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Hearing Set For July 10

Commissioners Review Budget, Grant Easement To Gen Tel

Schleicher county commissioners are meeting today during a special session in conjunction with the Board of Equalization. Both meetings are to begin at 9 a.m. in the courthouse. Persons or companies may appear before the board at that time.

During an unusually short meeting Monday, Schleicher County commis-

This is a condensed version of the budget. The complete budget is available at the county clerk's office in the courthouse.

A public hearing on the budget will be at 10 a.m. July 10 in conjunction with the regular meeting of the court.

Jury Fund	.....\$5,070.62
Road and Bridge Fund	.....100,137.42
Road and Bridge Special	.....51,974.83
Farm/Market Road Fund	.....92,360.40
Lateral Road Fund	.....15,819.66
General Fund	.....395,244.23
Officers Salary Fund	.....140,366.71
Social Security Fund	.....30,220.88
Revenue Sharing Fund	.....43,844.00
Permanent Improvement	.....4,471.16

sioners reviewed the proposed 1979 budget and set a hearing for July 10. The \$483,442 budget includes a five percent pay raise for all employees.

For all practical purposes, this is the same budget we had this year," said County Judge Bob McWhorter. "Of course, this is for the next court; it can be changed," he said.

Assessed valuation in the county is \$24,000,000 which is an increase of \$4,000,000. County tax levy in the budget is \$1.25 on each \$100 assessed valuation.

Also during the meeting, commissioners granted an easement to General Telephone Company and discussed airport repairs, the swimming pool and a resolution concerning construction of a new jail.

The easement was granted for a cable that will be put underground in Orient Heights, in the east part of Eldorado. The cable will be laid beginning at the corner of Denny Street and Highway 277 (or Murchison Ave.) It will go south for one block, east one block, south several blocks and then west one block, back to Denny street, going around the radio antenna. The cable will be placed two feet deep and four feet from the highway.

Also during the meeting, commissioners discussed repairing the airport runway. McWhorter told the

School Plans Developmental Youth Program

Children who may have difficulty with foundation work in either kindergarten or the first grade may receive extra help this summer.

The Eldorado public school system will conduct a pre-school readiness-language development program July 10 to Aug. 4. It will be from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Since the program extends over the lunch hour, students are asked to bring a sack lunch.

Eligible students will be those whose skills in oral English are limited and who would, in the absence of this program, experience difficulty with basic work in either kindergarten or first grade.

Primary emphasis will be on the development of basic pronunciation expanded vocabulary, oral communication, and oral comprehension.

For further information, contact Gloria Rodriguez, 853-2816.

court he had received an estimate to coat the runway with hot mix for \$39-40,000. He also had an estimate to put a seal coat on the runway for \$10-11,000. He said the county would have to do all the preparation. Stripping the runway would cost about \$500, he said.

McWhorter presented a copy of a letter from Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe to the secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, Bob Bergland, recommending that Schleicher County be declared a disaster area because of the drought last year. Because of this declaration, area ranchers and farmers will be able to receive low interest emergency loans from the Small Business Administration. The loans will be to cover physical and production losses.

The court received a resolution from the Council of Governments through the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department. The resolution asked the county to pay at least 50 percent of the final cost of building jail facilities through local revenue.

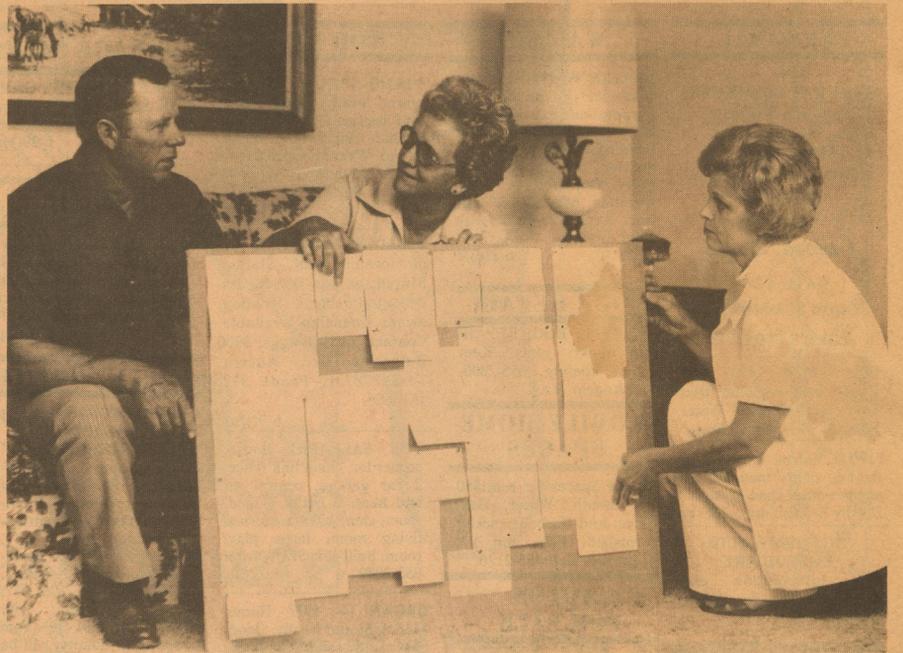
McWhorter explained that the court passed a resolution asking for a grant to make a study of the cost and needs of the county, which are "still in the mill." Commissioners declined to pass the newest resolution until the planning stages of the jail were finalized. "We would if we knew the price," commented commissioner Joe Christian.

"The court should have the right to reject or accept any plans," said Gene McCalla. "They are the people who requested us to update our jail so let them provide the money. The final say should be with the court, not COG."

The court asked county attorney T.P. Robinson to reword the resolution and present it to them during the meeting today.

A long discussion was held concerning the swimming pool. The problem of vandalism is a major one for the pool, as trash has been dumped in the water several times. County treasurer A.G. McCormack told the court that pool operator Ben Fatheree had to work several hours cleaning the garbage out of the pool Sunday. The court discussed putting up another fence around the pool, but took no action. Concensus of the court was that the problem was so major that the pool may have to be closed.

The next meeting of the court will be July 10 at 9 a.m. The court will have a hearing on the budget and meet with architects who will present bids for the new jail.



PREPARING FOR MIAS AMIGAS MEETING THIS WEEKEND
.....W.F. Edmiston, Wenona Isaacs, Patsy Kellogg read correspondence from friends.

Mias Amigas Meet Here For Annual Homecoming

Ex-students of Eldorado High School will be meeting on the courthouse lawn this weekend for the 48th Mias Amigas homecoming.

Registration is at 5 p.m. Friday in the Memorial Building. Following is a sandwich and salad supper with those attending bringing their own

suppers. Drinks will be provided.

Entertainment will be provided by the Sidewinders, composed of Jimmy Deaton, Judy Bureson and Kyle McCormack.

The ringing of the old school bell on the courthouse lawn at 9:30 a.m. will open festivities Saturday morning. The bell will be rung by "Rocky" Meador, a long time resident of this county.

A business meeting follows the bell ringing in the Memorial Building, with new officers being elected. Officers serving this year were Wenona Isaacs, president; W.F. Edmiston, first vice president; Patsy Kellogg, second vice president; Jimmie West, third vice president; Ann Ballew Barker, secretary; Pat Kent May of Austin, treasurer and Ed Meador, publicity.

A barbecue in the courthouse lawn will be served at noon. Mrs. Isaacs said that tickets should be purchased in advance. She may be contacted at 853-2623. About 220 tickets have been purchased at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Williamson of Willis, will be guest speakers for the program in the Memorial Building at 2 p.m. The couple taught school here 50 years ago. He was a football coach and teacher. She taught home economics.

The class of 1928 will be honored during the program.

Mrs. Isaacs said some of the guests will be from Trinidad, Guadalupe, Mex., California and Washington, D. C.

Mias Amigas meets once each year and those who graduated from the Eldorado school system more than 20 years ago are eligible to attend.

AFS Chapter Being Formed

The search is on — for an American Field family, that is. Ilse Williams, chairman, is trying to create a chapter of the AFS in Eldorado.

The local chapter would find a family here that would be host to an overseas student during the coming school year. The student would live with the family and attend classes at Eldorado High School.

"The main requirement for an AFS host family is concern and interest in young people. The AFS program can be not only beneficial to the student, but also extremely rewarding to the host family," Mrs. Williams said.

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CLASS OF 1928 — This is the graduating class of Eldorado High School in 1928, which will be honored during the Mias Amigas meeting this weekend. Shown at baccalaureate service are, from left to right, the late Maud Kent, Velma May, Lee H. McElroy, R.L. (Lyonelle) Ballew, Taylor Wright, Pat Finley, Clemmie Green, the Rev. L.D. Hardt, Alvin R. Lueddecke, Blanch Newlin, Wilma Milligan and Jym Newsom. Rev. Hardt was guest speaker for the event.

SBA Loans Are Available To Local Farmers, Ranchers

Schleicher County farmers and ranchers who were hurt by last year's lack of rainfall now have a way of receiving help from the Small Business Administration. This county, along with many other Texas counties, has been declared a disaster area.

Although the area has received a minimal amount this year, farmers and ranchers are still able to receive low interest loans from the Small Business Administration, under the Physical Loss Disaster Program.

Loans may be made up to \$500,000 although the SBA may limit any disaster loan to an amount the applicant can be expected to repay. Loans may be made for 30 years, although ten years is the expected normal term for repayment. Interest rates are three percent for the first \$250,000 and 5 5/8 percent for the next \$250,000.

The loans are to be used for losses to crops and/or livestock. Up to 50 percent of the loan may be used to pay outstanding obligations including accounts payable, crop loans, notes payable and reasonable living expenses.

Losses will be calculated and verified by the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation office. They will be determined by taking a percentage of the applicant's yield compared to an average county yield in previous years.

Applications may be picked up at the ASC office. They must be completed and turned in by October 11. About 35 applications have been picked up to date.

Schleicher county is among 37 other counties to be declared a disaster area because of drought. Action to declare this county a disaster came when the County Emergency Board asked the area be declared a disaster. The board is composed of Ronnie Mittel, ASC director; Freddie Williams, director of the Soil Conservation Service and Jerry Swift, county extension agent for agriculture.

The county commissioners court endorsed the declaration and governor Dolph Briscoe sent a letter to the department of Agriculture Bob Bergland confirming the drought conditions in the state.

Landmark Is Disappearing

Drug Store Was Once Center Of Activities

One of Eldorado's oldest business buildings and landmarks is quickly disappearing, as the old Hoover Drug Store on Main Street is being removed.

Once the center of activity in Eldorado, the building housed several businesses and the Masonic Lodge.

The lodge was situated in the back part of the top floor. Some of the stands used by the Masons are still in the building.

The telephone office and switchboard were located in the front part of the top floor. Miss Chris Enochs was one of the first operators. She was helped by two local youths, Dick Bearce and Malone Hill, who spent the nights there answering late phone calls during the 1920's.

According to County records, B.E. Earles, bought the lot where the building now stands in May of 1903 for \$350. He operated a drug store in the bottom part of the building until he sold it to L.M. Hoover in November of 1925. Hoover paid \$2,000 for the property.

Hoover and his nephew, Jim, operated the drug store there until moving to the building directly across from the bank in the 40's. The

drug store handled a wide assortment of gifts and merchandise in addition to a soda fountain. Several local youngsters were hired at different times to work the fountain and provide curb service.

When the Hoovers moved, the bottom half of the building was leased by the newspaper. Fred Gunstead, publisher of the Eldorado Success, used the front of the first floor for an office and the back for a press room and living quarters. He and his family lived there for two or three years. In 1960, the paper moved across the street to the present office of The Schleicher County Leader.

The building also housed offices used by Dr. E.B. Newsome and a Dr. Carver.

In recent years, the vacant building has been used only as a storage space for local merchants and some of the high school classes. Fred Spinks, who is removing the building said it was "to the ceiling" in one place with posters and crepe paper, creating a fire hazard.

Spinks is removing the top floor of the building and moving the bottom half to his farm. It will be used for a barn.



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AL-ANON-A group has been formed for people with alcoholic friends or families. The Al-Anon group meets every Monday night at 8 p.m. at the Memorial Building. Any person interested is welcome to join.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON SCHLEICHER COUNTY BUDGET AND REVENUE SHARING BUDGET
Proposed Budgets for 1979 THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SCHLEICHER
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the Proposed Schleicher County Budget and the Federal Revenue Sharing Budget for the year of 1979, at 10:00 A.M., July 10, 1978, in the Schleicher County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom, at which time all the interested citizens of Schleicher County have the right to participate in said Hearing. A copy of the proposed Budget will be available for public inspection in the County Clerk's Office, Courthouse, Eldorado.

TOTAL ENTITLEMENT FUNDS estimated for year is \$43,844.00; Sanitation \$1,370.00; New Equipment, Road and Sheriff's Department \$28,244.00; General Government \$14,230.00.

SCHLEICHER COUNTY BUDGET estimated for the year as follows: Revenue Sharing \$43,844.00; Jury Fund \$2,265.00; Road Department \$184,052.00; General Government, \$253,281.00.

/s/ Robert L. McWhorter
County Judge
Schleicher County, Texas 6-29(1)c

AFS Chapter

(Continued from page 1)

Williams said. "A family may acquire new perspectives about another culture, experience the fun of a new and continuing friendship and help a student discover the life of a community and nation," she added.

The AFS International Headquarters in New York City screens candidates who apply for a year's stay in the United States. Currently there are over 2,500 students from 60

countries living and studying here. Aside from food costs and other small expenses, the host family incurs no debt in hosting a student. The local chapter raises an annual fee of \$975, which supplemented by whatever the student can afford, covers AFS program expenses. The service extends a small monthly allowance and medical coverage to its students. Hosts families may take

a monthly tax deduction. "So there is very little expense to a host family," Mrs. Williams noted. "What is really needed is something that cannot be bought — love and attention that every young person needs in a home situation. While many families participating in the program include high school age children, any family is eligible. For further information, contact Ise Williams at 853-2460.

Cattle Grub Can Take Large Toll

Now that cattle prices are better, many Lower rolling Plains, Edwards Plateau, and Hill Country livestock producers are interested in what can be done to prevent losses by cattle parasites. One of the parasites that causes considerable loss in livestock productivity is the common cattle grub. This insect probably causes greater losses than any other pest of cattle. Besides damaging meat and hides by their burrowing they lower beef cattle gains and mild production throughout the year. Beef cattle producers often fail to notice the hidden toll these insects take, but profit losses are estimated in the millions of dollars each year.

The cattle grub is the larval stage of the heel fly and occurs in all areas of Texas, but is rare in the extreme southern tip. During late fall and winter, the cattle grub makes its appearance in the backs of animals. Every rancher is familiar with the knot-like warbles, cysts or "wolves" that show up at this time of year. The tendency is to begin control measures for these pest when they appear in the back. However, when grubs reach the

animals back, most of the damage has been done and controls applied at this time will usually not result in any economic return.

The cycle begins when flies lay their eggs on the cattle. The heel fly has no mouth parts and causes no pain to cattle, but they frighten the animals and make them difficult to manage. When attacked, cattle run wildly with their tails in the air. Cattle find some relief from heel flies standing for hours in deep shade or water. Failure to graze during this period causes reduced milk production and subnormal weight gains.

Eggs, glued to hairs, hatch in a few days and the larvae crawl down the hair to enter the skin at the hair follicle. Then they begin a course of migration through the animal's body for six to eight months, at the end of which period they eventually appear in the animal's back in the fall and winter of the following season.

Cattle grubs can be effectively controlled with a systemic insecticide - an insecticide which is applied to the animal and absorbed into the blood system to provide control of grubs migrating through the animals tissues. Systemic insecticides can be best applied as pour-ons or sprays. Regardless of the method of treatment, the material should be applied between May and September 1 each year. Usually treatment in this area during late May and June are the most effective for grub control. In addition to controlling cattle grubs, the application of systemic insecticides also provide contact control of horn flies for a period of two to three weeks. Thus, systemic insecticides can replace one treatment for horn fly control, so the overall cost is favorable. When using systemic insecticides, always read and follow carefully the instructions on the container label.

Box Springs Add Life To Mattress

Specially designed mattresses or platforms will give the quality performance consumers desire for the pedestal-type look.

A regular mattress put on a platform will have about half the life of one used with box springs because they get much more wear and tear, explains a housing and home furnishings specialist.

To get the full life from a mattress and still have the platform look, include the use of a box spring foundation, she suggests.

Glenda Moore is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System. Mattress manufacturers are meeting consumer needs for the sleek platform by designing special mattresses.

For example, one company conceals a box spring-type foundation in the platform frame.

Another is making a mattress with an extra turn in its coils — it's one inch higher than a conventional mattress, the specialist continues.

Social Security Sets Local Visit

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his visit to Eldorado. He will be at the fire station on Thursday, July 20th between 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time. Persons who are unable to meet with him are encouraged to call the office in San Angelo at 949-4608.

Donkey Ball Game Set For Friday

The Jaycees have challenged the Eldorado A's to a Donkey ball game Friday night. The fun will begin at 7 p.m. in the rodeo arena.

Advance tickets which may be purchased from any Jaycee member, are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. At the gate, adult tickets will be \$2.50 and children's tickets will be \$.50. Godfrey's Donkeys, Inc., is furnishing the animals.

July 1 Deadline For Horse Show

July 1 is the penalty-free entry deadline for the National Youth Horse Congress to be held at the Heart O' Texas Fairgrounds in Waco, July 22-29. 4-H and other youth interested in entering the show should contact Marilyn Dundon, 3940 Clear Cove Lane, Dallas 75234 or call 214/247-7032. The seventh annual show is expected to attract about 3,000 entries.

Calendar Of Events

TONIGHT — Championship little league game, 7 p.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 30 — Registration for Mias Amigas, 5 p.m., Memorial Building; Jaycee Donkey Baseball Game, 7 p.m., rodeo arena.
SATURDAY, JULY 1 — Mias Amigas meeting - bell ringing at 9 a.m., courthouse lawn.
SUNDAY, JULY 22 — Sunday devotional at nursing home, 3:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, JULY 4 — Play Day at Golf Course.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 — Lions Club, noon, Memorial Building; Jaycees, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Building.
MONDAY, JULY 10 — County Commissioners, 9 a.m., hearing on county budget, 10 a.m.
TUESDAY, JULY 11 — Volunteer firemen, 8 p.m., firehall.

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In Those Days

(Compiled From Eldorado Success Files)

ONE YEAR AGO
June 30, 1977 — A \$976,923 school budget was presented as the Board of Equalization met.

Funeral services were held for Ebbie Donaldson, 85; and Ray Gentry, 71. Local Highway Dept. employees receiving safe driving awards were Manuel V. Matinez, Bill Radle, Jr., and Rutilio V. Robledo.

FIVE YEARS AGO
June 29, 1973 — The Lions Club installation and ladies night was coming up. Pat Ragsdale was incoming president, succeeding Elton McGinness.

Long-time Congressman O.C. Fisher was undergoing open heart surgery in a Houston hospital. (He would announce his retirement the following year after 32 years in office.)

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Mittel and family were back from a vacation trip to the North Texas area.

The engagement of Donna Kaye Freudiger of Albany, Texas, to David Parker was announced.

The Jaycees were putting a donkey ball game. The Lions Club announced sponsorship of a local defensive driving course.

12 YEARS AGO
June 30, 1966 — After practicing medicine here for two years, Dr. E.F. Vernezobre was moving to Midland.

Beth McCalla was awarded the P-TA Scholarship.

Jack Steward received his wings as an American Airlines flight officer.

Mrs. L.D. Ochsner was appointed school tax assessor and collector, suc-

ceeding Mrs. Creola Phelps who was moving. Logan and Griffin ran a foundation for the new building in the County Park.

Leaving for a week at Girl Scout camp were Patsy and Paula Prater, Sherwin Jackson, and Patti Olson. Marian Bland was going for two weeks. Returning from the camp session were Claudia Meador, Peggy Hill and Genie Newport.

Sons were born to the Jimmy Wayne HARRISes, the Ronnie SAUERSes, and the Dan GRIFFINSes.

Jan Porter and Ronnie Williams were married.

35 YEARS AGO
July 2, 1943 — Succeeding Miss Mary Alyn Lewis as Schleicher Home Demonstration agent was Miss Virginia Ryan. She was employed two years as home economics teacher in the Deport, Texas, schools.

E.C. Hill was to retire as Lions District Governor of District 2-A.

The National Farm Loan Association of Schleicher, Sutton and Crockett counties were being merged, with A.E. Prugel to be secretary-treasurer.

Attending Boy Scout camp Louis Farr near Merton from here were Dee Jolly, Sonnie Stanford, Ray Long, Bill Lewis Humphrey, Howard Parker and Billy Sam Breedlove.

Miss Siddie Hausler of La Grange is visiting in the Fred Watson home, guest of Elaine and Gloris Watson.

Eldorado Coffee Shop announced D.C. Royster was special cook for the Saturday Dinner which cost 50c.

Mrs. Lester Henderson received word that her son, Cpl. Clifton Henderson, was in North Africa confined in a hospital after an attack of fever.

"Nothing But The Truth, My Gal Sal," "Wake Island," "Hit Parade of 1943," and "Gone With The Wind" were movies being shown at the Lone Star Theater.

Range Scientist Intensify Weed Control Research

Most ranchers in Texas will tell you that merquite and brush is their greatest perennial problem in range livestock production and effective rangeland management. However, in the southern half of the state, native perennial weeds and small shrubs have become just as important a problem as brush.

Rangeland has always had broomweeds, ragweeds, and similar low-value plants, but certain species have recently been increasing in abundance and density at an alarming rate. These weeds and shrubs crowd out grasses and waste precious water just as vigorously as brush, and some of them are poisonous to livestock.

In response to rancher's requests for technical aid in combating these problems, researchers of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES), the Extension Service, and the USDA-SEA-FR (ARS) have intensified efforts to develop effective, economical, and environmentally safe methods for controlling these weeds.

The recent explosion of the range weed problem is most critical in South Texas, where several such plants are currently causing trouble. The goldenweeds are the most rapidly increasing problem. Ten years ago, ranchers didn't know that goldenweeds existed; now, they dominate substantial portions of both native grassland and improved pastures. They often become established after a rancher removes brush by rootplowing, chaining, or even spraying.

The investment in brush control is wasted, since the shrubs prevent an increase in grass production. The goldenweeds are also spreading across undisturbed areas, according to Dr. C.J. Scifres, range improvements scientist with the Experiment Station.

Ericameria, or false broomweed, poses an identical problem and was once thought to be goldenweeds, it is a heavily-branched shrubby plant about 3-feet tall.

Spiny aster, another serious range weed, is common in Central and South Texas. In some areas of the Coastal Prairie, it completely eliminates forage production on extensive acreages.

Why these weeds have only recently become problems is only partly understood. Deterioration of rangeland vegetation due to extended overgrazing certainly set the stage for their sudden expansion.

From the rancher's viewpoint, the worst thing about goldenweed, Ericameria, and spiny aster is their high resistance to conventional control methods. Mechanical methods such as shredding or rootplowing are not effective since they re-sprout immediately.

Extensive research has proved that Ericameria and spiny aster are not killed by sprays of 2,4-D, 2,4,5-T, or similar herbicides. Goldenweed response is erratic and difficult to predict; sprays are successful only during periods of exceptional soil moisture availability.

In the laboratory, Herman Mayeux, working with Dr. C.J. Scifres, found that herbicides do not enter the leaves of the perennial range weeds which are resistant to sprays. Consequently, the herbicides do not translate through the plants to the roots and lower bud zones. To overcome this, researchers are evaluating soil-applied, pelleted formulations of root absorbed herbicides.

Survivors include five sons, Lee Ruff, Johnny Ruff and James "Boy Ruff, all of Junction; Orville Ruff of San Antonio and J.B. Ruff of Abilene; five daughters, Essie Kane of Comfort, Lois Lopez and Doris Hatch, both of Junction and Louise Jones and Grace Franklin of Eldorado; a brother, John Petty of Weslaco; a sister, Essie Pate of California; 27 grandchildren and 41 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held June 21 for Wintha Ruff, 82. Mrs. Ruff died June 19 in Kimble Hospital in Junction. Services were in Aubrey Fife Chapel with burial in Junction Cemetery.

Mrs. Ruff was born Oct. 15, 1895 in Utopia. She married Joe Ruff in Fort McKavett Jan. 16, 1912. He died June 26, 1958. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

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Initial fieldwork by TAES researchers such as Scifres at College Station and Jim Mutz at Corpus Christi demonstrated that spiny aster is successfully controlled by a combination of pelleted picloram (Tordon) and topgrowth removal by shredding. Apparently, the shredding promotes root uptake of the herbicide.

Encouraged by these results, Wayne Hamilton of the Department of Range Science and Dr. Herman Mayeux now with USDA-SEA-FR, Temple, are cooperating in fieldplot evaluations of prescribed burning for goldenweed control, both as an independent treatment and in combination with pelleted herbicides. Various forms of pelleted and granular herbicides are being compared, along with recently developed herbicides as sprays.

Various rates, application dates, and formulations of soil-applied herbicides are being tested for Ericameria control in research conducted by Dr. Mayeux in cooperation with Dr. Dean Chamrad, TAES at Uvalde.

Laboratory and greenhouse studies of the physiology and anatomy of these shrubs are being conducted at the USDA-SEA-FR Grassland Soil and Water Research Lab at Temple. This research is directed toward explaining the resistance of these weeds to herbicidal sprays and developing ways of increasing spray effectiveness.

Editor's Note — Any questions regarding this column should be addressed to Science Writer, Dept. of Agricultural Communications, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.

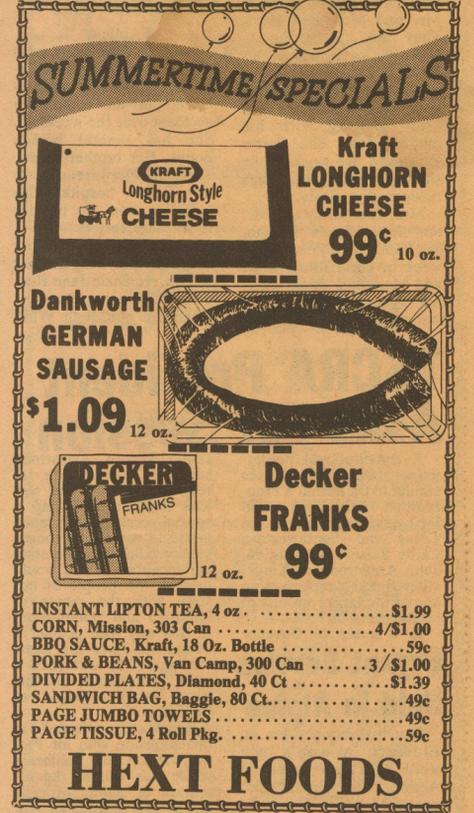
Services Held For Mrs. Ruff

Mrs. Logan Has 84 Party

Five women enjoyed an 84 party in the home of Mrs. Fred Logan June 21. Attending were Annie Speck, Opal Parks, Bessie Doyle, Lillian Mikeska and Lois Etheredge.



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Home Front News

The Spencer Family reunion was held June 11 in the Memorial Building with 60 persons attending. Ten children of Frank Spencer were represented by four generations. Attending were three surviving children of the first generation, Mrs. Lester (Zelma) Henderson, Mrs. William (Alpha) Blaylock and Mrs. Tom (Lelah) Kent.

A covered dish lunch was served. Joe Turner and Norma Hext spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hext. They are now going to Colorado for a July vacation.

Max Curry left for his home in Jacksonville, Fla., after visiting with his mother, Mrs. Ella Curry. He stayed five weeks while she had eye surgery. She is recuperating nicely.

Mrs. Tena Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Reyes Lozano, Jr., and family spent a week in Little Rock, Ark., and Memphis, Tenn., visiting relatives. They saw many tourist attractions in-

cluding the Presley mansion. On the way home, they stopped for a short visit with other relatives in Dallas.

Rene Rainey of Knoxville, Tenn., is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.R. "Dick" Bearce.

Mrs. Gertrude Robinson of Ballinger and Mrs. Ruby Damron of Eldorado visited the Don Robinsons in Fort Stockton last week. Don's other grandmother visited the group, as did Don's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lance McKinsie of Abilene.

Sallie Cawley Crawford is in Shannon Hospital suffering from injuries she received in an automobile accident over the weekend. She has several broken bones. Her brother-in-law, Terry Crawford, remains in the Ozona hospital also suffering from his injuries in the accident.

Attending a reading workshop in San Angelo last week were Lexie Jane Hodnett, Jill Preston, Imogene Edmiston and Beth Whit-

aker. The workshop was held for two days.

Mrs. Jan Gower of Lubbock visited her parents, the Bruce Lamberts the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lambert spent last week in Ruidoso, N.M., while on vacation.

Mrs. Sophia Skeete of San Angelo visited several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Freitag.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Meador and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Beach spent a few days in Dallas last weekend visiting their brother, Jack Meador. They also visited the Meador's daughter, Claudia.

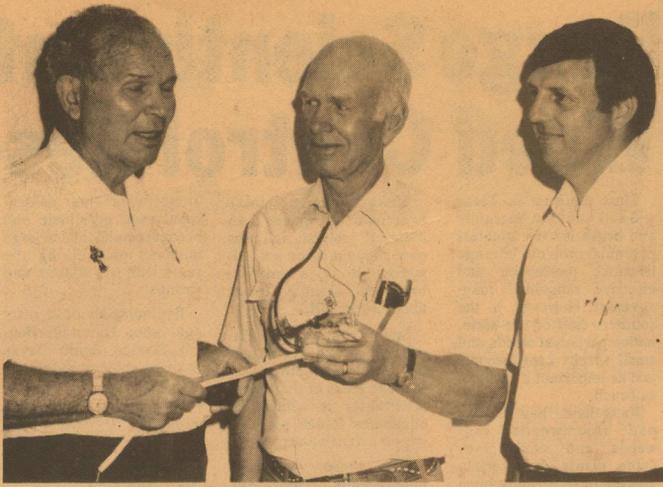
Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Williams of Alpine spent last weekend in Eldorado and San Angelo visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Porter and Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Williams. Their sons, Shane and Shanon, returned home with them after being on vacation with their grandmother Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Porter attended his family reunion Sunday at Buchanan Dam. There were 38 in attendance. They were descendants of Mrs. V.A. Porter and the late Mr. Porter.

Lonnie Reynolds received a degree in civil engineering from Texas Tech University during summer exercises.

Mrs. Jenella Crippin is in a San Antonio hospital undergoing surgery today. Her address is: CMR 8, Ward T2 north, room 16, Lacklin Air Force Base, Texas 78236.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Swift are on vacation to Maryland. With them is her mother, Mrs. D.L. Leland and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lloyd and Jimmy.



AG TEACHER AT WORKSHOP — Fred Igo, center, was one of 31 vocational agriculture teachers who received up-to-date instruction in electric wiring and safety at a workshop last week in San Angelo. With him are Curly Hays, left, of Abilene who is WTU's farm and ranch representative and Ken Pollard of College Station, workshop instructor.

Poultry, Fresh Foods Best Buys This Week

Best food buys at Texas grocery markets this week include dairy, poultry and fresh produce items, Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, reports.

Fish also offers budget buys, says Mrs. Clyatt, a consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System.

Her summary of current price-quality trends is as follows: With production at a peak, look for features on milk, skim milk, yogurt, sour cream and several cheeses.

Egg prices are low, but buy now, since they will go higher.

Fryer chickens have attractive prices, and the summer outlook says they will stay "reasonable." Whole birds are the "key" feature.

Turkey roasts offer economy buys, along with whole birds, weighing 10-14 pounds.

Best values are carrots, corn, onions and soft-shell squash.

Moderate prices appear on blackeye and cream peas, cucumbers, peppers and okra.

Lettuce supplies are down, and some prices are drastically higher.

Watermelon prices are down about 12 cents, or less, per pound in most stores, and peach prices are dropping. Banana imports are heavy, and they may have lower prices. Moderate prices appear on cantaloupe and honeydew melons.

High prices, generally, show on cherries, seedless grapes, apricots, plums and nectarines, along with first-of-the-season Granny

Smith apples.

Supplies are not expected to increase during summer, so consumers wanting lower-cost cuts should become "expert" bargain hunters.

Beef specials may include liver, chuck roasts and steaks, sirloin and round steak.

Pork features may include semi-boneless hams, liver, end chops, rib and loin-end roasts and frankfurters.

Several markets have "specials" on tomato products, macaroni, pork and beans and peanut butter.

Look for feature prices on orange juice, lemonade, ice cream, frozen yogurt, strawberries and complete dinners.

Main dishes with cheese as the star ingredient usually save money, because it is a nutritious concentrated food — with hard cheeses containing more protein than cream cheeses.

Mrs. Parks Hosts Meeting

Mrs. C. W. Parks was hostess for the 42 Club last week in the club room of the Memorial Building.

There were three tables of players, and refreshments were served.

Present were Zelma Henderson, Jake Spencer, Virginia Griffin, Allie Cheatham, Maudie Bussinger, Lois Etheredge, Rose Brannon, Etta Ruth Dannheim, Annie Speck, Lillian Mikeska, Bessie Doyle and the hostess.

Mrs. Edmiston Is Top Winner

Imogene Edmiston hosted the "Two-Bits" Bridge Club June 20.

Bingo winners were etheltheredge, Elizabeth Ballew, and Frances Peters. The hostess won high.

Guests were Billie Andrews and Mrs. Luke Thompson.

TSCRA President Asks For Session

A constitutional limitation on state and local taxes similar to California's Proposition 13 has been called for by the president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, John Armstrong of Kingsville, Texas, representing one of the larger groups of land-owners in Texas.

Bryant Service Held In Alpine

Funeral services for an Eldorado woman's son were held last week in Alpine. Earl Bryant, 56, son of Mrs. Eva Bryant of Eldorado, died of a sudden illness in his home.

Funeral services were Thursday in Alpine.

He is survived by his wife, Laverne; his mother; two sons, Dennis Bryant of Odessa; Pete Bryant of Rankin; three grandchildren and a sister, Betty Ruge of Lafors.

His father, Pete Bryant of Eldorado, died earlier this year.

Memorials Are Made To Schleicher Museum

The Schleicher County Museum received memorials to:

Mr. Roy Martin by Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs, Ethel Etheredge, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Enochs.

Mr. Kenneth Hicks by Mr. and Mrs. J. Pat Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs, Ethel Etheredge, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Woodward.

Mrs. Francis Evan Haynes by Margaret Frost, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs, Ethel Etheredge.

Mrs. Ernestine Hext by Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Woodward.

Mr. S.D. Harper by Margaret Frost, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pat Enochs, Ethel Etheredge, Ola Ruth Barbee, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Etheredge, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Dan McWhorter.

Mrs. Keno Ogden by Ola

Ruth Barbee.

Mr. E.R. Bryant by Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Woodward.

Mr. Thomas Leslie Draper by Mr. and Mrs. Oran Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs.

Mr. H.M. (Dick) Jones by Mr. and Mrs. Dan McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Isaacs.

Freitags Host Bridge Club

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Freitag hosted the Eldorado Bridge Club meeting June 21 in their ranch home.

With three tables of players present, Phil Olson won high man, and Eddy Mae Kinser won high woman. Travel was won by Hollis McCormick and bingo was won by Arch Mittel and Mrs. Sophia Skeete of San Angelo.

Mrs. Skeete and Mr. and Mrs. Mittel were guests.

Nursing Home News

It is getting time for our good old Schleicher County to receive some rain, but it is to be hoped that when it comes it will be a general one all over the county. Out west of town the last rain was much lighter than in other sections of the county so the benefit of that rain is gone now. A lady who lives out in that area told me today that ranchmen have had to begin feeding again, so let's all of us ask The Lord to send us a good general rain soon, if it is his will. Most of the residents here in the Home are doing as well as usual, I believe, for which we are thankful.

Carrie Blakeway is still the only one who is confined to her bed, but we do wish that she can improve to the extent that she will be able to sit in a chair, at least part of the time. Last Sunday was the one for the Presbyterian Church to conduct the service here in the dining room, but I believe that they still are without a pastor so last Sunday they invited Gene Stark, who is the pastor of the First Baptist Church

here in Eldorado, to conduct the service. We had good attendance and I am sure everyone enjoyed the good service and the singing of a number of hymns.

Next Sunday the service will be conducted by the Antioch Baptist Church. Ya'll come. There were several visitors during last week. Lucille Nixon from Tow, Texas visited her mother, Hattie Blaylock. Hattie also had two other daughters that came to see her. They were Mrs. Fannie Gilbert and Vera Bledsoe of Santa Anna, Texas.

Beulah Harris had her grand daughter Arlene Payne and children, Kim and Mark of San Angelo as guests.

E.B. McCowan of Abilene, Texas visited Pearl Edmiston, Lester Garrett and Lizzie McAngus on Sunday afternoon.

Beulah Harris also had a great nephew, Shelby Morgan of Miami, Florida, to visit her. She had not seen him for sixty-three years.

Bingo winners last week

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AROUND The HOUSE and OTHER PLACES

by Nancy Lester
County Extension Agent - Home Economics

A popular drink with many people are the "European" coffees. The blends you buy in the store are rather expensive but you can make your own at home.

In the homemade instant mixes listed below, powdered milk is used instead of non-dairy creamers so that calcium is provided, a necessary nutrient for all ages. The creamers add many calories with little nutrition. You can also use decaffeinated coffee to avoid caffeine.

ITALIAN MOCHA EXPRESSO

1 c. instant coffee
1 c. sugar
4 1/2 c. non-fat dry milk
1/2 c. cocoa

Stir ingredients or blend in blender until powdered. Use 2 Tbsp. for 4 oz. of water. Yield 4 1/2 c. dry mix.

Enough mix to make 36 cups at 60 calories each. This is a very strong and rich coffee.

CAFE VIENNA

1/2 c. instant coffee
2/3 c. sugar
2/3 c. non-fat dry milk
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
SWISSE MOCHA

1/2 c. instant coffee
1/2 c. sugar
1 c. powdered milk
2 tbslp. unsweetened cocoa

Stir ingredients together. If possible put in blender until powdered, to reduce bulk. Place 2 rounded teaspoonsfuls in cup for each 6-8 oz. of boiling water. Yield: 1 cup dry mix. Enough to make 20 cups at 35 calories each.

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Proposition 13 May Hurt National Energy Plan

From the Oil and Gas Journal
Carter administration insiders fear the California vote on Proposition 13 may prove a fatal blow to the crude oil equalization tax (COET) segment of the national energy plan.

This evidence of an incipient, nationwide tax revolt, they reason, is strong enough to chill congressional support for heavy new taxes on oil, especially in an election year.

COET, however, shouldn't be buried yet. Sen. Russell Long (D-La.) is working still to restructure an acceptable COET plan. Long has said privately some major and independent oil companies support the tax.

Among those are Exxon Corp. Chairman Clifton C. Garvin, Jr., told newsmen recently that Exxon now supports COET - with a phase out of price controls - as the only live alternative to full deregulation of oil prices which the present political climate makes impossible.

Meanwhile, Treasury Sec. Michael Blumenthal is investigating options open to the President for raising domestic oil prices to the world level if COET fails in Congress. Ideas under consideration include tariffs on foreign crude, import quotas, and administrative action to increase prices of domestic crude.

Documents made available to the Journal show Blumenthal has received letters from congressmen and oil companies asking for public hearings if a tariff on oil imports is recommended.

Industry wants to make sure that any tariff imposed falls equally on both crude oil and products as a protection to domestic refiners. The Energy Information Administration has submitted its long-awaited final proposed version of the Financial Reporting System to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance. Public hearings are set for July 17 in Washington. The system will require oil companies to report some confidential data. EIA says it will make that information available to the attorney general, the Federal Trade Commission, the comptroller general, the secretary of Interior, and other Department of Energy agencies.

DOE now has authority to increase capacity of the strategic petroleum reserve from 500 million bbl of oil to 1 billion bbl in storage by 1985. The expansion became effective June 13 after expiration of the required 15-day period for congressional review.

The Senate energy committee, as part of the DOE authorization bill, approved a \$10.2-million study of liquefied-natural gas safety. DOE asked for only \$2 million.

Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio) is keeping the brouhaha over the American Petroleum Institute receiving information from the DOE before the public alive with a series of hearings. He plans to invite testimony from consumer groups on their access to DOE internal information.

Industry is working hard to right some wrongs in the Energy Impact Assistance Act before the Senate environment committee reports out the bill. The industry strongly opposes a provision which would arbitrarily condition granting of federal permits and leases

on "reasonable contributions" by the owner or operator of an energy development to the impacted communities.

State action on energy also is in the news this week.

Gas industry observers are watching anxiously a first-use tax bill which is moving through the Louisiana statehouse, but which may be tied up in the courts for years if it wins passage.

Backed by Gov. Edwin Edwards, the controversial measure passed the House with only seven votes to spare and now goes to Senate committee hearings.

The bill would levy a 7c/Mcf tax on natural gas produced on the OCS at its "first-use" in Louisiana. A number of definitions for "first-use" are included in the bill, but the most significant is "the processing of gas where liquefiables are removed."

Tax proceeds - an estimated \$170 million the first year - would go to retire the state debt and fund programs to protect barrier islands. In most cases, pipeline companies will pay the tax. Legislators assume the lines will pass those costs along to interstate users.

But the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, which is opposing the bill, says it essentially annuls contracts between producers and pipeline companies. Those contracts generally call for the producer to pay any cost incidental to processing the gas and removing the liquids.

In Texas, the state's Deepwater Port Authority will have to pay Seadock Inc. \$14.076 million for access to engineering data compiled for the ill-fated, deepwater-port project. The authority says it will have an independent consultant evaluate that price tag before it makes any deal.

The Texas Railroad Commission also is changing a 40-year-old tradition of holding oil-proration hearings. It's going to hold quarterly sessions instead. The monthly meetings have become mere formalities lasting about 5 minutes, according to TRC Chairman Mac Wallace. Texas allowables - with

very few exceptions - have been 100 percent of market demand each month since April 1972.

Shell Chemical Co. is moving ahead with plans to build a 260-mile ethylene pipeline on the U.S. Gulf Coast.

Shell Pipe Line Corp. has applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for construction permits. The 12 3/4-in. line would extend from salt dome storage facilities near Mont Belvieu, Tex., to Shell's Norco, La., petrochemical complex west of New Orleans.

While surplus ethylene capacity currently exists, Shell forecasts increased capacity will be needed in the 1980's.

The following operators have filed to drill wells in Schleicher County:

Centaur Petroleum Corp., Effie Martin Clancy well, 5200 feet deep and located 21 miles east of Eldorado; H.N.G. Oil Co., Kenney well, 7,000 feet deep, 1 mile southwest of Eldorado; MDH Oil and Gas Co., Carl J Cahill, 4615 feet deep, 20 miles southeast of Eldorado; Mitchell Energy Corp., Lauffer well, 8500 feet deep, 19 miles southwest of Eldorado; Centaur Petroleum Corp., Effie Martin Clancy well, 5200 feet deep, 21 miles east of Eldorado; T.C. Meador, T.C. Meador well, 6950 feet deep, 14 miles northwest of Eldorado; Mitchell Energy Corp., Ryan well, 8700 feet deep, 17 miles west-southwest of Eldorado; Discovery Operating, Inc., Bearce well, 7200 feet deep, 9 miles northwest of Eldorado; Discovery Operating, Inc., Bailey well, 7200 feet deep, 10 miles northwest of Eldorado; Gas Development Corp., Emmons well, 7000 feet deep, 2 miles southwest of Eldorado; Regal Development, Inc., M. Milligan well, 5900 feet deep, 7 miles northeast of Eldorado; Ensearch Exploration, Inc., Jeffers well, 8600 feet deep, 19 miles west of Eldorado; Paul Page, Jr., Jones well, 6755 feet deep, 2 miles north of Eldorado; H.N.G. Oil Company, Clark well, 7350 feet deep, 7 1/2 miles southwest of Eldorado; T.C. Meador, T.C. Meador well, 6950 feet deep, 16 miles northwest of Eldorado.



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TSGRA Receiving Eagle Predation Evidence

All through the eagle controversies producers have been told that their complaints of eagle predation on domestic livestock are considered baseless because they lack scientific evidence. Eagle defenders have used the data gap to depict ranchers as wild-eyed savages bent on the pointless annihilation of a harmless bird. All that's changing now.

Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association president Bill Schneemann says the association is "most appreciative" of the efforts of Drs. Dale Wade and Charlie Livingston in assimilating the types of evidence needed to substantiate eagle predation. Dr. Wade is a wildlife specialist and Dr. Livingston research veterinarian with the San Angelo Research and Experiment Station. They, along with University of Montana researcher Dr. Bart O'Gara, have handled the laboratory end of the association's "Operation Dead Lamb" project, conducted between January and May 30 of this year, involved necropsies on a total of 75 lambs and goat kids collected by ranchers in 16 counties. Ranchers were asked to collect, bag freeze and store suspicious carcasses for examination at the San Angelo research facility.

Of the 75 samples studied, 23 were confirmed eagle kills, an additional 21 described as probable eagle kills. Another 18 fell prey to mammalian predators and 13 were attributed to unknown causes. Of the latter group, a summation report issued by Wade and Livingston says some were probably lost to disease or starvation; others may have been killed by predators but too little carcass remained for accurate diagnosis.

In case the separate figures slipped past unnoticed, 23 eagle kills plus 21 probable equals 44, well over half the 75 carcass total. This should pretty well put the lie to protectionist claims that loss data has been unavailable because losses do not really occur. Of course it can be argued that such a relatively high percentage of eagle kills to total samples reflects the fact that ranchers were specifically looking for

eagle damage and may have passed up other types of kills. This argument is a self-defeating one for the protectionists, however - it contradicts their other pet claim that ranchers can't tell the difference between a lamb killed by an eagle and a lamb squashed by a falling rock.

As to the accuracy of the necropsies, the Wade-Livingston report is very specific in laying out the types of evidence required to confirm an eagle kill. The report describes in detail the characteristic triangular puncture wounds inflicted by an attacking eagle as well as the puncture pattern produced by the opposing talons. It further points out that small prey such as lambs and kids often are not punctured by all of an eagle's talons at one time, and that the punctures are seldom accompanied by the type of crushing characteristic of mammalian jaws.

For the benefit of those

who would protest that talon punctures might indicate only feeding by eagles and not necessarily killing, the report states with finality that all carcasses attributed to predation were marked by considerable hemorrhaging, capillary bleeding or bruising about the wounds. This, the report adds, is physically impossible once the prey has died and the heart has stopped pumping - the wounds unquestionably occurred while the victim was alive.

There will surely be attempts to attack the necropsy evidence, but the TSGRA is hoping to establish another "Operation Dead Lamb" during next spring's eagle season, and by that time maybe most of the objections will have been heard. If so, any perceived shortcomings in data or procedures can be eliminated. Producers have long known what's actually happening - it's time everyone else found out.

Krueger To Host Picnic

Congressman Bob Krueger will host a statewide family picnic and rally July 4 at his home in New Braunfels to kick-off his fall campaign for the U.S. Senate seat held by John Tower.

Krueger, who won the Democratic nomination for the Senate May 6, will make a brief speech at the event, which is expected to attract 7,000 of his friends and supporters from throughout the state.

"Independence Day has always been a day of celebration, and I am hopeful to make this July 4 a truly special one by being with all those people from throughout Texas who made our victory May 6 possible," Krueger said. "I invite everyone to attend." The "Old-fashioned Picnic and Rally" will be held from 2-6 p.m. in the field opposite the Krueger home. Concessions and games will be available, as will free watermelon and tamales. Beer and soft drinks will sell for a nickel apiece.

The Comal County Fairgrounds will be used for parking. Special buses will

Little League Teams Fighting For City Title

The Tigers and the Red Sox will be vying for the city championship little league title tonight at 7:30 p.m. Coached by Jack Williams and Walter Hanusch, the Tigers have won seven games and lost one.

In second place are the White Sox, coached by Elmer Garlitz. Third place winners are the Red Sox, coached by Rick Boawell and Jackie Willis.

Directly after the game, an all-star team will be

announced and awards will be given for first and second place teams.

Scores for the games are as follows:

June 6 - Tigers over White Sox, 13-2 and Tigers over Red Sox, 7-0; June 8, Tigers over White Sox, 12-4; June 13, Tigers over Red Sox, 18-9; June 15, Tigers over Red Sox, 10-0; and White Sox over Tigers, 5-6; June 20, Tigers over White Sox, 13-3 and June 22, Tigers over Red Sox, 15-4.

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Krueger, Cooley Against Health Cost Controls

U.S. Rep. Bob Krueger joined world-renowned heart surgeon Dr. Denton Cooley in asking that Texas be exempt from mandatory federal health cost controls.

"Texas has demonstrated more ability to keep hospital costs under control than other states. By going to a mandatory cost-control system we would lock our state into a system directly tied to inflation which will not work to the benefit of the average person," Krueger said in a statement from his Washington office.

Krueger cited the fact that most hospital bills are paid by insurance companies than by patients as the primary reason hospital bills have increased. He said that adoption of national mandatory regulations with no incentive to cut back on hospital costs would only trigger increased prices.

He made the statement after studying legislation currently under consideration by the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, of which Krueger is a member, and

after receiving a telegram from Cooley, surgeon-in-general of the Texas Heart Institute in Houston. Krueger had opposed mandatory cost control legislation when it came before the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee on Tuesday, June 13.

Krueger said he opposed the bill in committee, offered by Cong. Paul Rogers of Florida, because, "it favors hospitals whose admissions are decreasing over those that are growing. The latter need less stringent controls so they can expand in response to increasing patient loads."

Under the Rogers bill, a hospital admitting 10 per cent fewer patients per year would be allowed an almost 19 per cent increase in costs. But if a hospital increased admissions by 10 per cent, a cost of only 3 per cent would be allowed.

"Because Texas can already meet the national guidelines - as few states can - we should be exempt from additional federal intervention," Krueger said.

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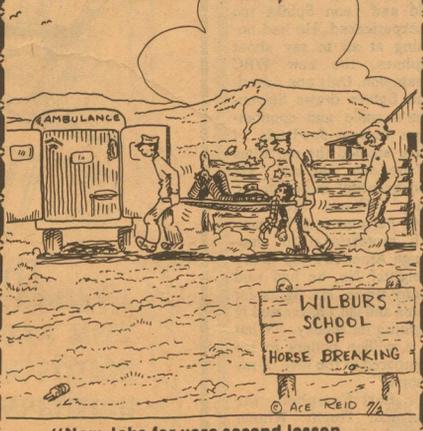


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Records Are Vital To Farmers, Ranchers

Farmers and ranchers cannot survive today's high level of agricultural production without good records. They need a financial plan. Such a plan can also increase their profit-making potential, believes an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Management of capital is vital to production ef-

iciency and maximum profits," says Cecil Parker. Included in this management of finances are three key items — the financial statement, profit-loss statement and cash flow summaries.

The financial statement shows the farm's financial picture at a given time. This includes the present solvency of the operation

and also a projection of future solvency. List all assets and liabilities. Use current, intermediate, and fixed or long-term groupings in defining assets and providing a realistic look at repayment requirements.

The profit-loss statement sums up income and expenses and the resulting net profit or loss during a given period, such as a crop year, points out Parker. Handle non-farming items separately. To obtain the operation's gain or loss, subtract net cash expenses from net cash income and adjust for changes in inventory and capital items. Comparing profit-loss statements for a period of years will show any progress or decline of the farming or ranching operation.

Cash flow summaries list all cash income and expenses. They include family living expenses, money borrowed and debts paid. A monthly summary of these figures determines the flow of cash during the planning period. Cash summaries can help determine the time and amounts of credit needs and availability of repayment fund.

"Although some time is required to develop a sound financial management plan, the end result can be increased returns on capital," contends the economist.

"Agriculture 1978-style requires forward planning, keeping a close check on operations, and making adjustments as new situations and conditions arise. Increasing competition makes it more important than ever to produce on an efficient basis.

"Anyone in the farming and ranching business has got to have good records and accounts to make sound management decisions," emphasizes Parker. "Complete and accurate accounting of income and expenses can mean dollar savings in income tax management, business management and social security benefits."

The economist identifies several proper accounting procedures:

First, record cash received from all sources related to farming or ranching. By proper identification, some of these receipts may be excluded from taxable income.

Second, record all annual operating expenses. A poor operating expense record may result in increased tax liability.

Third, record capital expenditures. Many of these assets may be subject to depreciation. This will also serve as a record of cost at time of sale.

"Not only for records and accounts increase management efficiency but they provide the only basis for making a cost analysis of the business and may be used to determine credit needs. Future business adjustments should be made only after carefully analyzing the financial and physical data from your records and accounts," contends Parker.



MYRTA RATHBONE PUTTS BALL ...In round robin play this week

Par-Tee Isaacs Hits Hole In One

15 players turned out in 100 degree weather to play in the regular Sunday Mixed Foursome.

Taking first place with 6 under par was the team of Joe Turner Hext of Pasadena, Ben Hext, Juanita Taylor and Weatherly Kinser.

Coming in second with 4 under par was the team of Bob Sykes, John Callison, Gladys Mittel and Junior Isaacs.

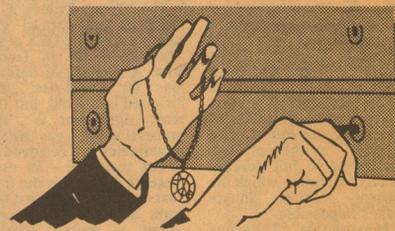
Our congratulations to Junior Isaacs for his first hole in one. He was using a 4 iron on Tee Box #1. Playing with him and sharing his surprise and glory was Bob Sykes, Gladys Mittel and John Callison. He is the 25th player on the Eldorado Golf Course to have this honor.

On Tuesday about 25 ladies from the surrounding clubs and our local women played on our course in a Round Robin play. More on this next week.

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INSIDE SPORTS



by Joey Sasso

Sportsworld; Ever wonder why Archie Griffin holds up one finger after scoring a touchdown? As the Cincinnati Bengals running back tells it,

"When you see me score one on the field, I hold up one finger as a signal that God is No. 1 in my life."

...Jockey Steve Cautchen, sent his agent, Lenny Goodman, a case of Hennessy V.S.O.P., after winning the Triple Crown.

...Bill Vecek, owner of the Chicago White Sox, got more than 100 responses to a classified newspaper ad asking for pitchers, and Vecek says every one of them will get a tryout. One of the applicants claims to be a switch-pitcher: "I throw them left or right," he said....

Sportspourri: American League President Lee MacPhail has reprimanded Billy Martin for some gestures the Yankee manager made on the field in Baltimore and Cleveland.

...Former All-pro quarterback Johnny Unitas is suing Hawthorn Books for \$100,000 claiming an artist's rendering of him was used without permission.

The drawing by sports artist Leroy Neiman, was on the cover of "The Thrill of Victory" by Bert Randolph Sugar. Unitas, in a suit filed in New York Supreme Court, claimed the picture caused him "dilution of value of endorsements and image."

Locker room etiquette: Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Tommy John thinks it may not be a good idea to allow women reporters in the locker room: "We pull a lot of practical jokes that can get kind of gross. People who don't know might think we're a bunch of animals."....

Defenseman Bobby Orr is working out all summer and plans to make a comeback with the Chicago Black Hawks next fall.

...Many sportswriters at the Ken Norton-Larry Holmes title fight in Las Vegas referred to the two boxers as the best two heavyweights in the world. Teofilo Stevenson, the world amateur heavyweight champion from Cuba, considers himself the best in the world. He considers Muhammad Ali too old and uninteresting; Norton too old and Leon Spinks too inexperienced. He had nothing at all to say about Holmes, the new WBC champion. Only one American fighter draws Stevenson's smile and spontaneous praise — Joe Louis. "I have studied the old films of Joe Louis," he said. "He did beautiful things in the ring." Would Stevenson ever be interested in turning professional to challenge America's top heavy weights? No, he had said many times. He fights for Cuba and isn't interested in fighting for money. "What is a million dollars to me compared to the love of my people?"

...Earl Campbell, the Heisman Trophy Winner from the University of Texas, was asked recently whether he expects a lot of pressure to be on him when he joins the Houston Oilers next month. Said Campbell: "There will be no pressure. If I do my best and it happens to be my worst, then it still was the best I could do."...

On the Sports Scene: Bert Blyleven, Pittsburgh pitcher, donates \$1,000 a



Facts from a pro on driving to survive.

Q. I seem to encounter blind spots on some highways even when I'm in a passing zone. How do they decide where to put the solid lines?—C.E., Zavalla

A. It is determined by visibility from a set "eye height above roadway," which is a theoretical average. In other words, if you drive a pickup truck you'll be able to see much farther than if you drive a low-slung sports car. The eye height used to determine passing zones is being reduced due to the increase in smaller cars with lower driving positions.

Q. When a wrecker has a blue flashing light turned on, do other motorists have to get out of the way?—B.W., Arlington

A. The blue light on a wrecker distinguishes it from an emergency vehicle, which has a red light signalling that other drivers must yield. The blue light acts as a warning to motorists that there is an obstruction on the roadway. Since, under Texas law, a wrecker is not considered an emergency vehicle and thus is not exempted from complying with all laws including speed limits, motorists do not have to pull over out of the way. However, drivers should proceed with extra caution.

Q. Even though I always use my side and rear-view mirrors, I've been in two collisions while backing out of parking spaces. What should I do to avoid another accident?—E.W., Tyler

A. Mirrors alone can't give you the total picture. Before and while backing, turn your head around and look back and to the sides to make sure the way is clear. You may even have to get out and walk around your car. And back slowly. In residential areas, be especially alert for children who may suddenly dart out from between parked cars.

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Building Boom In State

AUSTIN—Construction is on the boom in Texas.

New building values jumped to \$1.2 billion for the first four months of 1978, with more than half of the amount spent for homes.

Values of new construction run 39 percent above the January-April level of last year, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

A total of 48,779 new dwellings were recorded during the four-months period.

About half were for single-family residences, 47 percent apartment units and three percent for duplexes.

Mercantile buildings and stores accounted for 26.8 percent of the non-residential construction.

Midland had the highest adjusted per capita values of new construction—\$557.

Bryan-College Station reported \$351; Amarillo \$330, Austin \$310, Houston \$309, and Dallas-Fort Worth \$285.

Program Approved

The State Highway and Public Transportation Commission approved a \$70.5 million program to improve safety and protect investment in 3,766 miles of state-maintained highway facilities.

Five hundred and 66 projects are proposed in 193 of Texas' 254 counties. Work on the program is divided almost equally between state and U.S. numbered highways and farm-to-market roads. The program includes resurfacing, widening, base repair and strengthening and spot safety improvements.

Grover Out

In a surprise move, Houstonian Henry Grover withdrew as a potential independent candidate for the U.S. Senate.

Grover's withdrawal

Scouts Earn Merit Badges

Dave Doran was tapped out for the Order of the Arrow, an honorary campers organization, during a campout at Camp Sol Mayer last week. He was among several Eldorado scouts from troop 18 to camp with troop 313 of San Angelo.

The boys enjoyed activities such as swimming, rowing canoeing, camp singing and skits. They were also put in charge of cleaning the camp site before breakfast. They earned an average of three or four merit badges per scout.

Other Eldorado scouts attending were Billy Gunstead, Jonathan Head, Wade Wallace and Ray Crippin.

Since scoutmasters of the troops could not attend, Scout Commissioner Dave Gillman served as camp leader.

Picnic Planned In San Angelo

The Concho Valley Chapter of the American Diabetes Association will have a picnic July 8th, beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Goodfellow Recreation Area, Lake Nasworthy at San Angelo.

Bring your picnic supper and join us for fun and fellowship. Ice tea will be furnished.

The Bike-A-Thon prizes and awards will be presented during the evening.



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

brought joy to Sen. John Tower's supporters. Democratic candidate Bob Krueger's backers insisted it didn't make all that much difference, but they conceded (conservatively speaking) that Tower's vote total would be at least two percent higher without Grover on the November ballot luring some old friends among conservative voters.

Grover had an initial bad showing in the polls and difficulty raising money for his drive to get 16,500 signatures necessary to earn him official listing as an independent candidate. But he insisted that wasn't really the reason for his decision not to run.

"I just didn't have my heart in it," said Grover. "Congress doesn't have control of the federal government anymore."

Appointments

Judge Charles J. Murray of Fort Worth was named by Gov. Dolph Briscoe as presiding judge of the Eighth Administrative Judicial District. Murray succeeds the late Louis T. Holland of Montague.

Briscoe appointed Jerry Craft of Jacksboro and Willard J. Still of Meridian and reappointed R.E. "Gene" Chambers of Wichita Falls to the board of regents of Midwestern State University.

Col. J.W. "Jim" Robinson of Round Rock has been named commander of the Texas State Guard's Sixth Military Police group at Camp Mabry.

Courts Speak

The Supreme Court held former wives of retired servicemen can't sue to garnish retirement benefits.

In another case, the court stood firm on its May 7 decision that illegal alien children are not entitled to free public education in Texas schools.

In still another, the court found a San Antonio con-

sumer group could not intervene for gas customers in a suit between the city and its gas supplier.

The Court of Criminal Appeals held failure of police officers to identify themselves before they break down doors does not alone make arrests illegal.

The Court of Criminal Appeals also upheld extradition to Tennessee of Margaret S. Medders on larceny charges. Mrs. Medders and her late husband, Ernest, borrowed money and spent millions a decade ago, claiming to be heirs to Spindletop oil wealth.

AG Opinions

Atty. Gen. John Hill determined that bond money held by a sheriff is subject to audit by the county auditor and must be deposited in the county depository along with other county funds.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded:

—A school district cannot limit a homestead tax exemption grant for senior citizens to those whose income is below a particular amount.

—A justice of the peace may not maintain his office in an adjoining precinct.

—A report of accident insurance claims paid to identifiable students is not public information.

—The state constitution does not bar state agencies from entering into conciliation agreements providing back wages to those who assert valid claims of employment discrimination under the civil rights act.

—A city may transfer a street right-of-way to a county without publication of notice and bids.

Short Snorts

A Railroad Commission examiner recommended approval of Continental Oil Company's application to mine for uranium at 29 sites in six South Texas counties.

Texas Energy Advisory Council is soliciting proposals for a lignite utilization demonstration and a ground-water-heat pump heating, ventilating and air conditioning system.

Retired State Supreme Court Justice W. St. John Garwood of Austin is the new treasurer of the Republican Party of Texas.

Gubernatorial nominee John Hill gave his official backing to Billy Goldberg of Austin as state Democratic chairman. The chairman will be named at the party's state September convention.

Texas Research League says effect of a California Proposition 13-type property tax reduction would be severe in Texas, costing local governments at least \$400 million.

Republican gubernatorial nominee Bill Clements left Austin last week on the first of a series of rural county tours, which he hopes will result in his building campaign organizations in all 254 counties.

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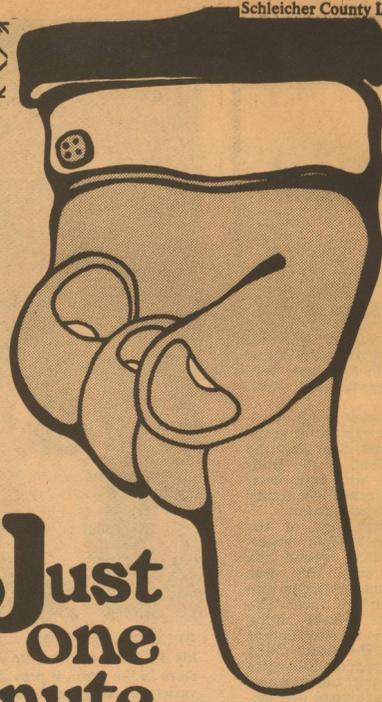
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From The Horses Mouth

By JERRY SWIFT
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Texas and the nation's cattlemen are enjoying a bit of prosperity these days due to improved cattle markets. The situation might change a little, however, during the second half of the year, believes a livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Ed Uvacek foresees a weakening in cattle prices in the third quarter of the year (July through September), with some strength returning as the year's end approaches. This improved market could easily carry into the new year.

"Fed cattle prices will probably be at their lowest levels in September or October and then should begin to gather strength once again," he contends. "Prices of feeder cattle will follow the same basic pattern. In fact, the feeder market will remain dependent on the fed cattle market price level."

Weakness in the fed cattle market this fall could easily cause feedlot cattle coming out then to lose money, notes Uvacek. "This could really hurt the feeder market since most cattlemen will be selling their 1978 calves about that time. Fortunately, feeder cattle numbers are down sharply this year, so this should help feeder prices somewhat."

The marketing specialist believes that beef prices will come down somewhat in response to some consumer or retailer resistance. "It is somewhat difficult to justify the present price levels simply on the basis of supply and demand. Supplies are not off that much, and it's difficult to believe that consumer demand has increased that much in such a short period of time."

Beef production should only be down about 2 percent during the July-September period from that same period a year ago. Although fed cattle marketings should be up substantially, the reduction in total beef production will be caused by a decrease in non-fed steer and heifer slaughter and much lower cow slaughter levels. This same quarter, however, will have increased quantities of pork, broilers and turkeys. Overall, total meat supplies could be up 3 percent from a year ago, says Uvacek.

Miles Second Cotton Festival Dates Released

The Miles Preservation Authority would like to extend an open invitation to everyone to attend the second annual Cotton Festival to be held in Miles on September 9, 1978. The day will begin with a parade at 10:30 with prizes going to the best entries. All during the day there will be many things going on including: food booths; arts and craft booths; fun contests such as a cotton picking, tricycle, three-legged, watermelon seed spitting and probably any other kind you can think of; old time fiddlers contest; horse show and playday and much, more.

A delicious barbeque supper will be served after which the Cotton Queen for 1978-79 will be chosen during a program which includes a style show. The day will end with an open air dance. All proceeds from the Cotton Festival will go toward the restoration of the Miles Opera House.

IMPROPER WATERING CAUSES VEGETABLE DISEASES

Improper watering can lead to a number of disease problems, such as blossom end rot in tomatoes, peppers, squash and watermelons.

The disease which develops more rapidly in acidic soils, starts at or near the blossom end of the fruit. Tomatoes are most commonly affected when they are about half grown.

The first sign of the disease is a slight, water-soaked area around the blossom end. This area darkens and enlarges rapidly as the fruit ripens. The discolored tissues shrink until they become flat or concave. The flesh of the fruit is rotted, brown to black in color, and leathery.

Another tomato disease, Buckeye rot, causes similar symptoms on the blossom end. However, this disease produces concentric rings of alternate light and dark gray areas.

To control these diseases maintain a constant level of soil moisture. Infrequent watering will encourage the diseases. Mulching will help reduce fluctuation in water supply.

Liming is advised if a soil test indicates an acidic soil. We caution gardeners against heavy applications of nitrogen since this results in a rapidly growing plant that requires a constant soil moisture level.

Spraying infected plants with a 96 percent calcium chloride solution helps prevent blossom end rot on other developing fruit. Use four tablespoons of the material in a gallon of water and spray at seven-to-ten-day intervals until four applications have been made. We caution against overdoses as they can cause leaf burn.

SUMMER CARE OF TREES AND SHRUBS

Trees, shrubs and vines that were transplanted in recent months need a little extra care to make it through the long, hot summer.

The most critical problem for newly moved plants is providing adequate moisture. Wind damage and excess fertilization also take their toll on transplanted trees, shrubs and vines.

We point out that mulches can help conserve soil moisture and are effective in controlling weeds. Apply the mulch several inches deep over the new plant's roots. Pine needles or bark, oak leaves, bagasse, gin trash or grass clippings can be used as mulch.

Some organic mulches decompose rapidly, taking nitrogen from the soil in the process and causing plants to yellow. This may be corrected by adding small doses of nitrogen fertilizer.

We caution against adding fertilizer at planting time. Only small amounts, if any, should be applied during the first growing season. Overfertilization is one of the major causes of plants dying the first season.

We also advise homeowners to protect new plants against wind damage. This is especially true for trees or shrubs that are several feet tall. High winds can break limbs and damage newly forming roots as well as dehydrate the plant. So plants should be pruned or staked for support.

Homeowners also need to remember their plants before leaving for summer vacations by arranging for someone to water them regularly.



DRUG STORE IN 1916 — L.M. Hoover is pictured in his drug store in downtown Eldorado. The only drug store in the town, it provided the citizens with a wide variety of drugs and merchandise. This part of the building was later used by the newspaper. (Photo

courtesy Schleicher County Museum) In the inset is Cecil McClatchy, left, and L.R. (Lyonelle) Ballew, a soda sleet in the store. Ballew worked for the Hoovers during his senior year in 1928.

In 1920's

Matchstick Trick Turned Sour For Youngsters

During the 1920's, there were several odd jobs around Eldorado suitable for young boys. One of the jobs was to answer phones late at night. The hitch was that the boys had to spend the night in the telephone office situated in the top of the Hoover Drug Store Building.

Dick Pearce, who lives here, and a friend, Malone Hill, were hired for the job at \$2 a week. They made their beds in some cots and were awakened by a bell that rang when a phone call came through. They then

plugged in the call.

However, when the caller had completed his call, and hung up, the bell would ring a second time, waking up the boys. Before long, Malone discovered that if he would put a match stick in the switch board, it would not ring when the caller hung up.

One night, the boys were awakened by a call from Bill Eaton who had run out of gas coming home from Sonora. Eaton wanted to get in contact with the garage next to the Hoover

Building so they could come for him. However, no one was at the garage to answer his call.

Meanwhile, sleepy eyed Malone had pulled his match stick trick and Eaton could not call back because the line was, of course, busy.

Therefore the only alternative for Eaton was to walk to Eldorado. When he

arrived, his first stop was the telephone office where he found the two boys sound asleep. There were no plumbing facilities in the building at the time except for a faucet and a bucket. The aggravated man filled the bucket and doused the youngsters.

Needless to say, their matchsticks stayed in their pockets from then on.

Drouth Area Ranchers Offered IRS Tax Break

Livestock owners who must sell animals from their herds because of drouth conditions qualify for a tax deferment under the 1976 Tax Reform Act, reminds John Armstrong, president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. In general, the returns from such involuntary conversion may be diverted by the taxpayer until the next taxable year, he adds, according to the Standard Federal Tax Reports.

Armstrong cited Regulation 1.1033 (f)-1(d) 4624H which allows the deferment of tax payment on the income obtained from those cattle in excess of what the taxpayer would normally sell.

Armstrong explained that if a rancher who normally sells 50 head from his herd each year but during a drouth sells 75 head in the taxable year, the income from the additional 25 head may be deferred so that it is not taxed until the following year. The regulation states further that replacement livestock must be "similar or related in service or use" to that livestock which is involuntarily converted.

A similar regulation,

Regulation 1.451-7(a) 2841A, is primarily for farmers who graze stocker cattle. This deferment is for "livestock sold or exchanged solely on account of drouth which caused an area to be designated as eligible for assistance by the Federal Government (regardless of whether the designation is made by the President or by an agency or department of the Federal Government)." Such taxpayers must have their principal business as farming and report taxable income on the cash method of accounting.

Mrs. Case Is Bridge Hostess

Mrs. Carrol White was the top winner in the Wednesday Bridge Club last week. Mrs. Ruth Case hosted the meeting, with two tables of players present.

Mary Helen Stockton was the bingo winner.

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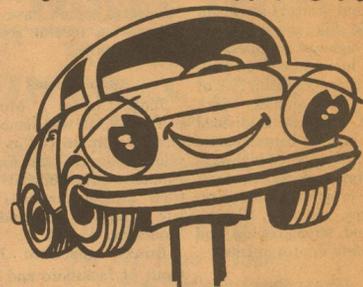
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