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•**DEBATE CONTINUES:** Efforts by various ag organizations to speak up concerning the current debate over addition of animals to endangered species list, and property rights are chronicled inside this week's AgReview . . .

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WASHINGTON — Responding to constituents' alarm over federal government exceeding its boundaries and trampling private property rights, U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-Texas) last Friday co-sponsored legislation postponing any new additions to the list of endangered species.

Calling private property owners "the true endangered species," Combest expressed objections to the U.S. Interior Department's proposed listing of the Arkansas River shiner — known to inhabit Lake Meredith — the swift fox, also common to the Texas Panhandle.

"It seems as if government bureaucrats move in, spot a flower or furry animal and declare certain activities off limits for the people who own the land," said Combest, who grew up on a family farm.

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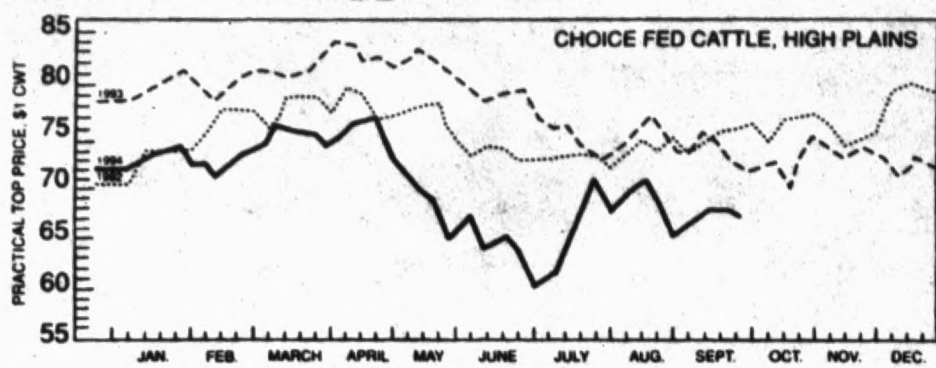
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Downstate solon, Farm Bureau seek limit to endangered listing

WACO — Flanked by Texas Farm Bureau leaders at the farm organization's state headquarters here, Congressman Chet Edwards (D-Waco) has announced plans to introduce legislation that would suspend additional listings and further designation of critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act until it can be rewritten to protect the rights of private property owners.

In stating why he was proposing the legislation restricting key provisions of the ESA, Edwards said, "I'm convinced the Endangered Species Act has gone far beyond the intent of Congress. The Act, and the agencies who implement it, are simply out of control. There's a consequence - birds and bugs seem to get more protection under the Act than people and property rights."

The Central Texas congressman predicted success, with the help of Farm Bureau, a grassroots farm organization that has been at the forefront with respect to private property rights as they relate to environmental issues. "With the help of the Texas Farm Bureau, and Farm Bureaus throughout the country, the first major issue defeated this year in Congress, in the House, was the cabinet-

level EPA position bill," the congressman noted. "That effort, pushed by the Farm Bureau, has helped really change the entire nature of the debate on environmental issues in Washington, and allowed private property rights issues to go on the offensive rather than being on the defensive." Texas Farm Bureau President Bob Stallman of Columbus praised Edwards for stepping forward on behalf of the citizens of Texas and the U.S.

"The threats to our property rights in this state and this country have taken many forms. Many regulatory schemes have assaulted those rights. Probably the most pervasive and expansive has been the effect of the Endangered Species Act on private property rights," Stallman stated, adding that Edwards' proposal was a first step in restoring common sense to the ESA through the reauthorization process.

Edwards' proposal will have three key objectives. First, it is aimed at stopping the implementation of the proposed warbler habitat plan for Central Texas, much of which lies within his district. Secondly, it

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WT A&M uses new system to study the wind's energy

Joe McCarty, a research associate with West Texas A&M University's Alternative Energy Institute (AEI), is using a Geographic Information System (GIS) to study wind resources in the Texas Panhandle.

"I try to determine where the wind will blow hard enough and long enough to produce power economically," McCarty said.

GIS gives McCarty large color maps with wind potential indicated by various shades of red and orange.

"I can study anyplace I can get a database for," McCarty said.

The information McCarty collects could then be used to determine whether an area could benefit from a utility grade wind machine.

"For example, in 1990 the California wind farms produced enough electricity to power San Francisco," McCarty said.

McCarty believes wind energy is a positive alternative to nuclear energy.

"The residential rate for nuclear generated electricity is more expensive than coal," McCarty said. "And this does not include the costs associated with disposal of nuclear waste and decommissioning of plants."

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Combest cited proposals by the Interior Department over the past two months which he said raise questions about the use of traditional drinking water sources as well as farming and ranching operations in many parts of the Panhandle-South Plains-Permian Basin region, which he represents.

Combest often describes farmers and ranchers as "natural protectors of the environment because their livelihoods depend on conservation of their land and ground water."

Combest said the Farm, Ranch and Homestead Protection Act of 1994 will protect the rights of private property owners who lose control over the use of their own land when Washington bureaucrats attempt to add another species to the endangered list.

In Texas, 366 plant and animal species are listed or are candidates for listing. Combest said it was in view of these accelerated efforts that "it is time to put the brakes on any more additions to the list until the Endangered Species Act is rationally

rewritten."

Combest has expressed his written objections to the Interior Department's Arkansas River shiner proposed listing. Designation of the two-inch minnow raises concern about using the Canadian River supplying Lake Meredith drinking water.

Combest also acted to intervene in the proposed listing of the swift fox, which is found in many parts of the region. Listing of the swift fox could deal a severe economic blow to farming, ranching and oil and gas production, Combest said.

"The Farm, Ranch and Homestead Protection Act of 1994 would temporarily suspend the addition of additional species as endangered, prevents additional lands as being designated as critical habitat until Congress rewrites the Endangered Species Act and in the meantime make private property owners eligible for compensation of lower property values if due to critical habitat designation."

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Southern chef carries on barbecuing tradition

By PAUL NOWELL
Associated Press Writer

LEXINGTON, N.C. (AP) — Wayne Monk pulled open the barbecue pit's heavy metal doors that do so little to rein in the sweet and smoky aroma that makes this small North Carolina town famous.

Cooking ever so slowly on metal grates in the oak-fired pits were 20 pork shoulders, each weighing about 15 pounds. In a matter of hours, the tender meat would be chopped or sliced into Lexington-style barbecue in a tradition that began around the turn of the century.

"I built 'em just as far as a man

can reach," Monk, the dean of Lexington's barbecue craftsmen, said of his pits.

Monk, who has served the delightful fare to presidents and common folk for 43 of his 58 years, feeds about 1,000 customers a day at his Lexington Barbecue restaurant, a modest white building along Business 85. It's one of more than a dozen places in this community of 16,000 that serve barbecue. (In 1983, Monk served it to President Reagan and the leaders of several other nations at an economic summit in Virginia.)

According to legend, Lexington-style barbecue has its origins at the Davidson County

Courthouse square, where it was cooked under tents and served to crowds in the early years of the 20th century. "They used to keep the money in an old cigar box," Monk said.

The mantle has been passed down from generation to generation, like a prized family heirloom.

Monk began in 1951, when he was 16 years old. Working in a local restaurant, he learned the secrets of Lexington barbecue over the next decade, then went into business on his own in 1962.

It's become his life. His son, Ricky, is his assistant manager. Two of Monk's daughters work at the restaurant along with their hus-

bands. In a typical week, Monk uses 8,000 pounds of pork shoulders and 2,000 pounds of cabbage for his equally-famous coleslaw. He's not about to guess the number of hush puppies and buns he goes through.

Monk is a veritable barbecue encyclopedia; he can recite statistics about barbecue off the top of his head.

Things like how hot the fire should be: 250 degrees F. How far the meat racks sit above the oak coals: 24 inches. How long it takes to cook a 15-pound pork shoulder: eight hours. How much fat drips off that shoulder before it's done: 6

pounds. While there's talk of building a barbecue museum here, there hasn't been much progress. Still, the annual barbecue festival every October draws tens of thousands of visitors to town.

Even Monk questions the need for a museum when there's so many barbecue restaurants that still cook it the old-fashioned way, over a slow fire. Roy and Boyd Dunn, who own Speedy's Barbecue, are among 16 other barbecue restaurants listed in the Lexington telephone book.

The Duns began working at Speedy's in 1963. They bought the place about 15 years later.

Rick Perry calls for delay in adding to endangered list

AUSTIN—Instead of listing the swift fox as an endangered species in the Panhandle and West Texas, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should consider other options including developing habitat enhancement guidelines for voluntary use by landowners, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said in a letter sent today to the federal agency.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is considering a petition to place the swift fox on the endangered species list, which could restrict farming, ranching and oil field activities in its habitat. In Texas, swift fox habitat is roughly contained in the western portion of the Panhandle from the Oklahoma border south to Upton County. However, Perry argues that the species is not facing extinction in Texas, and its population also appears to be healthy in Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

"Substantial numbers of this small fox occur on private lands in these states," Perry said in a letter to Elizabeth McPhillips, supervisor of Ecological Services with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "In fact, this species is numerous enough in Kansas that...the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks indicated a desire to provide surplus animals for restocking in South Dakota."

Swift fox populations appear to be low in the northern Great Plains portion of its habitat, and the petitioner has requested that the swift fox be listed as an endangered species in South and North Dakota, Nebraska and Montana. However, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service stated in its initial findings that "substantial information exists to support a decision that listing of the fox may be warranted throughout its entire range." Along with the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department does not agree with this federal opinion.

"As they typically tend to do, U.S. Fish and Wildlife is taking a board-brush approach and considering impacting at the swift fox's entire Great Plains habitat whether populations are threatened or not," Perry said.

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will force Congress to bring up for open and fair debate ESA reauthorization, which has been effectively delayed since 1992. And finally, Edwards hopes to gain bipartisan allies in Congress — that have been affected by endangered species, and those not directly impacted, but interested in protecting private property rights.

Edwards said his ultimate goal is to see the Endangered Species Act reformed and the Private Property Bill of Rights passed. That bill would ensure compensation for takings of private property and for dimin-

ished land values due to the ESA and other environmental regulations. "We think this will clip the wings of the Fish and Wildlife Service and their abuse," he commented.

Perry presented the

following four proposals for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to consider to protect the swift fox, instead of a restricted endangered species listing.

- Develop swift fox management plans for all suitable U.S. Fish

and Wildlife Service-managed property in the swift fox range, which includes the Buffalo Lake and Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuges in Texas.

- Provide swift fox habitat enhancement guidelines for voluntary use by landowners and land managers (includ-

ing other federal agencies).

- Support funding of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal Damage Control Service's activities to benefit the swift fox.

- Study the effect of diseases such as canine distemper on the swift fox.

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Creative Christmas for 1994: A bit of everything for the 'early bird santas'

The Ollie Liner Center will turn into a "Hale County Christmas" Saturday when the doors open on the seventh annual Creative Christmas.

Organized originally as teaching workshops to prepare for the stress and joys of the holiday season, Creative Christmas has expanded over the years to "be all things to all people."

Theme for this year's CC is "Come Have Christmas with Hale County."

The daylong festival will include workshops, health screenings by the Hale County Health Department and the Hale County Resource Network, a style show at noon, a concert by the Plainview Symphony Brass and shopping in the MarketPlace.

The event is sponsored by The Plainview Daily Herald and the Hale County Family and Community Education Council, formerly known as Hale County Extension Clubs.

Colleen Chadwick, Hale County Extension agent, and Nicki Logan, Lifestyles Editor at The Herald, are Creative Christmas co-chairmen.

Deana Sageser and Margaret Beerwinkle are in charge of FCE arrangements which include the programs and workshops and a luncheon.

Other committee chairmen are Sylvia Steen, publicity; Amy Adrian, food; Martha Sanders, hospitality; Rhonda James, FCE recruitment booth; Martha Pendergast, style show back stage coordinator; Evelyn Carroll and After Hours FCE club, decorating; Alma Cox, Rose Budd Stambaugh and the Family First FCE club, registration.

Workshop hostesses will be Anna Jean True, Catherine Cross, Tillie Kemp, Anna Ann Robertson, Debbie Price, Latrice Kemp, Yreva Mai Ellis and Treva

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Beverly Alvis makes a yule wreath

MAKE A WEEKEND OF IT:

Creative Christmas Weekend will actually begin Friday evening with a tour featuring three historic homes and two buildings in the downtown area.

The tour, sponsored by the Hale County Historic Preservation League, will be held from 6:30-8:30 and will begin at the Burgess-Pyles Law Office at 207 E. Sixth Street. The Burgess-Pyles office will only be open for one hour until 7:30.

Other tour stops are O'Sully's, 620 Broadway; the Day-Akin home owned by Kent and Sherry Akin at 1701 W. Seventh; Terry and Diane Harman's home and bed and breakfast in the historic Skaggs house, 815 Columbia, and Max and DeeAnn Odom's classic prairie-style home in the Shepherd house at 815 Denver.

Cost for the tour is \$3.50 per ticket or two for \$5. Trolley transportation is available by calling Debby Gibson, 296-1119, in advance.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULES:

As in years past, the Creative Christmas workshop schedule is planned so each person can attend several classes if they want to, or come at 11:45 for the Symphony Brass concert, luncheon and style show.

Local pianist Lavonia Moody will play for the style show and the the First United Methodist Handbell Choir will entertain after the Brass concert.

Martha Pendergast organized and will direct the style show which will feature fashions from local merchants.

Workshops will begin at 9:15 a.m. with *Pine Cone Firestarters for Holiday Hearths*, taught by Evelyn Carroll and Diane Williams, and *Antique Heirloom Books*, taught by Margaret Beerwinkle.

Both workshop have a fee. The Pine Cone workshop costs \$30 and the class is limited to 40 persons. Heirloom Books costs \$5 and is limited to 30 persons who need to bring a glue gun, scissors and an extension cord.

The second tier of workshops will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will be in the form of demonstrations. Angela Bohannon, Lamb County Extension agent, will teach *Yesteryear Christmas*, a showcase of older items, traditions and customs resulting in the way Americans celebrate Christmas, a unique blend of various cultures and customs.

At the same time, Jeanine Brunson and Darlene Teel will demonstrate how to build Gingerbread Houses using Roseanna Shepard's designs. There is no charge for either of these workshops.

Workshops will resume at 1:45 with *Rag Heart Wreaths* taught by Jeanine Brunson. Cost is \$2 and is limited to 25 participants who will need to bring 110 torn strips (7 inches by 1-1/5 inches) of fabric and scissors. The heart shaped wire wreaths will be provided.

Also at 1:45, Colleen Chadwick and Nicki Logan will give a demonstration on Hale County Spindles and Harvest Jackets. The demonstration is free of charge and is limited to 50.

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Former SCS head says farmers earn A-plus for efforts

AMARILLO—It is time for production agriculture to take the offensive on environmental issues by mapping strategies which will demonstrate their responsibility, a former head of the Soil Conservation Service told participants in the Great Plains Agriculture Council residue management seminar here.

Bill Richards, now an agribusiness consultant in Circleville, Ohio, said the key question facing producers is, "Will we use the environment to enhance and improve our industry, or will the conservation of our natural resources and environmental laws become our limiting factor?"

Environmental groups are waiting in the bushes to see whether agriculture will address their concerns" on water quality and soil conservation, said Bill Richards, now an agribusiness consultant in Circleville, Ohio. Richards and his three sons farm 3,600 acres of corn, soybeans and wheat.

Despite what many environmentalists claim, farmers have been "successful beyond our dreams" in carrying out conservation compliance plans. "Soil erosion is coming under control and we're only beginning to recognize the water quality benefits" from these efforts, he said.

Environmentalists are organized, well funded, connected

and have done their homework, he said. "They have the public's attention and have focused their sights on agriculture."

Richards said environmentalists tell Congress it's cheaper to regulate producers than to promote voluntary conservation programs. "They point out that fines levied on violators could fund a regulatory program, and that a few 'example' violations could get the attention of the agricultural community," he said.

"We farmers are spoiled. We have always had the Land-Grant System, Soil Conservation Service and Extension Service there to help us with education, management and technology," Richards said.

"There's a big difference in the cost to producers between the USDA approach—we're here to help you meet the requirements—and the Environmental Protection Authority approach—this is the law, hire an engineer, it's your problem."

"Our challenge is to redirect ag programs to incentive-type environmental programs," he

To take the offensive, he said, producers must adopt two premises:

* There are economic solutions to most all public envi-

ronmental concerns; it's our job to find them; and

* Future agricultural policy will focus on protecting the environment, and on the public's agenda that will replace protecting the family farm.

Richards said farmers' record on conservation compliance is "the best thing we have going as Congress debates the Clean Water Act and the 1995 Farm Bill."

"The latest data shows producers are going far beyond the crop residue requirements in their (conservation compliance) plans and we are near the tolerable soil loss limits on all highly erodible land."

He said the great switch to residue management on the good, level soils will put the nation's agricultural land well below the limit of tolerated soil erosion in coming years, as well.

"In my opinion, history will report and remember this revolution as the breakthrough in soil quality and productivity improvement."

He said these changes are bringing improved soil quality, increased organic matter, increased water infiltration and water holding capacity, decreased evaporation, deeper root penetration and other factors which improve the land.

'Healthy' Christmas encouraged by free medical screening

Health screenings and tests will be offered free of charge during Creative Christmas.

Included in the battery of tests available will be blood pressure checks, cholesterol and glucose tests as well as a PPD (tuberculosis) test.

All will be conducted by

registered health professionals associated with the Hale County Health Department under the direction of John Castro, executive director.

"Those desiring a tuberculosis test will need to agree to come in to the health department (at 10th and Ash Streets) a few

days later to have the test read," says Castro.

Last year, the demand was so great, Castro gave out rain checks for tests that could be given later in the week at the Health Department.

"The response last year was wonderful," he says. "We are expecting as many

people - or more - this year."

The Health Screening area will be located in the MarketPlace at the middle of the steer barn at Ollie Liner Center.

In addition to the screenings, the Hale County Resource Network will again set up informa-

tion booths.

Entities participating include Catholic Family Services, Salvation Army, Lonetree,

Texas Rehabilitation Commission, Motivation Education & Training Inc.

Central Plains MH-MR, Texas Migrant Council and Hospice of the Plains.

Each agency will have a booth equipped with educational information as well as employees and volunteers.

Christmas events Just-4-Kids

Entertaining and educational children's activities will be offered during both the morning and afternoon sessions of Creative Christmas.

The schedule, designed for children ages four through 12, includes a morning session, 9-11 a.m., and an afternoon session from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Cost for each session is \$2 per child. Space is limited. To register,

call 293-0219.

Roxie Igo and Roxanne Williams, assisted by Charlotte and Jennifer Sjogren, are in charge of children's activities. Projects planned include Oreo Turkeys, Cereal Necklaces, Christmas Cards from Clover Kids, Plant Pals and an About Me Book.

Carla Reese and Amy Ressler, Hale County Extension agent, serve as advisers to the activities.

BABYSITTING:

Babysitting services are available for infants to four year olds by requesting in advance. Cost is \$1.25 per hour for one child or \$2 per hour for two children.

Space is limited, therefore reservations must be made in advance of Creative Christmas by calling 293-0219 by Monday, Sept. 26.

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The program will offer creative ideas for using old cotton mill spindles which will be available for purchase. The glitzy harvest jackets are created from sweatshirts utilizing no sew techniques.

The final workshops are set for 3 p.m. Virginia Rogers of the House of Ceramics will teach Pencil Angels. Limited to a class of 50, supplies will be provided at no charge. Participants will make a pearlized and gold ceramic pencil angel ornament.

Beverly Alvis, owner of The Flower Nook, will return to Creative Christmas with a program on holiday decorating, Down Home Christmas Lights. Mrs. Alvis has been a popular program presenter since Creative Christmas was organized.

To pre-register or for more information about the workshops, call the Hale County Extension office, 293-0219. Pre-registering will ensure a spot in the workshops which often fill early.

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Children's activities will be coordinated by Roxanne Williams and Roxie Igo, assisted by Amy Ressler, Carla Reese and Charlotte and Jennifer Sjogren.

Admission to Creative Christmas is free of

charge with a recommended canned food donation to 4-H Kids Fight Kid Hunger. In turn the food will be given to the Faith in Sharing House for distribution.

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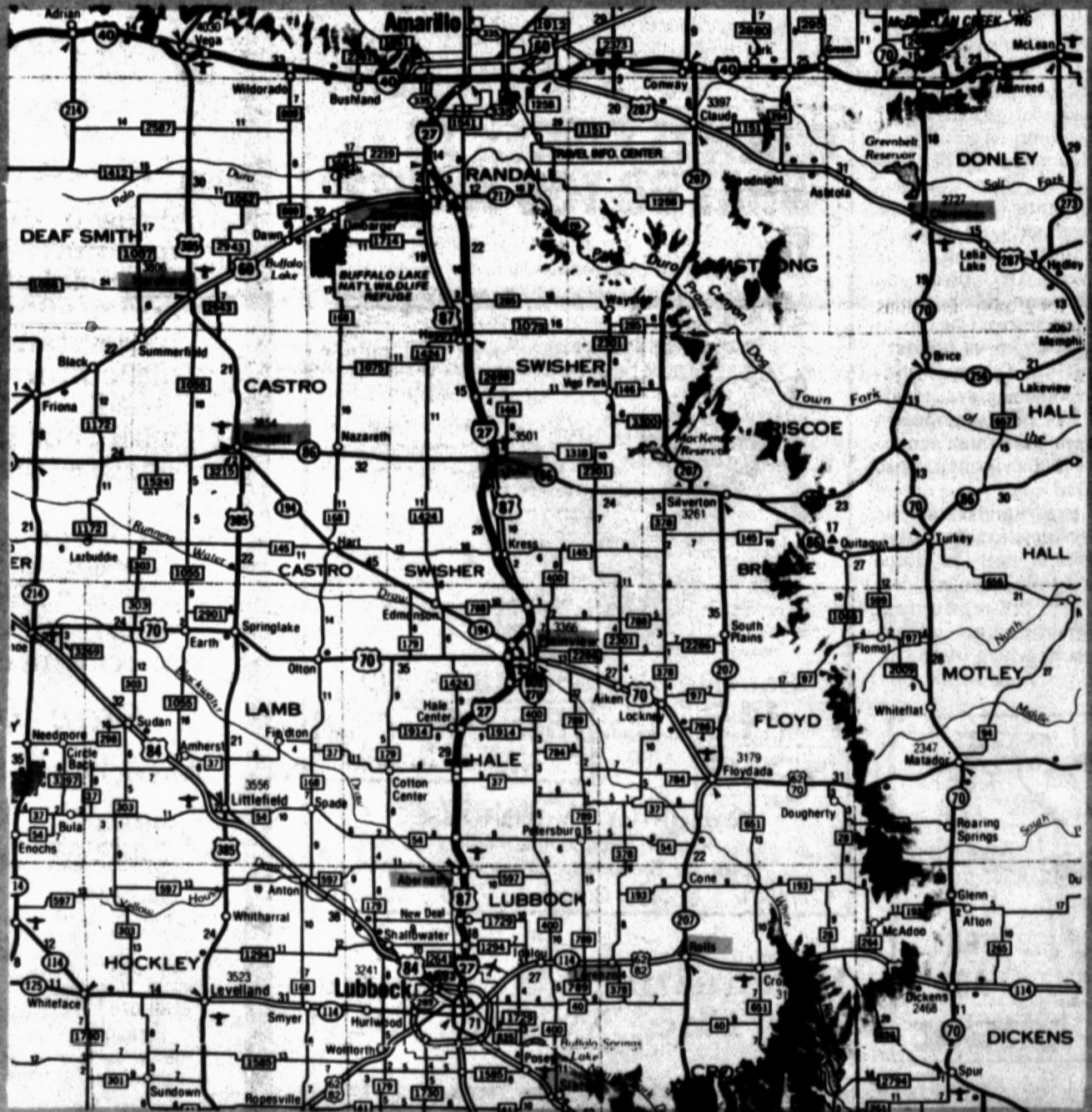
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Cotton becoming the fabric of choice in Philippines

MEMPHIS — American cotton producers, who are seeking to boost their exports worldwide, found welcome news from a recent study that revealed U.S.-grown cotton's popularity is soaring in the Philippines.

The U.S.-grown cotton was the overwhelming preferred fiber of choice by Filipino women according to a recent consumer study commissioned by Cotton Council International (CCI),

the international marketing division of the National Cotton Council.

The study was done to gauge consumer awareness of CCI's COTTON USA Mark in the Philippines after CCI conducted an extensive advertising/promotion campaign in the spring. Roper Starch Worldwide surveyed Filipino female consumers ages 20-50 from all walks of life, and found the women overwhelmingly ranked

U.S.-grown cotton as their preferred fiber of choice when rating apparel and home textile products for styling, durability, comfort, quality, manufacturer reputation and purchase preference.

The women also ranked pure cotton as either "very" or "extremely" important criteria for purchasing virtually all types of clothing and bed and bath textile products.

Timothy Heberlein, CCI's Asia Region Managing Director, said, "The Philippines is an ideal environment for pure cotton. Given its proven natural comfort in a tropical climate and its always fashionable appearance, it is not surprising that 72 percent of all survey respondents reported purchasing of pure cotton products in the three-month period prior to our study."

Heberlein noted that the

survey not only showed Filipino's preference for cotton over other raw materials, but revealed that products made from U.S.-grown cotton were far better perceived in consumers' eyes than those made from "generic" cotton grown in "any country."

"The Filipinos' desire for U.S.-grown cotton's superior value and performance is not altogether surprising," Heberlein added, "because

in markets from Germany to Japan we found more and more consumers are demonstrating a keen interest in the ingredients that make up the products they purchase."

Foreign retail textile manufacturers also have noticed that trend and are increasing the use of the COTTON USA Mark on their merchandise. A total of 48 brands of apparel and home textiles licensed for Mark use in the Philippines.

Some still nursing a faint hope that other life exists 'out there'

By WALTER SULLIVAN
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Microwave emissions of unusual intensity have been detected from four relatively close-by stars that resemble the Sun. Since these are far greater than the Sun's own microwave emissions, and since this type of frequency is used as a means of communication, at least among humans, the finding has stirred a ripple of excitement among those searching for evidence of life on other worlds.

The four stars will be among about 1,000 to be scanned for signs of intelligent life with the Parkes radio telescope in Australia, one of the largest in the Southern Hemisphere. The search is to run from Jan. 16 to the end of May. Since Congress eliminated the budget for a more ambitious program, it is being financed privately.

Astronomers around the world are aiding the project by assembling catalogues of nearby stars most likely to be inhabited by intelligent beings. Candidate stars are those old enough for intelligent life to have evolved (more than 3 billion years) and far enough from another star for the orbits of any planets to be free of gravitational perturbations.

Dr. Woodruff T. Sullivan 3d of the University of Washington in Seattle, a

leader in efforts to detect television or radar signals from other solar systems, said Tuesday that it was "not impossible, but highly unlikely" that the newly reported emissions were artificial. His view was echoed by many others searching for signs of intelligence from space.

Each of the four stars was observed for 45 minutes in the 8.5 gigahertz radio band. It is expected that artificial emissions would be concentrated into a far narrower wavelength than that observed.

None of those from Earth-based sources, like

television, satellite communications or radar, produce such broad-band signal. Instead narrow frequencies are assigned to each function. Woodruff spoke of pulsed emissions that, when combined, might account for the observations, but he agreed with other astronomers that the emissions were probably natural and linked to each star, rather than any planet. The four stars are from 42 to 101 light-years away.

The authors of the report in Science were Manuel Gudel of the Paul Scherrer Institute in Villigen, Switzerland, Jurgen H.M.M.

Schmitt of the Max Planck Institute for Extraterrestrial Physics in Garching, Germany, and Arnold O. Benz of the Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland.

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Fishing rated 'good' at many West Texas lakes

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Sept. 22:

ARROWHEAD: Water stained, 80 degrees, 4 feet below normal level; black bass good on minnows and topwaters; crappie fair 10-12 feet deep on minnows; sand bass good in schools on minnows; catfish good on shrimp and night crawlers.

BAYLOR: Water clear, 79 degrees, 13 feet below normal level; black bass good to 11 pounds on cranks, topwaters and plastic worms; crappie slow; catfish fair.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, 80 degrees, 5.5 feet below normal level; black bass good to 8 pounds on cranks and spinner baits on the rocks; everything else is slow.

FRYER: Water cloudy, 80 degrees, 4 feet below normal level; everything is slow.

GRANBURY: Water clear, 80 degrees, normal level; black bass good to 2 pounds in shallow water on spinner baits; stripers slow; sand bass good in schools on a variety of baits; crappie good 20 feet deep in trees on small minnows; catfish good over baited holes on assorted baits.

GREENBELT: Water clear, 72 degrees, 6 feet below normal level; sand bass fair early and late on jigs and trolling; catfish good to 3 pounds on minnows, water dogs and liver; everything else is slow.

KEMP: Water clear, 7.5 feet below normal level; catfish good on shrimp in the river; black bass fair; crappie slow; sand bass slow; stripers slow; water clear,

7.5 feet low;

MEREDITH: Water clear, 78 degrees, normal level; largemouth bass slow; smallmouth bass good on jigs and cranks on rocky points 15-20 feet deep; walleye fair 20-25 feet deep on points using slabs and jigs with minnow or night crawler; crappie slow; sand bass good off humps on slabs; catfish good in rocks close to shore on punch bait.

OAK CREEK: Water clear, 6.5 feet below normal level; black bass fair; crappie good on minnows; sand bass slow; catfish fair on chicken liver and night crawlers.

O.H.IVIE: Water clear, 79 degrees; largemouth bass fair on topwaters and cranks around weed beds, larger sizes on deeper points and ridges; smallmouth bass fair mixed on rocky ridges, ledges and weed beds; crappie slow, some at night on minnows; white bass fair on topwaters, cranks, slabs and jigs; walleye slow, some caught at night on points using minnows; catfish fair to 10 pounds on trotlines with live bait and over baited holes with cheese bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, 84 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass slow, some caught shallow on plastic jerk baits; stripers and sand bass good in schools on small topwaters from Hell's Gate to Costello Island; crappie fair 12-20 feet deep in brush or around docks on minnows and white/red head jigs; catfish slow.

PROCTOR: Water murky, 1 foot below normal level; black bass fair to 4 pounds off points on plastic worms and cranks; crappie

fair in deep water on minnows; hybrid stripers fair to 10 pounds trolling cranks; catfish fair on trotlines using shad.

SPENCE: Water clear, 82 degrees, 30 feet below normal level; black bass good to 8 pounds on live bait near the dam; stripers good on live bait, topwaters and downrigging; white bass slow; crappie fair on minnows; catfish fair on night crawlers and shrimp.

STAMFORD: Water murky, 5 feet below normal level; crappie good late on jigs and minnows; everything else is slow.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear, 21 feet below normal level; black bass fair to 7 pounds on plastic worms; white bass slow; crappie slow; catfish fair over baited holes in deep water.

WHITE RIVER: Water murky, 11 feet below normal level; catfish fair on perch; everything else is slow.
BASTROP: Water clear, 82 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass fair on jerk baits and topwaters; crappie slow; catfish good on punch bait.

BELTON: Water clear, normal level; black bass slow; white bass fair in schools on topwaters; hybrid stripers slow; crappie slow; catfish good on prepared baits, shad and perch.

BROWNWOOD: Water clear, 82 degrees, normal level; black bass slow; hybrid stripers good in schools in afternoon in front of dam and west side of the state park on spoons, jigs and slabs; crappie fair early off docks, and in brush piles 25-30 feet deep on minnows and jigs; white bass good in schools with hybrids during the day and running at night

under the lights on jigs and spoons; catfish fair off docks on shrimp and liver.

CANYON: Water clear, 78 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 4 pounds on minnows; crappie good up the river on minnows; stripers slow, some caught by the dam; white bass slow; stripers slow, some caught by the dam; catfish good late on shrimp, goldfish, minnows and night crawlers.

COLORADO BEND: Water clear, 8 feet below normal level; everything is slow.

DECKER: Water clear, 82 degrees, normal level; black bass good to 9 pounds on pig-and-jig; crappie good, with limits, on minnows; white bass fair on minnows; hybrid stripers slow; drum slow; catfish very good to 8 pounds on stink bait and shrimp.

FAYETTE: Water clear, 84 degrees, normal level; black bass very good in shallow water early on topwaters and live bait and during the day on topwaters and 3-inch Shad Assassins; crappie slow; catfish fair to 32 pounds on water dogs; bream good on meal worms and night crawlers.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear, 84 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass fair to 7 pounds in creeks on plastic worms; everything else is slow.

LIMESTONE: Water clear, 78 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass fair to 6 pounds on spinner baits and topwaters; crappie slow; white bass fair on Rat-L-Traps and slabs; catfish fair on live bait.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water clear, 1.5 feet below normal level; black bass fair on plastic worms;

sand bass good drift fishing around sandy points; crappie good in deep water on minnows near the dam and up in the creeks; catfish fair drifting with shad.

SOMERVILLE: Water off-colored, 79 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass slow; crappie good on minnows; hybrid stripers slow; white bass good on Hellbenders; catfish good to 66 pounds on trotlines using a variety of baits.

SQUAW CREEK: Water murky, 100 degrees, normal level; black bass fair on spinner baits and Rat-L-Traps; sand bass slow; crappie slow; catfish fair on cheese baits.

STILLHOUSE: Water clear, 82 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass slow; white bass fair on minnows and night crawlers; crappie fair at night on minnows and night crawlers; catfish slow, a few caught on blood bait and dough bait.

TRAVIS: Water clear, 82 degrees, 13 feet below normal level; black bass good to 5 pounds on chrome topwaters, chartreuse spinner baits and red shad plastic worms; stripers slow; white bass fair at night under lights; crappie slow; catfish good to 8 pounds on night crawlers.

WACO: Water clear, 84 degrees, 2 feet below normal level; black bass good to 10 pounds on cranks and some topwaters early; crappie fair on main lake brush piles on minnows; white bass slow; catfish slow.

WHITNEY: Water off-colored, 84 degrees, 3.5 feet below normal level; black bass slow; smallmouth bass fair to 6 pounds on spinners, cranks and grubs, most-

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