

Toilet one of worst inventions?

DALLAS (AP) — A fellow by the name of Thomas Crapper, although he meant well, may have given the world an invention that has helped cause many of mankind's pollution problems, according to one of Texas' leading environmental evangelists.

"The toilet," Ned Fritz said, "is one of the worst inventions of mankind."

The 61-year-old Dallas attorney said toilets break up the natural biological chain — the ecosystem. Waste is pumped into the rivers and packed into landfills rather than returning to the soil.

It is these delicate ecosystems that drew Fritz from his law practice seven years ago to devote all of his time to environmental lobbying.

And, although his home does have indoor plumbing, he tries to live in a way that will leave as little impact as possible on his environment.

As part of the energy-conservation consciousness he said is now needed, lights in his home are used only when necessary. And, despite several 100-degree days this season, his home's air conditioning has not been cranked up yet.

Fritz lives with his wife in

a house on foliage-choked property amidst homes perched on putting green lawns. Several years ago he went to court to preserve the natural tangle of greenery that grows on his land. He won that case and has been successfully challenging government agencies on environmental questions ever since.

Weather

Showers die out after WT sweep

By the Associated Press

Thunderstorms dumped some hail and light rainfall in West Texas during the night, but those storms and other thunderstorms reported in Northwest and North Central Texas during the night had died out by early today.

Rainfall amounts were generally less than 25 of an inch although Lubbock received .37 of an inch during the night. There were no reports of hail damage.

Skies were clear in Northeast Texas and partly cloudy to cloudy elsewhere early today.

Early morning tem-

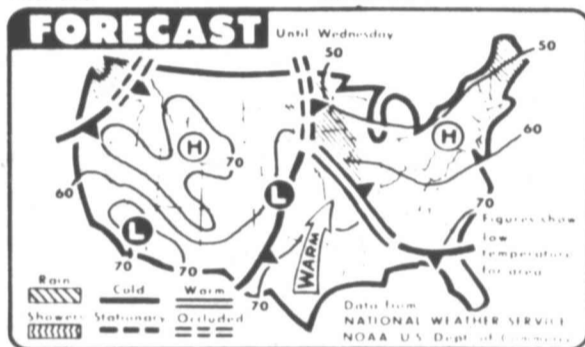
perature readings were generally in the 60s and 70s. Some early morning readings included 65 at Amarillo, 78 at Wichita Falls, 76 at Texarkana, 80 at Waco, 75 at Houston, 77 at Alice, 79 at Brownsville and San Angelo, 78 at El Paso, 64 at Lubbock and 63 at Dalhart.

Forecasts called for partly cloudy skies over most of the state with a chance of some thunderstorms mainly in South Texas. Locally heavy thunderstorms are expected in Southwest Texas tonight. Afternoon temperature readings were expected to reach the 90s.

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WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy through Wednesday. Scattered thunderstorms south late this afternoon and all sections tonight and Wednesday. A few thunderstorms possibly locally heavy south tonight. Not quite as warm most sections today. Highest today 88 north to 93 south except near 100 Big Bend. Lowest tonight 64 to 73 except Wednesday 90 to 100.

EXTENDED FORECAST: WEST TEXAS: Chance of thunderstorms and continued warm Thursday through Saturday. Highs generally in the 90s except near 105 Big Bend valleys. Lows 60s to middle 70s except 50s mountains.



WEATHER FORECAST — Today's forecast includes rain for the Pacific Northwest, the Great Plains section west of the Great Lakes, and the northern New England states, accompanied by cooler weather in some area, according to the National Weather Service.

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Lawlis back from meet

WEST POINT, NEW YORK — Lt. Weldon Ray Lawlis, an Army reserve officer in Big Spring, attended a week-long Liaison Officers' Conference at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., conducted by the Director of Admissions.

While at the conference, Lawlis participated in several workshops, attended academic and admission briefings, toured the Academy facilities and met with cadets.

Workshops subjects included Admission briefings, toured the Academy facilities and met with cadets.

Workshops subjects included Admissions Processing, Communication with Today's Youth, and Military Psychology & Leadership (counseling).

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Desegregation talks slated

The Big Spring Independent School Board of Trustees will meet Thursday to discuss the status of the school district's desegregation plan.

The plan, as it was enacted following a public hearing in early May, called for the closing of five neighborhood schools in Big Spring, the consolidation of the fifth grade into the Lakeview school, and limited busing to achieve a federally-approved balance.

An executive session is anticipated to discuss progress with legal counsel. The plan must meet Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidelines for the school district to receive federal funds.

For the record

It was mistakenly reported in Monday's Police Beat that cars driven by Juan Limon, 4206 Birch, and Billy Nichols, Seminole, collided in the parking lot of the Wooden Nickle.

The car driven by Juan Limon was not in the parking lot of the Wooden Nickle, but on W. Hwy. 80 at the time of the collision.



NEW LEADERSHIP ASSUMES SEATS — Israel's new Prime Minister Menahem Begin, front row and second from left, is flanked by his Finance Minister, Simcha Erlich, left, and Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, third from left, Monday. In the foreground is the new Defense Minister Ezer Weizmann. In background, are former Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, right, and former Defense Minister Shimon Peres.

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Supreme Court clears way for Texans' death

WASHINGTON (AP) — after a bank robbery in Temple, Tex. Gholson and Ross had been sentenced to die in the electric chair last January but Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. postponed their execution pending the outcome of their appeal to the high court.

By a 7-2 vote, the court refused to hear the appeals of Selwyn Barry Gholson, 22, and Larry Joe Ross, 23, who were sentenced to die for their part in the Sept. 14, 1974, shooting death of trooper Hollie Tull in Bell County, Tex. Prosecutors said the two men had been chased by Tull

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Bass pleads guilty, gets 16 year term

HOUSTON (AP) — A Corpus Christi construction contractor, who pleaded no contest to murder charges in the death of Randy Farenthold, stepson of a Texas political leader, has been sentenced to 16 years in prison.

Bruce Bass, 34, was sentenced Monday in Houston by State District Court Judge Wallace Moore, who assessed the punishment recommended by the prosecution.

The beaten body of Farenthold, stepson of former Texas legislator and one-time gubernatorial candidate Frances "Sissy" Farenthold, was washed ashore from the Gulf of Mexico onto Mustang Island in June 1972. The body was weighted with chains and cement blocks.

Farenthold had been scheduled to testify against Bass and three other men in a federal court fraud trial.

The men were accused of luring Farenthold into carrying \$100,000 to allegedly buy counterfeit bills at 60 per cent of their face value. He was robbed of the authentic money before the transaction.

Special prosecutor Bob Bennett said the federal charges against the four men were dropped, "but the investigation is still considered open."

Bennett said he recommended a sentence of 16 years because, "As with any plea, you have to take into consideration the legal difficulties involved in the case, the expense to the state, the number of witnesses and the likelihood of the verdict."

The case had been moved from Corpus Christi to Houston on a change of venue.

Defense attorneys said they would appeal the sentence.

Ford, Reagan, Jackson owe election cash?

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Election Commission has not sent bills to Ronald Reagan, Gerald Ford and Henry M. Jackson, whose unsuccessful presidential campaigns still owe the taxpayers an estimated \$691,000.

Ten months to a year after the three ended their quests for nomination, the commission still is trying to determine the exact amount of unspent federal election subsidies they must pay back to the treasury.

A spokesman for the commission said a heavy workload has prevented the agency's 27 auditors from completing their reviews of the campaign books. The spokesman said auditors must check the books of hundreds of federal election campaigns that received public financing or filed required disclosure reports.

Reagan, Ford and Jackson received public funds to aid their 1976 campaigns for nomination, but unlike most other subsidized candidates they did not spend all the money they raised.

Jackson dropped out of the Democratic primaries more than a year ago. Reagan and Ford battled for the Republican nomination until Ford won it at the party's convention last August.

Since then they have been allowed to retain their unspent surplus, although the law requires that it must eventually be given back to the federal treasury.

Reagan's surplus federal money has been invested in U.S. government securities earning about 5 per cent annual interest, according to a Reagan spokesman. A commission spokesman said the Reagan forces will be allowed to keep the interest money, which amounts to an estimated \$20,000 to \$25,000 so far.

Based on calculations from public records, which may differ somewhat from the final, audited figures, Reagan owes \$548,874; Ford owes \$119,286 and Jackson owes \$23,133.

Only one other presidential candidate among the 15 who received federal subsidy payments finished the pre-nomination campaign with a surplus to be repaid. Former North Carolina Gov. Terry Sanford promptly paid a bill for \$48.04 when the election commission presented it last October.

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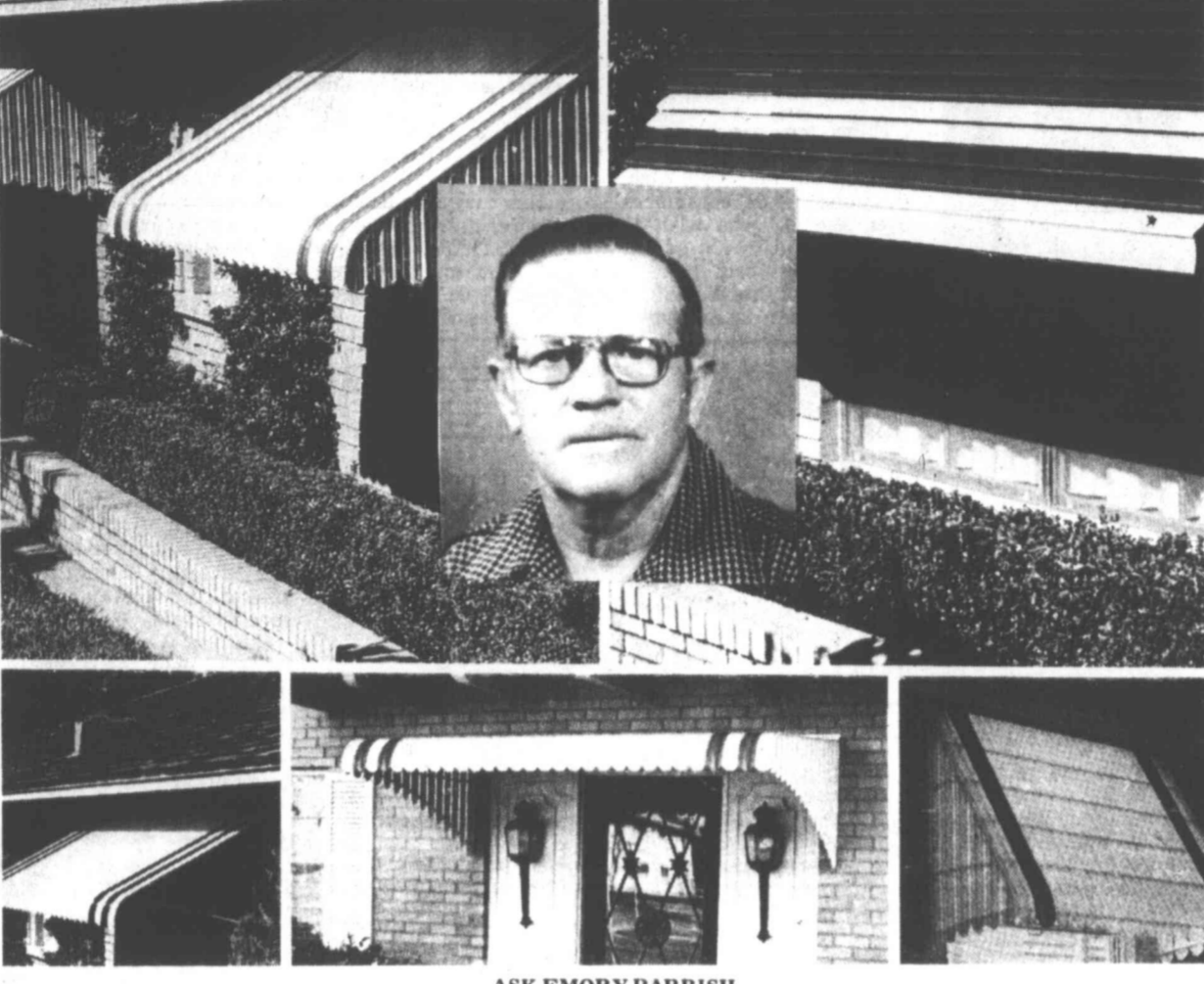
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HOSPITAL ART — Just a few of the many works of art and crafts were on display at Malone-Hogan Hospital Monday. All of the employees' efforts can be seen between Wednesday and Friday, June 22-24, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the south foyer. Pictured here are two employees, Ms. Sabra Fuller, insurance clerk, (holding her own work), and David Wright, summer PBX operator.

Hospital show recognizes 'forgotten' employes

Employees of Malone-Hogan Hospital will take part in an arts and crafts show the latter part of this week "to show, tell about, or simply share with everyone something about ourselves," Ms. Kay Shaw, chairman of the arts and crafts show who

works in purchasing at the hospital, said. The show, which begins Wednesday, June 22 and continues until Friday, June 24, will feature art work and different crafts by several hospital employees. "We want to recognize

those within our ranks who have skills we would otherwise never know about except for a show like this," Ms. Shaw said. "But the real reason we want to have this is because we enjoyed working together last year and want it to become a regular employe activity."

The show will be the second the hospital has sponsored. The first one, last year, drew about 120 works from employees. The hospital expects more this year.

Miniature beehives with bees, flowers and ladybugs have been placed in the cafeteria and departmental posters have set the pace in advance notices of things to come at the hospital. Last year's entries ranged from crafts made from used hospital supplies to hand-made dolls, paintings to needlepoints. One unusual entry was a decoupage hanging of an old portrait, entered by an employe as "something I love."

The show will be located in the south foyer between the hospital and clinic from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. The public is invited.

Circuit Riders honored at luncheon

Mrs. Dorothy Vernon, grand examiner, District 2, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, was honored with a tea Sunday afternoon in the Reddy Room of the Texas Electric Building.

Hosting the event were members of the Big Spring chapters of the Eastern Star, as well as chapters from Lamesa, Midland, Odessa, Crane, Garden City, Seminole and Coahoma. Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, past grand matron, grand chapter of Texas, was in the receiving line.

The hostesses presented Mrs. Vernon with a combination registration and photograph book, which was personalized with hand paintings by Mrs. Marquerite Garrett of Plainview.

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Medical evaluation encouraged Hearing aids get new rules from federal government

COLLEGE STATION — Consumers will buy hearing aids only one of two ways as of August, 1977 — because of a new Food and Drug Administration regulation that encourages medical evaluation of hearing problems as a first step.

Either they can present a physician's statement that a hearing aid may help their condition — or consumers over age 18, who wish to waive a medical examination, can sign a statement saying they know why the exam is advisable.

says Claudia Kerbel, consumer information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Further commenting on the FDA ruling, the specialist said it also forbids a hearing aid dealer from encouraging prospective buyers to waive the medical evaluation.

Another requirement of the new regulation is that the dealer must let a prospective buyer read the brochure before the sale is complete. The brochure gives in-

formation on what hearing aids can do, how they work, and how to use them, she explained.

"For consumers who suspect they have a hearing problem, the best advice is to get a medical evaluation from a family doctor or ear specialist — as only a physician can find the cause of a hearing loss.

"Medical or surgical treatment might help restore some or all of the hearing — or examination may show that a hearing aid could help.

"The 40 per cent of people who now go directly to a hearing aid dealer before consulting a physician might be ignoring serious medical problems," Ms. Kerbel warned.

Basically a hearing aid amplifies sound — and many persons with a hearing loss can benefit from one — however, there are several limitations consumers should understand, the specialist said.

Hearing aids cannot restore poor hearing to normal, or stop progression of hearing loss, or help people with a hearing loss understand conversation better in noisy situations, she added.



Twins Capable Of Reproducing

DEAR ABBY: I am going with a girl who has a twin brother. We are very much in love and have talked about getting married one day, but that will have to wait because I am only 18 and she is 17.

Someone told me that in the case of boy-girl twins, the girl has only a 5 per cent chance of having a child. Is that true?
WORRIED

DEAR WORRIED: No! That misconception (no pun intended) must have originated from the fact that when a cow bears twins and one is a male and another a female, the female (called "free-martin") stands only a 5 per cent chance of reproducing. That's no bull!

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter ran away to get married when she was 17. Two years later her husband left her and their small baby. The court awarded her sufficient support so that she could maintain her own apartment, which she did until recently. She decided to take a practical nursing course at the vocational school, so I agreed to take care of her baby. It simplified matters by having her move in with dad and me.

Before she moved in I made a few rules. One was that she was not to entertain any male guests unless dad or I were home. The other night she had a male friend here, knowing we wouldn't be home. This upset me. Her father claims she is 21, and we should trust her. It is a matter of principle with me. Do you think a 21-year-old divorcee should be allowed to entertain male friends alone?
AGAINST IT

DEAR AGAINST: Yes. She was wrong to have violated a "rule" she agreed to accept. But you were wrong for having made such a rule in the first place. Why offer your daughter a roof over her head and then raise it because she wants to entertain her friends at home?

Where else should a respectable woman entertain? Either change that rule, Mother, or tell daughter to change her address. You'll both be much happier.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is 20 and her fiance is 21. They're planning a September wedding. All the plans are made, and I have money down on everything. The problem is that they fight constantly. Every other week the wedding is off. They both have terrible tempers. I can't tolerate this fighting any more. Should I call off the wedding? What kind of marriage could this be?
FED UP MOM

DEAR FED UP: It could be a total loss on a short-term investment.

If the wedding is on now, go through with it. But if they call it off again, tell them you're not footing the bills for a wedding that looks like it won't last.

Club meets

Mrs. C. R. Moad served as hostess for the Rook Club meeting Friday at Coker's restaurant.

Two tables were in play. Mrs. Billie Foster, Mrs. T. G. Adams and Miss Twila Lomax were guests. Mrs. Adams and Miss Lomax tied for high score.

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She works as I.D. Clerk at the Big Spring police station, is married to Michel Joe Gamble, and works as an adult advisor for the Boy Scouts Law Enforcement Explorer Post No. 1.

She is a West Texan by birth, born in Big Spring and attended Sands School in Ackerly for 12 years.

Her hobbies are sewing, gardening, fishing, camping, horseback riding, hunting, painting and sketching, and crocheting.

She has worked in various capacities at the Big Spring State Hospital.



Officer Raymond Hall has been with the force for only two years, but has been in Big Spring a lot longer.

He is a graduate of Big Spring High and is working toward an Associate of the Arts Degree in Law Enforcement. Previously a truck driver at the water filter plant, Hall switched to a career in law enforcement to help "preserve peace and dignity for mankind, and to help society as a whole wherever needed."

His family includes two daughters, Michelle, 9, Kimberly, 4, and a son Terry, 7. They attend the Christian Church of Big Spring.

Hall lists his favorite hobbies as baseball, fishing and hunting.



Charles King Johnson calls law enforcement "difficult at times, without many tangible benefits, but you get a lot of opportunities to help people."

That hardly describes this new member of the Big Spring police department. He has arrived here with extensive background in the academics and actualities of police work. He is a graduate of the San Marcos Academy, has two years at the Pan American University, and is a graduate of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Police Academy.

He was first placed in law enforcement in the Air Force. He served a four-year hitch, including one year in Vietnam. He has worked as a deputy sheriff in Willacy County and a Sergeant in charge of records and identification.

He has a wife, Carolyn Ann Johnson, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie McChristian of Big Spring.

His hobbies are photography, motorcycles, marksmanship (he was a member of the 1973 Tactical Air Command Rifle and Revolver team), auto-mechanics and firearms repair.

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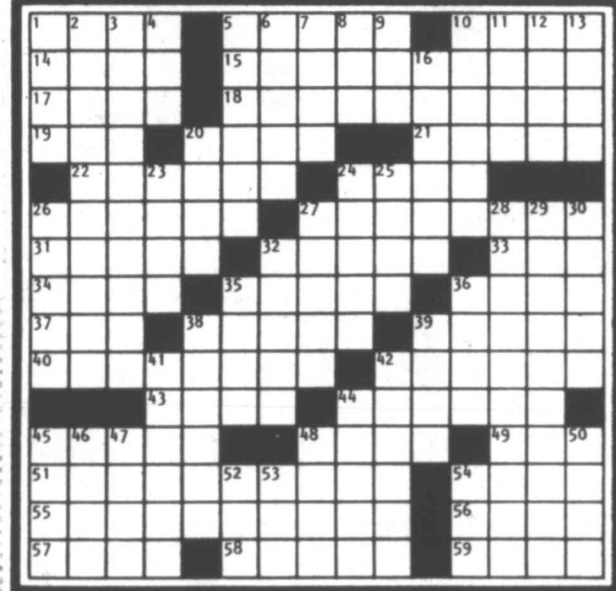
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- ACROSS**
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 - 14 Isolated
 - 15 Melon
 - 17 Single
 - 18 "Show Boat" author
 - 19 Time belt
 - 20 Explosives
 - 21 Billiard stroke
 - 22 Salad item
 - 24 Hit hard
 - 26 Outfits with metal suits
 - 27 Gets huffy
 - 31 Besmirch
 - 32 Amphibians
 - 33 Literary collection
 - 34 Barry of basketball
 - 35 Declaim
 - 36 Destroy
 - 37 - while (soon)
 - 38 "Boot" country
 - 39 Fr. income
 - 40 Legendary island
 - 42 Of the ribs
 - 43 Small amount
 - 44 Race horse
 - 45 - Solemn
 - 48 After flat or edge
 - 49 Edge
 - 51 Wrangles
 - 54 Lover
 - 55 Appear
 - 56 Sea eagles
 - 57 Snake
 - 58 Pull - one
 - 59 Being: Lat.
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 - 3 Of body structure
 - 4 - Aviv
 - 5 Clues for bloodhounds
 - 6 "It - be you"
 - 7 Tourist havens
 - 8 Gr. letter
 - 9 Certain flying group
 - 10 Search about
 - 11 Polishes
 - 12 Uncloses, to poets
 - 13 Nothing else than Relatives of the monkey
 - 16 Gr. letter
 - 20 Pileat
 - 23 Monastery man
 - 24 Bluish-gray
 - 25 Take on cargo
 - 26 Roman rooms
 - 27 Young equines
 - 28 Leisurely walkers
 - 29 Certain religious people
 - 30 Discussion group
 - 32 Characteristic
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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



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GENERAL TENDENCIES: You have a considerable amount of ingenuity and resourcefulness now and you would be wise to use modern methods to help achieve your aims. Avoid acting in an unpredictable manner.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Ideal time to handle detailed work that is important to you. Don't do anything to upset existing conditions or you get into trouble.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Plan those recreations that appeal to you and be more enthused about them. Do something thoughtful for family members.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Check your surroundings and make needed improvements. A new interest is appealing, but don't make any changes now.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You have to be alert to put your affairs in proper order today. Use better manners with others and avoid trouble.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Study your monetary status well, and be sure not to invest more heavily than you can afford. Evening is fine for entertainment.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Some existing conditions could cause you to make radical changes, but this would not be wise. Take health treatments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Instead of feeling frustrated over existing conditions, get busy and do that work that faces you. Show that you have wisdom.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Show more consideration for your friends and gain their backing for an important project you have in mind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Don't neglect to handle an important civic matter. Avoid that temptation to spend more money than you can afford.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Study new projects that could increase your income in the days ahead. Don't lose your temper with anyone at this time.

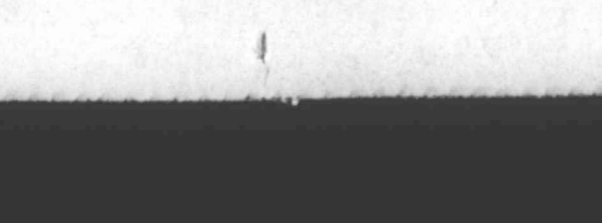
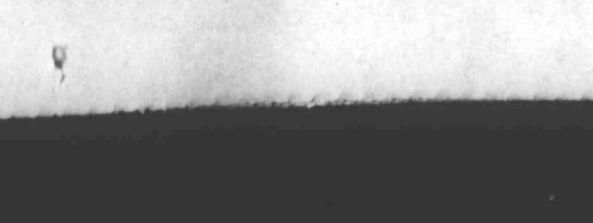
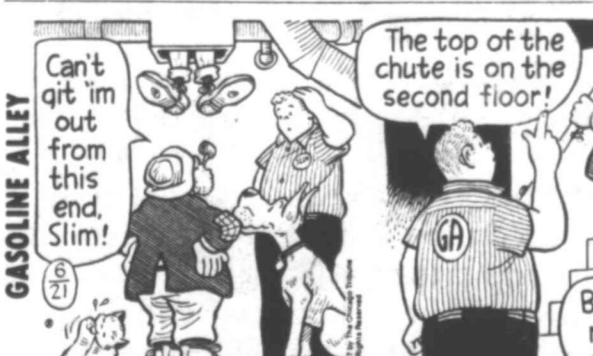
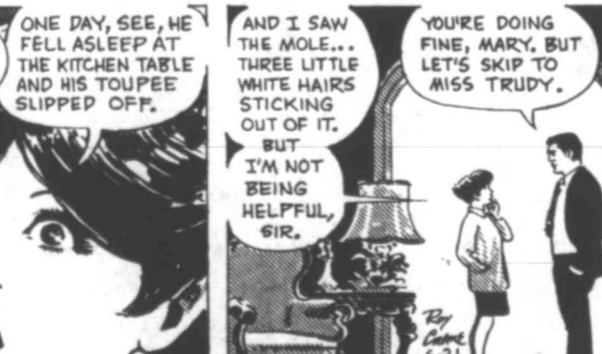
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Make sure you handle your responsibilities well and don't dash out on any silly tangents. Try to please mate more.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Talk matters over with associates so you know exactly what is expected of you. Don't waste time on the unimportant.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she could develop conflicting emotions, and it behooves you to teach which to use at the right time, otherwise your progeny could accomplish very little in life. Give a combined course of education for best results.

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Dance, Parade, Barbecue open 44th Annual Rodeo

A street dance tonight officially opens rodeo week for the 44th annual Big Spring Rodeo and Cowboy Reunion, to be held in the local rodeo arena from June 22-25.

The dance will be on Main Street in front of the courthouse starting at 8:30 p.m. The parade will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday and will take a route down Main Street around the courthouse and back up Scurry. The parade forms near the old Malone-Hogan Clinic.

Prizes are being offered for the best floats again this year. There are also prizes for visiting posers and junior riding clubs expected to take part in the event.

The opening performance is at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday night with the grand entry which will include the presentation of rodeo of-

ficials along with visiting riding groups and other representatives of the surrounding communities.

Star in the opening performance Wednesday will be Moe Bandy, Country style recording artist known for "Bandy the Rodeo Clown."

On Thursday, Dotsy, the western recording artist and songbird from Seguin will be the star and Friday night will see a return of Fiddlin' Frenchie Burke, Cajun fiddler. The final night Saturday will feature Hoyle Nix and the West Texas Cowboys.

A dance will be held following each performance in the Fair Barn on their respective nights.

The Webb Cowboy Calf Dressing will be included in the Thursday, Friday and Saturday night shows with seven squadrons from Webb Air Force Base par-

ticipating. This will be the final time for this event, which has been a part of the Big Spring rodeo for many years.

Opening night on Wednesday includes the largest Grand Entry and prizes to the winning riding groups that are visiting for the parade and rodeo will be presented.

The Kiwanis Club will hold their annual barbecue at the Old Settlers Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park starting at 5 p.m. prior to the opening performance. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$3.

Tickets for the rodeo are also \$3 and \$1.50 for children and may be purchased at several locations and at the gate.

They are selling at Creighton Tire, First National Bank, First Federal Savings, Smallwood's Western Wear, Ward's Western Wear, Lee's Service Center, Driver Insurance, Patterson Insurance, Webb Credit Union and the Chamber of Commerce office.

Tommy Steiner of Austin is again producer of the show. His X-S ranch has sent many head of bucking stock to the national finals rodeo in Oklahoma City.

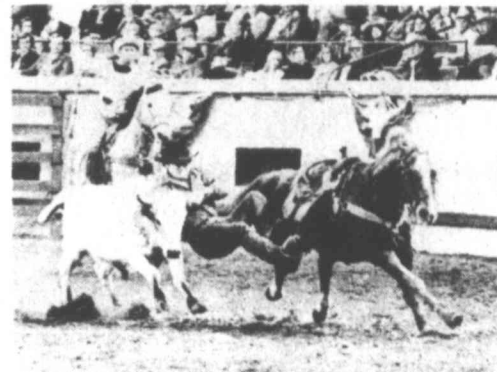
When you see a Steiner rodeo, you see one of the best. Tom Hadley of Brady will again be at the microphone as he has been for the past ten years. He is one of the top announcers in the sport of rodeo.

Quail Dobbs, well loved by Big Spring rodeo fans, will return this year as the rodeo clown. The other clown is David Burnham of Round Rock, who was successful here at the College Rodeo last season. Some of the top performers in rodeo in the world will be on hand at the Big Spring Show.

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FINAL TIME — On Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, the annual Webb Air Force Base Calf Dressing event will be held for the final time. This will be the last year that Webb squadrons compete in this hilarious rodeo event in Big Spring.

Extra Events add to the show

Extra events related to the rodeo this week include a street dance tonight in front of the courthouse on Main Street starting about dark or between 8:30 and 9 p.m.

There will also be a big parade at 4 p.m. Wednesday with the parade forming on Main Street south of the former Malone-Hogan Clinic and going up Main, around the courthouse and back south on Scurry.

The Kiwanis Club will host their annual barbecue Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. at the Comanche Trail Park in the Old Settler's Pavilion. Tickets are \$3 each.

A number of riding clubs

from surrounding counties will take part in the parade Wednesday and in the Grand Entry Wednesday night.

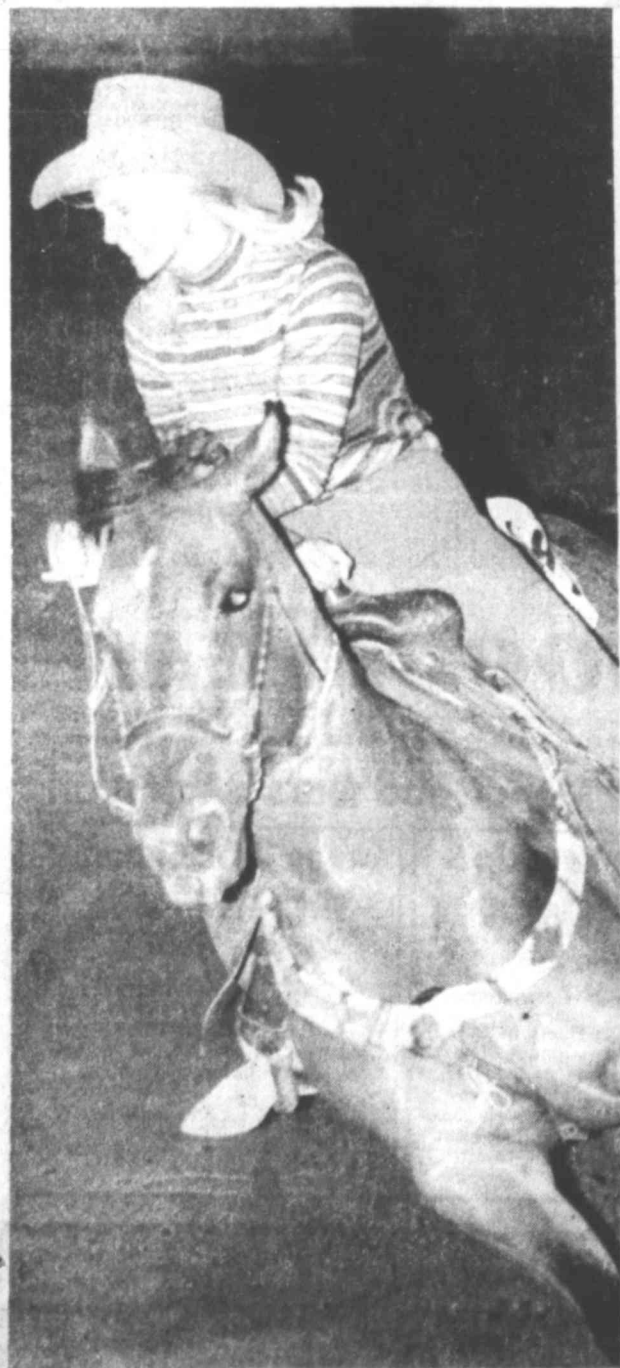
The grand entry is always longer and more colorful on Wednesday night.

The Webb Air Force Base calf dressing events are only held the final three nights of the show. This year will be the very last one and will be the final calf dressing champion squadron for Webb Air Force Base.

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LOCAL COWGIRL — Terri Himes, shown here going through her paces with the barrels, just placed high in the national collegiate finals in breakaway roping. She will be back in the local show again this year.



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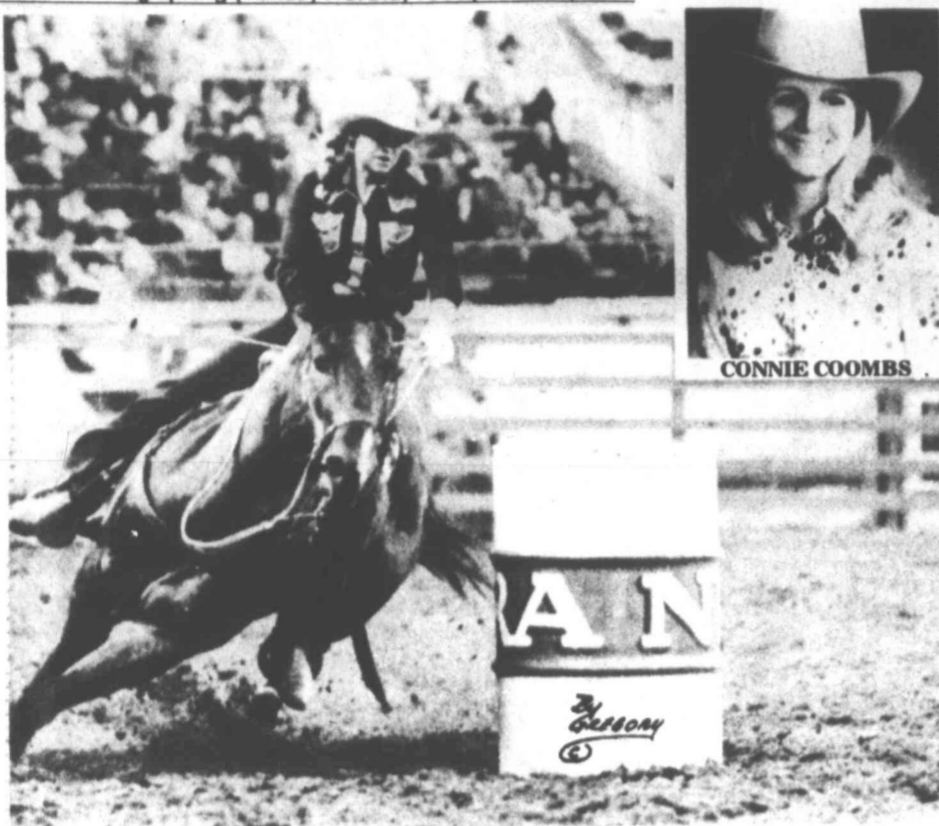
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LAST YEAR'S CHAMP
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Connie Coombs was last year's top girl

A pretty new face on the GRA Barrel Racing scene is 19-year-old Connie Coombs, from Comanche, Oklahoma. Connie made her first appearance at the 1975 National Finals Rodeo, and literally swept the event. She split 4th in the 2nd go, and placed in every go round after that. She scored the faster time of the NFR with a 16.15 and won a total of \$2,866. She finished 1975 in 3rd place in National GRA Standings.

Big Spring has new dirt in the arena, which is particularly good for barrel racing this year and a large number of top-notch barrel racers are expected, including Connie Coombs.

Included in the group are Thy Lewis and Terri Himes of Big Spring, who have both made it to the national finals at one time or another. Jimmie Gibbs of Valley Mills, world champion last year, is also expected.

The 1976 NFR was almost a repeat performance, with Connie placing in 9 of the 10 go rounds, running the fastest time 16.30, winning the average and \$3,665 in prize money.

During 1976 Connie played "change the lead" in National GRA Standings several times with 1975 World Champion and 1976 Champion Barrel Racer Jimmie Gibbs, of Valley

Mills, Texas, with Connie ending the season GRA Reserve Champion Barrel Racer. Out of 71 rodeos competed in on her way to the NFR, Connie and her great horse Joak won 34 firsts, 21 seconds and thirds. Her biggest win for the year was Cheyenne, Wyo., Greeley, Colo., Albuquerque, New Mex., Omaha, Neb., and her World Title in Barrel Racing at the National Finals for 1976.

Connie credits all her success to her 6-year-old bay stallion "Maudie Joak." He is a double bred Joe Reed II, out of Joak and Maudie Leo. Joak started winning at the age of 3 and in only 90 days ran in his first professional rodeo. Since that time, he has improved more and more. Joak was taken off the race track after running 8 races, winning 5 firsts and 3 seconds. He was never beaten out of the gate.

Tom Ferguson due in Big Spring

A 26-year-old cowboy from Miami, Okla., is out to break all the records in rodeo. Tom Ferguson reigns as world champion all around cowboy for the third straight year, and in 1976 he became the first cowboy ever to win more than \$100,000 counting both arena earnings and bonus checks.

The previous high mark for a single season was set in 1974 — by Ferguson. That year he won \$66,929, a mark he passed quickly in August, 1976. He finished the regular 1976 season with \$87,908.

At the National Finals Rodeo in December he won \$9,005 in calf roping and steer wrestling, his two specialties, and his overall total hit \$96,913. Add to that the \$17,750 he earned from the Winston Rodeo Awards, and his gross climbed to more than \$114,000.

Tom and his brother Larry, also a top "timed-event" cowboy, often travel together, and the two are tourists at heart. They enjoy competing in different parts



TOM FERGUSON

of the country, and they've got the vehicles to do it, too.

In 1975 Larry won the all around award at the Calgary Stampede; the award consists of a pickup truck. Tom won the all around at Calgary, and the pickup, last year, and then won another pickup at the National Finals when he won the world all around title again. That pickup came from Frontlines.

First rodeo performances were for fun and bets

The very first rodeos were held on different ranches for fun and a side bet or two. Cowboys from different ranches used to pit their riding and roping skills against each other at the end of a cattle drive to prove their outfit was the best on the range.

From the beginning back in the 1890s, rodeo has evolved into a professional sport that attracts millions of fans from Madison Square Garden in New York to the Cow Palace in San Francisco with hundreds of stops in between.

The first organized rodeo with a crowd and prizes was reported to be in the 1880s in Pecos on the courthouse square. Trav Windham was the first money winner in the roping event.

Even in those days, some cowboys had bad luck and a 16-year-old named Henry Slack had the winning time and his rope broke.

When the cowboys finally turned into a professional organization, the very first president was Toots Mansfield of Big Spring.

Le Doux endures breaks to win bareback title

In the years since Chris LeDoux made it to his first National Finals — 1970 — he's been jerked and jarred, run over by pickup horses, had his collarbone snapped in two, and endured the common aches and pains of big-time rodeo.

And all the while he's maintained an optimistic, often jovial outlook on rodeo and life in general. He sings about the sport, and his record albums and tapes are in demand. Chris has been a successful bareback rider through the years; he qualified for every National Finals since 1970 with the exception of the 1975 contest, and that was the year he was sidelined for six months after a pickup horse ran over him at the Houston, Texas, rodeo.

He started competition again early in 1976, and was high in PRCA bareback standings for the first several months. But during the Phoenix, Ariz., rodeo he literally had his collarbone pulled apart while making a ride.

He rested a month, then went to Lubbock, Texas, rodeo and won first. But the bone separated again a few weeks later.

LeDoux found a good athletic trainer and learned to wrap himself with adhesive tape in such a way that the old injury was protected. He still wraps himself with plenty of tape before each ride, and maintains that "the tape is the only thing that holds me together."

Just before the Finals last December he went into a concentrated training program. He rode a mechanical bucking machine every day and while in Oklahoma City for the Finals, he made a daily trek to a gym.

The program paid off, and Chris won \$4,912 and the world championship. During the regular season he won \$14,110.

The 28-year-old cowboy lives with his wife Peggy and four-year-old son Clay in a



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Barrel racing

Today the cowgirl's barrel race is a full-fledged contest of rugged, exciting and understood by the barrel racing public. Thrilling yet gentle to the slam-bang characterizes the rodeo.

With their own Association working hand with the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association regulators of the U.S. and Canada, races were held in 1976. An increase in popularity is a good indication of the sport's growth. The following Cow Parade money totaled \$1,000,000 throughout the U.S. and Canada. It all began in Texas, back in 1900, when a group of girls rodeo buffs set for a race run in barrels in order

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Barrel racing makes big league

Today the colorful cowgirl's barrel racing contest is a full-fledged part of the rugged, he-man sport of Professional Rodeo. Fast, exciting and easily understood by the novice fan, barrel racing provides a thrilling yet gentle contrast to the slam-bang action that characterizes big league rodeo.

With their own Girls Rodeo Association working hand-in-hand with the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, regulators of the sport in the U.S. and Canada, barrel races were held at 579 rodeos in 1976. An increase in approvals of 80 rodeos last year is a good indication of the jump in popularity for the girls' competition. By the time the season ended following Cow Palace, prize money totaled \$443,354 in barrel racing. The GRA also held 29 All Girl Rodeos throughout the U.S., with an additional pay off of \$144,770.

It all began logically in Texas, back in 1948 when a group of girls who were rodeo buffs set down rules for a race run around three barrels in order to establish

a place in the arena for their interest. Growth was slow — rodeo sponsors and producers tended to laugh when approached about including a cowgirls' event. But the girls were persistent. In ten years they were competing for a total guaranteed purse of \$29,000 for the whole season.

By then, the GRA officers had learned the strongpoint of their appeal was the element of glamour the girls added and the pacing of their contest. The GRA adopted rules requiring the contestants to ride in every grand entry — often outnumbering the male contestants — and to wear colorful western wardrobe at all times. The members themselves policed the conduct of their event, hurrying the girls in and out of the arena, calling down girls who slowed things down by letting hats blow off during a run. In short, the girls "sold" their contest, their association and themselves.

GRA regulations and practices have been patterned closely after those of

the PRCA, on whom the girls sometime call for support and guidance. But in a healthy relationship the girls are independent of mind to the point they will strongly disagree with Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association policy when it concerns things which they share a stake.

All GRA members are independent athletes. Other than abiding by the GRA and PRCA regulations, which they must agree to do in order to become members, the girls are their own boss. Each can travel to as many or as few rodeos as she chooses, big or small. But — there is a price for this independence. Of all pro athletes, rodeo contestants have the least security. None have any contract, salary, guarantee or expense allowance. From their winnings must be paid the travel and living costs and entry fee for each race. The latter is added back to the guaranteed purse and goes to the winners. With expenses skyrocketing, the girls desperately need to give the membership a



THAY LEWIS
... local barrel rider

reason to come into their growing association so are working very hard to encourage committees to give increases in prize money when possible.

Due to the increased number of entries, and crowd response to their

event, the GRA can guarantee every committee a great barrel race at their rodeo. At recent polls being conducted at major rodeos across the country, the GRA barrel race ranked 2nd being the favorite even in rodeo, with bull riding No. 1.



ROUND ROCK CLOWN — David Burnham of Round Rock will be one of two clowns at the Big Spring rodeo here Wednesday through Saturday. Quail Dobbs, the Coahoma Clown who is known throughout the nation, will be a highlight of the four-night show.

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RIDE, DON RIDE
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Don Gay: Bull riding's best

Don Gay, 23-year-old cowboy from Mesquite, Texas, has dominated bull riding for the past three years, and shows no signs of weakening.

He's a natural athlete, and in 1974, the year of his first bull riding world championship, he set a winnings record in the event of \$32,917.

Last year, during the regular rodeo season, he won \$33,316 to win the PRCA bull riding championship, then won the most money in the event at the National Finals — \$5,496 — to win the world championship for the third straight year.

He grew up in rodeo. His father, Neal, was a bronc rider in the Association for years, and now runs the weekly Mesquite Championship rodeos, held during the summer months. Gay came out of high school in 1972 and finished the season eighth; last year marked his fifth National Finals.

Don and his brother, Pete, who also qualified for another National Finals in bull riding last year, often travel with fellow Mesquite resident and saddle bronc world champ Monty Henson. All three got their start in rodeo at the Mesquite rodeos.



GAY IS TOPS — Don Gay is one of the best in the rodeo business and quite often is a competitor at the rodeo here in Big Spring. His competition is in riding events.

Don often pilots his own plane to rodeos, and always manages to put about 80,000 miles a year on a car. Last season he competed in about 150 rodeos across the country and in Canada.

Of the 150 he placed in more than 60 of them in bull riding, and even won \$3,400 in saddle bronc riding, an event he plans to compete in more this year.

At the National Finals last December he set a new high mark at the contest when he scored 95 points on his last bull, winning first in the go-round and cinching the world championship.

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How to watch rodeo in Big Spring

Rodeo is an original American sport gaining in popularity each year. Last season, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association headquartered in Denver, Colo., sanctioned nearly 600 rodeos in more than 40 states and four Canadian provinces. An estimated 14 million spectators paid to see the contests, and in the last several years, more and more rodeos have been televised for national viewing.

But to fully appreciate rodeo, the spectator needs to understand the fine points of each event, and know what the judges are looking for. Every PRCA-sanctioned rodeo has five standard events, three bucking or "rough-stock" contests, and two timed events.

Usually, bareback bronc riding is the first event at a rodeo. Cowboys with strong arms and a keen sense of balance enter this one; they ride with one hand holding onto a "rigger," which is a thick leather surcingle fitting over the horses' withers, and with a leather "hand hold" attached. The horses are free to jump and kick, sometimes even spin, and the cowboys try to lean back and maintain a spurring rhythm along the animal's neck and shoulders, raking the legs up and down with dull spurs. Bareback riding,

along with the other two bucking events, saddle bronc riding and bull riding, is an eight-second contest. Cowboys have eight seconds from the time the animals leave the chutes in which to demonstrate their ability.

Two cowboy judges score the bucking events. Positioned on each side of the arena, they watch the cowboy to see how well he rides, and the animals to see how well they buck. A good ride on an animal that doesn't buck well usually won't win money; same goes for a "sorry" ride on a tough, good-bucking horse or bull.

The two timed events are calf roping and steer wrestling, and the object in both is simple — get the fastest time and win first place money. In calf roping, cowboys are mounted on fast, well-trained Quarter horses. Man and horse work as a team, and the goal is to rope the running calf, which is given a pre-determined headstart from the chute, then dismount, run down to the calf and throw him to his side, and tie three legs with a short piece of rope called a "piggin' string," which the contestant carries in his mouth. The whole feat can be accomplished sometimes in less than ten seconds.

Naturally, to be successful, the cowboy has got to be good with a rope. But

half the credit for a smooth run goes to the horse. Watch how these animals back into the "box." A good horse will stand quietly, but alertly, eyes on the calf. When everything looks right, the contestant nods his head and the gate opens. The calf bolts from the chute and trips and automatic barrier. This is when the horse has to jump into high gear in only a few strides if the calf is to be overtaken. Once the calf is

roped, the horse puts on the brakes, stopping as quickly as possible. Then, while the cowboy is trying to "flank" the calf to his side, the horse tries to keep the rope taut. This helps the cowboy make the tie; but if the horse pulls back too hard, the calf will begin to choke, and then struggle, kicking and making it difficult to make the tie.

Consistency is the key to a good roping horse, outside of

speed and an ability to "rate cattle", that is, pull up behind them and keep the distance constant so the rider can throw his loop. A horse that makes a good run one day and a band one the next, takes one step backwards one time, and may be two the next run, will keep a roper broke and frustrated. Good roping horses have got to be consistent — the cowboy has to know exactly what to expect.

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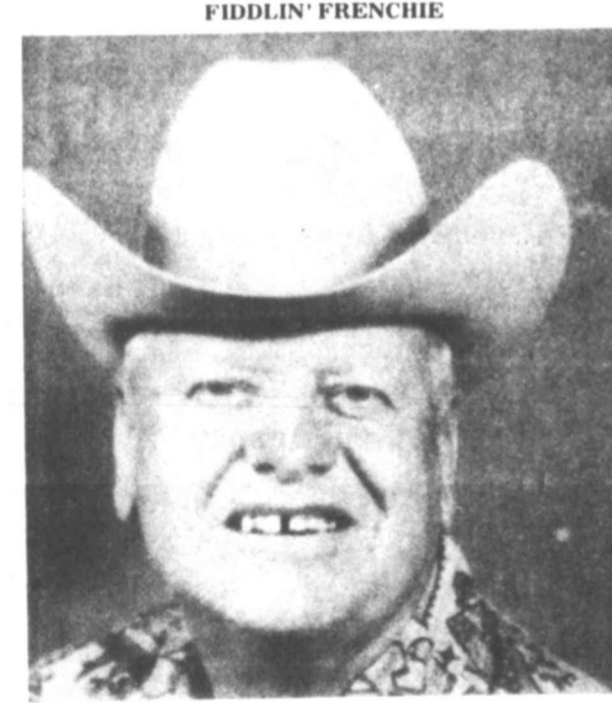
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WEDNESDAY'S STAR — Moe Bandy, western recording artist known for "Bandy the Rodeo Clown" and many other recordings, signed with Columbia Records. He is a Texas singer who claims he is an "11-year-overnight-success" having fought his way up over a rugged road. He is shown at the top left.

THURSDAY'S STAR —

Dotsy is a songbird from Seguin who is a consistent young chart maker in country western recordings and is excited about seeing all her fans in the area. She wants them to hear her newly released RCA record "After Sweet Memories." She is at the second left position.

FRIDAY'S STAR is a return performance of fiddlin' Frenchie Burke,

a Cajun fiddler with some fantastic record albums. Some of his numbers recorded at Nashville Sound Inc. include "Colinda," "The Fiddlin'" of Jacques Piere Bordeaux, and "Cotton Eyed Joe." He has played with Ray Price, Little Jimmy Dickens, Johnny Bush and others. He is at the third left.

SATURDAY'S STAR is Hoyle Nix, well known in Big Spring. He and the West Texas Cowboys will be featured on the final night of the rodeo. They have performed with such outstanding country entertainers as Bob Wills, Ernest Tubb, Marty Robbins, Merle Haggard, and many others. He is shown at the bottom left.

Gasoline sales climb in U. S.

TULSA (AP) — Gasoline sales in the United States climbed 5.13 per cent last year, matching for the first time average annual increases before the Arab oil embargo.

The Oil and Gas Journal reported that the latest Lundberg Survey of retail gasoline sales also showed that the 15 major integrated oil companies posted a decline in their share of the

domestic market for the seventh consecutive year. Smaller companies were major gainers with an increase of 7.5 per cent in 1976, to take 16.51 per cent of the total market, according to the survey.

The Journal also said national sales figures indicate conservation efforts following the Arab embargo "have about run their course, with normal growth retubing."

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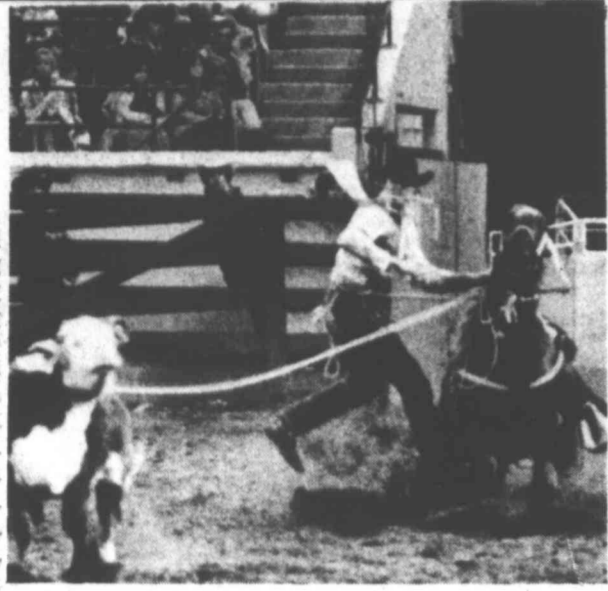
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BOYHOOD DREAM — Roy Cooper, 21, fulfilled one of his boyhood dreams last year when he won the world calf roping title and the rookie of the year. The Monument, N.M. cowboy will be a participant in the show here this year.

Roy Cooper has won top honors

DURANT, OKLA. — After watching Roy Cooper win the world calf roping championship in his rookie Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association season, many people have wondered if he wasn't born with a rope in his hand. For roping comes as natural to the 21-year-old as looking beautiful does to Farrah Fawcett-Majors.

It shouldn't have surprised the sellout crowds at Oklahoma City last December that Cooper was able to earn the \$5,000 Winston Rodeo Awards bonus that goes to the champion for he was playing with a rope almost before he knew what one was.

And no sooner had he

learned to walk than his father, Tuffy Cooper, a PRCA lifetime member, was teaching Roy how to throw a rope.

Both Coopers have performed in the Big Spring Rodeo for many years and Roy is expected to be here this year. He has rodeoed all over West Texas, winning his first championship in a junior show in Pecos in 1964 when he was nine years old.

Before he was three, he was roping goats and as soon as he was big enough, he began roping calves and learning how to throw them in record time.

Before he began school, he had entered his first junior rodeo.



MEL GYLAND



MONTY HENSON

Saddleback bronc leaders named

The world championship in saddle bronc riding for 1976 came down to a tie between two former event champs, Monty Henson of Mesquite, Texas, and Mel Hyland of Salmon Arm, B.C.

Hyland won the world title in 1972; Henson was the reigning champ going into the 1976 National Finals rodeo. The Finals determine all of rodeo's world champions: whoever wins the most money in this event at "rodeo's world series" is the champ.

Both cowboys won \$4,473 at the contest. During the regular 1976 season, Henson won the PRCA saddle bronc championship for being the event's big winner for the second straight year. He won \$34,383, while Hyland finished fourth with \$23,884.

Both cowboys are considered "real stylists" in saddle bronc riding, but rodeo fans especially like to watch for Henson's spectacular "bail out" after the whistle has blown. He likes to toss the bronc rein over the horse's neck, and at the same time, step off in one

stirrup, letting the horse pop him high in the air and then landing on his feet.

Red Smith, 1976 Pulitzer prize winning sportswriter, has called Henson "The Second Casey," and there are a few similarities between Henson and the great Casey Tibbs, who dominated the event 20 years ago. The cowboys call Henson "Hawkeye," and say the reason he wins is simple — he can spur a tough horse or an average horse with the same full arc, spurs reaching for the mane, then swinging clear back to the cantle of the saddle.

The 23-year-old cowboy also enters bull riding occasionally.

Hyland has competed in the PRCA for more than a decade, and never misses the Finals. The 28-year-old won money in more than 50 rodeos last year, and has developed the reputation for singing and playing a guitar with the same fitness he has riding bucking horses. Hyland also competes occasionally in bareback riding.



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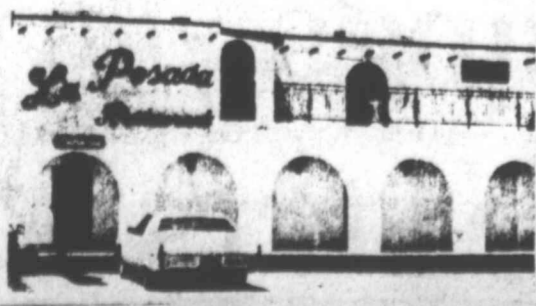
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RICK BRADLEY
... top steer wrestler

Winning combo collects title

Bucky Bradford of Sylmar, Calif., and Ronnie Rasco of Lakeside, Calif., were named world champion team at the end of the 1976 National Finals Rodeo, and the two didn't even start roping together until last September.

They proved to be a winning combination at the Finals, though, taking \$4,512 out of the ten go-rounds to win the world title. They beat other teams that had roped together for years.

At the Finals they started off a little slow, not placing in the first couple go-rounds, then came back to win second in the third go-round with a time of 7.5 seconds.

Bradford is a veteran at the Finals, and has always been one of the most consistent "headers" going. Born in Cody, Wyo., he grew up in Tucson, Ariz., and started out in junior rodeos

under his father's guidance. He's in his 14th year of pro rodeo.

Rasco made his first Finals last December. He comes from a rodeo family; his father competes in non-sanctioned rodeos in California, and taught both Ronnie and his older brother Jack how to rope.

The Rascos have their own roping arena, and always keep a few head of Mexican steers around for practice.



RONNIE RASCO



BUCKY BRADFORD

Rick Bradley trades football for boots, spurs

Rick Bradley, a 22-year-old cowboy from Durant, Okla., traded football for steer wrestling and wound up winning the world championship in the event at his first National Finals Rodeo last year.

Originally from Burk Burnett, Texas, Rick is winding up his college career at Durant, where he's majoring in physical

education at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. Rick started out at Texas Tech, and played football (defensive end), then went to Western Texas College at Snyder for a couple years and took an associate degree in art. Last year he moved to Durant.

He began playing football as a youngster, and became interested in rodeo also

during his high school days. Rick went to the Oil Bowl at Wichita Falls, Texas, in 1973, but rodeo finally won over all, and Rick traded sports.

Last year he slipped off to most of the big indoor rodeos in the spring, and then hit the road hard during summer, competing in 85 rodeos altogether and placing at 28 of them. He was encouraged by a \$1,200 win out of San

Angelo, Texas, and wound up placing at six other rodeos that paid him more than a thousand apiece. During the year he also finished second for the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's steer wrestling title.

Rick started his Finals on the slow side, taking 26.8 seconds on the first steer. He came back with a time of 8.4 seconds in the second go, still not placing, then won first in the third round with 7.1. He won third in the fifth go, followed by another first, wound up second in the ninth and tenth go-rounds, and finished fourth in the average.

Rick plans to finish college and maybe some day be a high school coach. Meanwhile, rodeo figures high on his list of things to do, and he'll probably be around the sport for quite awhile.

Art exhibit

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In conjunction with Rodeo Week, here, an art exhibit entitled "Cowboys 'n Indians" will be presented in the lobby of the Big Spring Savings Association, 604 Main, during the association's regular business hours through Friday, June 24.

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