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SCAT's performance of Music Man set for May 13 and 14

Tickets go on sale this week for *The Music Man*. Sonora Community Arts and Theater's 1988 musical production will be performed two nights only in the Sonora High School Auditorium. Show time is 7:00 p.m. and the ticket price is \$5.00.

The 1988 production of Meredith Wilson's well know musical is being performed in Sonora under the direction of Marti McLain with choreography assistance by Carolyn Earwood, musical production by Bryant Harris, technical assistance by Dean McLain and piano accompaniment by Doris Rousselot.

Everyone is familiar with the major selections from this musical-76 Trombones and Wells Fargo Wagon, Trouble Right Here In River City, Till There Was You, but have you heard Shipooi, Pick-A-Little, Lida Rose.

Lead roles in *The Music Man* are being performed by Joy Galbreath as Marian the Librarian and Scott Gilmore as Harold Hill the traveling salesman. There is a large cast in this show but Sonora is not lacking in talent, so you will enjoy many other strong voices and good performances such as Mayer Anderson as Winthrop Paroo and Virginia Epps as Mrs. Paroo, Molly Cook as Eulalia Shinn and Dean McLain as Mayor Shinn.

Sonora may have a permanent reminder of *The Music Man* in the form of a Barbershop Quartet composed of Joe Lane, Dennis King, Bryan Harris and Monte Jones. Their performance of *Goodnight, Ladies* is sure to be a crowd pleaser.

One feature of the show which you will not want to miss is the "Grecian Urn" dance performed by Anita Lane, Mary Lou Gilly, Sheila Harris and Betty Stephen.

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Trouble with a capital T...

Professor Harold Hill, played by Scott Gilmore, explains to the fine people of River City that they have Trouble with a capital T and that rhymes with P and that stands for Pool... during rehearsals for the *Music Man*. The first performance of the musical is scheduled for Friday, May 13 at the high school auditorium. Staff photo/Ann Cates.

Briefly

GED changes

After May 18, GED tests will require a 200 word essay. Testing is available in Sonora. For additional information, call Jeryl Fields at 387-6533.

"The Teenage Years"

"The Teenage Years", a program for youth will be presented Monday, May 9 at the Sonora Junior High Snack Bar. The first program begins at 4 pm for girls only and at 5 pm for boys. The program is open to youth between the ages of 12 and 16.

Mr. Clyde Keener, the author of the book "The Teenage Years", from Bullverde will present the program.

Please call the County Extension Office at 387-3604 if you would like more information or if you plan to attend.

Centennial Belt Buckle

The Sutton County Historical Society announces plans to create a commemorative belt buckle for Sonora's centennial in 1990.

Individuals of all ages are invited to submit designs. First prize will be \$150, second prize \$100, third prize \$50. All entries become the property of the Historical Society and elements from several designs may be combined by the committee to create the chosen design.

Entries must be submitted by June 15 to Kent Kepler, Ron Nicholas, or Scott Gilmore.

Elections and Dance

Elections for 1988-89 4-H Club Officers will be held on Friday, May 13, 1988 with campaign speeches beginning at 6:30 pm. The annual Spring Dance will follow the balloting.

Texas 4-H Congress

4-H members from 15-19 years of age interested in attending Texas 4-H Congress should get in touch with the County Extension Office immediately. The activity will be held in Austin and this year's theme is "Citizenship in Action."

Absentee voting begins

Absentee voting for the school, hospital and city began this Monday and will run through May 3.

Voting for School Board may be done at the Administration Office, 807 Concho, between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm.

City and Hospital voting may be done at City Hall. Hospital candidates include Smith Neal, Precinct 2; Ruth Shurley, Precinct 4; Carol Parker, At-Large.

UYF Style Show and Supper

The United Youth Fellowship (Methodist/Presbyterian/Episcopal) will have a style show and supper Wednesday, May 4 at 6 pm at the Methodist Church.

Tickets may be purchased from any UYF member for a mere \$3.00 and you can't feed your family at home for that!

This is a fund raiser for a worthy organization so get your tickets immediately if not sooner.

Attention bike riders

The American Diabetes Association is sponsoring The Texas Bike Ride Plus on Saturday, May 28 beginning at 8:30 am. The bike route will be announced at a later date.

Sponsorship sheets are available at the schools. For additional information call Kathy Lind at 387-3745.

Wheels needed

The Outdoor Drama Group is in need of four buggy wheels or small wagon wheels in order to construct a "wagon" entrance for the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater.

If you have any wheels or have knowledge of the whereabouts of some, please call L.P. Bloodworth at 387-2793.

Country Store

The women of St. John's Episcopal Church will be having their annual "Country Store" on Friday, May 6, at Food Center and in front of image, downtown.

It is scheduled to open at 9 am with lots of delicious home-baked food available.

For Mother's Day give Mom a break--buy her a casserole and cake!

Youth rodeo

The Kerr County Junior 4-H Horse Club is sponsoring a Lester Meier Youth Rodeo on Saturday, April 30, 1988 at the 4-H Horse Arena on Highway 27 in Kerrville.

Pee Wee and Juniors start at 2 pm and Seniors start at 7 pm.

Deadline for entry is April 28. Information can be obtained by calling Sandy Meier at 512-997-4558.

Table Branding

L.P. Bloodworth who is in charge of Table Branding for the new tables to be used at the "Covered Wagon Dinner Theater" says there are still tables and corners available but they are going fast.

If you'd like to participate, call L.P. at 387-2793.

Jam session

Do you enjoy old fashioned music? There will be lots of it Friday night, April 29, in the Hudspeth Nursing Home lobby and you are invited to come.

Bring your instrument and join in the pickin' or just come and enjoy the music and fellowship. The fun starts at 6 pm and will be over by 9 pm.

Trades Day

The Brothers of Hiram A "Bif" will be holding their annual Trades Day on May 14 in conjunction with the Chamber Goat Cook-Off.

The site for the Trades Day will be the parking lot of the Ritz Theater.

For booth information, call Butch Campbell at 387-2793.

Mexican Dinner at Center

The Sutton County Committee on Aging will be having one of their famous Mexican Dinners at the Senior Center on Sunday, May 1 from 12 noon until 2 pm.

Tickets will be \$4 for adults and \$2 for Senior Citizens and children under six. The menu will include enchiladas, beans, rice, salad and dessert.

Proceeds will go to the Senior Center.

We can help

Are you interested in reading or writing English? Please call the Sutton County Library at 387-2111.

Would you be interested in tutoring? Call Sandra Cooper at 387-2111.

Al-Anon meetings

Al-Anon meets in Sonora on Thursday nights and in Eldorado on Tuesday nights. Ozona also meets every Tuesday night.

For more information on the organization or on the meetings, call 387-5775.

Legalization Program

A Legalization Committee for persons wishing to apply for amnesty under the new Immigration Law will meet every Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church Parish Hall from 8 to 10 pm.

Employers welcomed.

Juntras para personas que desean aplicar apra amnistia bajo la Nueva Ley de imigracion se llevaran acabo cada Martes de las 8 a las 10 pm en el salon de la Inglesia Catolica St. Ann's.
Amos bien benidos.

School board candidates respond

Several local chapters of professional educators wanted to afford each candidate in the upcoming school board election an opportunity to express their views and thereby provide the citizens in Sutton County a base upon which to anchor their voting decision. To this end, each candidate was contacted and given a list of six questions. Responses were turned in to the Devil's River News for publication.

The candidates running for the three At-Large positions this year are Marie Barrera, Becky Tittle Johnson, Dr. Greg Lind, Rebecca Martinez, Donald Patton, Scott Shurley, Mike Smith, and Donnie Vamer.

The local chapters of the Texas State Teachers Association, Texas Classroom Teachers Association, the Association of Texas Professional Educators and Delta Kappa Gamma wish to express their appreciation to these candidates for their interest in Sonora Independent School District.

QUESTIONS:

1. What is your philosophy of education?
2. What is the role of a school board member?
3. What are your reasons for seeking a position on the school board?
4. What past experiences will help you as a school board member?
5. What are your feelings about extracurricular activities?
6. What is your understanding about school financing?

ANSWERS

Becky Tittle Johnson

1. I believe that it is our duty and our right to provide the highest quality education we can for our children.
2. A school board member's role is, in my opinion, to oversee school finances, to insure that our children have equal opportunities for their education, and, as a collective group, to decide what is in the best interest

of our school.

3. I believe that I would be an asset to the board for the fact that I would use a common sense approach in solving problems and I am open-minded and objective toward other people's ideas and opinions.

4. As the mother of school age children, I feel that I have gathered knowledge of our educational system. As a life long resident of Sutton County, I feel closely associated with SISK because I received my basic education here.

5. I feel that there should be a balance between both curricular and extracurricular activities that will give our children the basic skills and character needed to attain their goals in life.

6. With regard to the public school financing aspects, if the State is going to mandate programs for our school systems, the State must provide funding for those programs and not put that burden on our local taxpayers.

On a state and local level our tax base is shrinking, giving our school less money to operate with. We must make efficient use of our tax dollars.

Donald D. Patton

1. My philosophy of education is that education should help a person become a useful member of society. It should also help a student develop an appreciation of his cultural heritage and live a more satisfying life.

The future is ours to build. The children of this community are the future, therefore I believe they should have the opportunity to acquire the best education we can offer.

To have education, you must have teaching and to offer the optimum education we must maintain an excellent teaching staff and administration. I strongly believe that the strength of any school system is in the classroom teacher.

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Barrera files for school board

My name is Marie Espinosa Barrera and am a candidate for member of the Sonora Independent School District Board of Trustees in the May 7th election. I am a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church and a long time resident of Sutton County. I attended the L.W. Elliott School and graduated from

Sonora High School in 1969. I attended Southwest Texas State University and Angelo State University for 2 1/2 years. Ernest and I have two sons Gerardo a first grader and Diego is two weeks old.

I strongly believe that a Hispanic woman is needed on the Board of Trustees--one who is qualified for

the position, and I feel confident that I am that person. I'm not running for the "Title" just so I can go around saying that I'm a member of the school board at social events, I'm running because my main concern is the children in our school system--their education and their welfare.

I would like the opportunity to serve the community on the school board and would appreciate your support and your vote on May 7th.

Gosney seeks another term



BILL GOSNEY

Bill Gosney has announced as a candidate for re-election as Mayor of Sonora.

In announcing his mayoral candidacy Gosney states, "I have been privileged to serve in this capacity for the last eight years. I feel the city has accomplished much, but there are still problems to be solved and improvements to be made. I would like to be a part of these decisions and believe my knowledge and understanding of the issues will benefit the city."

Gosney also states that he will continue to be responsive to the needs of all the people of Sonora. He further adds, "I will appreciate your vote and support."



MARIE BARRERA

Publishers Comment

I sat in on rehearsals for *The Music Man* the other evening and let me tell you folks, we are all in for a treat when the show opens on May 13.

The cast is wonderful, Marty is doing a fantastic job of directing the show and the amount of energy flowing through the group is tremendous.

Tickets will soon go on sale and the \$5 investment will assure you of a great evening of entertainment.

Salute. Then we have to become very inventive when we show up with the camera to take their picture because each will invariably ask "Why are you taking my picture?" And, regardless of the reason we gave at the time ladies, this is why we took your picture.

Each of the ladies pictured will receive a beautiful flower from Flowers by Irene to help complete this "thank you" for another year of helping their respective business.

In case you haven't heard you are in for another evening of great entertainment on June 9 as *Up with People* will be performing in Sonora.

More information on this as the time nears.

Please note our Salute to the Secretaries on page 5 of this issue.

Doing this has its interesting moments--first off all of these ladies are quite professional and it's hard to get past them to talk to their boss about participating in the

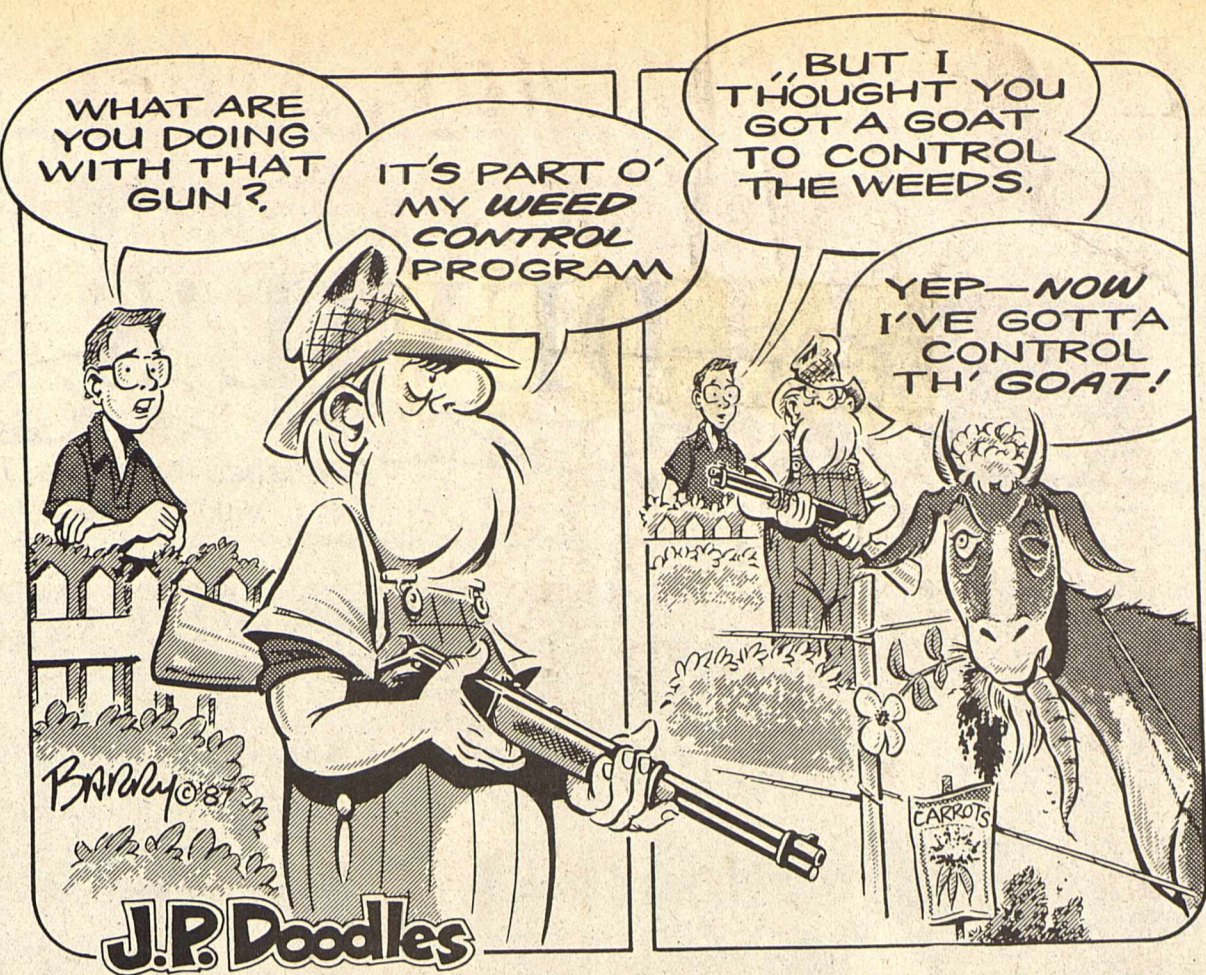
When I sat down to write this, I had a lot of things to say. At the sight of the keyboard, they vanished. About the time this hits the press I will remember so if you have asked me to mention something and it's not here, please consider my advancing senility.

Local officials practice Tornado Exercise activities

A Tornado Exercise for local officials was conducted Wednesday, April 20, 1988. The exercise was limited to activity in the Emergency Operating Center and the Dispatcher's office, but the long range effects could be felt by everyone on Sutton County and Sonora. Participants in the exercise included: Carla Fields, County Judge, Billy Gosney, Mayor, Bill Webster, Sheriff, Brent Gesch, Chief of Police, James Blackman, Fire Chief, EMS, Karen Fincher, Joyce Chalk, County Treasurer, Becky Covington, City Secretary, Jim Garrett, Public Works Director, Lanny Hooper, Dispatcher, and Abby Gesch, dispatcher.

Also taking part in the exercise were Treva McReynolds, EMT, Leslie Thorp, EMT, Patsy Dobbs, EMT, Jonnie Hodges, ECA and Lenora Pool, Emergency Management Coordinator.

The exercise is designed to give city and county departments the opportunity to study the strengths and weaknesses in the present Sutton County/Sonora Emergency Plans.



ONE MAN'S OPINION

by T. Driskell

We live in a complex world and we are blessed (or is its cursed?) with a tidal flood of information expanding that complexity into a virtually incomprehensible maze. The occasional glimmer of relative sanity does not improve one's impression of reality. You are only left with a series of events and actions with only the flimsiest threads of logic to connect them.

Last week gave a more logical chain of events and actions. Two of the sequence fitted into the historical pattern and the mass desires. A strong indication the neocolonial treatment policy for oil-producing states will persist, or will it? The major indications were carried by expressed objections, and a stated policy by Washington.

There has been considerable vocal objection to Hance's (Texas Railroad Commissioner) attending

the next OPEC meeting as an observer. It is said, by people who should know, that OPEC was created as a copy of the Texas Railroad Commission, considerably updated, of course. Would the original Henry Ford be interested in the 1988 model FORD? You can bet your best boots on it! It certainly might do the Texas Railroad Commissioner some good to see how the updated model of his machine functions.

The majority of the objections apparently are created by the common objectives. OPEC, HANCE, and you and I, for that matter, have a common objective. It is, quite simply, to produce a higher price for crude and the stabilization of that price. That pretty well summarizes the reason the Railroad Commission was established-to overcome a ten cent

barrel of oil. The Washington policy is a little more obscure. It was not missed in D.C. that the disturbance in the Persian Gulf caused an increase in oil prices. The subsequent declaration that the U.S. Navy would provide support to neutral shipping in the Persian Gulf is very interesting. Questions remain: What kind of support? Does that include defense? Will defense be supplied against Iraq's missiles?

As far as we Texan's are concerned it would appear we are assured of continued low oil prices. The big question is can we live and profit on an eighteen-dollar barrel of oil? Our fiscal controls and standard of living will need some attention, as the problems build for the president to be. The Persian Gulf, Panama, Nicaragua, North Pakistan, a faltering economy, an increasing deficit, a falling dollar, and others. The number of candidates is surprising, perhaps amazing would be a better word.

LETTERS

The Girl Scouts of Sonora would like to say thank you to all of those people who purchased cookies after we completed our cookie sale.

We appreciate all of the help and support that our community gives Scouting.

Thanks again, Sonora Girl Scouts

Snips, Quips & Lifts

by Lottie Lee Baker

A man pays a luxury tax on a leather billfold, and income tax on the stuff he puts in it, and a sales tax when he takes the stuffing out of it.

Conscience keeps more people awake than coffee.

Youth looks ahead, old age look back, and middle age looks tired.

My birthday cake had so many candles on it I was fined for air pollution.

It's alot easier to get people to agree to do better tomorrow, than to do their best today.

You can't fool all the people all the time, but the airplane schedules come pretty close.

Kissing is a practice that shortens life--single life.

Nowadays it is easy for a bachelor to remain single. Every time he turns his TV on he hears that women have stringy hair, rough red hands, bad breath, and are overweight.

Driving is like baseball--it's the number of times that you get home safely that counts.

A light foot on the gas beats two under the grass.

Courage is like the quality it takes to look at yourself with candor, your adversaries with kindness, and your setbacks with serenity.

An autobiography is like charity, it covers a multitude of sins.

Faith, hope and charity--if we had more of the first two we'd need less of the last.

Children always brighten up a home. They never turn out the lights.

We've given our youngsters too much too soon, and now it's too late.

Some people have sown enough wild oats to make a grain deal with Russia.

When some women show up in stretch pants they sure do.

Some of these new bikinis--the tags are bigger than the togs.

There is one good thing about pants that are too tight--they teach you not to drop anything on the floor.

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK
Don't be afraid to go out on a limb--that's where the fruit is.

Tips on handling those "Careless employee" claims

DEAR COMMISSIONER NABERS: I have recently had two unemployment claims filed against my company and I lost both. The decision said that the employee was unable to do the work or just could not meet my standards. What does that mean? It sounds like all an employee has to say is "I was doing my best" and the Texas Employment Commission rules in his favor. Any suggestions? These last two people should not have been awarded benefits--both just refused to do the work correctly.

S.P.
Plainview, Texas

DEAR S.P.: You have hit on a troublesome area for employers. Many employers inadvertently use terms like "incompetent", "incapable", and "unable" without realizing the specific legal impact such words carry in a contested unemployment claim setting. An individual can be inept without being guilty of outright misconduct and an employer must prove

Commissioner
Mary Scott Nabers

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misconduct if the claimant is to be disqualified.

If you have an employee who was negligent or careless in his work performance the first step in distinguishing such carelessness from inability is to establish that the ex-employee did in fact perform the work satisfactory at some time. In other words, first establish the fact that the employee was capable. Then specify when the performance began to deteriorate and in what way(s). If the assigned tasks were simple in nature, say so and describe what was required to do them properly. As is true in all

cases, present any documented counseling or reprimand reports.

To avoid having a claim improperly adjudicated as "inability to meet standards," remember these tips:

1. Don't use words like "incompetent" or "incapable" unless you mean it. Such terms are more a reflection of an employer's poor hiring skills than of misconduct by the claimant.
2. Establish capability by emphasizing periods of satisfactory performance.
3. Be specific about what the employee did or did not do which constituted careless or negligent performance.

Ms. Nabers represents 336,000 employers throughout Texas. If you have any questions you want answered, please write Commissioner Nabers at: TEXAS BUSINESS TODAY, 614 Texas Employment Commission Building, 15th and Congress, Austin, Texas 78778.

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Happy Birthday, Mary



MARY EARWOOD

Sonora's bright, spunky Mary Earwood will celebrate her 90th Birthday on May 4, 1988.

Mary was born in Sierra County, New Mexico on May 4, 1898 to Margaret Armer, the Mohair Queen of the World, and Lleven Edward Armer, a mining engineer. She attended school in Hillsboro, New Mexico.

On November 1, 1920, Mary became the bride of Fred Earwood, a registered goat breeder. Together they had one son, Armer, three grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Mary is quite active in Sonora assisting patients at the Nursing Home, keeping her yard and pecans trees looking beautiful, and attending Sunday School at the First Baptist Church. She has probably never met a stranger and is kind, patient and caring to all she sees. Mary is easy to recognize as she always has a smile.

It is with pride that we wish Mary a very Happy Birthday.



Dear Betty Crocker

Q. Which foods contain vitamin E? R. C., Goodwin, SD

A. Fat soluble vitamin E is found in vegetable and seed oils (soybean, cottonseed, corn), shortening, margarine, egg yolk, butter, milk fat, grains (especially in the germ of grains), liver, nuts and green leafy vegetables such as lettuce and cabbage. Vitamin E aids in formation of red blood cells, muscles and other tissues.

Q. What is Italian prosciutto? P.C., Laurelville, OH

A. Prosciutto is European-style ham that is salted, air-cured and aged at least one year. It may be smoked or unsmoked. It is ready to eat and often served as an appetizer or used in baked meat, vegetable or egg dishes.

Q. What are the colors and proportions of food coloring that would result in peach-colored cream cheese mints? J.G., Oak Lawn, IL

A. Use four parts of rose pink food coloring to 1 part lemon yellow. In general when using food coloring, start with one drop, blend it in, and continue to add one drop at a time until you reach the desired color.

Do you have a question? Write Dear Betty Crocker, Box 1113, Dept. Betty, Minneapolis, MN 55440.

TIP OF THE WEEK: Prepare fresh asparagus by snapping off lower part of the stalk where it breaks easily. Save lower part for soup stock.

Our **Deadline** for News Articles and Ads is Monday at 5pm
The Devil's River News
 220 NE Main
 387-2507

Tedford Jewelry
 BRIDAL GIFT REGISTRY
 Trina Powers, bride-elect of Jim Hadley
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Couple to wed July 23



TAMMY LYNN MARTIN AND JOE SHANNON, JR.

Tamara (Tammy) Lynn Martin will become the bride of William Joe Shannon, Jr. (Joe) on July 23, 1988, in St. James Lutheran Church in Harper, Texas.

Tammy is the daughter of Billy D. and Martha Martin of Sonora and Mrs. Linda K. Brumley of Baytown. Miss Martin is a 1986 graduate of Harper High School. She attended Texas Lutheran College in Seguin and Schreiner College in Kerrville. She will attend UTSA in San Antonio in the fall.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Kathy and Rodney Knight of Sonora and Billy J. Shannon of Pleasanton. Joe is a 1983 graduate of Sonora High School. He attended ASU in San Angelo and is presently working for the Texas Highway Department in San Antonio as an Engineering Tech I, Bridge Design.

SCAT's . . .

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There are laughs a minute and a few tears in the show, so get your tickets at one of the following merchants: Westerman, Tedford Jewelry, Spain's, Merle Norman, Sutton County Steakhouse, First National Bank, Sutton County National Bank, and The Devil's River News.

Financial help is greatly needed. You can help by joining SCAT or renewing your membership. 1988 dues are \$15.00 per individual and \$25.00 per family. You can become a patron sponsor by donating \$50.00 or more, and you will receive program credit in accordance with the amount donated: \$300 Patron Sponsor, \$200 Patron Sponsor, \$150 Patron Sponsor, \$100 Patron Sponsor, \$75 Patron Sponsor, and \$50 Patron Sponsor.

Checks may be mailed to SCAT c/o Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lane, P.O. Box 348, Sonora, Texas 76950. Your support will be much appreciated by the cast of *The Music Man*.

Recital to be held on Sunday May 1

Mrs. A.C. Elliott will present the following piano pupils in recital at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, May 1, at three o'clock in the afternoon: Kristin Hardgrave, Lora Hale, Vicky Richardson, Kelsey Lykins, Sarah Lind, Timothy Bauldree, Brandy Bauldree, Lesa Harris, Charles Moss, Cynthia Kepler and Catharina Gower and Kace Chalmers of Eldorado.

You are cordially invited to hear these young people play and to see them receive awards for their accomplishments.

Mother/Daughter pageant to be held

Applications are now being accepted for the 1988 Texas Mother/Daughter Pageant state finals to be held July 15 and 16 at the La Mansion de Norte Hotel in San Antonio. This will be the second year that a statewide competition has been held in Texas for the Mother/Daughter Pageant. Last year's winner, Dianne Neidigk and Tami Book from Tomball were top eight finalists in the National Pageant.

A new concept in competitions, the Mother/Daughter Pageant emphasizes traditional family values in modern mother/daughter relationships. Each mother and daughter compete as a team in all phases of competition, providing them the opportunities to share some very unique experiences. Personal interviews comprise 50% of the judging, while the Swimsuit and Formal Gown competitions count for 25% apiece.

The state winners will represent Texas at the national finals to be held in Florida this November. Daughters must be at least 16 years of age, by November 1, 1988. They may be single, married, divorced or widowed. Daughters must also be the natural or legally adopted child of the mother. Mothers may be of any age and any marital status. Both contestants must be U.S. citizens and a least one member of the team must reside in Texas.

The contest is produced in Texas by Thomas Daniel Productions Ltd. For applications and further information contact the Texas Mother/Daughter Pageant, 8480 Fredericksburg Road, Suite 288, San Antonio, Texas 78229. Or telephone Gary Young, State Director, at 512-697-8055.

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These Sonora Graduates have already made their gift selections at Tedford's.

Gregory Anderson	Robbi Dickenson	Lancey Lowe	Tom Priess
Corie Avila	Traci Donaldson	Shellie Lykins	Linda Quattlebaum
Joey Badgett	Alex Duenes	Sammy Mata	Nelda Ramirez
Lori Balas	Joe David Garza	Sean Mathews	David Ross
Maria Barajas	Patsy Garza	Rachel Merck	Jannifer San Miguel
Leila Bouhassiss	Luie Gonzales	Preccia Miller	Alicia Sanchez
Maria Castillo	Ann Marie Herrera	George Noriega	Cynthia Sosa
DuWayne Castro	Curtis Howard	Eddie Perez	Rosa Trevino
Kenneth Conger	Bobbi Kelly	Peter Perez	Kelly Whitehead

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The Dairy Queen

\$1.29 sale

For Texas Taste, DQ's the place for a Golden Chicken Fried, 100% Pure Beef Sandwich Served on a toasted bun with crisp lettuce and red, ripe tomatoes. So come on by ...

Dairy Queen Monday thru Sunday April 18 thru May 1.

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AARP releases voter's guide

A voter's guide to the presidential candidates' views on issues such as Social Security, health cost containment and long term care is being widely distributed by the voter education project of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).

The voter's guide--prepared by the nonpartisan voter education project known as AARP/Vote--marks the organization's first effort to inform 28 million members about how the presidential candidates stand on important issues.

Copies of the 16-page voter's guide were mailed to the households of AARP's 300,000 members in Iowa and 150,000 members in New Hampshire. Copies are available by request to AARP members and interested parties in Texas.

"One of our goals is to educate

and inform people about the candidates' stands on particular issues, so they will participate more effectively in the political process. We want people of all ages to be well informed on the issues, and exercise their right to vote," said AARP State Director, Jim Bergen.

The eight questions in the AARP/Vote presidential voter's guide cover how the president would (1) reduce out of pocket costs for Medicare beneficiaries; (2) develop and finance a national policy on long-term care; (3) maintain Social Security for current and future beneficiaries; (4) relieve pressure on Social Security by supporting measures to make pension funds portable; (5) encourage the employment of older workers, particularly women; (6)

support increased funding for Supplemental Security Income; (7) recommend regressive taxes, such as consumption taxes, in an effort to reduce the federal budget deficit; and (8) reform the federal campaign finance system.

"Our members do not want to be told which candidate to support," Bergen said, "so we decided to prepare a convenient reference which they can read and refer to in order to learn more about candidates' views and AARP's position on eight important issues."

With more than 28 million members nationally and 1,756,684 in Texas, AARP is the nation's largest organization of Americans 50 and older. It is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, organization which offers a wide range of membership benefits, legislative representation at the federal and state levels, and educational and community service programs carried out through a national network of volunteers and local chapters. The Association also offers a variety of educational and advocacy programs for older workers, who make up one-fourth of AARP's membership.

For a single copy of the Voter's Guide, send a postcard to: Voters Guide, AARP Fulfillment, P.O. Box 2400, Long Beach, CA 90801.

FINANCIAL FOCUS

by Mike Smith

Mutual Funds: Buy them with the Future in mind

At one time, selecting a mutual fund was a relatively simple matter. Today, however, there are more than 2,000 different mutual funds competing for your investment dollars. In fact, mutual funds alone outnumber all of the 2,256 securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

While mutual fund are very popular now, most of the growth they've experienced has taken place within the last decade. According to the Investment Company Institute, an organization that serves as a fact-finder and spokesman on numerous mutual fund matters, the number of funds has almost quadrupled in the past 10 years from 426 funds in 1975 to approximately 2,000 in 1987. The number is still growing.

Mutual funds were originally generated to help small investors. By pooling their money to create large institutional-type accounts they could benefit from public, professional management. These aren't get-rich-quick schemes but long-range investment plans. You pay an admission fee and a small percentage of the assets each year to the professionals who manage the fund, then you sit back, participate in the economy and let your investment compound.

Those who have patience in well-selected mutual funds have seen their assets grow through the years. It's not uncommon to see conservative mutual funds compound at an average of 12 to 13 percent a year over a period of 20, 30 or 50 years or more.

Unlike those who invested in mutual funds in the past, today's investors are forcing a new challenge on the mutual fund industry--one the industry may have brought on itself. The cry is for short-term performances. Some funds have successfully answered it to this point but keep in mind that the current bull markets is five years old.

Forbes magazine recently pointed out the average age of portfolio managers of one giant mutual fund group is 36. Several of their "sectors" funds, those investing only in a specific industry, are managed by recent master's degree graduates, age 26.

This doesn't suggest one must be older to wisely pick stocks; however, an important part of managing money is not picking stocks and making profits in a good market but also protecting both assets and profits in a bad market. Some of today's mutual fund managers have never seen a bad market.

Hunter education program to be offered June 1

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's mandatory hunter education program, affecting hunters born on or after September 2, 1971, will begin June 1.

Officials said age groups affected by the program will be phased in during a five-year period. It will be enforced starting September 1, 1989 for hunters whose date of birth is during the period September 2, 1971 through August 31, 1973. Hunters in that age group will be required to have proof of certification.

Steve Hall, hunter education coordinator, said the program's overall goal is to reduce hunting accidents and violations. This is to be done through promotion of safe firearm handling and operation, muzzleloading and archery safety survival, ethical and responsible actions, hunting regulations, field exercises and, whenever possible, live-firing exercises.

"Hunter education also gives the student an understanding of wildlife conservation, management and identification, perpetuating a sense of stewardship," said Hall.

Hall said everyone is encouraged to take the course regardless of mandatory regulations, and parents are urged to attend the course to develop the family's appreciation of the outdoors.

Those interested in teaching the program are encouraged to apply by calling toll-free 1-800-792-1112, or (512) 389-4999. Applicants must be 21 years of age or older, and must have taken the student course.

To be certified as an instructor, the applicant must complete an application, interview with a local game warden and attend and instructors course including orientation to the program and teaching skills information.

To some, this argument may appear over-conservative. If these are your feelings and you're comfortable in the fast lane with a new generation of money managers, you have a lot of company and a lot of fun from which to choose.

The 1987 Mutual Fund Fact Book reported that "in 1975 mutual funds fit neatly into seven major categories." Ten years later those seven had grown to 15 "with many funds further defining their investment objectives according to industry sector, geographic limitations or business philosophies."

Mutual funds have seen tremendous changes. The important point is they're still basically long-term investments. Investors who buy mutual funds with this in mind generally reach their goals with a minimum of surprises. Quick and unreasonable gains in mutual funds can happen, but they generally aren't consistent and they don't last forever.

Do you remember Mr. coffee nerves?

by Ed Rathburn
Texas Tech University
Health Sciences Center

He was often seen in the Sanka advertisement of the '40's and '50's viciously attacking the innocent with the insidious symptoms of caffeine overdose. Mr. Coffee Nerves has apparently gone into hiding but the ravages of caffeine overdose are here in 1988.

Several times each year I am gratified when someone comes back to tell me that I have correctly diagnosed mysterious symptoms of subtle onset as a caffeine effect. How does that happen? For one thing, caffeine toxically becomes more apparent with aging and with each person. There may be a different age in years when the effect is first obvious. For me it was age 33 1/2. When you try to straighten out a bent pickle and it breaks and you burst into tears, something is definitely wrong in the central nervous system.

Often, caffeine overdose or caffeine effect is first noticed with a change in routine. I remember a retiring Air Force pilot of 35 who drank 17 cups of coffee visiting with the lovely receptionist at Denver United Airlines while applying for a flying job. He flunked his flight physical because of cardiac arrhythmia later determined to be caffeine induced. I see caffeine overdose in people who have just retired from their jobs and have time to drink more coffee than they ever have before in their lives.

Caffeine is found in coffee in large amounts but also in tea, cola drinks including diet colas, and to a certain extent, in chocolate. It is even found in decaffeinated coffee to the point that many people who can no longer drink coffee or tea under any circumstances must now limit their intake of decaffeinated beverages. Some pain medications contain caffeine.

Symptoms of caffeine overdose are quite variable, but include commonly, a severe throbbing headache, upset stomach and diarrhea, rapid pulse, elevation of blood pressure, twitching and unsteadiness of the hands preventing coordinated fine movements gross motor disturbances upsetting attempts at athletic endeavors, skipped heartbeats, and bizarre distortions of thinking processes and the development of "flighty" emotions. Elevation of blood pressure is often seen, as well as changes in the electrocardiogram.

Mr. Coffee Nerves has even been accused of causing cancer of the pancreas, fibrocystic disease, and lump in the breast, but apparently he is no more guilty of those offenses than Reddy Kilowatt.

DEATH NOTICES

William Steele

William Steele, 64, died Tuesday, April 19, 1988 in Humana Hospital in San Antonio.

Services were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 1988 in First Baptist Church with burial in Sonora Cemetery, directed by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born February 15, 1924, in Fulton, Miss., and had lived in Sonora 11 years. He was Baptist and a truck driver.

Survivors include his wife, Velma Steele, one son, Robert Steele of Kenosha, Wisc.; one

stepson, Lenard Lambert of San Angelo; three daughters, Imogene Ricchio, Diana Rhey and Norma Moran all of Kenosha; one stepdaughter, LaVerna Lakey of Alvin; two brothers, Leonard Steele of Houston and Wilbur Steele of Vicksburg, Miss.; one sister, Doris Nanney of Forest, Miss.; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Smith Neal, Sam Caldwell, Bill Cascadden, Buddy Hodges, Nick Anderson and Bobby Dickenson.

Natividad Arredondo

Natividad Arredondo, 70, died Friday in Ciudad Acuna, Mexico.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 25, 1988 in St. Ann's Catholic Church with burial following in Sonora Cemetery directed by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born May 3, 1917, in

Sanderson. He was a Sonora resident for 50 years. He was Catholic. He retired as custodian of First National Bank.

Survivors include his wife, Esperanza Arredondo; one son, Nat Arredondo, Jr. of Sonora; five daughters, Amparo Villanueva, Yolanda Fuentes, Diana Gonzales, and Betty Hernandez, all of Sonora and Sylvia Gonzales of San Angelo; four sisters, Carolina De La Cruz, Ninfa Alaniez, Manuella Navarez and Rosa Hernandez, all of Crystal City; 19 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School-10 am Worship-11 am Evening Worship-7:30 pm Wednesday Service-7:30 pm	Live Oak Baptist Church Rev. Charles White Sunday School-10:00 am Sunday Worship-11:00 am Evening-6:00 pm Wednesday Service-7 pm	Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's 387-2679 or 387-3947 Spanish Language Meeting Public Talk-10:00 Sunday Watchtower Study-11:00 Sunday Theocratic Ministry-7:30 Tuesday Service Meeting-8:15 Tuesday Bible Study-7:30 Thursday	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 NE Poplar Holy Eucharist-Sunday 8 & 11 am Sunday School-9:45 am Holy Eucharist w/Prayers for Healing, 1,3 & 5 Wed., 7 pm Daily Morning Prayer-8:45 am Monday-Friday The Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector


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HEALTH CARE

by Scott Gilmore
Hospital Administrator

Much has been written and said nowadays about those who "have arrived." They have attained a success that can be measured in absolute terms. Indeed, certain cars, vacations, and clothes are considered to be benchmarks of success. As Ben Sweetland pointed out, however, "Success is a journey, not a destination." Like any ongoing process, it cannot necessarily be measured or admired. Quite the opposite, a successful person shows himself to be so from the inside. He is happy with his doings and is in no hurry to see them terminated or manifested in obvious material ways. Success is a happiness with the way things are going. For the truly successful person, once he has arrived, the joy is over and done.

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Health care amounts for most of welfare in county

Health care accounted for most of the welfare benefits received by residents of Sutton County during the past year, according to the recently released annual report of the Texas Department of Human Services.

"By far the largest amount of welfare money goes toward the health care of elderly and disabled Texans," said Regional Administrator Ray L. Dunavant of Abilene. "As a result, the Texas Department of Human Services is the largest purchaser of health care in the state."

For the fiscal year ending August 31, elderly and disabled residents of the county received \$306,337 in medical assistance, with \$152,260 of it going toward nursing home care, for hospital, physician and prescription medicine and other medical services.

Needy children and impoverished elderly or disabled individuals are the main beneficiaries of the department's programs and services.

Food stamps valued at \$203,206 put food on tables of a monthly average of 432 county residents. Food stamps are redeemed like cash by local grocers. The program is 100 percent federally funded.

Aid to Families with Dependent Children, the departments only cash grant program, distributed \$24,104 to 12 families living in poverty in Sutton County. Monthly grants average about \$57 per month for each individual, less than half of the national average monthly grant of \$122.

The typical needy family receiving this aid consists of a mother and two children. Texas ranks 46th among the states in the size of its public assistance grants. Only Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee offer less.

State law requires the department to respond to reports of abuse and neglect of children, without regard for family's income. In County, the department served 2 individuals in troubled families.

Salute to Sonora's Secretaries

We recognize you for your patience, dedication, and hard work



Kathy Morris



Sylvia Noriega



Leila Bouhassis

Girls, what can we say... you all do a tremendous job of keeping the office running smoothly.

Thanks for everything.
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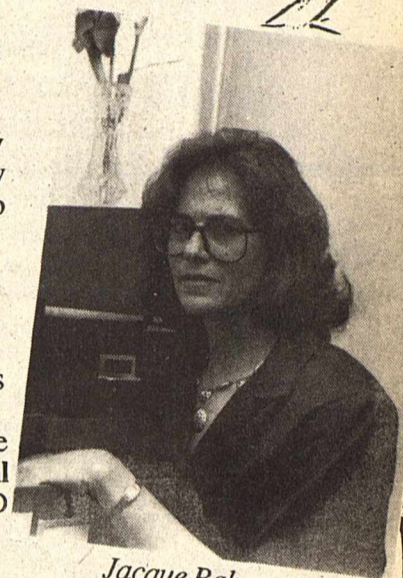


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High School Principal
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Thank you for the excellent work and dedication. I appreciate it!

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To the best secretary a boss could have.

Clay Cade
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VOTE

May 7, 1988

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School Administration Office

Donald D. Patton
SISD School Trustee-At Large

"As a former educator and now the manager of a business, I feel I have the experience to contribute in a positive manner to the education of our children.

I think we have a good school system, and I am prepared to give my time to help make it better. I would do my best to be fair, honest, and positive in giving direction toward a quality education for all students.

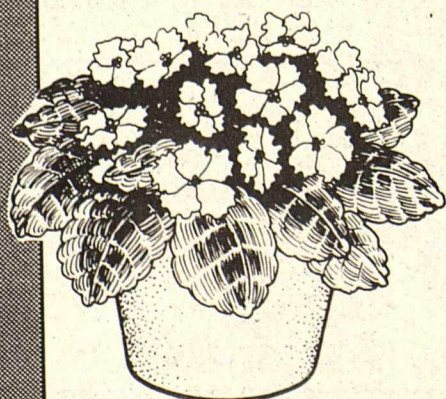
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Candidates

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- The role of a school board member is to act as a representative of the community to establish policy and goals for the school district, and then let the superintendent and his administration carry them out.
- I choose to seek a position on the school board because I feel that I am qualified to serve on the board and have an unselfish desire to serve the community.

The decision was not an easy one, because I realize the importance of the position. The decisions reached on the board affect the lives of all, but most importantly they touch the lives and futures of our children. These are decisions that I will make carefully and with much consideration.

- The following are a few things I believe will help me as a school board member:
 - have first hand knowledge of school business

- twelve years teaching and coaching experience in Junior High and High School
- been involved in helping the youth of this community through 4-H and church work
- employed as ranch manager for the Rousselot Ranch, where I deal with budget planning, projected income, budget limitations, and basic business decisions everyday
- I believe extracurricular activities are a vital part of a child's education. It is in some of these areas that some students achieve their greatest success, thereby acquiring a sense of worth and accomplishment.
- School finance in the state of Texas at the present time, is in a state of disarray. With the possibility of further cuts in state funds due to the equality redistribution push, and the declining local tax base, the school district faces some important decisions concerning budgeting. Priorities must be established, and the number one priority should be the children of this school district.

The basic principles of school finance are not much different than any other business. The only things left out are the desire for profit and competition. At some point, the district should be able to determine the total amount of money it will receive, and spending will have to correspond with income.

Spending huge amounts of money does not automatically provide a good education. We must see to it that we get the most for the money spent.

I am sure there are things that I do not know about school finance, but I am willing to study and learn what is necessary to make intelligent decisions.

Scott Shurley

1. Without the proper educational atmosphere our students cannot learn. I do not mean the physical components of education, but the will to learn and the desire to increase their knowledge to their highest potential. To achieve this goal it takes a dedication from the teachers, parents, and community to encourage our students to excel in their academic endeavor. If the students have the desire to learn then the learning comes easier. This is one area I would like to commend our teachers because they are always trying new ways to motivate our students to learn. If we do not strive as parents, teachers and even taxpayers to take an active part and insure that our students are receiving the best education possible then we are not doing our part. If we all work together and strive to provide a "can do" atmosphere the students will achieve the goals that we expect of them.

2. A school board member's first responsibility is to guarantee that we are providing an education that will educate the children of Sonora so they will be able to meet the tests of the future. Educational goals will be challenged from all fronts so board members must be ready to stand firm to their convictions. Board members set the policies or guide lines that the school district is to operate by. If these guide lines are not in the best interest of all students and the best interest of the educational process then problems will arise in the system. The board gives guidance to the district so, a board member's decisions must be consistent so the district and community knows the direction of the board.

One area that board members must learn to cope with are the mandates from Austin. These mandates are broad to fit all districts of the state and the larger populated areas of the state have the most influence on these mandates, they need to be adapted to fit our local needs. For the most part they are expensive to operate and require a lot of energy to implement, because of this I am sure they are cost efficient. We cannot let them redistribute the wealth of our county to fund the education of other counties in the state. If you do not elect a school board that will try to stop these infringements we will all lose property and at the same time the quality of education that Sonora is proud of.

3. I have been on the board for the last seven years and would like to continue helping insure that we provide a first rate education for our students. It is important to me that we provide a quality education for the students of Sutton County, and at the same time we keep the tax rate as low as possible. We have cut the local budget where we could to bring our district's budget in line with the economic times. Because of the loss in revenues and the state mandated programs we have not been able to cut the rate but, we have held it constant, subsequently the local taxpayers are paying a higher percentage of this budget. We must try to provide a "can do" atmosphere for our students and at the same time have as low a tax rate as possible.

4. I have a degree in Agriculture Economics from Texas A&M. I have been a partner in the family ranching operation for ten years. I have two girls in the Sonora schools. Also, my wife is a former teacher and active as a parent with the education of our girls. I have been an active member of the Sonora board of education for the last seven years and was president of the board for the last two years. I know the strengths and weaknesses of our district and want to see the continuation of a better educational system for our students.

5. Extracurricular activities are an integral part of school. They must be intertwined with the educational process to give the student the incentive to excel in their studies. Without this motivation a lot of students would not try. We need to be sure that the extracurricular activities do not overshadow the educational process.

6. I have had the privilege of working very closely with the administration for the last seven years in forming budgets and tax rate. My seven years experience has given me the knowledge of what makes up the different components of the budgets and the tax rate. I know that Sonora is experiencing tough financial times. This has been reflected in the budgets and the tax base of the district. The oil and gas companies paid over 80% of the tax base in prior years because of the oil crunch this percentage has decreased. We have been able to decrease a large percentage of this shortfall from our budget but, because of state mandates and the need to continue the operation of our school, we have had increases in some areas of our budget. Because of the increases and the loss of revenue the local tax payer has felt an increase in his own personal tax. We are constantly trying to help lower the tax rate but, we cannot afford to short change our students of an education. To maintain an educational system that will educate our students we must be careful not to get carried away with the idea of "cut, cut, and cut." Because a lot has been "cut" from the budget already and if we "cut"

very much further we could be taking the "the 3 r's" out of education in Sonora. I will continue to juggle the budgets to help relieve the tax payer and at the same time provide an educational system that we are proud of.

An efficient school system will help entice new people and industries, which will bring in added revenue, to Sonora to help us through these tough times. I am willing to do my part as a board member to help promote the Sonora schools and Sonora so the needed industry will move to Sonora. We all need to help bring in new industry because, that is the only way we are going to increase revenues our community needs. With added revenue from an outside source this could help us all survive the oil crunch.

Michael W. Smith

1. In my opinion, the education of our youth is and should be the most important task our community and society face today. Through education, all children have the opportunity to advance in life regardless of economic or social background. Therefore, we must strive to provide the very best learning environment for each and every student. The proper education of our children should not be just the local school's responsibility. It should be the responsibility of every family as well as the whole community.

2. The role of a school board member is simply to help the other board members set policies and goals for the school district. The goals established by the board members should reflect the desires and needs of the community as a whole. The board should attempt to achieve those specific goals within the policy established.

I do not feel an individual board member should be involved in the day to day operation of the school. The policies established by the board should be implemented by the superintendent and his staff. These policies as well as the staff should then be reviewed periodically for their effectiveness.

3. The most obvious answer is that I have two children ages 11 and 13 that are involved in most aspects of school from athletics to literary competition. I would like to become more involved in the decision making process which will assure not only my children but all children the best education possible. My personal belief is that every school board member should have a personal commitment to insure the best education possible for each student in Sonora ISD. I believe I can effectively serve as an extension of the community in implementing the necessary programs or changes to provide this education.

4. To effectively answer this question, I believe I need to list my educational background and work experience.

I received a Bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University in 1972 and a Master's degree in 1974. I also received a Master's degree from Texas A&M University in 1981. I was employed by the Federal Land Bank of Texas from 1976 to 1986. I am currently employed by the Edward D. Jones Investment Company.

My experience with the Federal Land Bank afforded me with the opportunity to work with different boards of directors to establish and implement their various policies. My major responsibility was analyzing the financial capabilities of individuals and corporation. I was also responsible for delegating the authority to administer the local board's policies. My experience in the Edward D. Jones Company has allowed me to become familiar with all financial markets and the various investment opportunities that exist within those markets.

I believe my educational background, along with my work experience, would enable me to make the fair and impartial decisions expected of a school board member.

5. All extracurricular activities, whether it be athletic or literary competition, are an integral part of any educational process.

6. Through individual study, I have become somewhat informed of the issues facing school finance in Texas. The methods and formulas, which distribution of funds is based upon, are very complex. Public school finance in Texas is a severe problem and continues to put pressure on state and local tax entities.

One of the primary responsibilities of a board member should be to insure that each dollar received (whether from state allocation, local tax revenue or federal funds) is spent as wisely as possible. From an individual standpoint, I feel the school business should be no different from the small business owner, the rancher or the salaried employee. No business can exist when expenses exceed revenues.

Silver Haired Legislature candidates announced

The official candidates for the second Texas Silver Haired Legislature are as follows: Northern Region, Margaret Martin; Southern Region, Jack Conaway; and Tom Green County, Clydia Prossie, Virginia Black and Robert Benson.

The election will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 1988 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at locations throughout the Concho Valley. Sonora residents will vote at Sutton Co. Senior Center.

Absentee voting will also be held from May 2 through May 20, 1988. Absentee ballots are available at the above locations or may be obtained from the Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging, 5002 Knickerbocker Road in San Angelo.

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REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic and foreign subsidiaries of the

First National Bank of **Sonora**

Name of Bank of City

In the state of **Texas**, at the close of business on **March 31**, 1988

published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.

Charter Number **5466** Comptroller of the Currency **Eleventh** District

Statement of Resources and Liabilities

	Thousands of dollars	
ASSETS		
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	1,157.	
Interest-bearing balances	-	
Securities	22,546.	
Federal funds sold	2,425.	
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	-	
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	13,532.	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	235.	
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	-	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	13,297.	
Assets held in trading accounts	-	
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	2,096.	
Other real estate owned	215.	
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	-	
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	-	
Intangible assets	-	
Other assets	872.	
Total assets	42,608.	
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	-	
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	42,608.	
LIABILITIES		
Deposits:		
In domestic offices	37,720.	
Noninterest-bearing	5,150.	
Interest-bearing	32,570.	
Federal funds purchased	-	
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	-	
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	-	
Other borrowed money	-	
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	-	
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	-	
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	-	
Other liabilities	136.	
Total liabilities	37,856.	
Limited-life preferred stock	-	
EQUITY CAPITAL		
Perpetual preferred stock	-	
Common stock	209.	
Surplus	573.	
Undivided profits and capital reserves	3,970.	
Total equity capital	4,752.	
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	-	
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	4,752.	
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	42,608.	

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

Wesley E. Sawyer
Arthur Earwood
J.W. Elliott


Directors

Harold G. McEwen
Name
Vice-President/Cashier
Title

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Harold G. McEwen
Signature
April 15, 1988
Date

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Mobile Mammography Unit

Coming to Sonora Monday May 16

A Mobile Mammography Unit will be in Sonora at Hudspeth Hospital on Monday, May 16, 1988. The charge for this service will be \$50.00 this includes the Pathologist report.

You can make an appointment for this life saving examination by calling Hudspeth Hospital 387-2521, Dr. Lind 387-6565 or Dr. Pajestka 387-6557.

"Don't give breast cancer a place to hide!" With this announcement from the American Cancer Society, the Sutton County Unit of ACS hopes to reach women throughout Sonora with a lifesaving message concerning the early detection of breast cancer.

The Society has chosen mammography, a highly effective technique used in the early detection of breast cancer, as the time of its April 1988 Residential education and fund-raising Crusade campaign.

Dorothy Baker, chairperson of Sutton county Unit campaign said. "We've had remarkable success with mammography in treating early breast cancers. Finding a tumor at its onset means that less extensive surgery may be performed and that the chances of survival may be very high. If found early, breast cancer

may be treated successfully in nine out of 10 cases."

As part of this campaign, more than 50 trained ACS volunteers will go door-to-door distributing a folder entitled "Mammography found my breast cancer early...and may have saved my life!", to the residents of the county. It includes ACS guidelines for breast health and important steps for a woman to follow to help prevent breast cancer.

"Mammography, a low-dose X-ray of the breast, may often detect a tumor before it becomes large enough to be felt-even before the woman or her doctor knows it's there," said Lou Faulks, Sutton county Unit ACS volunteer. "It's important to realize that mammography not only saves lives but also saves breasts, she added.

ACS recommends that women 35 to 39 should have a baseline mammogram for future comparisons, women 40 to 49 without symptoms should have a mammogram every one-to-two years and finally, women 50 and over should have this test performed annually. In addition, a professional physical examination of the breast is recommended every three years

for women 20 to 40, and every year for those over 40. ACS also urges all women over the age of 20 to examine their breasts monthly.

"Despite evidence that mammography is an effective tool in finding early breast cancer, a 1986 Gallup poll says that only 19% of women over 50 have annual mammograms," said Baker. According to her, approximately 6,300 women in Texas will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year and all women should therefore consider themselves at risk for this disease.

"We hope to dispel women's fears about breast cancer," Baker said. "Although it's the most common type of cancer among women, it doesn't have to kill them! We hope that by providing women of Sonora with more information about early detection of breast cancer and mammography, they will become more careful about their health...that means becoming more aware of their bodies, too," she continued.

For more information about Residential Days and mammography, be sure to contact the ACS Sutton County Unit at 387-3269.

Honor Roll

Sonora High School Honor Roll 5th Six Weeks

- Seniors All A's**
- Greg Anderson
- Delma Chavez
- Shellie Lykins
- Nelda Ramirez
- Mary Ross
- Alicia Sanchez
- Rosa Trevino
- All A's-1 B**
- Michele Adams
- Maria Barajas
- Heather Bunkley
- Sal Castilleja
- Maria Castillo
- Justin Condra
- Carla Crites
- Rodney Haltom
- David McDonald
- Sammy Mata

- Michelle Olenick
- Peter Perez
- David Ramirez
- Juniors All A's**
- Anna Balch
- Cynthia Kepler
- Jesse Lynch
- All A's-1 B**
- Wheless Baker
- Mitzi Joy
- Sophomores All A's**

- Tammie Adams
- Christie Adkins

- Todd Keller
- Tracy Love
- Christi Spain
- Freshman All A's**
- Liza Allen
- Vicky Anderson
- Amie Gibson
- Catherine Kepler
- John Russell
- Angie Stewart
- All A's-1 B**
- Ector Castilleja
- David Mirike
- Allison Schwiening
- April Spiller

SOCIAL SECURITY

It is important that people know when they should get in touch with Social Security, Franklin H. Upp, Social Security manager in San Angelo, said recently. Not knowing when to contact Social Security could mean lost benefits which could never be recovered, Upp said.

A person should contact Social Security:

*Before getting his or her first job to get a Social Security number, which is required to get proper Social Security credit for earnings. People who change their names should also contact Social Security to get a new card. A person should allow at least 3 weeks.

*After a death in the family to see if survivor benefits can be paid.

*When someone in the family is disabled to find out if disability benefits can be paid.

*At retirement--at 65 for full-rate

benefits, or as early as 62 for reduced benefits. A person should sign up for Medicare 2 or 3 months before 65, even if there are no retirement plans.

*Any time there is a question about Social Security. When a person calls Social Security, the people there can tell:

*How much work credit is needed to be insured for benefits.

*Who can receive benefits.

*How to replace a lost Social Security or Medicare card.

*How to get a free statement of the earnings reported to the person's Social Security record.

*What documents a person needs when applying for benefits.

Most all Social Security business can be conducted by telephone. The number for the San Angelo Social Security Office is 949-4608. The office is located at 2214 Sherwood Way.

TDHA seeks training contracts

The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) is providing information and instructions to all interested parties who wish to prepare and submit a proposal to contract with DHS staff and foster parents in Region 04.

Interested individuals or agencies may submit proposals to provide training for DHS staff and foster parents in the area of:

1. behavior modification,
2. therapeutic foster homes and their special needs, and
3. a workshop which will address specific training needs.

Training will be in a classroom-type setting with a group of participants.

This request for Proposal for Training (specifications) was to be released April 5, 1988; however, an extension has been granted and it will be released on May 11, 1988.

To receive a copy of this "Request for Proposal", interested individuals or agencies should contact: Fran Key, Contract Manager, at (915) 695-5750, extension 237, or by writing to her at the Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 6635, Abilene, Texas 79608. Proposals must be submitted to TDHS by 5:00 p.m., June 8, 1988, to be considered for award.

Our Deadline

for News Articles and Ads is Monday at 5pm
The Devil's River News
220 NE Main
387-2507

Does mammography hurt?

A technical advance has earned mammography the reputation for being a minor pain. The advance: compression-pressing each breast between two surfaces to lift it away from the chest and spread it out, both improving the image and keeping the radiation low. One image involves horizontal compression, the other, vertical.

Compression shouldn't be any more uncomfortable than having your blood pressure taken, says Dr. Feig. But you can help reduce any

discomfort. If your breasts are sensitive before or during your period, don't schedule a mammogram then. Cutting down on caffeine for a week prior to the exam may also help reduce sensitivity. And avoid using antiperspirant the day of the exam, since most contain aluminum particles that can show up on the X-ray and necessitate a redo. Finally, alert the technician if your breasts are very sensitive-the pressure can be cut to a level acceptable to any woman.

Red Cross advanced lifesaving course

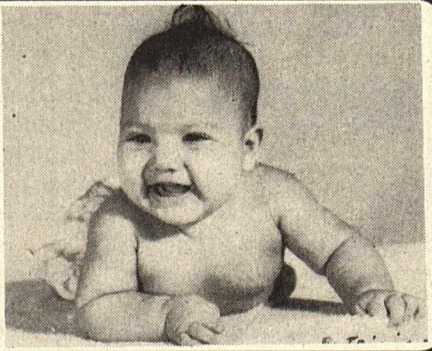
The Advanced Lifesaving Course will begin at the pool on Monday, May 16 from 4:15 p.m.-6:30 p.m. It will last 10 days. The cost of the course is \$10.

To enroll you must be 15 years old, a strong swimmer and know your swim strokes. The deadline for enrolling is May 11. Contact Melissa Teaff at 387-2773 or Claudia Dempsey at 387-2048 if interested.

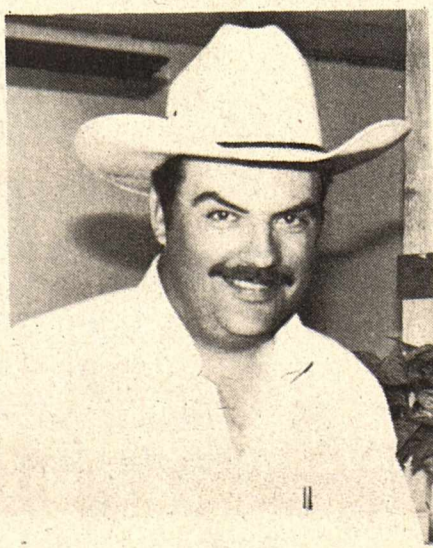
The "Learn to Swim" Program will be held June 6-June 10. You must be 5 years old to register. Registration will be June 4,

Saturday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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BREAST CANCER DETECTION UNIT AVAILABLE TO AREA WOMEN

Monday, May 16, 1988
Sonora, Texas



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CALL 387-2521 FOR APPOINTMENT

According to the American Cancer Society, one out of ten women in the United States will develop breast cancer sometime in her lifetime. It is currently estimated that over 37,000 women die each year as the result of breast cancer.

Ninety percent of breast cancers are diagnosed by women or their physicians finding a lump in the breast. Women who are diagnosed with a lump large enough to feel have a 50 percent five year survival rate. A woman who is diagnosed as having breast cancer by mammography, before a lump can be felt, has a 97% five year survival rate and a 90% 10 year survival rate.

A mammogram can detect a cancer that is small, even before it can be felt.

Appointment may be made by calling 387-2521. The Mobile

Breast Cancer Detection Unit will be in Sonora on Monday, May 16th.

The American Cancer Society has established guidelines for mammography in asymptomatic women. (Women who have no symptoms of disease). Those guidelines have been adopted by the American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and The American College of Radiology. Those guidelines are:

1. 35-40 years of age-One baseline mammogram.
2. 40-50 years of age-A mammogram every 1-2 years depending on breast type and risk factor.
3. 50 years of age and over-An annual physician examination and annual mammogram.
4. Asymptomatic women under 50 years of age with significant

high risk factors should be examined at appropriate intervals. These risk factors include previous breast cancer and family history of cancer.

5. A symptomatic woman should have a mammogram at any age when she experiences a mass, nipple discharge, skin changes or unexplained breast pain.

A screening mammogram is an x-ray of the breast using extremely low dosages of radiation (usually comparable to dental x-rays) and is designed to find very early cancers.

A female technologist who is highly trained in mammography will perform the examination.

The charge for the screening mammogram is \$50.00. The unit accepts cash, check, Visa, Mastercard and American Express.

For more information or to make an appointment call 387-2521.

Local 4-Hers winners in Crockett County

by Tammy Fisher
Sutton County Range Judging teams participated in the Crockett County range judging contest on Saturday, April 23, 1988. The four novices who participated included:

Bobly Joe Mogford, Jason Morley, Justin Morley, and Hadley Smith. This novice team placed first in plant identification and first place range team. Bobby Joe Mogford was third high individual in both

plant identification and range. Jason was first high individual in plant identification and fourth high individual in range.

The third high range and plant identification team was Sutton County's Junior Team of: Brian Faris, Matthew Smith, and Wade Spain. Brian Faris placed fourth high individual in range.

The senior team, made up of Tracy Crites, Todd Keller, and Tracy Love won a first place team trophy in range. Tracy Crites was fifth high individual in range, Senior Division. Todd Keller was third high individual in plant identification. Tracy Love was fourth high individual in plant identification and second high in range.



On March 25, the Sutton County Senior 4-H Shooting Team competed in a match in Ozona, Sonora placed second overall. Team member Clay Graves placed second in individual scores. The team's coach is Don Spiller.

Photo from left to right: Jason Jones, Mikie Merrill, Clay Graves and Tooter Jones.

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REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic and foreign subsidiaries of the

SUTTON COUNTY NATIONAL BANK of SONORA City

in the state of TX, at the close of business on March 31, 1988 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161. Charter Number 17585 Comptroller of the Currency Southwestern District

Statement of Resources and Liabilities

ASSETS

Thousands of dollars

Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	456
Interest-bearing balances	0
Securities	5,649
Federal funds sold	740
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	0
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	6,247
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	66
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	6,181
Assets held in trading accounts	0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	976
Other real estate owned	18
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	0
Intangible assets	237
Other assets	0
Total assets	14,257
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	14,257

LIABILITIES

Deposits:	
In domestic offices	12,770
Noninterest-bearing	1,409
Interest-bearing	11,361
Federal funds purchased	0
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	0
Other borrowed money	0
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	0
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	0
Other liabilities	214
Total liabilities	12,984
Limited-life preferred stock	0

EQUITY CAPITAL

Perpetual preferred stock	0
Common stock	750
Surplus	750
Undivided profits and capital reserves	(227)
Total equity capital	1,273
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	1,273
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	14,257

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

I, RAY SMITH Name

VICE PRESIDENT AND CASHIER Title

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/A. W. Bishop Directors

/s/John R. Tedford, Jr. Directors

/s/W. B. McMillan

/s/Ray Smith Signature

April 25, 1988 Date

U.I.L. competitors advance to state

Two Sonora High School students will advance to University Interscholastic League State competition on the campus of the University of Texas in Austin on May 5-7.

At the regional meet in Odessa last weekend, Cynthia Kepler, a junior, took second place in both of her events--calculator application and number sense. Rosa Trevino, a senior, placed third in news writing.

Others who competed for Sonora at the regional meet were Liza Allen and Michael Todd, debate; Rodney Haltom, ready writing; Jesse Lynch, science and number sense; and Allison Schwiening, editorial writing.

Accompanying the students to Odessa were sponsors Terry Marrs, Selina Galbreath, Claudia Dempsey, and Kirk Macon.

BRONCO TAILS

News from Sonora High School

by Heather Bunkley

Congratulations to Rodney Haltom and Alicia Sanchez for being chosen Mr. and Mrs. S.H.S. Class favorites were also chosen this past week and are as follows: Freshman Class-Allison Schwiening and John Russell; Sophomore Class-Debra Harris and Junior Duenes; Junior Class-Trey Wardlaw and Norma Sosa; Senior Class-Mary Ross and Sammy Mata.

The Junior-Senior Prom was held this past weekend and it appeared that all were having fun. Los Tejanos provided the music. On behalf of the Senior Class I would like to thank all those responsible

for making the prom a success-the Junior Class, the sponsors and parents, Photo Ranch for providing pictures of all seniors, and especially Mr. Kirkpatrick who made the whole thing run smoothly.

The Sonora High School Rodeo Team did very well at the Sonora Rodeo this past weekend. Rachel Merck placed 2nd in barrels; Anna Balch placed 3rd in break-away roping, 3rd and 4th in barrels; and 4th in poles; Trey Wardlaw won the tie-down calf roping and he was also half of the team that won the team roping. Good luck at the Region II finals this weekend in Ft. Stockton.

Congratulations to Cynthia Kepler and Rosa Trevino who will be competing at the State U.I.L. Contest in May. Cynthia got second in Number Sense and Calculator and Rosa got third in Newswriting. Best of Luck to both of you at State!

Also, congratulations to Christi Spain and John Russell for being named to the All-Star at Regional Competition. Camille Cauthorn was named to the Honorable Mention Cast. We are very proud of the cast and crew for qualifying for Regional Competition.

Tickets may be purchased from any high school member athlete for the Athletic Banquet to be held May 2nd at the High School. All awards and scrapbooks will be presented at that time.

Remember to check dates and get applications for the ACT and SAT exams.

Awards for One-Act cast members

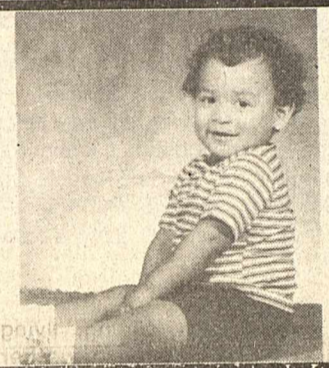
Sonora High School's U.I.L. one-act play The Dancers was performed in Odessa at the regional round of competition last weekend. Although the play was not chosen to advance to the state level, several cast members received individual recognition.

Both leads in the play--Christi Spain and John Russell--were named to the All-Star Cast, and Camille Cauthorn was an Honorable Mention selection. Also, Shellie Lykins won a special technical award.

The director of the play was Terry Marrs.

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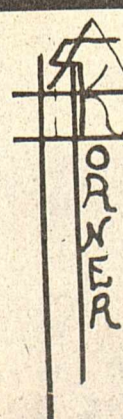
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Public Notice

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for refurbishing 140.507 miles of guide signs over various limits of IH 10 in Crockett, Sutton & Kimble Counties covered by IR 10-3(75)328 will be received at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin, until 1:00 p.m., May 3, 1988, and then publicly opened and read.

This contract is subject to all appropriate Federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Right Act of 1964. Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available for inspection at the office of Joe W. Lane, Resident Engineer, Sonora, Texas, and at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, D.C. Greer State Highway Building, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin, Texas 78701. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City Council will receive bids for depositary of the City's Investment Fund of a sum of One Million Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,375,000.00) for the period commencing June 1, 1988 and ending May 31, 1989.

Such bids must include terms of payment of interest at such rate or rates as may be lawful under any act of Congress of the United States and any rule or regulations that may be promulgated by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Such bids must include provisions for a bond executed by some solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas or not less than five (5) solvent sureties, to be in an amount not less than the total amount of the revenue of the City fund, OR in lieu of personal bonds or surety bonds, the bank may pledge securities of the following kind, in an amount equal to the amount of said City fund on deposit in said depositary bank, to wit: United States Bonds, Certificates of Indebtedness of the United States Treasury notes of the United States and other evidences of indebtedness of the United States which are guaranteed as to both principal and

interest by the United States Government, bonds of the State of Texas or any county, city, or town.

If you desire to act as depositary of the investment fund, you should submit written application therefore, sealed and marked on the outside "Application for Depositary of City Investment Fund". Such application shall be received in the office of City Manager, Sonora City Hall, 201 N.E. Main Street, Sonora, Texas not later than 9:00 a.m. on the 17th day of May, 1988, at which time such Application shall be opened publicly and read aloud at the Regular City Council Meeting.

The City of Sonora reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bidding.

Real Estate

107 Plum .. Across from O'Bryan's. S/2 of Lot 3, Block J
\$26,240.00

107 Prospect. Across from Old Jail and Courthouse. 87' of Lot 1, Block W Midtown, Sonora, Sutton County, TX.
\$27,000.00

505 College .. Behind Junior High. Part of Lot 6 and 8, City of Sonora, Sutton County, TX.
\$21,000.00

1007 Glasscock and Del Rio St. Part of Lot 11 and 12, Block 30A, South Heights Addition.
\$39,360.00

105 Central. Off Highway 277 S. Lot 1, 2, 3, Block 1, Sinolosa Addition.
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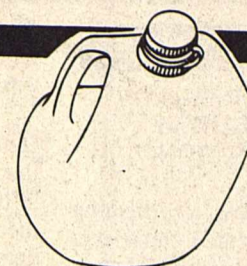
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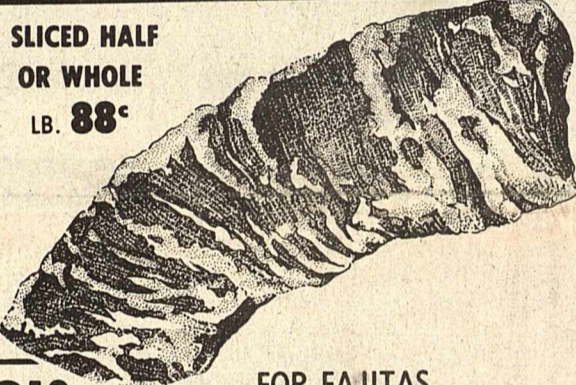
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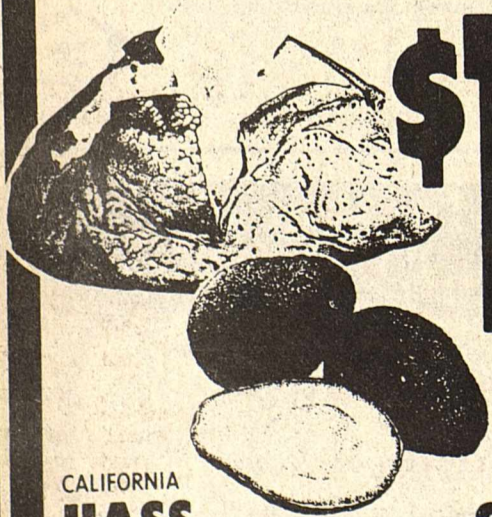
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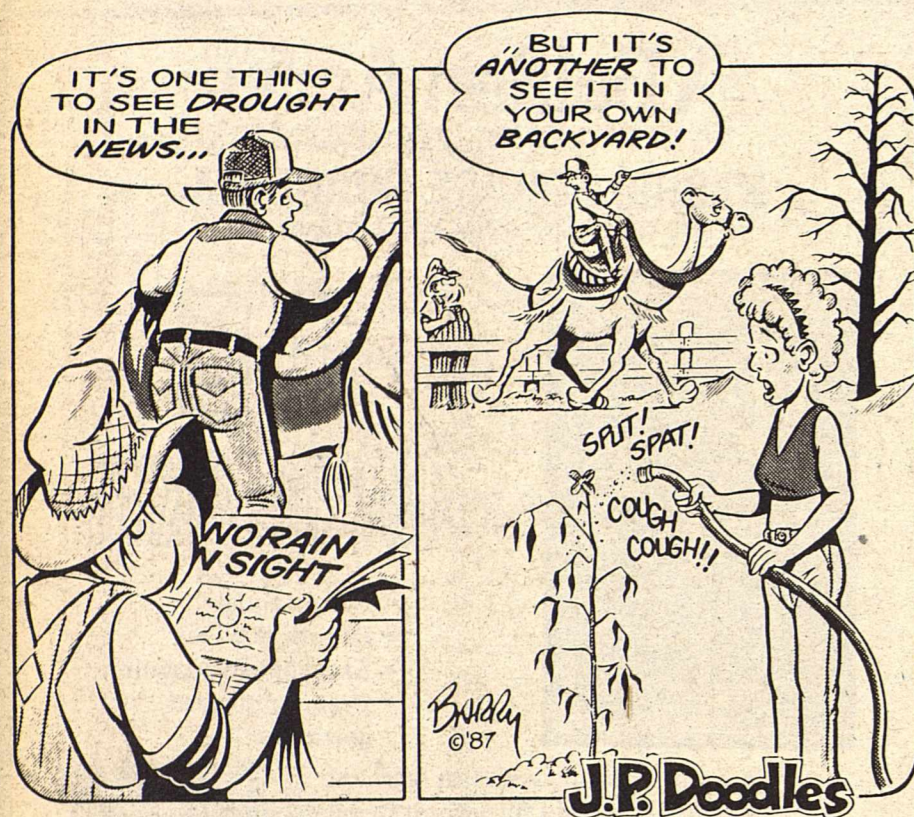
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 checkoff dollars collected nationwide totaled about \$73 million. About \$5 million of this amount came from beef and cattle importers. In Texas, checkoff dollars totaled \$12.6 million.
 "The checkoff is structured so that all producers invest an equal amount for each animal sold in the program," said Espy. "Importers and all producers participate. The law sets a 5 percent cap on use of checkoff funds for administration so

dollars go to their intended purposes of promotion, research and information. And the state council decides how to invest 50 cents of each dollar. This allows our Texas Beef Industry Council to respond to those needs within our state. The remaining 50 cents goes to the Beef Board for national programs."

Major programs on both national and state levels resulting from checkoff dollars include:

--Announcement of a working

relationship to promote "heart-healthy" diets between the American Heart Association, Texas Affiliate and the Texas Beef Industry Council.

--Cooperating with health professionals to produce brochures on the nutrition of red meat (distributed to 4.5 million supermarket shoppers), cholesterol and heart disease, and the truth about common misconceptions of beef.

--Getting the word out to the media that beef is back. More than 4,700 positive articles reaching approximately 371 million consumers have recently run in major prestigious publications.

--Providing secondary and elementary school teachers with lesson plans, films, software and multi-media packages for the classroom. Through these tools, educators can instruct millions of students on beef's proper role in the diet.

--Airing more than 500 television spots and 1,920 radio spots about beef. For instance, during the Winter Olympics coverage on ABC, beef checkoff dollars sponsored 19 commercials, one Olympic Diary, and one Olympic Moment. Overall, the beef ads have reached 94 million adults between the ages of 25 to 54.

--Cooperating with Paul Harvey, America's best known radio personality, to promote beef two times per week. His spots run from December 1987 to June 1988.

--Using point of purchase (POP) materials effectively. A recent study of 18,000 supermarkets showed industry POP materials increased fresh beef sales from 3 to 5 percent in a four-week period. In other words, every checkoff dollar

invested for POP returned \$62 in projected additional beef sales.

--Distributing beef promotion placemats that provide nutrition information. More than 500,000 have been used by Texas restaurants and 200,000 by Texas hospitals.

"It's just good business for beef producers to join together through the checkoff to see our product," Jimmy Owen, chairman of the Texas Beef Industry Council board of directors, said. "This joining together is paying off. Hundreds of projects are currently being funded through checkoff dollars. In addition to our TV spots and magazine ads, checkoff dollars support projects in research, education, foodservice, and retail, as well as provide nutritional information to consumers, food editors, dietitians, and doctors."

Anyone who has owned or acquired one head of cattle between October 1, 1986, and March 31, 1988, is eligible to vote May 10. One vote per business entity is allowed. For purposes of the referendum, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has defined a business entity as any individual or group of individuals who has a common ownership in cattle, such as a partnership, corporation or family.

Registration and voting will take place May 10 at county extension service offices around the nation. You may vote in your county of residence unless your cattle are corporately owned.

Absentee ballots are available from Dr. Milo Shult, Associate Director, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 105 System Bldg., Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843-9990.

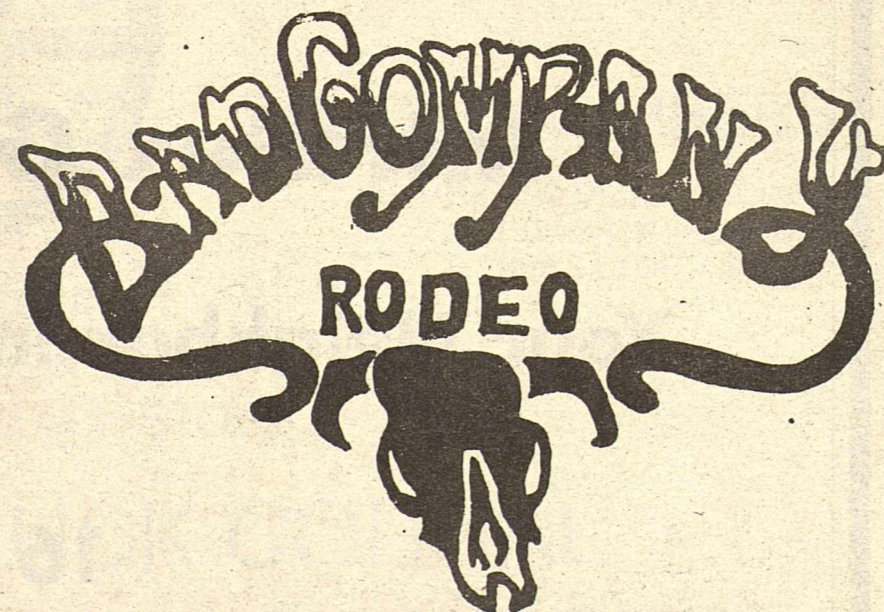


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There has been stress, too, on the universal dependence on His grace for salvation and for all good things.

The world as we know it could not exist without a fruitful agriculture. A regular harvest is a critical matter. But nature, like man, is erratic. There are times when the very elements seem to

conspire against a yield. That is what happened in France more than 1,500 years ago in the city of Vienne and its surrounding countryside. Bad weather, fires and earthquakes had brought crop failures and widespread hunger. The Bishop of Vienne, Saint Mametus, called for prayer and penance of the three days preceding Ascension Day. The people responded and implored God for help in their suffering and privation.

Word of what happened in Vienne spread throughout France and then to other countries beyond the Alps. The supplication filled a need in the hearts and minds of the people and, as the years went by, the practice of setting aside these special days-Rogation Days-was

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conspire against a yield.

When the rains cease and the earths, cracks, when storms and pestilence wreak their havoc, fields become barren and livestock grow gaunt in search of grass. It is then, and particularly in times of prolonged hardship, that the call goes out for divine intervention to ease the suffering and restore the bounty of the soil.

widely established on an annual basis. By the end of the eighth century, the Church formally adopted the custom.

In our own country, the decision to set aside a week each year to acknowledge before God our gratitude for His gifts of soil and all the bountiful resources associated with it has met an evident need of a great many people.

Beef checkoff goes for the gold in the race for the consumer dollar

Like a fleet Olympic runner, the beef checkoff came out of the block full steam on October 1, 1986. That was the date the nation's producers began contributing \$1 per head for research, promotion and education about beef.

Now the beef checkoff is entering the stretch run of its 22-month trial period as

cattlemen ready for the May 10 vote on whether to approve it permanently.

However, unlike the Olympian whose energy is spent as the finish line comes in sight, the beef checkoff's momentum becomes stronger as the referendum date comes closer. Ongoing programs on national, state and local levels continue to encourage increased beef consumption. All these programs are coming together to improve the profit potential of cattle production.

"Studies reveal that the number of Americans who believe beef fits into their lifestyle increased from 59 percent in January to 64 percent in June," said Ruth Espy of Sonora, Texas, chairman of the Sutton County Steering Committee.

"Those who believe beef is an important part of a well-balanced diet increased from 51 percent to 56 percent. These increases show that every dollar checked off by cattlemen in this program is an investment that pays dividends."

In the first year of the program,

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Burning . . .

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Members of the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District's Soil and Water Stewardship Committee and the State Soil and Water Conservation Board Witnessed and received a signed proclamation designating April 24-May 1, 1988 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Texas from Governor Bill Clements.
Standing from left to right are: Ted Wilson, Member, Soil & Water Stewardship Committee, Plainview; Clyde E Hale, President, Association of Texas Soil & Water Conservation Districts, Sherman; V.V. Fritze, Chairman, Soil & Water Stewardship Committee, Mason; Harvey Davis, Executive Director, Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board, Temple; Alvin Schulz, Member, Soil & Water Stewardship Committee, Bleiberville; Joe Antilley, Chairman, Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board, Abilene; Mel Davis, Soil Conservationist, Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board, Temple; Dr. Bill Harris, Soils Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, College Station and Governor Bill Clements (seated).
"Stewardship Is Our Future" is the theme of this year's Soil and Water Stewardship Week. Texas' 206 soil and water conservation districts will participate in the annual observance to remind all Texans that soil, water and related renewable resources warrant our best in creative conservation and considerate management.

The week--now know as Soil and Water Stewardship Week--has become a special time to remind all people that these gifts of the Creator warrant their best in creative conservation and considerate management.

In parts of the South earlier in this century, a few churches and their congregations began to set aside the fifth Sunday after Easter as Soil and Soul

duties as stewards of the Lord's earth. To help achieve this goal, the publishers offered to transfer their limited sponsorship of Soil Stewardship Sunday to the Association, which represents some 3,000 local conservation district organizations in all the states and territories of the nation. The NACD accepted and, beginning in 1955, under took to foster the observance on a

Farm and Ranch magazine suggested one Sunday be set aside

Sunday. Subsequently, this designation was changed to Soil Stewardship Sunday when, in 1946, the publishers of *Farm and Ranch* magazine took an initiative. They suggested to religious leaders in a number of southern states that one Sunday be set aside each year as a time for a special reminder to the men and women of their congregations about the ethical obligations of all people to serve as responsible stewards of the land.

The response of clergymen and laymen was so warm and widespread that observance of Soil Stewardship Sunday spread steadily to additional churches and additional states. In 1954, the publishers of the magazine (circulated primarily in the South) suggested to the officers of the National Association of Conservation Districts that a still wider observance of Soil Stewardship Sunday could aid significantly in bringing about a national awakening and recognition of man's

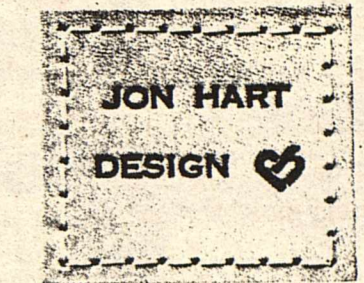
nationwide basis. A year later, recognizing possible conflicts with Rural Life Sunday and other events often observed on church calendars, Soil Stewardship Sunday was changed to Soil Stewardship Week--beginning always with the fifth Sunday after Easter and continuing through the sixth. The change provided a helpful latitude in church timing for the observance.

Since these two Sundays occasionally conflict with Mother's Day or Memorial Day, Soil and Water Stewardship Week was designated as the last Sunday in April through the first Sunday in May. Beginning with the 1988 observance, Stewardship Week will not conflict with Easter, Mother's Day or Memorial Day until well into the twenty-first century.

In its stewardship efforts, the association has been guided by a Soil and Water Stewardship Advisory Committee of

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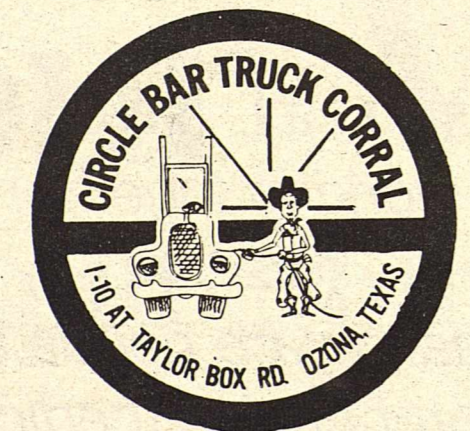
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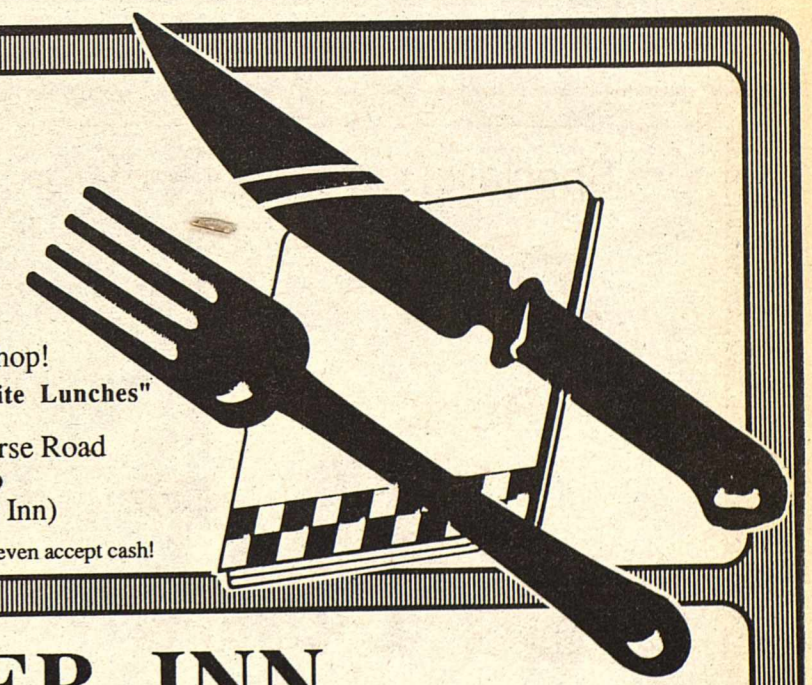
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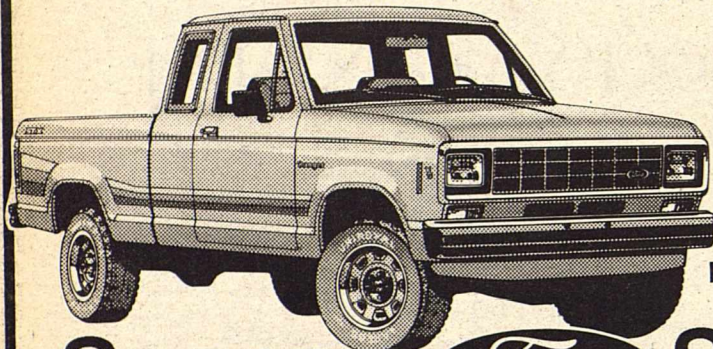


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clergymen representing a number of the nation's major religious denominations. Many other church leaders have provided notable assistance. Officers and members of the NACD Auxiliary have been particularly helpful, as have members of several cooperating farm and conservation organizations.

The Soil and Water Stewardship Week observance, by its very nature, is one to

be joined in by everyone who shares a sense of personal responsibility under God for the care of soil, water and the other vital elements making up our environment. The prime concern of our conservation districts, along with thousands of involved clergymen and laymen, is to encourage an ever-growing participating by Americans in this annual recognition of the continuing importance of thoughtful stewardship.

National Week April 24-May 1

The Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District has announced they will join in the national observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week to take place on April 24-May 1, 1988 according to an announcement by Albert Ward, chairman of the district.

The theme of this year's observance is "Stewardship Is Our Future". This focus is especially appropriate as our need for stewardship is vital if we are to maintain the productive capabilities of our basic natural resources of soil and water. Together we must work for the good of all to utilize, conserve and properly manage those resources in our care. Participation in Soil and Water Stewardship Week activities offers an opportunity to reflect on the nation's natural renewable resource problems and consider actions to resolve them or reduce their impact.

The Edwards Plateau SWCD was organized in 1946 for the purpose of offering farmers, ranchers, and the local community a voluntary conservation

technical assistance program through which individuals could seek and request conservation assistance to meet their individual land's capabilities and needs.

"Basically it is the district's responsibility to provide technical assistance when requested relative to proper soil use and treatment, erosion control practices, solve drainage problems and assist farmers and ranchers with crop, range and pastureland management," said Ward.

The National Association of Conservation Districts has sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week in the United States since 1955, in cooperation with the nation's nearly 3,000 soil and water conservation districts. Informative material on the Soil and Water Stewardship Week theme each year is distributed through local conservation districts to clergymen, lay leaders, civic and educational organizations and to individuals interested in participating in the celebration.

Spring should bring an improvement to range conditions for wildlife, keeping deer from roadsides, he predicted.

"I suspect we've reached the low point and things should be improving rapidly, if we get the rain."

Even with very little rainfall so far this spring, pastures are greening up, Rollins said.

"If we do go into a drought, quail and turkey nesting could be hurt," the wildlife specialist said. Their nesting season is

from about the middle of May through the end of July.

"Quail are pretty persistent reneaters, but turkeys are pretty reliant on the spring hatch," he said.

Landowners who destock a pasture should leave the windmill on in the pasture for wildlife, if there is no other source of water, Rollins suggested.

"Unlike livestock, you can't take wildlife to the auction barn, and they need water," he said.

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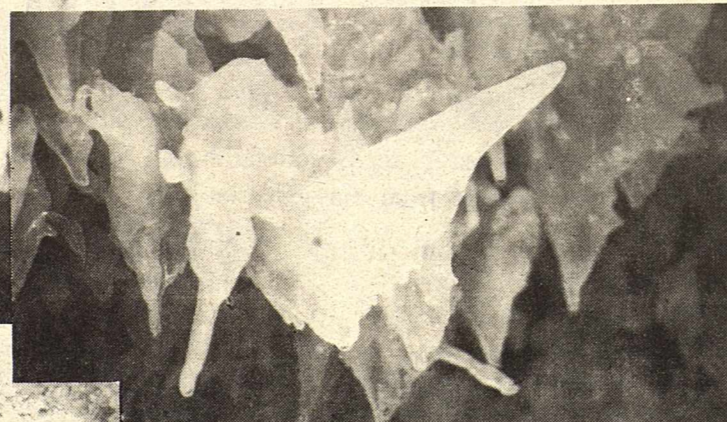
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Drought affecting wildlife

Dry conditions in Southwest Texas are forcing deer to the roadsides for something to eat and the number of deer killed by motorists is escalating.

Dr. Dale Rollins, wildlife specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, warned motorists to drive slow and cautiously, especially from dusk to about midnight, when deer are most likely to be out eating.

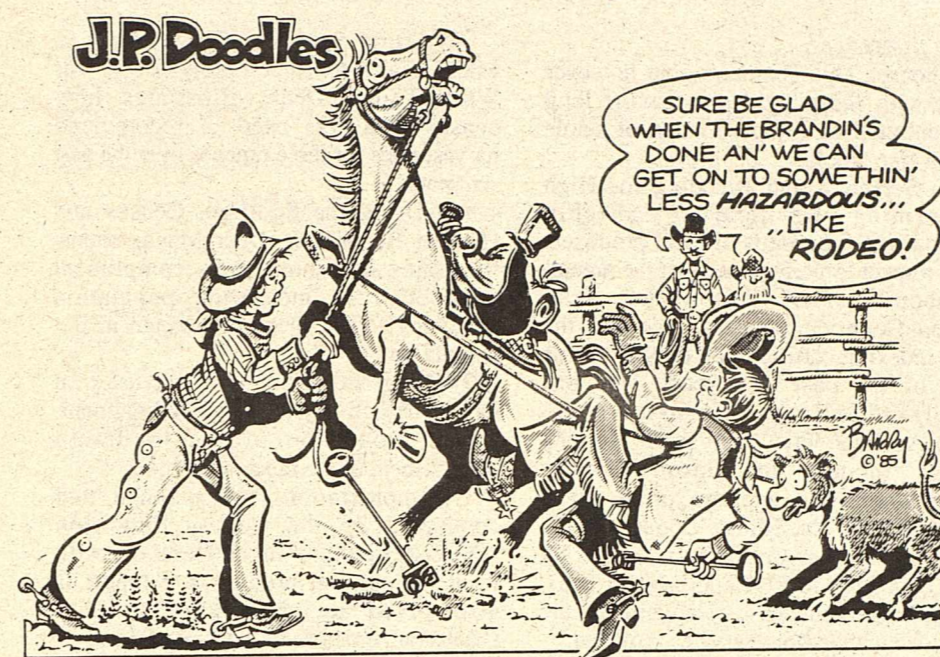
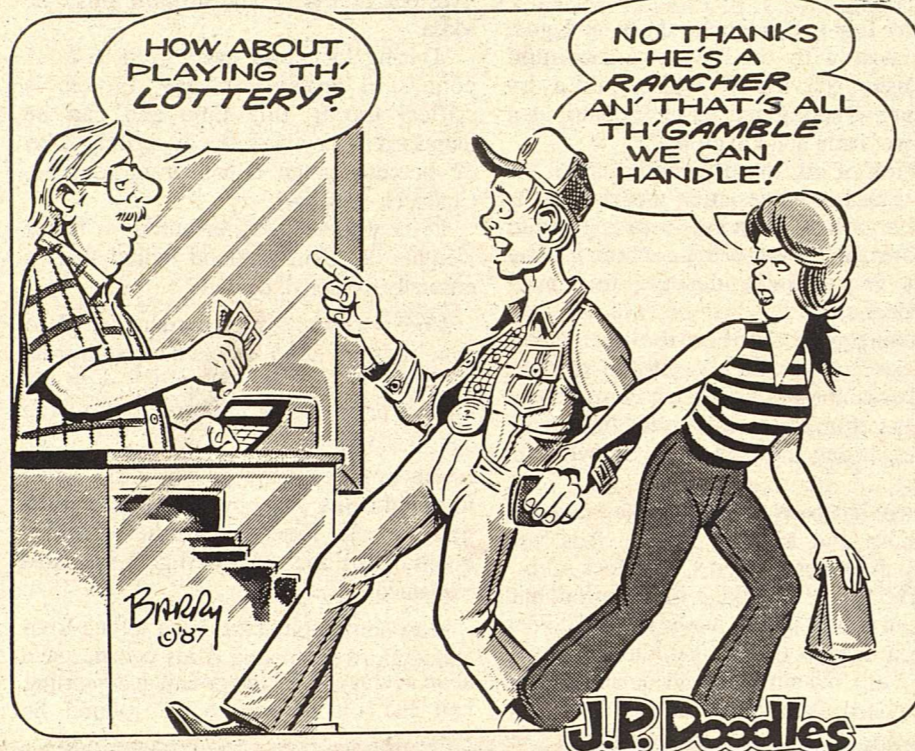
A collision with a deer can not only kill

the animal, but may also severely damage the vehicle and cause injury to the driver, he said.

"If you see a deer, slow down and honk your horn," he suggested.

However, motorists should drive with caution even if deer aren't seen. "It's the deer you don't see that you hit," he said.

Additionally, buzzard populations on the side of the road increase when deer fatalities increase. Rollins again urged motorists to keep a sharp watch for these scavengers.



Result demonstration books available at extension office

The 1987 Result Demonstration Handbook has been printed and is available from the Sutton County Extension Office. This book shows a variety of demonstration work being conducted with agricultural producers. Following is a summary of several demonstrations reported in the book:

1) Selection and Planned Mating to Attain Super Fine Fleeces on Commercial Rambouillets-This demonstration shows the results of two years accumulated data

in selection and mating sheep to produce super fine wools. The flock is an established flock already having very good wool. Preliminary results would suggest difficulty in rapidly changing fineness in this flock strictly from visual selection of rams and ewes.

2) Wool Marketing Demonstration-A fifteen year average shows a 14.5¢ per pound advantage in graded wools over original bag wools from the same

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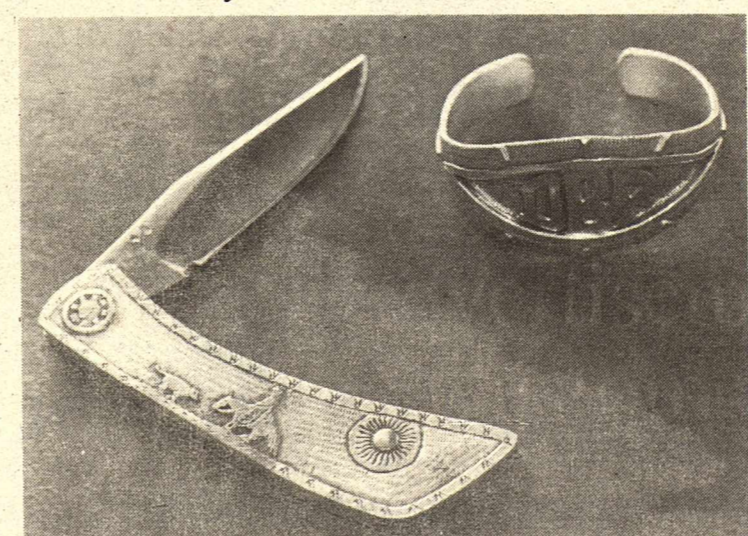
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warehouse. This demonstration however deals with sheep producers having long concentrated on the production of staple length fine wools.

3) Selection and Breeding for High Performing Rambouillet Sheep—a summary of the results of local producers with respect to performance on the annual Rambouillet Ram Performance Test. Sutton County producers have had the high indexing certified ram on the test for four of the past five years. The test usually had well over 300 rams involved.

4) An Economic Analysis of Hunting Lease Income to Sutton County Landowners—The average price for a hunting lease in Sutton County in the 1987 season was projected at \$2.68 per acre compared to \$1.46 per acre in 1981. Several different lease arrangements are involved with various services provided.

In perspective

Prescribed burning

The fall and winter burning season of 1987 and 1988 saw widespread burning of rangeland in the central and western part of the state. Although numerous fires were wildfires, many of the burns were done according to "prescription".

According to Stan Reinke, range conservationist with the USDA's Soil Conservation at San Angelo, prescribed burns can be both safe and beneficial. "We had more requests for assistance on burns this year than at any time in my

5) Using Spotlight Census Data to Make Harvest Recommendations for White-Tailed Deer...illustrates how census data was used to recommend harvest rates for three ranches over the past six years.

6) Using the Spotlight Census and Harvest Records in Deer Management—illustrates how both tools compliment each other in measuring population dynamics and in planning change in the population.

7) Forage Inventory-TRM—the use of a tool to objectively measure and estimate forage production to use in drouth management of the range resource.

Demonstrations are planned and conducted by the County Extension Agent-Agriculture in cooperation with local agricultural producers. Support is also given by the Sutton County Extension Agricultural Advisory Board.

remembrance," said Reinke. "This was mostly due to the increased fuel load which we were able to grow in 87 and because there is more and more interest in the use of fire as a tool to assist us in the management of our range resource."

It is important to remember that fire is only a tool, and can be used to help resolve some range problems; it is not a panacea that will solve or even help all the problems on the range. Fire as a tool can be used for several different reasons,

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For further information on the Texas

Hunter's Clearinghouse, please write to: Office of Farmer Assistance Programs, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

Fleece compensates for lower lamb and kid crops

Southwest Texas ranchers are facing lower lamb and kid crops, but finding the quality of wool and mohair fleeces higher this spring.

Dr. Frank Craddock, sheep and goat specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Uvalde, said a dry winter and spring thus far have contributed to lower lamb and kid crops.

"First of all, the dry conditions in the last trimester of gestation means that the number of lambs and kids born is going to be down, unless ranchers have been feeding ewes and nannies during this time," Craddock said.

Inadequate nutrition during the last trimester of gestation results in smaller, weaker lambs and kids being born, he said and therefore, there will probably be more losses during the first week or two after birth.

There has been no appreciable rain since lambing and kidding began. This will result in further problems, Craddock said.

"The forage is lacking (in nutrition) and we can expect lighter lambs when it comes time to market them. Also, the kids aren't going to grow out unless adequate nutrition is provided, Craddock explained.

"We're at the mercy of the weather," he

said.

"We still could see a lot of death losses between birth and weaning time if livestock aren't fed and no rain falls," he added.

During lactation, ewes need .6 to .7 pounds of protein per day. Protein is critical during this time and can be increased in the ewe's diet by feeding 20 to 32 percent range cubes or cottonseed, Craddock explained.

Drier weather is contributing to fleece weights of about a pound lighter than is normally expected, he said.

Wool prices have been extremely high to date, he said. Some wools have sold for \$2.80 to \$3 per grease pound, with the highest prices being paid for 20.5 micron and finer wools.

Generally, mohair clips have been lighter in weight this year, but are also of finer hair, he said. Finer hair results in higher quality clips, the sheep and goat specialist explained.

Most adult mohair has been selling from about \$1.75 per pound. Kids hair has sold at an average of \$5 per pound and yearling hair has sold between \$2-3 a pound, he said.

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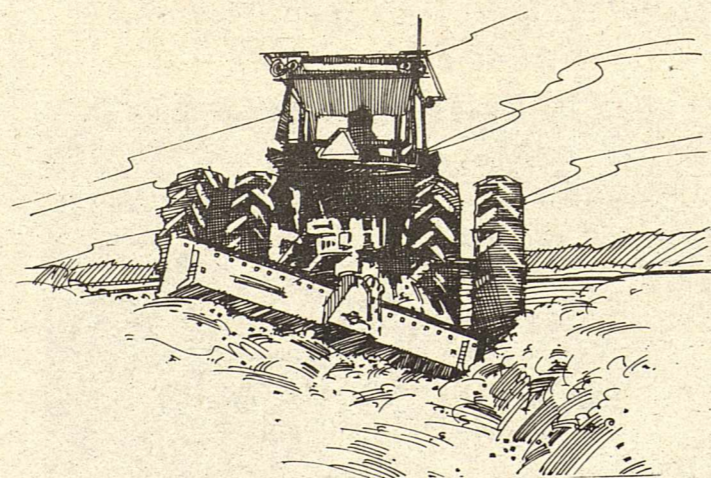
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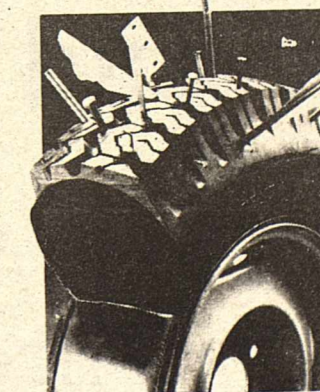
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Hunter's clearinghouse bagging the big bucks

The Texas Hunter's Clearinghouse, in only its second year of operation, helped rural Texans bag a record number of new dollars from hunting leases last year, and with turkey season already under way, the prospects for 1988 look even better, Deputy State Agriculture Commissioner Mike Moeller reported.

The Clearinghouse helped generate an estimated \$3.9 million in new economic activity in rural Texas communities during 1987, compared to a total of \$1.3 million in new activity in 1986, according to results of a survey conducted by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"We are very pleased with the performance of the program in its second year, and we are excited that it is providing this kind of economic boost in rural Texas," Moeller said in a news conference at TDA's Dallas district office.

The total dollar amount represents direct spending on hunting leases, expenditures by hunters in rural communities, and indirect expenditures generated by new income coming into rural areas through the program.

A total of 7,130 hunters called the Clearinghouse for hunting lease information in 1987, up from a total of 3,312 calls in 1986, the survey showed. Nearly 400 of those hunters called from the Dallas-Fort Worth area alone.

"The increase in call volume is a strong indication of the growing demand for hunting leases in the state," Moeller said.

The Texas Hunter's Clearinghouse is a referral program operated jointly by TDA and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department that links hunters seeking leases with farmers and ranchers who have land available for hunting. TDA publishes a directory of leases listed by region, type of game available, and amenities provided for hunters.

The Clearinghouse currently lists 6.1 million acres available for lease on nearly 900 Texas farms and ranches.

The TDA survey also showed that the average season expenditures per hunter doubled between 1986 and 1987. In 1986, the average participating hunter spent a total of \$989 on hunting leases and related expenses such as food, lodging, and transportation. In 1987, the average total per hunter rose to \$1,889.

Likewise the number of days hunters spent on their leases nearly doubled between 1986 and 1987, from an average of 12 days to an average of 21 days.

"These numbers indicate that we are getting very serious hunters involved in the program, the kind of people who are willing to spend significant amounts of time and money on a good lease," Moeller said.

according to Reinke. "We have prescribed burns to several ranchers in the area for two primary reasons", Reinke said, "the first of those was for regrowth juniper control and the second was the aid in prickly pear control. The fire on pear will be followed by herbicides later on this

Other costs associated with burning include the cutting of fire guards with maintainer or bulldozer, cost of the actual fire crew, increased liability protection, and the increased moving of livestock associated with burning deferrals.

"There are numerous positive effects

"We've prescribed burns for two primary reasons"

spring", he added. The fire will aid ranchers in the management of both of the species mentioned above and should help keep pastures open and usable by domestic livestock for longer periods of time. The use of fire also prolongs life of previously applied but more expensive mechanical practices used to control pear or juniper.

Whereas many people think that fire is a cost-free tool or at least a very inexpensive tool, the opposite is true. Pastures that are to be burned require at least three months deferral and many times eight months of deferral prior to burning. This is necessary in order to grow enough fuel so that the fire will be effective. The areas that are burned will also require rest periods following the fire to allow grasses and browse plants to recover and obtain good growth before they are grazed; this deferral will normally be three to eight months also depending on rainfall, plant production, and the type of grazing system being used. Deferrals cost money in terms of grazing lost on the areas to be burned.

associated with burning," commented Reinke. "The first and most obvious is the earlier green up due to the blackened surface conditions and the removal of the insulation provided by old, dormant plants: another plus is the increased use of the burned areas by wild species such as deer, turkey and quail. Last but not least is the improved nutrition provided to domestic livestock because of access to bush, non-lignified, grazeable vegetation."

Those ranchers contemplating burning pastures in the fall and winter of 1988 and 1989 should start planning now. Rest periods to obtain adequate fuel should be planned now and implemented at the appropriate time. Brush piles such as mesquite or cedar in the areas to be burned should be burned out during green periods when moisture and humidity conditions are good. Plans should be made to cut fire guards shortly after frost this fall so that job will be taken care of well ahead of time. All of these items and more must be included in the pre-

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Sometimes called "the best-kept secret for Texas", mohair continues to make strides into the fashion industry of the

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Headquartered in San Angelo, the council has a \$500,000 annual budget, of which, they spent more than ten percent--

\$55,000-- for a thirty minute fashion show in the Dallas Apparel Mart on March 20.

Farmers and ranchers need change in guest worker law

Farmers and ranchers in the Hill Country and West Texas urgently need to see Congress take action on an important revision in federal immigration policy.

That is why I have just introduced legislation that would ensure that all agricultural enterprises--including our ranches and farms--can use the Labor Department's H-2A guest worker program.

I don't believe much in proposing laws just to make a statement, and then letting them die. That's a waste of your tax dollars and the federal government's time.

This spring and summer, I am planning a strong effort on this bill because it will make life easier and more fair for our sheep, goat and cattle raisers.

When Congress passed the sweeping Immigration Reform and Control Act in the fall of 1986, it reauthorized the longstanding H-2 program so that American farmers and ranchers could temporarily employ foreign laborers.

But since then, the Labor Department has put up some tough bureaucratic road blocks.

And they are making it awfully difficult--in fact, virtually impossible--for the agricultural community to make use of the foreign labor on which it has depended for many years.

Unfortunately, the Labor Department is doing this by interpreting the immigration law in a way that I think is far too narrow-minded.

What they have been doing is taking an overly restrictive view of the requirement in the original immigration law that foreign workers be used only to perform

tasks of "temporary or seasonal" nature.

And so requests for laborers are being denied because the applications describe job the Labor Department doesn't think are "seasonal in nature".

It's an awfully weak argument, but so far it's worked.

As a result, regional officials who are hostile to foreign workers are being allowed to prevent ranchers from employing these guest workers.

Well, in Texas, we understand that in essence all agricultural activities are

seasonal in nature. That's because the business of agriculture turns on the seasonal growth cycles of plants and animals.

The challenge, then, is to write into law this common sense definition.

The legislation I wrote would do just that by clearly stating that the word "seasonal" applies to all agricultural activities and services.

Fortunately, I have been able to explain this to Congressman Romano L. Mazzoli of Kentucky, my colleague on the Judiciary Committee, and he has assured me he recognizes the problem.

That will be especially important later this spring, when hearings on the bill are held before the Immigration Subcommittee, of which Congressman Mazzoli is chairman.

Ultimately, if we win, our farmers and ranchers will continue to have the supplemental foreign labor that has helped to make our agricultural system the envy of the world.



Washington Update

By Congressman Lamar Smith

Prior to the show, entitled "Great American Natural", seven thousand brochures were mailed to retailers and press throughout the United States. Top fashion designers from around the country were featured in the brochure along with one of their own fashion sketches.

The show, aimed at receiving the maximum exposure, has been termed a great success.

Following on the heels of the Dallas fashion show was "Career Day" held on April 9th in Dallas. Approximately 2,000 persons attended the twenty-third annual

event most of whom are students from ninety-three colleges and universities across the country. The show was comprised of lectures, demonstrations, trade show, awarding of scholarships and culminated in a fashion show.

Mohair was provided to Texas Tech, University of Texas, WTU, and North Texas by Ol Sonora Trading Co. of Sonora to be made into garments for the full runway fashion show.

The students, future fashion leaders, compete in the show each year for prizes ranging from fabric to a year of study in France.

Because mohair is a specialty fabric, it's subject to the whims of fashion designers. When fashions are smooth, mohair doesn't fair as well with the designers since it weaves into a fluffy fabric. Prices for mohair ride a roller coaster of ups and downs as is evidenced by a low of 30 cents a pound in 1971 to a high of \$5.10 a pound in 1979.

Texas is second in production of mohair, shearing 15.5 million pounds last year, to South Africa whose production was 28.3 million pounds. Texas ranchers export ninety-eight percent of their crop to processors and manufacturers around the world to be returned to the United States as fabrics, garments and accessories.

Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower is now pushing the processing of mohair as millions of dollars are lost



The male model stylishly shows off a mohair sweater from Ol Sonora Trading Co. during the second "Great American Natural" at the Dallas Apparel Mart.

annually when raw mohair leaves the state to be spun and woven.

Texas' two wool and mohair cleaning plants can handle only about two million pounds a year.

At present, the department is working with a group in El Paso interested in setting up a third plant and is coordinating a study with Texas Tech on the potential of processing mohair and producing finished products.



Fashions by top designers, worn by top fashion models, graced the runway at the Dallas Apparel Mart during the "Great American Natural" sponsored by the Mohair Council of America. The show was attended by producers as well as buyers from across the nation.

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