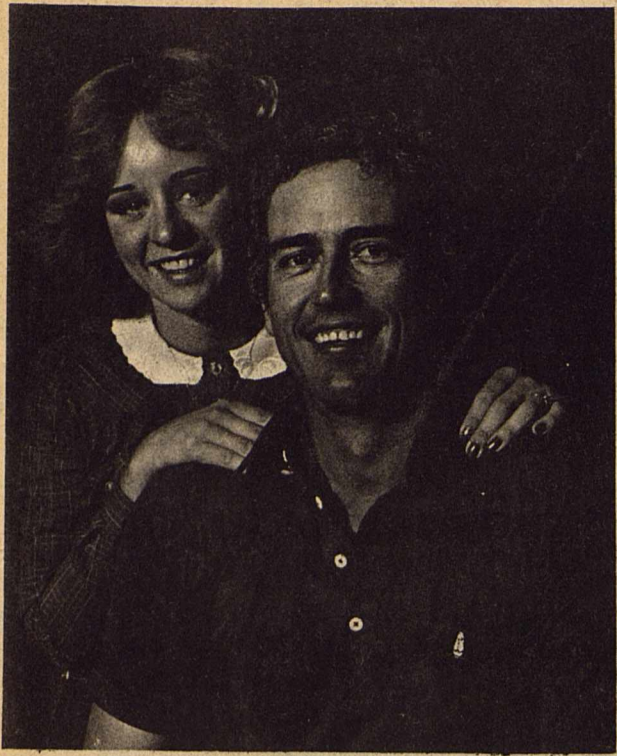
A Horace Hill Memorial Fund has been established by interested citizens at First National Bank to help in defraying hospital bills.

Persons interested in making a tax free contribution should make their checks payable to Sutton County Community Trust Fund and earmark it for the Hill Memorial Account.



Sandra Cooper, Sonora Chamber of Commerce President, presents Mildred Cauthorn with a letter naming her April Citizen of the Month. Others on hand for the

presentation were Lou Thomas, Shelley Chaney, Matt Davenport and Rev. Jim Miles.



Powers, Felts Set June Wedding Date

Mrs. Louis Powers and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Felts are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Pamela Anne and Arnold Dean, June 9 at 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Sonora.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Sonora High School, attending Howard County College, and is now attending Sul Ross State University. She was a Sonora cheerleader, participated in basketball, track and drama. She is a member of the Sul Ross Rodeo team. Miss Powers is the daughter of the late Louis Powers, who was a nation-

ally known roper and horse-man. Felts is a graduate of Clayton, New Mexico High School, and attended Sul Ross State University. Besides being a professional cowboy he is engaged in business in Woodward, Oklahoma. He is currently winning the PRCA World Championship in Single Steer Roping. The couple plans to make their home in Mutual, Oklahoma.

Senior Citizen Menu

Thursday
Chicken Fried
Hot Potato Salad

Baked Beans
Hot Rolls
Jello-w/topping
Friday
Enchiladas w/chili sauce
Spanish Rice
Cole Slaw
Cornbread
Bread pudding
Monday
Vegetable Beef Soup
Baked Beans
Cranberry Orange Relish
Oat Meal Cookies
Tuesday
Swiss Steak
Orange Sweet Potatoes
Buttered Corn
Wheat Bread
Chocolate Cake

Auxilliary Names Officers For Year

The Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Auxiliary met on May 6 in the Founders Room of the First National Bank, with a covered dish luncheon. Twenty-One members were present, including one guest, Lou Thomas.

Officers for 1981-1982 are as follows: President, Leola Wiseman; Vice President, Beverly Howard; Treasurer, Metha Trainer; Recording Secretary, Cora Lee Campbell; Corresponding Secretary, Ilene Stewart; Auditor, Guila Vicars; Parliamentarian, Hattie B. Epps; Historian, Esther Loeffler.

During the past twelve months the Auxiliary has purchased for the Hospital the following items: Two remote controlled television sets; a lounge chair which converts into a comfortable single bed; a neck and back brace for the new ambulance.

For the Nursing Home they have purchased new bibs and lap covers, a shuffle board and other games, and bingo prizes. They have had birthday parties each month for each resident of the Nursing Home and have given lovely parties for each holiday, including Christmas, Valentines Day, & Easter.

Last August the Auxiliary gave a \$1,000 scholarship to two local girls,

toward their training at A.S.U. to become Licensed Vocational Nurses. We plan to give these scholarships on a yearly basis.

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be this fall and plans are to start off the year with a membership drive luncheon. Memberships are both active and associate; \$3. and \$10. a year. Businessmen and local businesses will be welcome to join.

Summer Jobs Needed

Businessmen, the young people of Sutton County need your help!

Summer jobs are at a premium this year and Mrs. Jeryl Fields, counselor at Sonora High School, is trying to locate jobs for students and graduates who want to work during the summer months.

If you can help, please call Mrs. Fields at 387-2124 or 387-5673 with details of the employment you have to offer. She will then do her utmost to match the student with the job.

Art Club Installs New Members

The Sonora Art Club met May 5 at the Commercial Restaurant for a dinner and the installation of new officers with Gloria Gordon presiding.

Those present were Mrs. Gordon, Bridget Griffin, Vivian Gilbert, Etta Hill, Janette Cooper, Wilma Schwiening, Carmen Adams, Hazel McClelland, Bernice Williamson, Glenda Short and Patsy Gibbs. Mrs. Hill was given a life-time membership. She has been a member of the Art Club over 20 years.

New officers installed were Mrs. Adams, president; Mrs. Short vice president; and Mrs. Raphael, secretary. Mrs. Hill served as the installing officer. A Mexican dinner was served to the members.

Community Outlook

By Don Holdridge

It seems the conservative mood of the nation has prevailed with the House of Representatives overwhelmingly passing the Reagan endorsed budget proposals.

Naturally, there are many gripes being heard, but only from the groups who don't want to see their own programs being cut. Everyone almost seems to have the attitude of "cut all you want-except for mine".

This is really quite natural, but when a close look is taken at the federal government, its only real duties are to provide for defense and create laws to protect the citizens, then enforce them.

Of course there are some other areas such as highway transportation that are more easily handled on a national basis, but virtually every service of the federal government could be handled at either the state or local level or by private enterprise.

A large protest was held in Boston last Thursday concerning cuts in programs for the handicapped, but the West Texas Rehabilitation Center is just one example of what can be done through initiative of the private sector.

While these cuts are at least a major step in the right direction, much more remains to be done to put the economy back on its feet. Perhaps the most critical problem is reform of our income tax system.

Our current graduated income tax system is the most farcical, counter-productive system ever imagined. Supposedly, the beauty of the American free enterprise system is that every person, through hard work or wise investment, can better themselves. Take for example a man who makes \$20 a day and pays hypothetical tax of 10 percent or \$2. By working hard and impressing his employer, he gets a raise to \$25 a day. The clincher comes when he suddenly finds himself in a hypothetical 30 percent tax bracket and has to pay \$7.50 a day in income tax. Instead of bettering his old take-home pay of \$18, he is now only bringing home \$17.50.

It sounds incredible but it is a situation that has happened to almost every working person at some time or another. What did the man gain by working hard to get a raise? Nothing, he actually lost. This is one of the major problems of our nation's productivity. Because of our graduated income tax, the incentive to improve is slowly dying.

The government no longer has to worry about raising taxes. Inflation caused by excessive government spending, keeps boosting workers into higher tax brackets. More revenue is automatically produced without a legislator ever having to dirty his hands by voting for a tax hike.

Nobel Prize winning economist Milton Friedman has long advocated a flat percentage rate for individual income tax and doing away with all deductions (except the personal exemption) and tax shelters. According to his theory, by setting a rate of approximately 15 percent (the average working person now pays 30 to 40 percent) and doing away with the vast numbers of deductions and shelters allowed under tax laws, the government would still take in as much revenue as before.

Under this system, everyone would pay their fair share. The rich, often the target of taxpayers wrath, would be paying more than the average working person.

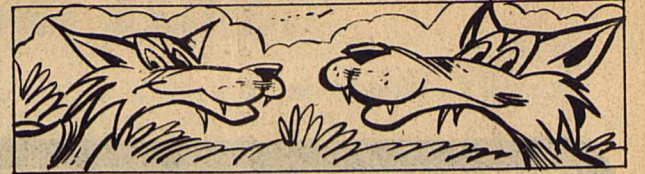
An immediate booster in the nation's productivity, and thus the overall economy, would be seen. Workers would have more incentive to work harder and produce more. And the rich, who under our current tax system tie up their money in non-productive investments such as art and real estate, would have more investment capital for expansion and creation of new business, thus creating more jobs.

Friedman's theory also goes a step farther. He advocates the creation of a negative income tax which certainly has some interesting possibilities. Under this system, the personal exemption for income tax would be set at a calculated minimum at which a person could live and son on down the line for a family of two, three, four etc. Anything a family made under their minimum would be refunded by the government.

What, you say, more welfare? No! By instituting a negative income tax system, the whole welfare bureaucracy would be eliminated. No more welfare checks here and food stamps there. The head of every household would be responsible to make their funds last and if they can't do it, then too bad, at least as far as the government is concerned.

I'm not smart enough to say the system would definitely work, but at least on paper, the plan appears to have some very strong merits. Although the die-hard liberals who have resposued to be the great protector of the people through the years would probably spurn such an idea, the idea deserves consideration.

Our forefathers spoke of a government of the people", but they did not say "a government of the people's pocketbook".



A group of foxes is called a skulk.

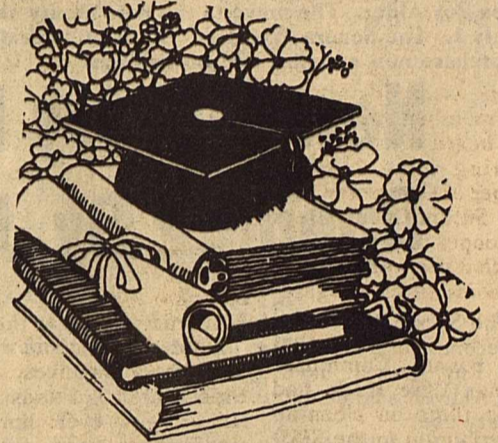
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Bridal Registry

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- Valerie Knowlton, bride-elect of Larrv (Rudd) Berger
- Beth Bartz, bride-elect of Kenneth Adler
- Susan Pidcock, bride-elect of Gus Ward
- Cody Gold, bride-elect of Gregg Parker
- JoAnn Guerra, bride-elect of George Hernandez
- Lydia San Miguel, bride-elect of Manuel Lopez
- Lilia Hernandez, bride-elect of Frank Gallegos
- Sulema Esquivel, bride-elect of Mike Moore
- Lupe Torres, bride-elect of David Beserra
- Celia Burrage, bride-elect of Duray Smith

Congratulations Graduate!



These Sonora graduates have already made their gift selections at

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- Susan Allen
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- Beth Bartz
- Howard Brittain
- Kandis Carta
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- Steven Chandler
- Leticia Chavez
- David Creek
- Wayland Dobbs
- Sulema Esquivel
- Marina Fernandez
- Lynn Foster
- Fran Friess
- Paula Friess
- Domitila Galindo
- Annabelle Gonzales
- Angela Green
- Chela Hernandez
- Debbie Kemp
- Marche Lane
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<p>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.</p>	<p>Hope Lutheran Church Dennis McKain-Pastor SS-10:00 every Sunday morning. Hymn Study-10:00 Sunday Morning Worship Service-11:00</p>	<p>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.</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) PCUS/UPCUSA</p>
<p>First United Methodist Church David W. Griffin, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:55 a.m. KVRN 98AM 11 a.m. Children's Choir 5 p.m. UMYF 6 p.m. Wed. Chancel Choir 7 pm</p>	<p>John'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 Interdenominational Bible Study Prayer Group Bible Study Prayer Group Tuesday nights 7:30 pm. at 1302 Glasscock. 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>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>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Rev. Ray Hendershot Pastor 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>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>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.</p>

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SCAT Plans Art Exhibit

The 1st Annual Sutton County Art Exhibit is to be held in Sonora on May 23 and 24.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Sonora Community

Arts & Theatre group and will be held in the Jr. High School Snack Bar from 1 to 6 p.m. both days.

The artists from Sutton County will number around

38 and their work will be for sale. Displayed will be pastels, watercolors, oil, acrylic, charcoal and pencil and 20 percent of the sale of the art will be given to the

SCAT group for future art shows.

Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend. There will be no admittance charge.

Any artists (in the above listed categories) in Sutton County are encouraged to exhibit their art. Details are available by calling Mrs. Herbert Fields at 387-3268 or Mrs. Allen Schneider at 387-2355.



Mrs. Mae Ward (left) installed the new officers for the Sonora Womens Club last Wednesday following a luncheon at the Alice Jones home. New officers are (left to right) Diana Trainer, president; Michelle

Anderson, vice president; Virginia Epps, recording secretary; Dede Doran, treasurer; Kay Faris, corresponding secretary; Mary Ann Shurley, parliamentarian; and Cynthia Keel, auditor.

Blanca De la Rosa Joins Red Carpet Committee

President Shelley Chaney, Red Carpet Committee, Sonora Chamber of Commerce announced the appointment of Blanca De La Rosa to the RCC.

Blanca is employed as secretary/clerk in the First National Bank and is married to Carlos De La Rosa. The De La Rosas are the parents of a son, Bryan Gabriel, age five.

She moved here from San Angelo where she attended Central High School. She worked with Municipal Court for six months and with the Police Department for four years (dispatching). She enrolled in a forty hour course in Police Communications in Austin and was a DPS Operator in Ozona for nine months.

In volunteer work, she helped raise funds for the McDonald Hospital and belonged to the San Angelo Police Association. She is Baptist and likes racquet ball, tennis and jogging. Her favorite singer is Kenny Rogers.

When asked what she would like Sonora to have, in cultural or social achievement, Blanca said she would like to see different sport activities set up for the teenagers and to see some type of club or organizational set-up for joggers and a racquet ball court or courts set up and believes this would be successful.

Chaney joins other RCC members, the Sonora Chamber of Commerce members and Sonorans ir

welcoming Blanca to the RCC!

C of C Discusses SCD Activities

The Board of Directors, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, held their regular monthly meeting May 6 with the following in attendance:

President Sandra Cooper, Vice President Ed Carrasco, Treasurer Jim Cusenbary, Reverend Jim Miles, Hal Spain, Robert Brown, Ex-officio board member Glen Fisher, manager Lou Thomas and Honorary Board member Jim Dover.

The board discussed the upcoming joint Jaycee/Chamber of Commerce project on Sutton County Days and Cooper informed the group that she would report to the board in June regarding the project.

It was reported that Shine Sonora Committee Chairman Effie Harle had secured films on clean-up for distribution to the SISD students and that these films had been shown.

Fisher informed the group that he would be starting work on the 3-in-1 map/brochure project in the near future.

Fisher and Dover gave a report on the status on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company donation of the old depot and adjacent lots. Fisher informed that it might be the latter part of June before finalization of property.

Membership Chairman Jim Cusenbary stated that Effie Harle had volunteered to help in the membership drive and that he would be working on this soon.

President Cooper re-

marked on the progress being made in the C of C housing survey and Pal Spain gave a brief report on the Retail Merchants Committee. Discussion

was also held on having a sign to donate C of C projects that would be visible to citizens. Robert Brown volunteered to look into this.

Area Deaths

Horace Hill

Horace Hill, 48, died Friday, May 8, at 9 a.m. in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo following a lengthy illness. Graveside services were held Sunday at 2 p.m. with Rev. J.C. Hancock officiating. Burial was in Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born March 30, 1933 in San Angelo to Giles and Nadine Penley Hill. He married Shirley Kirkland in Ballinger Nov. 2, 1959. He was a mail carrier with the U.S. Post Office and was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of Sonora, two sons, Rick Hill of Lubbock and Randy Hill of Denton; a daughter, Ree Dine Hill of San Angelo; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Giles Hill of San Angelo; one brother, Johnny Hill of Pampa; a step-brother, Jim Bailey of San Angelo; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were James McLaughlin, Frank Adkins, Joe Neil Smith, Pat Jungk, Melvin Hearn and Gene West.

Jody Minnick

Jody Minnick II, 22, of Midland drowned in the Pecos River Thursday, May 7. Funeral services were held Sunday in Dimmit at 3 p.m. in the Methodist Church. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Parsons Funeral Home.

Minnick was born Feb. 10, 1959 and was married to Susan Warnock of Eldorado. He was employes as a physicist in the oil industry.

Survivors include his wife, one son, Joe Dan; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jody Minnick of Dimmit; a sister, Shellie Minnick of Dimmit; his grandmother, Mrs. Dixie Belk of Eldorado; and several aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Belk of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Belk of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Dean Minnick of Odessa.

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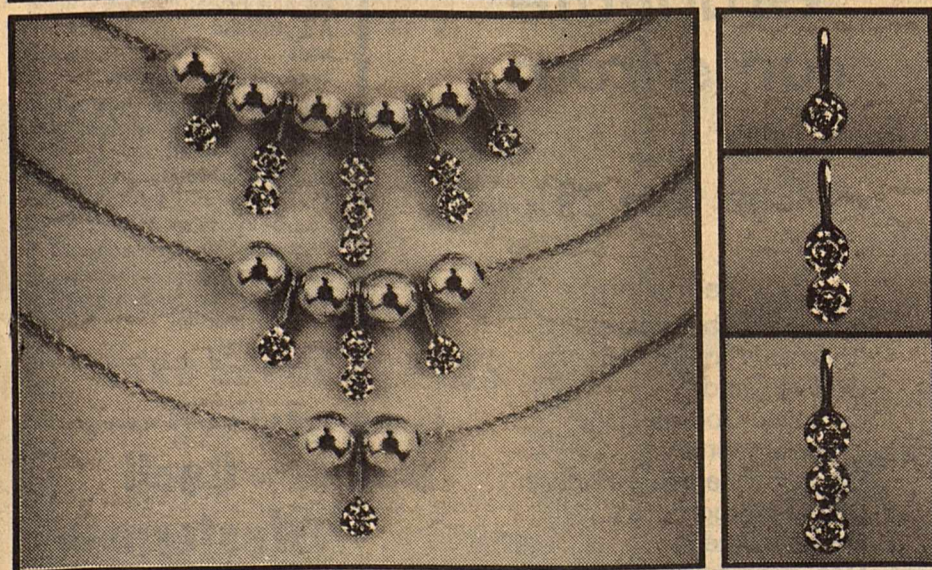
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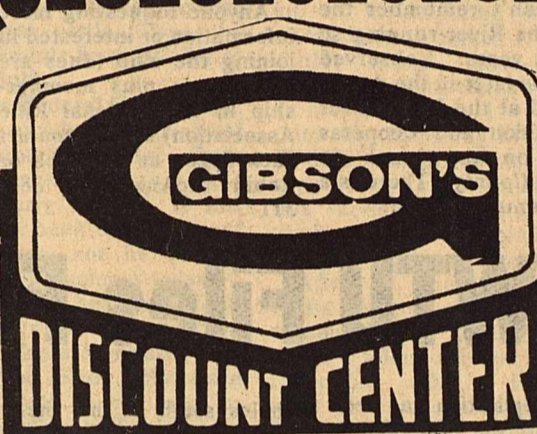
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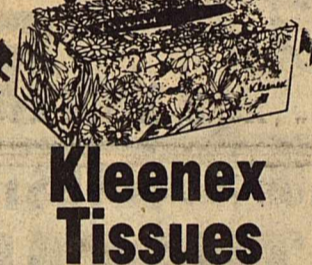


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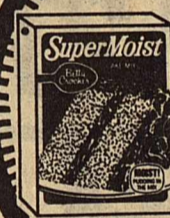


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Gun Club Schedules Competition

The Sutton County Gun Club will hold a .22 rimfire silhouette shoot and trap shoot Saturday. The competition begins at 1 p.m. at the Striegler pit



Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

At a meeting of the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association last week, the board took major steps to make the 50th event outstanding and in-line with other state shows. The March 10-14, 1982 affair will split the cattle division into steer and heifer shows to allow more room in the cattle barn. Kermit Wendland of Miles, cattle show superintendent, explained 300 head of cattle can be housed at the fairgrounds, but "when we have over 400 head, we don't have room." Not only have the cattle show entries increased but just about every division has shown growth.

All steers, except for those to be sold through the premium sale, will be released at midweek to make room for heifers and other cattle. This kind of arrangement has been practiced in San Antonio, Fort Worth, and even the state fair. I'd say its time San Angelo got with the times. This will make the show run ten days. In other business, Robert Kensing was re-elected president; Joe Mertz, vice president; and Bill McManus, treasurer.

It seems as though the West Texas area has finally witnessed the best spring in 20 years. I talked to some people about more rain at the stock show meeting and at a Cinco de Mayo barbecue at Wool Growers wool warehouse. Vestal Askew of Sonora has marked up over eight inches on the ranch northeast of Sonora on the Fort McKavett road.

Dayton Brandenberger ranches south of Christoval and states he has seen more green pastures and rattlesnakes this spring than ever before.

Mrs. Harvey (Lizzie) Lisso was telling me at Lawake one day that weeds, wildflowers and grass is knee-high and she "has lost all accounts of how much it rained this spring."

When in Ballinger one evening last week attending a fund raising event for West Texas Rehab Center-San Angelo Building, bank-

er-rancher Conda Richards expressed high-hopes of "booking our best spring in history." He said the rains have been outstanding and well spaced all over Runnels County.

By the way, at that Ballinger event, WTRC received \$18,600 toward a \$1.6 million building program. The drive recently received a \$500,000 challenge grant from the J.E. and L.E. Mabree Foundations, which requires WTRC to certify by July 19 that it has raised the balance of the funds needed for construction...\$1,049,540.

In Menard County last Friday, I was in rainy country again. Oldtimers there can't remember the San Saba River running so clear in years. I observed the same later in the day as I looked at the Llano River at Junction and Cooperas Creek on my ranch in Kimble County. There is a great summer ahead!

located four miles west of Sonora just off the access road on the south side of IH-10. Signs will be posted Saturday to prevent anyone from getting lost.

The silhouettes will be shot with pistols of .22 caliber with long rifle ammunition only. The competition will consist of 40 shots from a standing position: 10 chickens at 25 yards; 10 pigs at 50 yards; 10 turkeys at 75 yards and 10 rams at 100 yards.

Trophies will be awarded to first, second and third place winners.

The shotgun competition will consist of five shots at each of five positions at 16 yards for a total of 25 clay targets for each shooter. Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third.

The charge for the pistol shot is \$3 a person and the trap shoot is \$5 a person.

Contestants need not be a club member to participate. Everyone is invited to attend whether interested in shooting or just watching.

No alcoholic beverages will be permitted during the shoot for obvious safety reasons.

Anyone requesting more information or interested in joining the club (dues are \$10 a year plus membership in the National Rifle Association) should contact Jack Sykes at 387-2568 or Robin McAnally at 387-3117.

DISTRICT 13 4-H CONTESTS 1981



The Sutton County 4-H senior range judging team recently won first at the district competition and qualified to compete at the State 4-H Roundup in June. Team members are Joe Will Ross, Miles Miller, Layne Eddy and Drew Wallace.

Range Judging Team Wins District Meet

The Senior Range Judging team of Joe Will Ross, Miles Miller, Drew Wallace and Layne Eddy placed first in District competition last week-end and will compete at State 4-H Roundup in June.

Junior range judges Matt Miller, Stevie Love, and Glen Love won the junior division of the competition.

The junior plant identification team made up of Cindy Doran, Wayne Hill,

Jim Cooper and Jeff Kimbrel placed second in their competition.

The Crockett Co. Range Contest was held on April 30 at Ozona. Sutton County 4-H members coached by Susan Eddy and Joe Freiss did very well. Joe Will Ross was the only Sr. to attend and was 2nd high individual in the Grass Identification Contest.

Junior Team A made up of Jim Cooper, Matt Miller, Wayne Hill and Glen Love placed first in both the

Grass Identification Contest and the Range Evaluation Contest.

Team B with team members Mike Friess, Cindy Doran, Jeff Kimbrel and Steve Love placed 2nd and 3rd respectively in the above contests.

High Individuals for Grass were 1st Matt Miller, 2nd Wayne Hill, 3rd Mike Friess and 5th Steve Love and for Range were 2nd Wayne Hill, 3rd Matt Miller, and 5th Jeff Kimbrel.

WTU Files For Coal-Fired Plant

An application has been filed with the Texas Public Utility Commission for a certificate of convenience and necessity for a coal-fired generating plant to be built in North Texas by West Texas Utilities Company and two other operating companies in the Central and South West Corporation.

The certificate is required before actual construction can start on the plant, which will be built on a 1,937-acre tract which WTU purchased from the fabled Waggoner Ranch eight miles southeast of Vernon and three miles three miles southwest of Oklahoma. The application is for Oklahoma Power Station No. 1, which will have a net capacity of 640 megawatts. Ultimately, three units with a total capacity of 1,920 megawatts are planned.

Cooling water will come from Lake Diversion, 20 miles south of the site. WTU purchased water rights in 1977 with Wichita County Water Improvement District No. 2 and the

City of Wichita Falls. Boiler fuel will be low sulphur western coal, probably from Wyoming mines. Oklahoma will be the

first power plant to be jointly owned by CSW operating companies. WTU, the managing partner, will own 350 megawatts, Central

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Chamber Chatter

By Lou Thomas

David McCartney, San Angelo, Membership, U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Donald Dillehunt of Phoenix were in Sonora last week renewing subscriptions to 'Nation's Business/Washington Report.'

Mary Jean Hamilton met members of the West Texas Motor Club at the Caverns of Sonora and passed out brochures and data on Sonora.

Friendly face around town was Reverend Donald Provine of Trinity Baptist Church.

Citizens who have completed the Housing Survey need to return forms to the Chamber of Commerce office. If you are unable to mail or bring the form to

the office in City Hall, please call 7-2880 or 7-2816 and the forms may be picked up.

Nice talking with Thomas Morris, C of C member, who was happy to see all the rain in Sutton County.

The Texas Commission on the Arts is seeking names of groups and individuals to be included in the first Texas Directory of Folk Artists.

Folk artists are those craftspeople and performers who have skills which closely relate to the life of their ethnic communities or geographical regions, and have learned these skills from older recognized craftspeople and performers in their families or communities. Folk artists have practiced their arts for most of their lives, and they attach inherited values to their creations.

According to Pat Jasper, TCA's Folk Art Coordinator "There is a growing awareness that the folk arts contribute greatly to the rich cultural diversity of Texas".

Folk arts include quilting, crocheting, tamale-making, brewing, sausage-stuffing, mariachi, Conjunto, Samgerrunden, gospel

singing, blues music, polkas, blacksmithing, wood-working, santos carving and painting, traditional events and ceremonies (Blessing the Fleet, retrieving the gold cross, cowboy reunions, church homecomings, Easter fires, jamaicas or kermezes, storytelling and joking and riddling sessions.

The purpose of the Directory of Folk Artists is to provide an inventory of folk arts throughout the state and develop an initial list of individuals and groups who create and present them.

It is important the Directory represent both rural

and urban areas and all ethnic groups in Texas.

IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN ANY WAY IN FOLK ART, PLEASE CALL THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICE AT 7-2880 OR 7-2816 AND THE INFORMATION MAY BE TAKEN BY PHONE AND MAILED TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON THE ARTS. Any Sonoran listed in the Directory could help bring larger crowds to our area on Sutton County Days and other upcoming events, as the Directory will be used by thousands in Texas to find out about particular crafts.

School Menu

BREAKFAST

Monday, May 18

Grape Juice

Cinnamon Toast

Milk

Tuesday, May 19

Orange Juice

Glazed Donut

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Wednesday, May 20

Orange Juice

Cheese Toast

Milk

Thursday, May 21

Grape Juice

Sausage

Hot Biscuits/Jelly

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LUNCH

Monday, May 18

Fried Fish

Cole Slaw

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Tuesday, May 19

Corn Dogs

Cheese Strips

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Wednesday, May 20

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Sixth Graders Learn About Conservation

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It used to be that a school kid who turned in a lackluster performance on a written assignment either took a bad grade home or, if he was lucky, got a chance to do it over again. A group of 120 sixth-graders from this West Texas town were "punished" last Friday with goat barbecue and a day-long field trip to a ranch.

The outing developed in a roundabout way from compositions local youngsters submitted to the annual state soil conservation essay contest. Board members of the Edwards Plateau soil and water conservation district read the essays and, frankly, they weren't too impressed.

"We discovered the kids didn't know a lot about practical conservation," recalls district conservationist Virgil Poloczek. That might be expected of students from the big city, but Sonora sits right smack in the middle of sheep, goat and cattle country. Until the oil and gas boom of recent years, in fact, Sonora depended almost entirely on ranching for its survival. With the realities all around them, Sonora school kids

should have had a fair grounding in the basics, but their essays on conservation reflected preservationist notions instead.

"We decided they needed to be taught," says one board member, "that you can use the land without abusing it rather than the Sierra Club idea that no use is best use."

It wasn't long before someone realized that "Re-education" might be an uphill battle. Ivory tower notions about conservation have had a way of insinuating themselves into everything from textbooks to television commercials in recent years, and that's a tough act for a bunch of country practitioners to follow.

Thus evolved the field trip project. Every kid appreciates a "day off" from school, and it's a well-known fact that a youngster can absorb a lot more information when he thinks he's having a good time than when he thinks he's learning something.

Cooperators began lining up, including the Soil Conservation Service, the Extension Service, the Sonora Experiment Station and, of course, the Sonora

school system. They chose sixth graders because they figured it was a group old enough to pay attention but young enough not to know everything already.

The field trip, billed officially as an "ecological conservation field tour," was mainly an outdoor affair. Cooperators set up tour sites scattered across the Edwin Sawyer ranch. One location featured demonstrations on range plant ecology, another wildlife ecology, the third cropland.

The fourth, at the Sawyer Ranch headquarters, included a shearing demonstration and a (very) quick course in what Angora goats eat. This last demonstration featured some cannulated muttons with external bags attached to catch whatever the goats swallowed. It didn't take the kids long to see all they wanted of the bags' contents.

Each stop was designed to show the youngsters something about conservation and ranching rather than simply tell them. And some of the demonstrations weren't on the schedule.

Area conservationist Mark Moseley took his credibility in his own hands during one of the rotating sessions at the rangeland stop. Moseley had just finished explaining how the barbed point and curled tail of a Texas wintergrass seedhead screws the seed into the ground with the aid of a breeze. One particularly inquisitive girl asked him what would happen if the seedhead hit the ground upside down.

Rather than explain it, Moseley simply handed the girl the seedhead he'd used for illustration and told her to drop it tail down. It flipped over in midair and landed point first.

"You could see the light go on in her head," recalls Sonora Experiment Station director Dr. Leo Merrill.

Merrill and the other cooperators were clearly impressed with the youngsters' level of interest and innate curiosity. The kids may not have known much about conservation when the day began, but it didn't take them long to begin asking questions and learning.

All agree it was a worthwhile experience, one that bears repeating.

Poloczek says he hopes other soil conservation districts will take their cue from the Sonora experiment and maybe even try to introduce a practical conservation program into local school curriculums.

"If nothing else, we've seen that kids can have fun learning how to protect the land and still produce food and fiber."

The only cloud from the youngsters' standpoint is a pervasive rumor that their teachers are planning to give them a test on what they've learned. Even that's not all bad, though; the test questions will indicate how much the teachers themselves learned.

Letter To The Editor

In the May 6, 1981 issue of the Devil's River News, Bill Sims, Executive Secretary, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, closed an article urging "folks" to support Geistweid's bill on inheritance tax by saying "so our kids and grandkids

can keep on fighting coyotes, eagles and bureaucrats for years to come". I assume those are the number one problems on Mr. Sim's family ranch near Paint Rock or maybe in the ivory towers of San Angelo, however, I have

been associated with ranching in North East Sutton County for forty nine years and I have never encountered any of these problems and I hope none of my kids or grandkids run around in Austin and Washington lobbying and spending thousands of ranchers money fighting and thinking coyotes, eagles and bureaucrats (Liberal Democrats) are their worst enemies.

Of course droughts and financing are the number one problems of ranching today, however, in the first thirty-two years of my ranching experience, screwworms were the number one problem. I realize some of the Johnny-come-lately's of ranching in Sutton County wouldn't know a screwworm if they got a case between their toes, but if they have lived with them back in the 30's and 40's, they would realize the labor and overall economic impact they can have on ranching. Speaking of screwworms, Mr. Sims, in an article printed in a supplement to the Devil last week gives much credit to himself and TSGRA for starting the Screwworm Eradication Program. I attended six different county fund raisings for matching funds meetings in late 1962 and early 1963 and I don't recall Mr. Sims or any official representative of the TSGRA being present.

As for credit for the Screwworm Eradication Program, I think Dr.'s Knippling and Bushland, L.B. Johnson, John Connally and Dolph Briscoe (all bureaucrats at the time or later) should be given most of the credit along with Mr. Brown of Brown & Root Company who reconstructed several buildings near Mission in forty-two days at a cost of expenses plus \$1. Also, the fact that the U.S.D.A. had eradicated the screwworm flies from the Southeast U.S. in two short years, made it easier to sell the Southwest ranchers on the program.

In the last sixteen years very little money for maintaining the barrier in Mexico has come from ranchers or states. Thus, the bureaucrats in Washington must be supporting the program.

Other problems for ranchers in N.E. Sutton County are, ticks and horn and heel flies, which the U.S.D.A. Agricultural Research Service, Entomology Div. has spent millions of dollars fighting by developing insecticides for their control and testing eradication methods. The Animal Health Division of ARS even maintained a barrier, by using horseback riders on stray cattle, along the Rio Grande from Del Rio to the Gulf.

The Federal Government even eradicated the Hoof & Mouth Disease from Mexico in the late 1940's and early 1950's. If this had not been done many of us would not be in the ranching business today.

I haven't heard a TSGRA official mention bitterweed since Bryan Hunt and Fred Earwood died. We have lived with it so long in Sutton County I guess we take it for granted. A&M is doing some research on control of bitterweed and in the March 1981 issue of Ranch Magazine, the TSGRA publication, their is a scientific (I guess) article about controlling bitterweed. But I don't think they know about the germination, growth cycle or the protection of bitterweed from tree foliage when aerial sprayed.

From the article, I assume you would have to aerial spray it two times a year and then hand pick it several times to control it at a cost of approximately \$30. per acre per year for fifteen years, thus \$450. per acre. An easier way to control it would be to get dopeheads to start smoking or eating it. I know from watching livestock that are on bitterweed, that it is a mind altering chemical such as alcohol, marijuana and drugs.

We could charge those that want it \$5. to pick five pounds of it. However, the return on money spent for an agronomist and nutritionist to do reasearch on it might be astronomical.

Delapidated fences that two mule bulls can tear up 200 feet of in a couple of hours time is another problem, however a little balancing wire and energy can take care of this.

Rustling is another problem in N.E. Sutton County and if they have this prob-

lem in the rest of Sutton County or the rest of the TSGRA area, they sure keep it quiet. I suppose we are all decedents of outlaws out here so we come by rustling a few head of livestock naturally.

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association has inspectors who carry law enforcement status who do a damn good job of investigating livestock thefts whether it be cattle, sheep, goats or horses for members as well as non-members. I would think the hierarchy of the TSGRA might want to support or even enlarge this service with some of the funds collected from the sheep and goat raisers.

After all, most of the thefts are probably liberal democrats and once they have a felony the can run for public office. From what I hear, conservative Republicans only cheat by making questionable financial statements to obtain U.S.D.A. loans and feed under the Emergency Feed Program.

As for the coyote and eagles, my Dad spent many a night following hounds for miles, who were chasing wolves; however, I now have a rifle, snare traps, spring traps and access to poison which I quietly could use to control them. And if the EPA led by some environmentalist, had me locked up for using them, I just might go on a hunger strike "A-la-Bobby Sands."

An antidote to Bill's story in the Devil was that the headlines in the story above his read "Sheepmen get \$36 Million Payment". And whoever wrote the story in the Devil the week before on Sutton County Ranch Income listing \$329,000 in Federal subsidies to Sutton County ranchers only listed two out of six USDA programs and my guess is that this figure is 1/2 to 1/3 low, or should read \$600,000 to \$1,000,000 of Federal revenue being returned to Sutton County ranchers.

I strongly believe Reagan should look into cutting some of these programs rather than programs such as school lunches, aid to college students, REA loans, urban transportation and legal assistance to the needy.

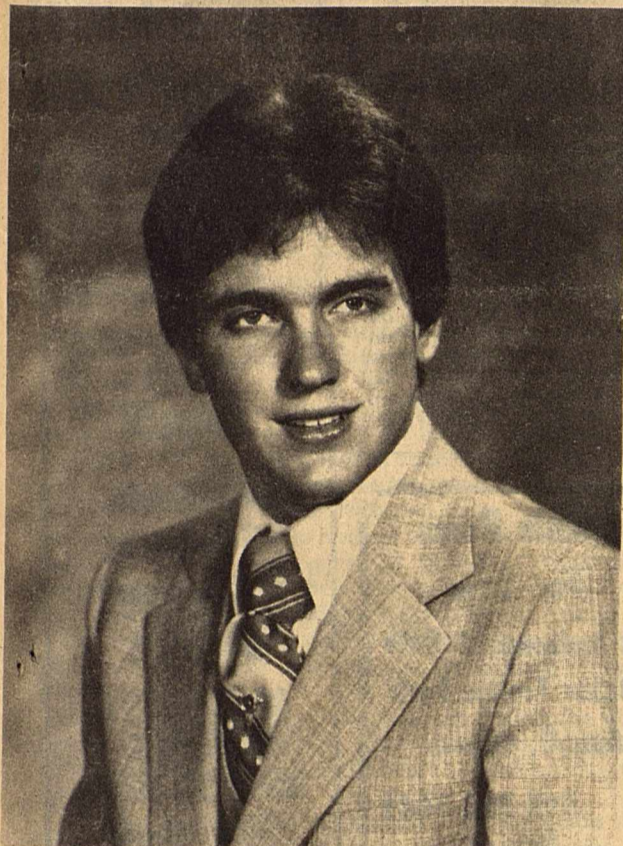
I am sure that the Oil & Gas field employees of Sonora appreciate the fact that most of the three to four thousand dollars they pay in income tax each year is returned to a few of their neighbors.

Also, if Reagan's tax cut is enacted, it will save a taxpayer who makes \$10,000 a year from \$60. to \$300. over a three year period, but if a rancher or businessman in Sonora nets \$100,000 a year it will save him \$60,000 over the three year period. Did you vote for this?

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Gardening Tips

By Ruth Taylor

According to "Consumer's Record", April, 1981 edition, nearly 1 1/2 million households grew their own vegetables last year. The average back yard plot produced 772 pounds of fresh vegetables with a retail value of \$479.

Pollination failure in squash and melons may occur in extreme, hot weather. Hand pollination is one way to gather more fruit from your plants. If you recognize that fruit is not setting because of a lack of bee activity, prepare to do their work for them.

Buy one or more very small and expensive artist brushes. Blooms on the plants open early in the morning and close about mid afternoon, so pollinate early in the morning while the blooms are open and pollen grains are damp and sticky and easy to pick up with a brush.

If you observe your cukes and squash, you will see a bloom forming at the end of a small fruit. You will notice other blooms with no fruit connected. The fruit is the female, the second, the male. With the small brush, pick up the pollen from the male bloom and dust it inside the female bloom. You will get more and better fruit.

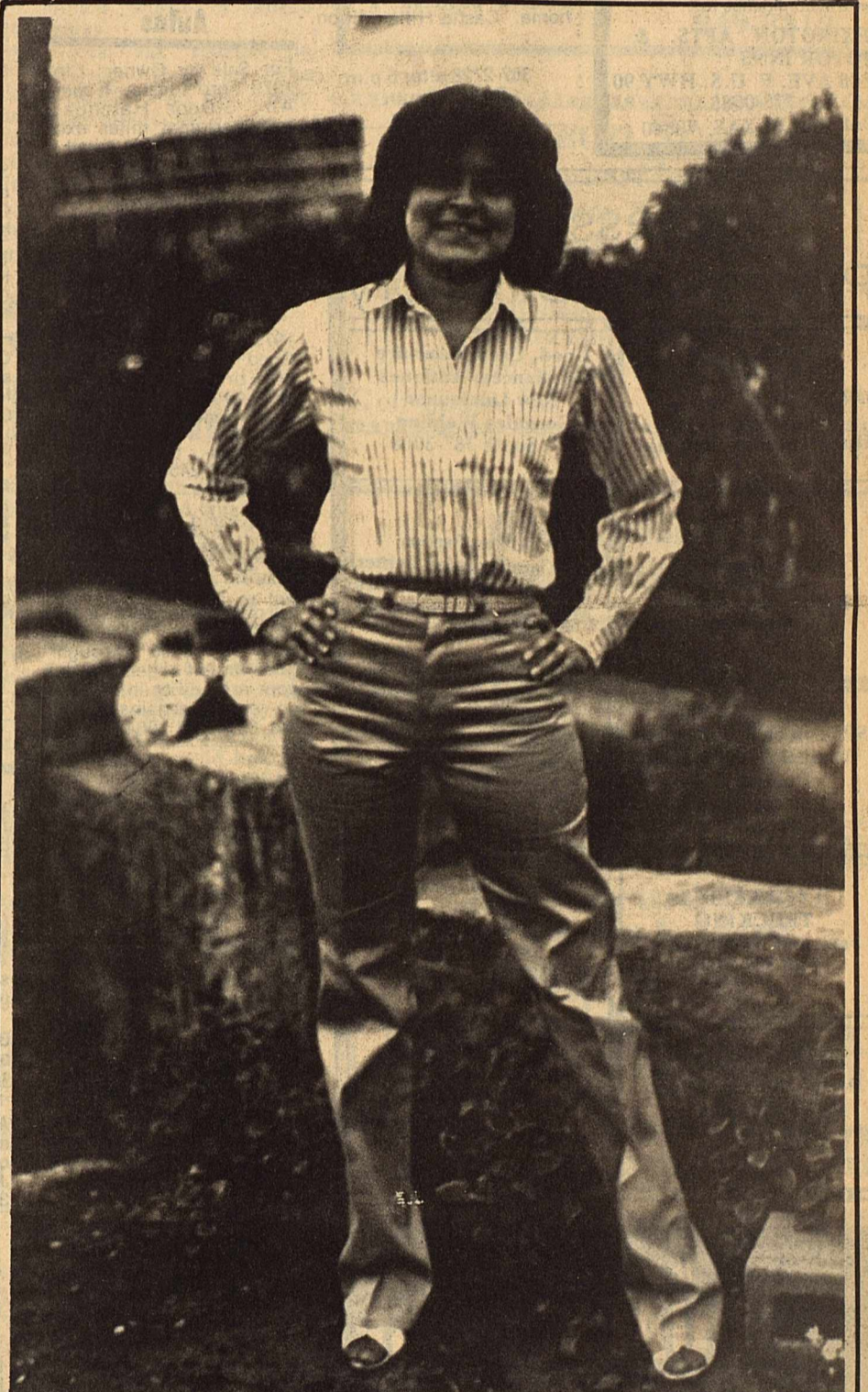
Plant squash and cukes at two week intervals, one or two hills per planting, for fresh fruits for a very long season.

JoAnn Tyner Joins Red Carpet Group

Shelly Chaney, President Sonora Chamber of Commerce Red Carpet Committee announced last week that Jo Ann Tyner, owner of Sonora Floral & Gifts has been appointed to serve on the RCC. Jo Ann moved here from Colorado in February and is Presbyterian.

Jo Ann indicated that she is interested in volunteer work and is already serving on a RCC. Her children are Shelly Chaney, Doni Hebert, Jr., Ty and Leslie Hebert.

The Sonora C of C, its members and the Red Carpet Committee are most happy to have Jo Ann serving on the RCC.



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2. Exact location of business 603 Crockett.
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Police Report
Monday, May 4
 8:42 a.m. Caller on Rock Avenue reported sheep wouldn't let them out of the house.
 9:08 a.m. Caller at motel needed to file theft report in reference to guest who took some stuff out of room.
Tuesday, May 5
 11:17 a.m. Caller at post office reported attempted break-in last night and needed to file a report.
 4:41 p.m. Caller on Crockett reported speeding vehicle.
 7:56 p.m. Caller on Water Street reported subject came to door who wanted some matches, then left.
Wednesday, May 6
 3:45 p.m. Caller on Santa Clara reported her purse stolen out of her car while she was inside visiting her mother.
 7:06 p.m. Caller at Cornell and Glasscock reported a kid on a motorcycle tearing up the streets.
 7:11 p.m. Caller on SW Oak reported a possible prowler--her yard gate was open.
 8:41 p.m. Caller on Menard reported a party and a vehicle driving recklessly in the neighborhood.
Thursday, May 7
 9:30 p.m. Caller on E. 2nd reported someone at the door and won't say who it is.
 10:20 p.m. Caller at convenience store reported hitchhiker out front that won't leave.
 10:33 p.m. Caller reported two big black lumps in her front yard next to the curb. Can't tell what they are.
 2:20 a.m. Caller at trailer park reported subjects next door were making too much noise.
Friday, May 8
 10:28 a.m. Caller reported bogus check.
 4:11 p.m. Savings and loan alarm went off.
 5:56 p.m. Caller at motel reported subject shooting firecrackers or gun at old service station.
 1:12 a.m. Caller reported vehicle speeding on St. Ann's.
Saturday, May 9
 10:08 p.m. Caller at trailer park reported attempted break-in.

Police Report
Monday, May 4
 12:04 a.m. Caller at convenience store reported a man left without a ride.
 12:20 a.m. Caller at trailer park reported a puppy outside.
Sunday, May 10
 12:31 p.m. Caller reported accident at Tayloe and Martin.
 1:00 a.m. Caller reported shots fired at a residence on St. Ann's.
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Tom Loeffler
Congressman
21st District-Texas
**Reports from
Washington**

The AWACS Won't Fly

If one of the secret AWAC jets like the ones being considered for sale to Saudi Arabia were to fly over Capitol Hill today its sensors would pick up a strong signal: Congress would disapprove such a sale.

The AWAC — or Airborne Warning and Control System plane — is a Boeing 707 jet with a large rotating radar antenna on top and a vast complex of computer systems inside. It can detect 400 other aircraft at great distances and tracks all air activity within its 350-mile zone of coverage. The supersecret jet can stay airborne for 72 hours and is invaluable as an early-warning defense system.

The Saudis want these planes because the political and military situation in the Middle East has changed since the original arms sale deal was struck in 1978 with the Carter Administration. Specifically, Iran has fallen into less friendly hands and the Soviets have invaded Afghanistan. It is the Saudis position that it would be in the best interests of both the United States and their country to have a pro-Western force in the Middle East.

On the other hand, Israel — our historical and consistently unwavering ally in the Middle East — perceives an immediate threat to their national security because of the aircraft's sophistication as a surveillance instrument. Additionally, the Israeli government sees a greater problem in the very expensive strategic arms buildup that would result in such a dramatic shift in the region's balance of power.

In my judgment, the sale of the AWACS to the Saudis would not be in their best interests. Let me explain why.

For more than 20 years the United States helped the shah of Iran build that country into the strongest military power in the Middle East. The shah's taste for exotic military hardware was legend; but the Iranians were unprepared to maintain them without foreign technicians. We all know what has happened since. And to this day, we do not know for sure how much of our sophisticated weaponry and surveillance equipment left on the ground in that country has found its way into Soviet research facilities.

The plain fact of the matter is that the AWAC is such a complex piece of military equipment that the Saudis would be unable to operate or maintain a fleet of them on their own. In the long run, they might even come to resent the fact that they could not operate the AWACS and would be dependent upon the United States. But the worst case scenario involves what would happen with any breach of security where secrets of the AWAC could fall into Soviet hands. This could be accomplished simply if an AWAC were flown to any Moscow-leaning nation in that volatile region.

Congress is admittedly divided on the issue and is concerned not only about Israel's safety but also about the very logistics of AWAC deployment.

Congress has the ability to delay the sale if either the House or the Senate vote against it by simple majorities within 30 days after the Administration formally notifies it of the decision to sell the equipment.

Contrary to the State Department's hope, the Saudis will not take the lead in urging an Arab compromise on the Israeli-Palestinian issue. And the Saudis will not let the operation or defense of AWACS become the pretext for creating an American base on their soil.

In fact, the Saudis have failed to accept and fully appreciate this nation's warnings about the Soviet danger in the Middle East; they still see Israel as the greater menace.

Neither will oil be an issue. The Saudis sell billions of dollars worth of oil to the United States and the West. Should that become a factor and they turn against this country, they will still make millions. The Saudis need America for their own protection, their own national security — and know it.

Unless the arms-package is broken down and its components considered separately, political problems lie ahead. The President can reward existing Saudi good will by filling other arms requests — without the AWACS.

Even at the cost of a temporary strain of good feelings with our Saudi Arabian ally, the AWACS decision should be reviewed. The time simply isn't right to proceed, particularly in view of our domestic priorities of getting the nation's budget in order and passing a deep and stimulative tax cut that will benefit all Americans.

Junior High Awards Presented Tuesday

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Science, Katherine Mathews
Social Studies, Kelly Cahill
Reading, Janet Barlemann
Spelling, Lynn Ducioame | Language Arts, Angie Carrasco
Art, Santiago Faz
Band, Angie Carrasco,
Gail Mesa and Milton Castilleja
Physical Education, Juanita Robles and Mickey Sharp | Reading Center, Nancy Herrera
CITIZENSHIP, Jack Sykes
SEVENTH GRADE AWARDS
Math, Sidonna Ridgeway | Science, Craig Hooper
Texas History, Mary Huckabee
Language Arts, Carrie Sorenson
Spelling, Cynthia Hinton
Literature, Lisa Ducioame | Decision Making, Stacy Snider
Health, Stacey Kohutek
Art, Kelly Harrison
Band Sidonna Ridgeway
Physical Education, Asha Patel and Elias Torres
Track, Bonnie Jackson and Esau Rameriz
Basketball, Carrie Sorenson and John David Martinez
Football, Rodney Speers and Jim Cooper
Reading Center, Wayford Tyler
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Math, Anita Balch
Science, Wayne Hill
American History, Patsy Perez
Language Arts, Doug Martin
Spelling, Patsy Perez
Literature, Betsy Allen
Composition, Carol Cayce
Grammar, Cathy Doran
Spanish, Margarita Valdez
Art, Marsha Pohl
Choir, Margo Hinton
Speech, Cathy Doran and Jody Luttrell
Home Ec, Leah Evans
Shop, Henry Avila
CVAE, Alfredo Luna | Band, Robert Fierro
Reading Center, Edna Reyes
Physical Education, Sylvia Galindo and Ty Fincher
Track, Leah Evans and Jose Escalante
Tennis, Lea Whitehead and Doug Martin
Basketball, Lea Whitehead and Scott Miller
Football, Jesse Guerra and Ruben Garza
CITIZENSHIP, Rebecca Powers and Oscar Gutierrez
SERVICE AWARDS
Rebecca Powers, Head Cheerleader, Eighth Grade; Anita Balch, Eighth Grade Cheerleader; Janice Gomez, Eighth Grade Cheerleader; Sidonna Ridgeway, Seventh Grade Cheerleader; Bonnie Jackson, Seventh Grade Cheerleader; and Rachel Chavez, Seventh Grade Cheerleader.
Abel Sanchez, Student Council President; Tim Schabel, Vice-president; Cathy Doran, Secretary; Jody Luttrell, Treasurer; Debbie Bible and Jesse Guerra, Eighth Grade Representatives; Bonnie Jackson and Peter Chavez, Seventh Grade Representatives; Maria Martinez and Milton Castilleja, Sixth Grade Representatives. |
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Hill Country SWCD Plan Field Day In Kerrville May 18

"Rangeland and wildlife conservation and management practices will be observed and discussed during an annual tour meeting of the Hill Country Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts on May 18," said Bob Caruthers, president of the organization.

"The meeting and tour will be held on the Robert R Shelton South Fork Ranch located approximately 32 miles southwest of Kerrville off State Highway 39. The meeting will begin at 9

a.m. and will be jointly hosted by the Kerr County Soil and Water Conservation Districts," said Caruthers.

Caruthers added that should weather conditions prevent having the tour the meeting will be held at the "Heart of the Hills" Girl's Camp located off State Highway 39 approximately five miles southwest of Hunt.

During the business session Joe Antille, member, Texas State Soil and Water

Conservation Board; Joe Montgomery, president, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District and A.C. Spencer, executive director, TSSWCB will present reports on the activities of each organization.

Nineteen soil and water conservation districts are members of the Hill Country Association. They include: San Saba-Brady, Menard County, Kendall, Kerr County, Pedernales, Gillespie County, Nueces-Frio-Sabinal, Edwards

Plateau, Mason County, Devil's River, Upper Llano, Medina Valley, Maverick, Bandera, Llano County, Crockett, West Nueces-Las Moras, Upper Nueces-Frio and Hill Country Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Current officers of the organization are: Bob Caruthers, president, Sonora; Charles D. Clark, vice president, Menard; John M. Davis, Jr., secretary, Rock-springs, and Harold Kneese, treasurer, Fredericksburg.

First Quarter Drink Tax Rebates Released By Bullock

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said collection of the state's 10 percent mixed drink tax during the first quarter of 1981 was up 29 percent over the same period last year.

Bullock said the state received \$28.5 million in taxes on the sale of mixed drinks during the first three months of this year.

He said his office is sending checks totaling \$8.2 million to 211 counties and 371 cities as their share of the gross receipts tax on mixed drinks for the first quarter.

The state's general revenue fund will receive the balance, \$20.2 million, of drinks during the first three months of this year.

Texas cities and counties received a 15 percent rebate of the tax collected on mixed drinks sold within their boundaries under the law that legalized the sale of mixed drinks in the state.

The mixed drink tax is collected by the Alcoholic Beverage Commission and the city-county rebates are sent out quarterly by the Comptroller's office.

Bullock said first quarter tax collections represent the sale of more than \$285 million worth of mixed drinks. Total tax revenue in Sutton County was \$9,102.22 with the county receiving \$1,363.33.

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Bitterweed Poisoning Still Poses Threat On Edwards Plateau

Bitterweed poisoning is a severe problem to sheep producers in Texas with death losses on the Edwards Plateau averaging between 1 and 6% annually. Although grazing a combination of cattle and sheep, use of deferred rotation grazing systems, and herbicide treatments have been effective in reducing bitterweed problems, as yet there is no effective means of preventing losses when sheep are consuming bitterweed. A scientist with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station first observed in 1974 that spraying bitterweed with 2,4-D appeared to increase its

palatability and that sheep consumed the weed without apparent harm. The amount they ate should have been lethal. Recently, Experiment Station scientist sprayed bitterweed with 2,4-D at two locations and subsequently forced it to sheep. Unsprayed plants from the same locations were also collected to provide a measure of hymenoxon (a main poison in bitterweed) concentrations in treated and untreated plants. In one experiment, hymenoxon concentrations of untreated material were 2.33 plus or minus .18% and 1.64% plus or minus .05% for sprayed bitter-

weed. Six sheep forced fed the highest levels of both sprayed and unsprayed bitterweed, died. Sheep on the two lower bitterweed levels showed little effect. In the second experiment, the hymenoxon level of the unsprayed bitterweed plants was 1.24 plus or minus .02%; whereas, sprayed bitterweed measured 1.08 plus or minus .05%; in another comparison of 10 unsprayed plants vs. 10 sprayed ones, the hymenoxon content was 1.21% plus or minus .077 unsprayed, and .65 plus or minus .07% on sprayed. Signs of bitterweed toxicity

were less dramatic with sheep forced fed this bitterweed, and none died. Ingestion of bitterweed decreased voluntary feed intake. It is evident that spraying with 2,4-D can significantly reduce the hymenoxon content of bitterweed, though this is not the only toxic compound it contains. The reduction in hymenoxon would help explain Merrill's observations over several years with grazing sheep. However, additional research is required to resolve the difference observed in the study between chemically determined hymenoxon levels and actual toxicity of the material when harvested and forced to sheep under controlled experimental conditions. Source: M.C. Calhoun, D.N. Ueckert, C.W. Livingston, San Angelo, Tel. 915/653-4576, B.J. Camp, College Station, Tel. 713/845-7262.

Divestiture For Medicaid Made Illegal

Older Texans who get rid of their property and become poor to qualify for welfare now are being denied eligibility for Medi-

caid, Marlin W. Johnston, commissioner of the Department of Human Resources, said today.

Divestiture of assets to

get health care now is against the law, Johnston warned, referring to a federal statute which took effect March 1.

Johnston said DHR has documented cases where assets in excess of \$100,000 were given away or sold at less than market value to establish eligibility. The property usually goes to

sons or daughters, or other family members, so that the former owner can qualify for nursing home care under Medicaid.

Before March 1, there was no law preventing divestiture of assets, Johnston said, although DHR long had sought such restrictions.

Under the new law, a penalty is imposed of 24

months suspended eligibility for anyone giving away or selling property for less than market value to establish eligibility for Medicaid.

Person who become eligible for Medicaid through divestiture of assets before March 1, will not be affected, Johnston said.

Peppermint Ball Meeting Slated

A meeting of the parents of Peppermint Ball members will be held at 7 p.m. on May 26 at Pearl's Pizzeria to elect new officer for

1981-82. Some unfinished business will also receive attention at the meeting.

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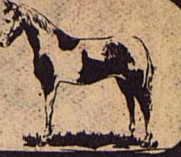
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NWGA Files Import Petition



Norman Rousselot of Sonora (pictured at right), Vice Chairman of the National Wool Growers Association, recently visited with Congressman Tom Loeffler in Washington, D.C. on matters of importance to the sheep and goat industry. Also participating in the meeting were Joe Mertz of San Angelo (left), President of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, and Jamie Kothmann of Menard (second from right), President of the National Lamb Feeders Association.

In what one association spokesman calls a "last resort" effort to overcome unfair marketing practices, the National Wool Growers Assn. recently filed a countervailing duties petition against New Zealand and Australian lamb meat imports.

NWGA has tried unsuccessfully for years to get a handle on unrestrained lamb imports, primarily from New Zealand. The latest action is an outgrowth of revelations by the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service and NWGA's own investigators that the exporting nations pay outright subsidies on lamb meat shipped to the U.S.

In practical terms, the subsidy allows imported lamb to sell in the U.S. at an artificially low price and gives the imported product an unfair competitive advantage over domestic lamb.

U.S. law provides for a "countervailing duty" or compensating tax on such subsidized imports. The tax, equal to the amount of subsidy, simply takes up

the slack between the subsidized price and what the imported product would sell for unaided on an open market.

NWGA spokesman Dan Murphy says the association's investigation indicates that the New Zealand subsidy runs about 15-20 percent of dollar value, Australia's about 10-15 percent. In other words, our American producers are having to compete with an imported product that sells for an average of 15 cents on the dollar cheaper than it should.

The decision of whether or not to impose countervailing duties rests with the federal government and will follow a government investigation into NWGA's charges. Murphy says the investigation itself could prove valuable to the domestic lamb industry even if the feds rule against correcting the imbalance. Government investigators, he explains, will have access to records and information denied NWGA, "and may come up with a good deal more than we found." That information would be

of considerable benefit in any future attempts to legislate a limit on lamb imports. A 1979 bill to establish a lamb import quota died under pressure from the Carter administration, but Murphy says another such measure may be introduced by late this year or early next year.

Meanwhile, the U.S. sheep industry continues to suffer the multiple indignities of subsidized competition from abroad compounded by longstanding government policies which aggravate the critical labor shortage, favor predators over their hapless prey and threaten to take millions of acres of rangeland out of productive use on the whim of environmental radicals. The Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Assn. feels it's high time Washington removed some of the artificial impediments preventing the U.S. sheep industry from realizing its productive potential.

Screwworm Eradication Working

Continued success of the screwworm eradication program depends on individual livestock producer cooperation, Dr. John Holcombe, executive director, Texas Animal Health Commission, Austin, said recently.

"This is the time of the year we would normally expect to see an increase in screwworms throughout this area. Except for two cases reported this year, there is no major problem. But we don't want to become complacent. Those two cases, one in El Paso, the other in Sonora, reminds us we can get in trouble again if we

don't continue our area surveillance efforts," Dr. Holcombe said.

Texas Animal Health Commission personnel are continuing their efforts to monitor fly traps and to inform individual livestock producers in regard to the situation. "But it all comes down to the individual livestock producer. He is the one who must continue to check his livestock regularly, and submit suspected screwworm samples to the fly laboratory at Mission," Dr. Holcombe said.

Jack Schwarz of Leakey and Joe Bloodworth of Del Rio are two TAHC person-

nel working with livestock producers. Schwarz is in charge of the TAHC screwworm eradication program, and Bloodworth is inspector and field man for the TAHC.

"We have seen an increase in recent weeks in the number of suspected screwworm samples submitted to the Mission fly lab. This is good news, and we want to emphasize this should continue. We are getting good cooperation from producers, especially in the affected areas, but we also need help from other cattlemen, too, in

sending samples," Schwarz said.

Kits for submitting samples are available from TAHC area offices and other outlets. They can be mailed postage-free.

IGA Holds Monthly Meeting

The Independent Cattlemen's Association held its monthly business meeting and breakfast on Thursday, May 7 at the Sutton County Steak House.

Current events were discussed as well as legislative proceedings as received from the director at the home office in Austin.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, June 4. All members are urged to at-

tend the meeting.

Anyone interested in joining the organization can call the chairman, Jamie Parker, for further information.

Nutrition Increases Reproduction

Herd nutrition is essential for cattlemen wanting to produce one calf per cow per year.

"A cow's reproductive performance is directly related to her plane of nutrition," says Dr. Larry Boleman, beef cattle specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. "As the plane of nutrition decreases, reproductive performance is the first

affected," Boleman explains.

Supplying supplemental feed to the range beef cow corrects nutritional deficiencies as needed.

"Dry winter forage generally will not meet the higher nutrient demands of the lactating cow, lactating first-calf heifer or the growing calf," says the specialist. "Thus supplemental feeding is necessary."

Often beef producers have problems deciding on

the amount and choice of supplement, which varies because of ranch location, management systems, rainfall and other factors.

"Nutrient requirements of the beef animal depend on age, condition, weight, stage of production and milking ability during lactation," Boleman notes.

"For instance, thin cows may need to gain 100 to 150 pounds by calving time while those in average

shape need to gain only 60 to 80 pounds. After calving for three or four months, a

cow needs 60 percent more energy and more than twice as much protein per day as at other times."

Once cattle requirements have been determined, the herd should be separated according to these needs, and the approximate nutrient composition and availability of forage should be determined.

Texas' Cow Herd Is Growing

Buildup of the nation's cow herd is "picking up steam," and this could have some definite effects on the cattle industry in the next few years.

"Most cattlemen are continuing to expand their herds, and as a result 1980 was another buildup year in the new cattle cycle," points out Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System. "In other words, cattlemen are holding back cows and heifers to rebuild their breeding herds."

On January 1, 1981, there were 5 percent more

beef cows than a year ago in the U.S. The buildup of the nation's cow herd could remain rather rapid for the next year or so, but some slowdown is likely as early as 1984, speculates Uvacek.

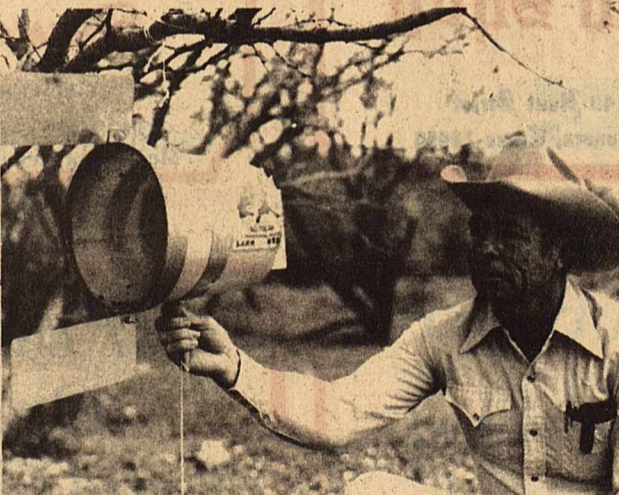
"In fact, expansion could be so rapid that over-production problems might again plague the cattle industry by 1985 or '86," he

points out.

With the increase in breeding herds, the nation's calf crop will also increase. However, since cattlemen will be holding back more heifers for replacements, the number of calves available for feedlots will likely remain tight, Uvacek explains. This could force feeder cattle

prices upward.

"With this expansion in the cattle industry, prices for feeder cattle and calves will likely be strong during the next couple of years," believes Uvacek.



Joe Bloodworth, Del Rio, checks fly trap near Sonora for possible screwworms. Bloodworth is with the Texas Animal Health Commission.

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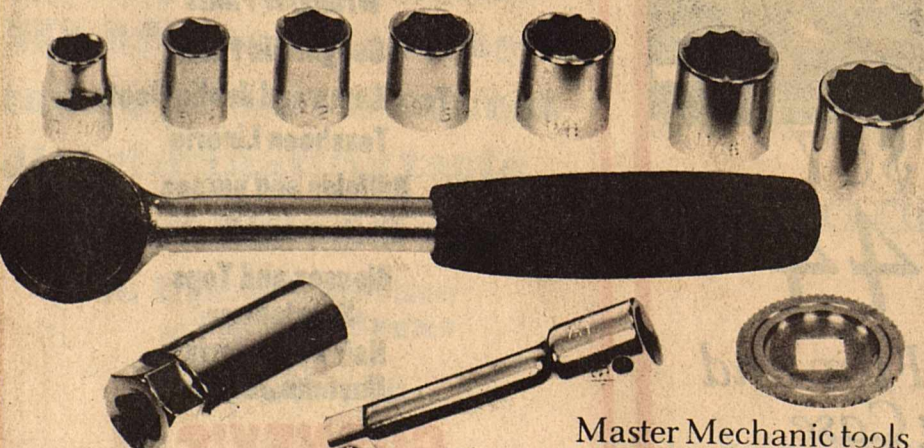
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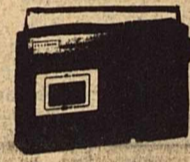
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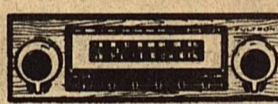
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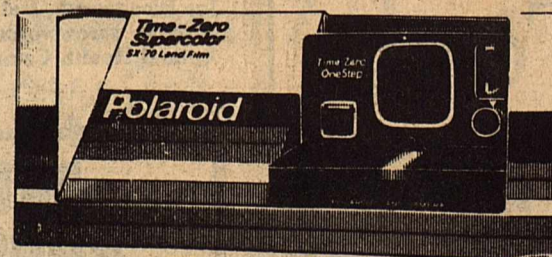
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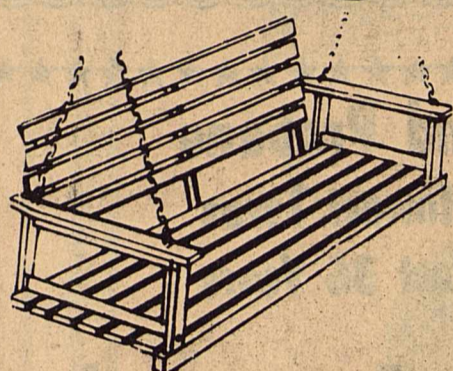
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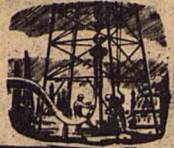
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Coal Law Will Cost Consumer Billions

Senator Lloyd Bentsen on Thursday said a law requiring a shift from natural gas to coal or fuel oil will cost electric consumers in Texas more than \$16.7 billion.

Bentsen, in testimony submitted Thursday to the Senate Energy Regulation Subcommittee, called for repeal of Section 301 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978. This section prohibits the use of natural gas a boiler fuel for generating electricity after 1990.

"During debate on the Fuel Use Act in 1977 and 1978, most experts predicted that the U.S. would experience serious natural gas supply problems by the end of the century, if not sooner. With passage of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, though, the picture has changed, with producers looking for and finding substantial amounts of

natural gas that had been previously uneconomical," Bentsen said.

"Although we decreased consumption of foreign oil last year, the U.S. still paid nearly \$80 billion for imported oil. If we force existing natural gas plants to switch to coal or fuel oil our dependency on unreliable, foreign sources of oil can only increase."

"Currently there are about 250 natural gas fired electrical generating units in the United States with a remaining useful life after 1990. It is technically and economically unreasonable in many cases to convert these natural gas fired generating units to coal. The boiler of a gas fired plant would have to be replaced, rail lines built, additional real estate and expensive environmental equipment would be required before the unit could burn coal. For these reasons, it is

generally cheaper for a new generating plant to be built than it is for an existing natural gas fired plant to be converted."

"The Electric Reliability Council of Texas supplies approximately 85 percent of the electric power in Texas.

If the companies in this system are required to get completely off gas by 1990, it will cost their customers an additional \$16.7 billion in capital expenditures."

Bentsen said that current plans for one Texas utility company alone call for it to spend some \$19 billion over the next 15 years on new

construction just to keep up with increases in demand. Converting still useful natural gas boilers by 1990 would add substantially to

that capital outlay, since this company would continue to generate about 55 percent of its electricity with natural gas.

"When Congress, as a result of the gloomy natural gas projections of 1977-78, mandated the conversion of natural gas to coal it did provide for exemptions through the Economic Regulatory Administration. However, the national administration has indi-

cated it would like to cut funding for ERA. If these cuts are approved, future administrative remedies will be unavailable. Therefore, a legislative solution is needed," Bentsen said.

"I would like to make it clear that my proposal to repeal Section 301 of the Fuel Use Act, while it would allow existing gas fired facilities to continue burning natural gas, would not permit construction of new facilities fired by natural gas. I hope that my colleagues on the Senate Energy Committee will approve this proposal," Senator Bentsen said.

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Collins Introduces Bill

Texas Congressman Jim Collins has introduced a legislative energy package consisting of six separate bills which would remove certain pricing and taxation inequities currently affecting the domestic oil and gas industry.

"Time has come for the American energy industry to be freed from those unnecessary restrictions that hamper domestic exploration and drilling. America must become ener-

gy independent again. Last year we sent \$80 Billion overseas to pay for foreign oil, up from only \$3 Billion in 1973," Collins, a member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, said.

The Collins Energy Package bills:

--Remove certain price controls from unproduced gas from a new reservoir or

lease, or gas that is reached through an existing well if new drilling is required. This bill essentially establishes a new category of gas.

--Repeal off-gas provisions of the Fuel Use Act which prohibit existing power plants and major fuel burning installations from using gas after 1990.

--Remove the Windfall Profits Tax from newly discovered oil.

--Remove the 15 percent tax currently on Intangible Drilling Costs (IDC).

--Keep the percentage depletion allowance at 22 percent instead of allowing it to steadily decline by statute.

--Remove incremental pricing provisions from the Natural Gas Policy Act.

"The enactment of these bills is necessary to provide the domestic energy industry with incentives to pro-

duce oil and gas in this country. We must remove the disincentives now. For example, the IDC tax encourages well abandonment and the 1969 reduction in the percentage depletion allowance caused 21 percent fewer wells to be drilled in 1970. Enactment of my energy package is a step in the direction of American energy independence," Collins said.

Railroad Commission Reports Oil and Gas Discoveries

Texas operators reported 117 gas and 37 discoveries in April 1981, the Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division announced recently.

In the year-earlier month, 83 gas and 52 oil discoveries were filed with the state's energy regulatory agency.

Gas discoveries in the fourth month of the year included 46 in deep South Texas, 19 in the Refugio area, 15 in West Central Texas, 12 in Southeast Texas, six in East Texas, five in the Midland area, four in the San Antonio area, three each in East Central Texas and the San Angelo area, and two each in North Texas and the Panhandle area.

Oil discoveries included six each in West Central

Texas, North Texas, and the Refugio area, five in the San Antonio area, four in Southeast Texas, three each in the San Angelo and Lubbock areas, two in the Midland area, and one each in deep South Texas and the Panhandle area.

In April, operators reported 227 exploratory and field tests wound up as dry holes. New applications for permits to drill oil and gas tests totaled 3,359 in April, compared with 2,646 in the same period of 1980.

Applications to drill, deepen, plug back and for service wells in April amounted to 3,585 against 2,922 a year earlier.

Operators filed 811 amended applications to drill. A year earlier they submitted 560 amended requests.

CRG Moves To Grand Prairie

CRG Wireline, Inc., an operation of Crutcher Resources Corporation (AMEX-ASE), Houston, is moving its headquarters, engineering and manufacturing operations of approximately 100 people from Lafayette to Grand Prairie by mid-summer 1981.

The company has signed a contract with U.S. Land Lease as general contractor for the construction of its new headquarters facility in Grand Prairie.

The move to Grand Prairie will provide a more central location to the five state area CRC Wireline is

now serving. Ground breaking is scheduled for middle of May and completion of the building is scheduled for January 1981.

CRG Wireline will design, engineer and manufacture its own downhole tools to control quality and to improve delivery time of the tools to field operations. Wireline will also fabricate its own aluminum wireline truck bodies and assemble the trucks from the chassis up.

The 67,000 square foot facility will set on 15 acres on Forum Drive in Grand Prairie, east of Highway 360, north of I-20 and south of I-30 highways. The new building will not only house administrative offices, but also the materials warehouse and engineering and manufacturing operations. The Company will have a paved parking area for approximately 110 cars. Building construction will be a combination of stucco with glass, cement tilt wall, and pre-engineered metal building.

Engineering, accounting and manufacturing operations are currently being conducted in leased space near the site of the new headquarters and will be moved to the new building upon its completion.

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