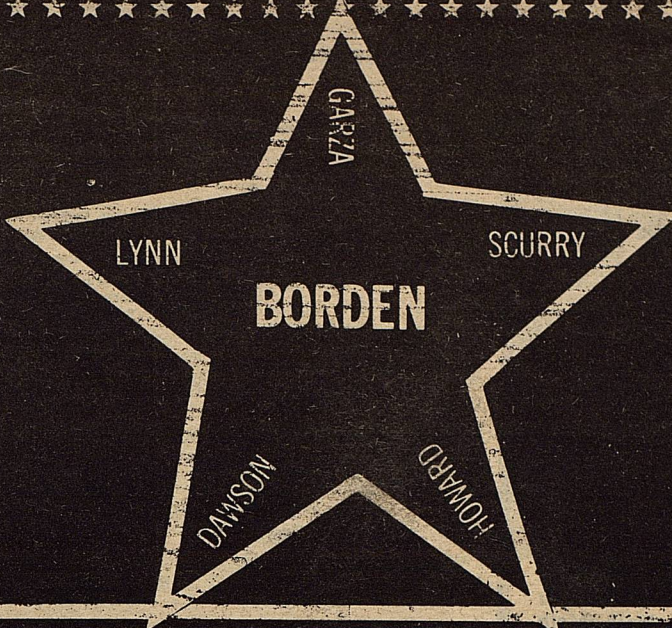


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Serving the Counties of Borden, Dawson, Garza, Howard, Lynn & Scurry

Everett - Thompson Win Jackpot Roping

Jess Everett and Hank Thompson won the Jackpot Roping Saturday night at the Gail arena. This is a membership roping, and the second one the club has had this summer.

Jess and Hank won a good-looking pair of spurs. These spurs came from Ed Kelly Sims "Bit and Spur Shop" at Uvalde, Texas.

Having thirty-three teams, winners were:

FIRST GO:

1st Place--Hank Thompson, Jess Everett, 13.2

Three-way tie for 2nd Place--Joe Canon and Billy Walker, Bill Carlisle and Eldon McClurg, Billy Wills and Kenny Hart

SECOND GO:

1st Place--Arlan Youngblood and Johnny Montgomery, 13.1

2nd Place--Mike Stephens and Bill Carlisle, 13.5

THIRD GO:

1st Place--Ray Herring and Joe Canon, 8.0

2nd Place--Joe Canon and Billy Walker, 9.8

FOURTH GO:

1st Place--Johnny Montgomery and Arlan Youngblood, 9.3

2nd Place--Brent Murphy and Kenny Hart--10.4

FIFTH GO:

1st Place--Doug Nehring and Ken Nehring, 9.5

2nd Place--Elmer McClurg and David Pool, 11.4

AVERAGE:

1st Place--Jess Everett and Hank Thompson, 5 head, 87.0

2nd Place--Joe Canon and Billy Walker, 4 head, 56.0

3rd Place--Gary Jones and Burl

Belew, 4 head, 74.1

4th Place--Johnny Montgomery and Arlan Youngblood, 3 head, 40.3

WINNER OF ONE-HEADER

1st Place--Mike Stephens and Arlan Youngblood, 9.8

2nd Place--Jess Everett and Hank Thompson, 10.7

3rd Place--Ben Murphy and David Pool, 12.9

Well, ladies, we did it again! Oh, I've never seen such a spread of good food. Thanks to each and everyone of you for making it such a nice picnic and a special thanks to Dorothy Browne, Don Cox, Pat Murphy, and Donna Nehring. Without these good workers, we wouldn't be able to have a roping--Mucho Gracias!!!



Workouts began Monday for the Coyotes.

Borden County 4-H Horse Show

It is time for the Borden County 4-H Horse Show. The date and time for this event is Tuesday, August 16.

Each family is asked to bring a freezer of ice cream and a jug of tea, cool aid or punch for a fun-filled activity.

Entry fees for the horse show is \$1 for all events. State 4-H Horse Show Rules will be followed. Each contestant may enter only one horse for points.

Registration begins at 7:30 p.m. and the show starts at 8:00 p.m.

The following events will be in the horse show:

Halter - Mares (All ages)
Geldings (All ages)

Showmanship - (Pee Wee - under 9) (All others - 9-19)

Western Pleasure - (PeeWee) (All others)

Reining - (9-19)

Barrels - Pee Wee (under 9)
All others (9-19)

Poles - Pee Wee (under 9)
All other (9-19)

Flags - Pee Wee (under 9)
All Other (9-19)

Goat Tying - Girls

Pee Wee (Boys & Girls)

Breakaway Roping - Girls & Boys

Tie-Down Calf Roping - Boys

Everyone be sure to come to the activity even if you don't show a horse.

**Only 11 More Days
Till School Starts**

Borden County School To Begin

School will officially start on Monday, August 15, 1977. Teachers will attend workshops and prepare for the first quarter. The week will consist of the following activities:

Monday, August 15
9:00-12:00 Faculty Meetings
1:30-3:30 Teacher Retirement

Tuesday, August 16
9:00-3:30 Mrs. Jannie Boren, Snyder, "The Living Textbook"

Wednesday, August 17
9:00-12:00 Drug Education
1:30-3:30 Work in Classrooms

Thursday, August 18
9:00-3:30 Mrs. Iraba Edwards, Lamesa, Art Workshop

Friday, August 19
9:00-12:00 Career Education
1:30-3:30 Work in Classrooms

Students will start regular classes on Monday, August 22. Student registration will begin

SCHOOL (Cont. on page 2)

It's Football Season Again

The 1977 football season for the Borden County Coyotes officially began Monday, August 8th. The team began the work-out schedule at 5:30 p.m. and will work each week day until 8:30. Physicals were given Tuesday, August 2nd and the team all proved to be fit. Tim Taylor will be out for a while as he is having his tonsils taken out Tuesday. He says he will be back and ready to work soon. Several of the boys have really worked to get in shape for the season and all are ready to begin.

The first scrimmage will be against Sterling City, August 18th at 6:30 and will be played here. August 26th at 6:30 the Coyotes will scrimmage again at Sterling City.

The first Booster Club meeting will be held August 23rd. The Booster Club plays an important part in supporting the team, and again we look forward to a good turnout.

We'll all breathe a little easier this year when we look down the field and see our ambulance and know we have several qualified EMT's (Emergency Medical

Technicians) in the stands. We always hope that the season goes by injury free for both players and fans but it's comforting to know we have qualified people and a well-equipped ambulance to call on in the event of an emergency.

Those returning to the Coyote team this year are: Ty Zant, Tony Benavidez, Johnny Jackson, Perry Smith, Tim Smith, Travis Rinehart, Blane Dyess, Pat Toombs, Craig Peterson, Eurdist Rinehart, Mark Walker, Tim Taylor, Clay Grose, Marlon Vaughn, Brad Smith, Troyce Wolf, and Ben Murphy. Sid Westbrook, Johnny Morado, Van York, Danny Holmes, John Redding, Bradley Woolzey, Bart McMeans and Maurice Herridge will be playing their first year for the varsity team.

Coach Killian has high hopes for the team this year and urges the community to come out and support the team as they did last year. It takes more than the coaches and the players to have a successful season. The school body and the community play a vital role in the road to victory.

School

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Friday, August 19 in the following order:

- 9:00-10:30 Seniors
- 10:30-12:00 Juniors
- 1:00-2:30 Sophomores
- 2:30-4:00 Freshmen

Books will be issued to high school students on the day of registration.

Parents are invited to visit the school at any time during the school year, and a special invitation is extended to parents to attend the opening assembly on August 22 at 8:30 a.m. The school will observe the following time schedule beginning August 22, 1977:

- 8:20 a.m. School begins
 - 12:00 p.m. Lunch
 - 3:30 p.m. School will dismiss.
- Buses will run according to this schedule beginning Monday, August 22.

Mr. McLeroy has announced that there will be two (2) new staff members. Miss Billie Briggs will be teaching math in junior high and high school. She previously taught in the Sands School District. Mrs. Jim Parker will be assigned to the junior high and high school in English and social studies. Mrs. Parker previously taught in the Lamesa School District.

A complete list of the teach-

ing staff is as follows:

SUPERINTENDENT
James McLeroy

ELEMENTARY
Ben Jarrett, Principal, Frances Burkett (Nurse & Libr.), Beverly Copeland, Dorothy Gray (4th Grade), Ann McLeroy (2nd Grade) Shirley McMeans (3rd Grade), Jan Parker (Lang. Arts & History), Fred Ridenour (Sc. & History), Doris Steadman (1st Grade), Peggy Westbrook (Lang. Arts), Eunice Yadon (Reading & History), Dolores Wolf (Math & History)

HIGH SCHOOL
Mickey McMeans, Principal, Bob Bagley (Vo. Ag.), Billie Briggs (Math), Dave Briggs (Math), Joe Copeland (Science), Sandra Graves (History & Gov't) Sharon Huddleston (English), Netta Jarrett (Business), Bill Killian (P.E.), Shirley Kountz (homemaking), Van Kountz (Health & P.E.), Jim Parker Band & Music, Tommy Varner (P.E.)

SECRETARY
Joan Briggs

TEACHERS AIDES
Verna Ogden, Melba Rinehart, Sallie Wilson

CLERK-TYPIST
Barbara York

Borden County To Get Road Improvements

Work in Borden County is included in the 1978 Special Rehabilitation and State Highway Safety and Betterment and Farm to Market Road Improvement Program approved by the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission. The quarter-billion-dollar program was made possible by the funds provided by the 65th Texas Legislature.

A large part of the program will be financed with General Revenue funds especially appropriated for this purpose with the remainder of the projects financed with state highway funds.

District Engineer, Roger G. Welsch of Abilene, said the work includes:

- (1) A seal coat consisting of a single course of asphalt and aggregate on FM 1054 from Lynn County Line south for 12.1 miles.
- (2) Reconstruction of FM

612 from US 180 to FM 2350 for a total of 7.5 miles.

Estimated cost of all Borden County projects total \$332,800.

Statewide, the program provides for the improvement of some 6,900 miles of highways at an estimated construction cost of approximately \$222,560,000, with an additional \$4.3 million set aside for later assignment.

Approximately 68 per cent of the overall program will be on State and U. S. Highways, another 30 per cent on Farm to Market Roads, and the remaining 2 per cent reserved for future assignment.

The program is the first phase of a long-range program to restore the highway system to the standards Texans have come to expect, Welsch said. It is based on recommendations submitted by several district engineers and selected following a statewide assessment of highway needs.

Fluvanna-Gail Revival Set

A six-day revival begins Sunday at the Fluvanna-Gail United Methodist Churches.

Guest speaker for the revival will be the Rev. Wayland Dowden, pastor of the Ira and Union Methodist Churches. Song leader for the revival will be Rodney Mitchell. Services will be held each

night at 8 p.m. The first three nights, Sunday through Tuesday, will be held at the Fluvanna church and the final three nights, Wednesday through Friday, will be held in Gail.

Karl Baumbardner, summer pastor at Fluvanna-Gail invites the public to attend.

BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR 1977-1978

DATE	STUDENT DAYS	TEACHER IN-SERVICE AND WORK DAYS	HOLIDAYS
AUG. 15		TEACHER IN-SERVICE	1
AUG. 16		TEACHER IN-SERVICE	1
AUG. 17		TEACHER IN-SERVICE	1
AUG. 18		TEACHER IN-SERVICE	1
AUG. 19		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
		STUDENT REGISTRATION SENIORS 9:00-10:30 JUNIORS 10:30-12:00 SOPHOMORES 1:00-2:30 FRESHMEN 2:30-4:00	
AUG. 22		FIRST QUARTER BEGINS	
SEPT. 5		LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	1
NOV. 11	59	FIRST QUARTER ENDS	
NOV. 14		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
NOV. 15		SECOND QUARTER BEGINS	
NOV. 24-25		THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS	2
DEC. 21		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
DEC. 22-JAN. 2		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	7
FEB. 17	59	SECOND QUARTER ENDS	
FEB. 20		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
FEB. 21		THIRD QUARTER BEGINS	
FEB. 24		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
MAR. 20-24		SPRING VACATION	5
MAY 14		BACCALAUREATE	
MAY 18	57	THIRD QUARTER ENDS	
MAY 18		HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT	
MAY 19		TEACHER WORK DAY	1
MAY 19		JUNIOR HIGH COMMENCEMENT	
SCHOOL YEAR 1977-1978			175 10 15

1977 BORDEN COYOTE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

HIGH SCHOOL

Aug. 18	Sterling City (Scrimmage)	Here	6:30
Aug. 26	Sterling City (Scrimmage)	There	6:30
Sept. 2	Roby	There	7:30
Sept. 9	Forsan	Here	7:30
Sept. 16	O'Donnell	There	7:30
Sept. 23	Loraine	Here	7:30
Sept. 30	Garden City	Here	7:30
Oct. 7	Dawson	There	7:30*
Oct. 14	Wilson	Here	7:30*
Oct. 21	Sands	Here	7:30*
Oct. 28	Klondike	There	7:30*
Nov. 4	New Home	There	7:30*

Season tickets will go on sale on August 22, 1977. Tickets will again sell for \$16.00.

* Denotes district games.

1977 BORDEN COUNTY COYOTE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

JUNIOR HIGH

Sept. 15	O'Donnell	Here	5:00
Oct. 6	Dawson	Here	5:30
Oct. 13	Wilson	There	5:30
Oct. 20	Sands	There	5:30
Oct. 27	Klondike	Here	5:30
Nov. 3	New Home	Here	5:30



MRS. CLIFTON DAVID SMITH

Pre-Nuptial Parties For Diane Titus

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith were hosts at a dinner honoring their son and his fiancée, Diane Titus, following the wedding rehearsal Friday evening, July 29. Thirty-one guests attended the catered dinner in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Titus.

Mrs. Bill McDaniel and her daughter, Marcie, of Commerce were hostesses for a birdseed bag party in their home on July 26. The bags were tied on a tree branch with white doves scattered over the branches. The bride's colors of blue and white were carried out in the theme.

Mrs. L. G. Dickson and her daughter, Kathy, of Commerce were hostesses at a bridesmaid's luncheon at noon on Saturday, July 30, in the Dickson home. A salad plate was served by the hostesses to the fourteen people present.

Mrs. Jerry Smith, mother of the groom, was honored at a tea in the home of Mrs. Robert Titus Friday morning, July 29. Twenty-seven guests attended.

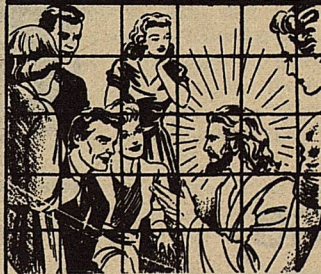
Field Day

LUBBOCK -- More than 100 new and improved cotton varieties which are being evaluated by scientists of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station will be among several featured attractions during the Experiment Station's annual field day at Lubbock, Sept. 13.

Joining in the event which attracts over 1200 visitors each year, will be the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Agricultural Research Service, USDA; and agricultural meteorology office of the National Weather Service.

Up-to-date immunization is real insurance--for all ages. Grown-ups need protection, too. So when was your last immunization?

BIBLE VERSE



Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.
ROMANS 13:10

and baby's breath with greenery. Maid of honor was Carol Palmore of Austin. Bridesmaids were Lisa Smith, sister of the groom, of Gail, Sue Borgfeld of Lubbock, Kathy Dickson and Reba Horton of Commerce. They wore floor length gowns of blue and white nylon dotted Swiss accented with blue lace. Each carried a basket of pom pom daisies.

Brad Smith of Gail served as best man for his brother. Groomsmen were Nicky Goode of Welch, Jim McLeroy of Gail, Doug Isaacs of Gail, and Mark Bearden of Welch. Ushers were Rob Titus, brother of the bride of Commerce, and Kie Watkins of Farwell.

The reception was held in Fellowship Hall following the ceremony. Houseparty members included Kathy Johnson, Beth Sefzik, Maureen Burke, Lisa Kaiser, Karen Kaiser, and Janice Kaiser. Maynona Kyle registered the guests.

The couple will reside in Lubbock where the groom will continue his studies at Texas Tech University and will be employed by the Texas A & M Experimental Station. The bride, a spring graduate of Texas Tech, will be employed by the university.

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miss Diane Louise Titus and Clifton David Smith on Saturday, July 30, 1977 at 7:00 in the evening in the First Baptist Church of Commerce. Dr. Lewis E. Lee, pastor, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Dr. and Mrs. Robert L. Titus of Commerce and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry R. Smith of Gail.

Wedding music was played by Mrs. Dwayne Studdard, organist and Mrs. Monty Hunt, pianist. Prior to the ceremony, Mrs. Paul Wilson sang "Evergreen", James Lanmon sang "Sunrise, Sunset", and Mrs. Wilson and Lanmon sang "Wedding Song, There is Love". Following the exchange of vows, Mike Chayasirisobhon sang "The Lord's Prayer". At the close of the ceremony, the couple lighted a unity candle symbolizing their oneness in Christ.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a formal gown of candlelight satin with silk chiffon overlay accented with reembroidered Alencon and Venice lace, and accentuated with seed pearls. The long puffed sleeves with fitted cuffs and high neckline were accented by Venetian lace. Flower motifs were scattered throughout the A-line chiffon skirt which fell from a natural waistline into a chapel train encircled with Venetian lace. She wore a chapel length veil of candlelight tulle attached to a cap of Alencon lace which matched the gown, and carried a bouquet of blue carnations and baby's breath with phalaenopsis orchids.

The altar was centered around a wedding arch banked by votive candelabra with arrangements of white gladioli, blue carnations

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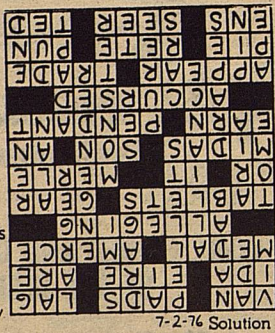
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36th Division Reunion

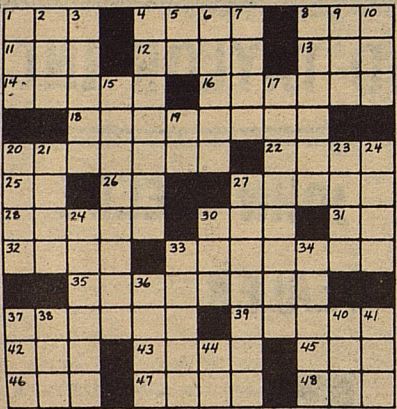
Letter To Editor

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1. Large truck
 - 4. Cushions
 - 8. Fall behind
 - 11. Girl's name
 - 12. Ireland
 - 13. Part of to be merit
 - 14. Award of merit
 - 16. Punish
 - 18. Affirming
 - 20. Writing pads
 - 22. Toothed wheel
 - 25. Either
 - 26. Pronoun
 - 27. Blackbird
 - 28. Mythical king
 - 30. Male heir
 - 31. Indefinite article
- DOWN**
- 32. Merit
 - 33. Hanging ornament
 - 35. Ill fated
 - 37. Seem to be
 - 39. Barter
 - 42. Pastry
 - 43. Network
 - 45. Play on words
 - 46. Abstract being
 - 47. Prophet
 - 48. Spread to dry
 - 1. Vigor
 - 2. Fruit drink
 - 3. Israel king
 - 4. Pills
 - 5. Three toed sloth



7-2-76 Solution



- 6. Pulls with effort
- 7. Prefix, half
- 8. Bigger
- 9. Circle part
- 10. Turn right
- 15. A union
- 17. Produce
- 19. And (Fr.)
- 20. Large book
- 21. Operatic solo
- 23. Hunting dog
- 24. Lease
- 27. Ogre
- 29. Arranges in folds
- 30. Weight of India
- 33. Thick soup
- 34. Fit
- 36. Automobiles
- 37. Mimic
- 38. Metal fastener
- 40. Owing
- 41. Finish
- 44. Musical note

DALLAS -- Labor Day Weekend will bring 600 veterans of the famous Texas' own 36th Division Association for their 52nd annual reunion.

Royal Coach Motor Inn is headquarters for the men who wore the "T-Patch" during WWII, the first American troops to invade Hitler's Europe at Salerno, Sept. 9, 1943.

The 36th Division, made up of men of the Texas National Guard were mobilized in Nov. 1940 at Camp Bowie, Brownwood, Texas, with 10,000 men. The Division strength of 18,000 was made up of draftees from Texas. Replacements were made from men of every state in the union.

Registration for the reunion starts Friday, Sept. 2, with a hospitality party that night, general assembly at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, with General Paul Adams as guest speaker, and dinner dance at 7:00 p.m. Memorial services will be held on Sunday, Sept. 4 at 10:00 a.m.

The 36th Division served in 5 major campaigns in Europe, had 15 Congressional Medal of Honor winners, and were credited with the capture of Hermann Goering and Field Marshal Von Rundstedt.

For information, contact: Amil Kohutek, membership chairman, 1933 College St., Abilene, TX 79602.

Dear Editor:

Last week's vote by the U.S. House of Representatives against the deregulation of natural gas prices was a vote against the American consumer and against jobs for Texans. Because of the great amount of confusion and misinformation surrounding last week's vote and the entire issue of the deregulation of natural gas prices, I felt that it was important that an attempt be made to set the record straight.

The nation and Texas both lost in the vote against deregulation of natural gas prices. It was a vote to give the power to federal bureaucrats not just to set prices for energy but to allocate energy supplies and jobs to other states.

In the winters ahead, as the dwindling supply of natural gas fails to meet our nation's needs, as Texas loses jobs and economic growth, I hope we will remember the circumstances that caused opponents of deregulation to reach the conclusion reflected in today's vote.

Our loss might very well have been prevented, I believe, if two things had happened:

-- if the Administration had offered a better, more realistic gas pricing policy; and

-- if the issue had remained non-partisan, as it ought to have. Instead, people put obligation to party ahead of obligation to

country.

For weeks, I had sought a method of compromise in implementing a plan that would hold true to two essential principles:

-- eventual removal of federal price controls, or deregulation, and

-- the denial of federal authority over our state's intrastate gas supplies.

Both those principles were served in my deregulation bill in 1976, which lost only 205-201. At that time, many Democrats, including myself, worked with a Republican President to fashion non-partisan energy policy. Today, partisanship on both sides prevailed and the loss was substantial.

After the initial Krueger bill to deregulate natural gas won in subcommittee, by a vote of 12-10, I knew that it would be harder to win in full committee. I felt that by phasing out price controls, over several years, however, we could win deregulation in full committee.

But the Republican leadership insisted instead upon holding to the official Republican policy of immediate deregulation of new natural gas, coupled with windfall profits taxes. That strategy lost by a vote of 23-20.

I then negotiated with Republicans and Democrats, seeking to offer phased out price controls before the full House of Representatives. That seemed to me the only strategy capable of victory.

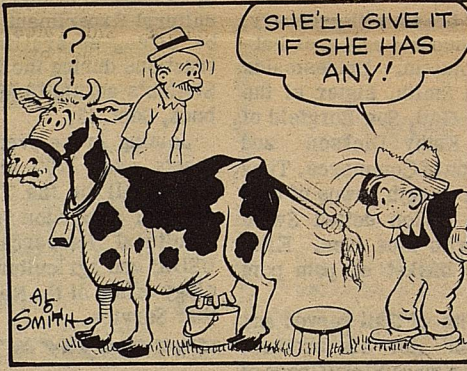
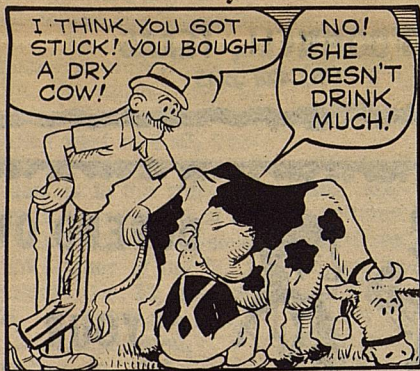
Unfortunately, in the Rules Committee the Republican leadership combined with Democratic supporters of the Administration's policy to deny me the opportunity to offer the only amendment that would have won. In my judgment, the Republican leadership consciously offered a losing strategy so that they could blame President Carter for the defeat of deregulation.

In so doing, they allowed partisanship to overrule wise policy. The House became polarized on a highly complex issue and people tended to take the easy way of voting a party line as Republicans versus Democrats instead of working together as public officials to fashion non-partisan energy policy, as I had hoped we might. Thus, we are all losers and we must hope that the Senate will not act in partisan fashion, that it can repair the divisions created in the House, which have cost all Americans their hopes of our best possible energy policy.

Since Texas is by far the largest consumer of natural gas -- consuming more than all of New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, California, Oregon and Washington combined -- if we have a very cold winter this year, Texas stands to lose thousands of jobs if natural gas is allocated, as allowed by this bill, to other states. If that happens, the Texas consumer and wage earner will be the ones to suffer.

Sincerely,
Bob Krueger
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When some girl scouts grow up the feeling for adventure they developed in the organization stays with them. Sid Sealy's 10 years as a girl scout prompted her to sign up for a 2 1/2 year stay in Afganistan with the Peace Corps and later work with the Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) Department on a Ute Indian Reservation in Utah.

Sid earned her BSN degree from the Baylor School of Nursing before entering the Peace Corps. Her father, George Sealy, was previously County Agent in Borden County.

While in Afganistan, Sid worked with local women and local mid-wives in developing family planning measures.

After her term was over in the Peace Corps, Sid joined HEW as a public health nurse on the Ute Indian Reservation in Utah. "It was really interesting. I got to go to the peoples' homes and meet them, and learn their language and customs," she said.

Now settled in Lubbock, Sid is acting as camp nurse and archery instructor at Camp Rio Blanco. The camp, owned by the Caprock Girl Scout Council, is located east of Crosbyton.

Having seen several Girl Scout camps, Sid rates Rio Blanco as one of the best. "I think the program is better at Rio Blanco. Here the camp counselors try to hold to the principles of Girl Scouting and teach the girls something new all the time," she said.

Asked how scouting has changed since she began Sid said, "Girl Scouting is not as much skill orientated now as it used to be. As public interest has changed to an emphasis on nature and environment, scouting has changed. But, basically the organization has remained the same."

Having observed scouting all over Europe Sid said there really isn't much difference in the programs. "There isn't much scouting in Asia, but England and Canada have large programs. The uniforms are different and in England the girls are called Girl Guides but basically the programs are the same," she said.

Sid said she didn't know how active her nursing career would allow her to be in the future



Sid Sealy displays some of the articles she has gathered in her travels. Sid spent two and one-half years in Afganistan with the Peace Corps and has traveled extensively in Europe. Sid credits the feeling for adventure the 10 years in Girl Scouting gave her as the reason she joined the Peace Corps.

but "I always go overboard and buy at least 10 boxes of cookies." Leaders are hard to come by today, Sid said. "It's a big responsibility to be a Girl Scout Leader. The girls believe what you tell them."

first year the camp opened, and laughingly said, "Now that I'm back at the camp I have counselors come up to me and say, 'I remember you, you were my counselor when I was here as a camper.' That really makes me feel old."

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LUBBOCK--Hurricanes, tornadoes, waterspouts and dust devils have, for engineers, lost a lot of their mystery. And as the mysteries unravel, the engineers are learning to build for protection against the worst the winds can do.

Texas Tech University's Institute for Disaster Research, a pioneer in the field of wind engineering, recently conducted two workshops for specialists, the first on Designing for Wind and the second on Designing for Tornadoes.

Discussions dealt with building codes, what they are and what they ought to be.

A meteorologist, Dr. Richard E. Peterson of the Texas Tech geosciences faculty, defined and described meteorological terms describing severe weather: hur-

ricanes, tornadoes, waterspouts, dust devils, downslope winds, thunderstorm outflows.

Sessions also included a slide presentation of examples of wind-caused building failures documented in the institute's files of 31 field investigations. Texas Tech civil engineering Prof. James R. McDonald made the presentation.

Examples came from the Joplin, Mo., May 11, 1973, windstorm; Cyclone Tracy, Darwin, Australia, Dec. 25, 1974; the Hereford, Tex., tornado, April 19, 1971; Hurricane Celia, Corpus Christi, Tex., Aug. 3, 1970; the Lubbock tornado, May 11, 1970; the Omaha tornado, May 6, 1975, the tornado at Monroe Central School, Indiana, April 3, 1974; the Xenia, Ohio, tornado, April 3, 1974; and the Atlanta Ga.,

tornado, March 24, 1975.

A cyclone, Peterson said, is an atmospheric circulation with horizontal winds flowing counterclockwise in the northern hemisphere and clockwise in the southern hemisphere around an area of low pressure. An anticyclone is an atmospheric circulation with horizontal winds flowing clockwise in the northern hemisphere around an area of high pressure.

Hurricanes are the most intense of tropical cyclones. In the Indian Ocean they are called "cyclones" instead of hurricanes. Other common names are "typhoon" and "baguio." By whatever name, the storms are damaging. An average hurricane has winds of 73 m.p.h. or faster over an area of 100 miles in diameter, and gales above 40 m.p.h. may cover an area 350 to 400 miles across. The "Great Atlantic Hurricane" of 1944 had hurricane winds over an estimated diameter of 200 miles and gales covered a distance of 600 miles.

In addition to the hurricane itself, tides and storm surges, floods and accompanying tornadoes cause major damage, Peterson said.

Long after the winds of Hurricane Diane in 1955 died, floods in Pennsylvania, New York and New England killed 200 people and did an estimated \$700 million damage. In 1972, remnants of Hurricane Agnes dumped record-breaking rains on the east coast, and flooding caused billions of dollars of damage to areas which had never before experienced high water.

Tornadoes appear occasionally in hurricanes, Peterson said, but usually are spawned by thunderstorms. They are related to vorticity, the local rotation of the air due to curving motion and wind shears.

Tornadoes form when vorticity is concentrated into a limited column beneath a thunderstorm. On the plains three meteorological conditions are common in tornadoes: a low level layer of moist air surmounted by an upper level layer of dry air, narrow bands of strong winds in both the upper and lower air layers, and a tri-level layer of dry air, narrow bands of strong winds in both the upper and lower air layers, and a triggering mechanism. A cold front, movement of the dry line or unequal heating at the ground surface can serve as the trigger which produces mixing from unstable situations.


"In the last 50 years," Peterson said, "there has been a great increase in the number of reported tornado occurrences, largely because of a better system of reporting rather than a change in climate."

Almost all tornado activity in the United States occurs east of the Rocky Mountains. Although tornadoes have been recorded in every month, the peak season varies with location. Generally April through July represents the peak season.

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Individual artists, craftsmen, hobbyists and organizations from Texas and New Mexico will offer for sale a wide variety of original paintings, sculpture, jewelry, pottery, wood carving, miscellaneous crafts and folk art.

Garden clubs, home demonstration clubs, service organizations and other groups will


have for sale hundreds of hand-sewn items, home canned foods, flower arrangements, plants and gardening materials. The South Plains Genealogical Society will feature barbed wire and other historical items for collectors.

An art exhibition by Texas Fine Arts Association Region 20 will be in the Center auditorium and Lubbock Art Association members will present art demonstrations during the day. Musical groups will entertain through the cooperation of the Lubbock Parks & Recreation Dept. The Center's Board of Directors will operate a food booth.




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