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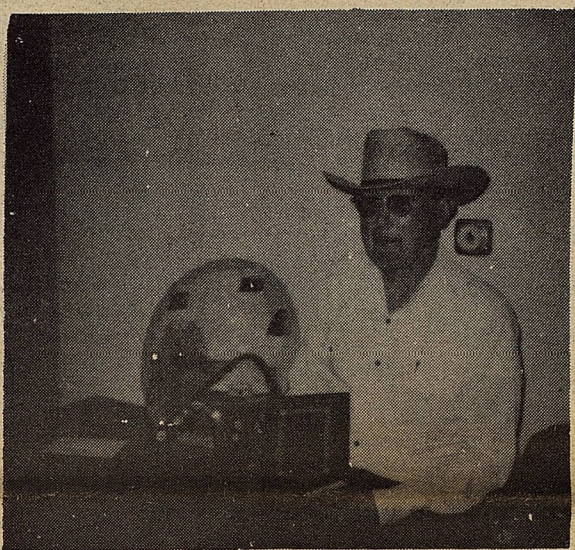
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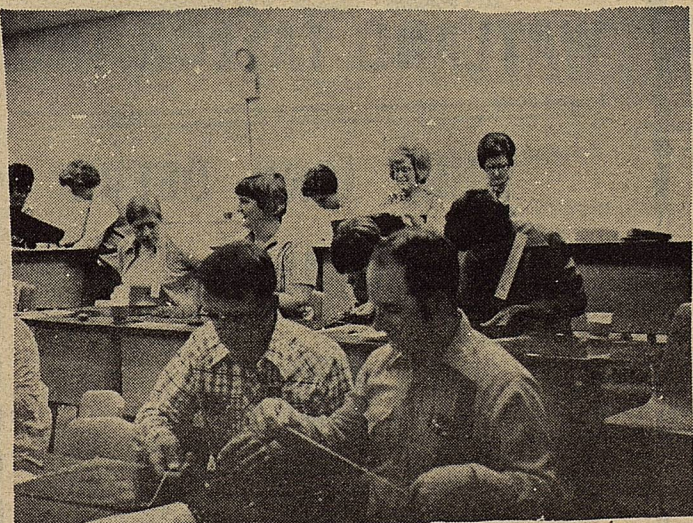
Travis Beaver, "Fluvanna's Top Hand"

Fluvanna Honors Village Blacksmith

Approximately 125 friends and neighbors gathered Friday night, September 19, at the Fluvanna Community Center to honor Travis Beaver on his 80th Birthday. Trav, as he is known to his many friends and patrons, is the local welder and blacksmith and has held that position since 1950. His shop is the

original building constructed in 1910 by Fluvanna's first blacksmith.

Mr. Beaver works daily on local farms, at his shop, or in the oil fields, and has well earned the title bestowed upon him by a grateful community as, "Fluvanna's Top Hand".



BORDEN COUNTY TEACHERS DURING WORKSHOP

The art workshop seemed to be a real treat to these teachers. It is apparently nice to be on the other side of a desk for a change. Shown are-back row- 1 to r- Ann McLeroy, Francis Burkett, Netta Jarrett, Shirley McMeans, and Verna Ogden. Second row- Billie Briggs, Sandra Graves, Carol Bagley (Post), and Shirley Kountz. Front row- Fred Ridenour and Bob Bagley.

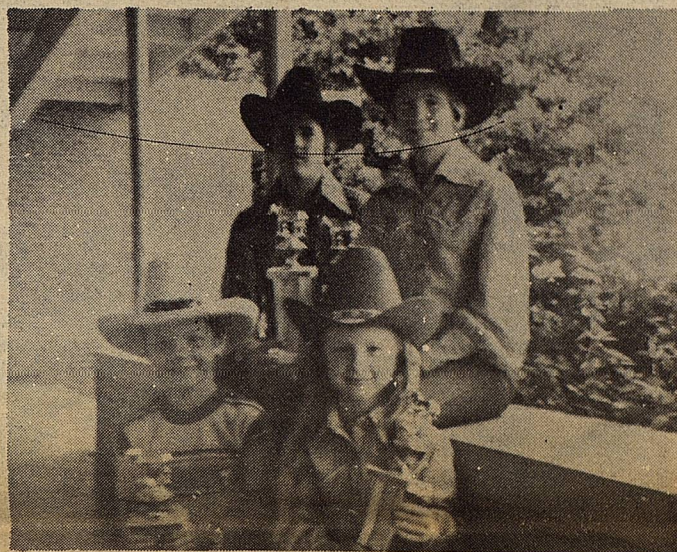
School Finance

A recent federal court ruling poses a potential upheaval in the Texas system of financing public schools, even though the decision is not final and the ultimate judgment may not be adverse.

U.S. Dist. Judge Jack Roberts in Austin held July 21 that the Texas system of distributing state funds to local school districts violates the federal and state constitutions, as well as state law. However, he denied a preliminary injunction which

SCHOOL FINANCE

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TOP AWARD WINNERS IN THE BORDEN COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOW WERE: back- Perry Smith and Gayla Newton, High Point Winners in the Sr. division, Brice Key and Raylynn Key, Pee Wee Division.

4-H Horse Show

Twenty-four 4-Hers and future 4-Hers competed in the annual Borden County Horse show last week.

Taking home top honors were Ralynn Key, Brice Key, Perry Smith and Gayla Newton. Ralynn and Brice, both children of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Key were high point winners in the elementary division. Perry Smith and Gayla Newton were high point winners in the senior division. Perry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Smith and Gayla is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Newton.

Other winners were as follows:
Mare at halter:
1st Sid Westbrook, 2nd Cole Herring, 3rd Mindy Williams; 4th Travis Rinehart; 5th Perry Smith; 6th Julie Ridenour and 7th, Cathy York.

Gelding at Halter
1st, Kristy Stone; 2nd Perry Smith, 3rd, Ben Murphy; 4th Talley Griffin; 5th Glen Gray; 6th, Cody Stone; 7th, Sid Westbrook and 8th Brice Key.

Pee Wee Showmanship
1st, Brice Key; 2nd Michael Murphy, 3rd, Mindy Williams; 4th, Ralynn Key; 5th Wayne Daugherty; 6th Julie Ridenour; 7th, Carol Daugherty; 8th Cody Stone; 9th Kristi Stone; 10th, Jim Ridenour.

Senior Showmanship
1st, Sid Westbrook; 2nd Ben Murphy; 3rd, Perry Smith; 4th Talley Griffin; 5th Gayla Newton; 6th, Glen Gray.

Pee Wee Western Pleasure
1st, Kristi Stone; 2nd Ralynn Key; 3rd, Brice Key; 4th Cody

Stone; 5th, Michael Murphy; and 6th Jim Ridenour.

Senior Western Pleasure
1st, Keil Williams; 2nd, Perry Smith; 3rd, Ben Murphy; 4th Van York; 5th, Sid Westbrook; 6th, Travis Rinehart

Senior Reining
1st, Sid Westbrook; 2nd Perry Smith; 3rd, Ben Murphy; 4th Travis Rinehart; and 5th Gayla Newton.

Pee Wee Barrells
1st Carl Daugherty, 19.64; 2nd Julie Ridenour (20.06); 3rd, Ralynn Key (24.23); 4th Wayne Daugherty (24.59); 5th Dana Gray (25.39) and Mindy Williams, 6th (29.13.)

Senior Barrells
1st, Gayla Newton (17.51); 2nd

HORSE SHOW (Cont. on page 3)

Labor Day Roping

Sponsored by Gail Roping Club & Livestock Association

The roping will be Sept. 5, 1977. It will start at 8:00 a.m. with a Father-Son-Daughter roping. Entry fee for this will be 2 for \$20.00.

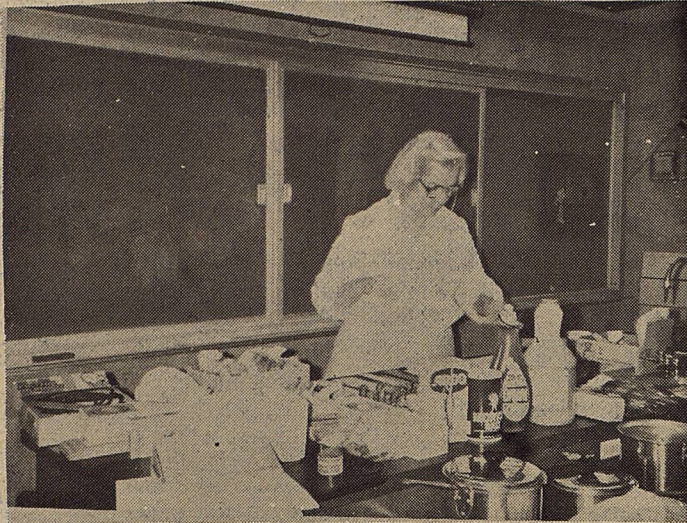
The open roping will start right after this. It will be a

3 for \$30.00 progressive after two. You can enter three times. There will be 4 buckles given. Books will close on Sunday, Sept. 4 at 6:00 p.m.

The Livestock Association will furnish tea, plates, knives

and forks, ice, bread, and cups. The Roping Club will furnish the chicken. Each family will need to bring a salad and a desert. To enter, call (915)573-5002.

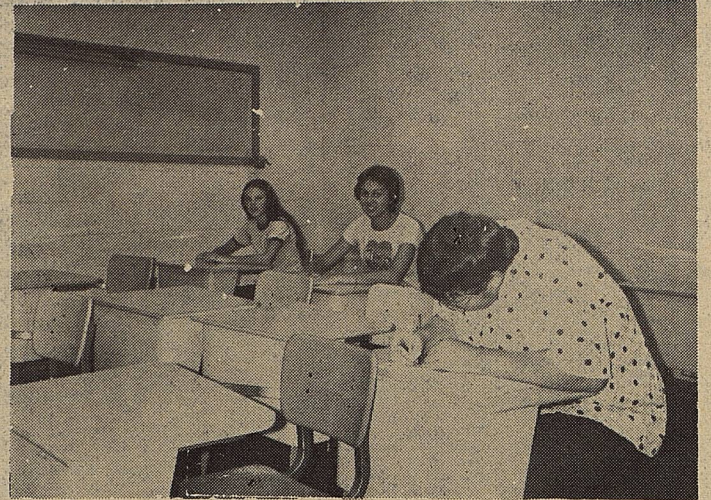
Borden County School News



Mrs. Reba Edwards



Winning recognition for his potato pig was Fred Ridenour. Being a hog raiser, Fred should know how they are put together.



Shown registering for classes last Friday were Debra Kountz Fr., Jana Edwards, Fr., and John Eldridge, Jr.



Reba Edwards Helps With Workshop

Mrs. Reba Edwards, well-known art and music consultant in the West Texas area led an art workshop for Borden County teachers last week. Mrs. Edwards is a consultant to the Education Service Center. She is presently retired from teaching in public schools, having taught in Lamesa for 26 years. She teaches summer migrant students in Lubbock. Mrs. Edwards is also owner of the Shane Treetop Gifts in Lamesa.

The art workshop concluded a five-day series of workshops for Borden County teachers. Other workshops included drug education, career education and using the newspaper for teaching in the classroom.



Now, for more serious thinking. Shown l to r.- back row- Ann McLeroy, Francis Burkett, Netta Jarrett and Shirley McMeans. Center row- Bill Killian, Dave Briggs and Billie Briggs. Front Eunice Yadon and Peggy Westbrook.

Also winning a booby prize was Fred Ridenour for this picture being held by Coach Bill Killian. Watching in disbelief is Bob Bagley. Back row- Carol Bagley, Shirley Kountz and Netta Jarrett.



The winning poster "You put a spring in my heart, Valentine".



Jim Parker, Doris Steadman, Delores Wolf, Van Kountz and Joe Copeland during art workshop.

Menu

August 29-September 2, 1977

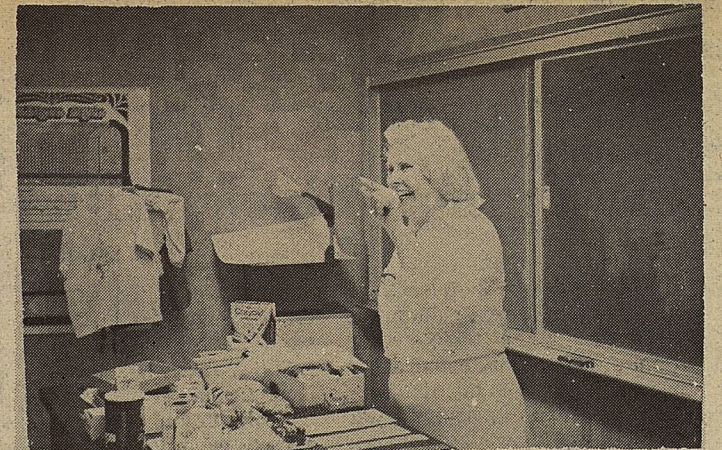
MONDAY
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Green Beans
Fruit Salad
Hot Rolls and Butter
Milk

TUESDAY
Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
English Peas
Jello with Topping
Hot Rolls and Butter
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Tacos
Tossed Salad
Ranch Style Beans
Sliced Pineapple
Cookies
Milk

THURSDAY
Chipped Turkey and Gravy
Cranberry Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Stuffed Celery
Hot Rolls and Butter
Milk

FRIDAY
Hamburgers
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles
Brownies
Milk



Mrs. Edwards checks ingredients.

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PARTICIPATING IN THE 4-H HORSE SHOW LAST WEEK WERE: Left to right-back row- Van York, Perry Smith, Sid Westbrook, Ben Murphy, Glen Gray, Keil Williams, Travis Rinehart, and Talley Griffin. Second row-Cody Newton, Jym Rinehart, Kelly Williams, Gayla Newton, Debra Kountz, Sandra Kountz, Cathy York, and Midway Williams. Front Row-Jim Ridenour, Cody Stone, Kristi Stone, Julie Ridenour, Dana Gray, Ralynn Key, Brice Key, and Wayne Daugherty. Not pictured Carl Daugherty.

Horse Show

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Travis Rinehart (17.73); 3rd, Debra Kountz (18.19); 4th Sandra Kountz, (18.82); 5th Sid Westbrook (19.46); 6th Cody Newton (20.41)

Pee Wee Poles

1st, Carl Daugherty (25.82) 2nd Brice Key (26.40); 3rd, Wayne Daugherty (33.17); 4th Ralynn Key (31.32) 5th Dana Gray (35.85); and 6th Mindy Williams (38.18).

Senior Poles

1st Ben Murphy (21.45); 2nd Travis Rinehart (24.12); 3rd, Cody Newton (28.06); 4th Sid Westbrook (25.90 plus 5; 5th Gayla Newton and 6th Kelly Williams.

Pee Wee Flags

1st Julie Ridenour (11.09) 2nd Brice Key (11.21); 3rd Ralynn Key (12.97); 4th Michael Murphy (15.86) and 5th Wayne Daugherty (15.98) and Dana Gray 6th (16.30).

Senior Flags

1st Debra Kountz (8.61); 2nd Ben Murphy (9.23); 4th Kelly Williams (9.83); 5th Cody Newton (11.18 and 6th Van York (13.96)

Senior Goat Snatching

1st Julie Ridenour; 2nd Michael Murphy (19.05); 3rd Mindy Williams (20.23); 4th Jim Ridenour (22.04); 5th Ralynn Key (23.33); 6th Wayne Daugherty (23.86)

Senior Goat Tying

1st Gayla Newton (12.48); 2nd Kelly Williams (13.74); 3rd, Talley Griffin (15.08); 4th Debra Kountz (16.02)

Boys Tie Down

1st Perry Smith (19.81); 2nd Sid Westbrook (20.20) 3rd, Ben Murphy (37.56); 4th Glen Gray (45.52); 5th Travis Rinehart (50.20); 6th Keil Williams (50.55)

Breakaway roping

1st Glenn Gray 3.86; 2nd Perry Smith 4.15; 3rd, Travis Rinehart (5.30); 4th Keil Williams (3.22 plus 10) 5th Jym Rinehart (15.76) and 6th Sid Westbrook (38.22)

School Finance

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sought to halt distribution of state aid.

Plaintiffs have established a very substantial probability of success on the merits in proving that the Defendant's actions have violated both the federal constitution and the state constitution and statutes," Judge Roberts said. No date has been set for a trial on the merits of the case.

The lawsuit is styled Leslie C. Wilson, et al. vs. M.L. Brockette, Commissioner of Education of the State of Texas, and N.T. Bennett, et al. vs. Brockette, Wilson and Bennett are presidents of the Leander and San Augustine independent school district boards, respectively.

The case, pending for some time, is based on a contention that the State formula for distributing school aid "irrationally classifies school districts' abilities to raise local tax money to support public schools according to the value of real estate and automobiles" and that it fails to take into account other tangible personal property and all intangible personal property, bonds, are taxable under the Texas constitution, but not taxed in actual practice.

The plaintiffs are saying, if effect, that the property now being taxed for school purposes is primarily real property and automobiles.

People in rural areas feel that this kind of taxation hits them harder, because the biggest part of their property is tangible, than it does urban residents whom they feel own a larger proportion of the intangible assets such as stocks, bonds, and cash.

Judge Roberts' ruling was made three days after the Legislature in special session enacted the \$945.5 million school finance bill.

Constitutional amendments were introduced in the Senate to abolish the mandatory ad valorem taxation of intangible property and extend productive-value taxation to open space lands.

The Senate Finance Committee scheduled a hearing on these proposed amendments on July 21, but the special session was adjourned July 22 without any action on the proposals.

State officials seemed to agree that the lawsuit and Judge Roberts' ruling would have little effect on the operation of Texas public schools under the newly revised law passed in the special session.

One part of the new law is a mandate for determination of intangible property values within the state school districts before the next regular legislative session in 1979.

Section 32 of the law (CSSB 1) provides for a new nine-member

Legislative Commission on Public School Finance, to consist of three members of the Senate, three members of the house, and three citizen members appointed by the Governor. The Governor will name the chairman. The Senate and House each were given \$100,000 to spend on the project.

Senate members on the study group named by Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby on July 26, are Sens Oscar Mauzy, Dallas; W.E. Snelson, Midland; and Grant Jones, Abilene.

When this TSTA Texas Schools went to press August 8, House Speaker Bill Clayton had not yet named the three House members, nor Governor Briscoe the three citizen appointees.

The Commission, newest of a long line of school finance study groups over the past 20 years, is directed by the law to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and Legislature no later than January 1, 1979, just before the next regular session will convene.

That gives them almost 17 months to study and report, if they don't lose any time getting started.

Courthouse NEWS

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County met in special session on Monday, August 22, 1977 at 10:00 A.M. at the courthouse with all members present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and routine monthly accounts were examined and approved for payment.

Mr. James McLeroy met with the court to discuss the payment Borden County receives from Borden County ISD for assessing and collecting school taxes. Since budgets for both county and school have virtually been completed, no changes will be made for this year, but an appropriate adjustment will be made next year.

A public hearing was held for suggestions on what uses to make of Federal Revenue Sharing funds that Borden County will receive in 1978. It was agreed that the funds will probably be required for repairs and improvements to the county water system.

The Commissioners' Court a-

greed to allow Borden County School to use the county show barn in exchange for maintaining it. The show barn is available for the use of all citizens, but anyone wanting to use it should make arrangements to obtain the key at the school offices during business hours on Monday through Friday.

Since interest has been expressed in leasing for minerals a tract of Borden County School Land located in Martin county, the court agreed to consider sealed bids for lease of Labor 8, League 260, in Martin County, for a term of three years. Borden County will reserve three-sixteenths of the royalty interest. Bids will be opened and considered on Monday, September 12, 1977 at 10:00 A. M. The Commissioners' Court of Borden County reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted.

There being no further business, the court adjourned at 4:45 P. M.

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What's Hap-Nin

Around Town

Overheard this week in Gail that Jack and Omega Smith are missed. Omega, or Miggle, always had a happy greeting and a smile for everyone, and Jack visited and talked with all the coffee drinkers. Hope they will find friendly people in Sterling City and we know they will.

Dwayne still has a cast on his foot and leg. He was hurt in March when they were working cattle. Dwayne, even with the cast, and Gigi (Canon) Jones have been seen in Gail this summer helping Joe with his steer ropings and taking pictures of the contestants at the Gail Rodeo. Understand that he will have to wear a large cast until sometime in September, and we hope he will be well soon after that.

It seemed natural to see Tommy Haegelin out in the arena at the recent Steer Roping. Overheard Rosalie say that she had really enjoyed all the local news in "The Borden Star" this summer.

Heard this week many people talking about how proud they were of the accomplishments of Talley Griffin, Shelly White, and Becky Miller in their AJRA activities. Borden County can also claim Mandy Tubb as one of our own. Mandy, of Snyder, was crowned Miss AJRA at the rodeo last week. Mandy may never have lived in Borden County, but her Grandfather, Joe York, now of Snyder, grew up in our County, and still owns land here. The York Family has owned land, with a member of the family living on it, since about 1890, longer than any other family in the County. Mandy

Tubb is a cousin of Van York, who now lives on some of the York Family land. Mandy is the daughter of Lynn and Dubb Tubb, and we are proud for her to have the honor to serve as Miss AJRA for the next year. Congratulations, Mandy.

Mrs. C. R. Porter broke her finger last week. She has it in a small cast, but things could be worse. She turned her milk cow out in the pasture just two days before breaking the finger.

Heard The Copelands talking about working in Fun Valley. They got home to Gail just in time to go back to teaching school. They said about the same things about Fun Valley as Creighton Taylor and Janice Brown said when they returned from working there. "It is beautiful country and a nice place to work, but you do WORK."

Rusty Hensley and family of Trinidad, are visiting his parents, the Pat Hensley's for about a week. They just must show off that new baby.

Heard about James McLeroy's newest dance step? It's called the "one step, 15 leaps" dance. Seems as though he stepped out into his front yard one evening and stepped right on the head of a rattlesnake. It took him about 15 leaps before he was sure there was enough distance between him and the snake before he stopped.

Mickey McMeans father passed away Tuesday morning. Our sympathies go out to him and his family.

Ira News

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sorrels attended a birthday party honor-

ing their granddaughter, Patty Barnes, in the J. M. Sterling home near Vincent, last Friday night.

Edgar von Roeder, Mmes. Becky Sanders, Frieda Murphy, Lois von Roeder, and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Word were Sunday dinner guests in the J. E. Sorrells home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Murphy spent the week-end with relatives at Midland.

Terry Wash was returned to her home at Waco, Sunday by her grandparents, the Paul Gordons, after spending the week with them at the Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Lewis have been recent visitors in the Elmer Stewart's home at Lubbock.

Oh! Why the vandalism? The Elmer Stewart's have recently lost a pick-up butane tank, which they used for heating their home, and the Jess Murphy's lost a tank of gasoline from a motor, then with grass being stuffed in the gas tank. A neighbor had carried Ruth Weathers a half-bushel of green apples in a pasteboard box, setting them on her door-step while she was gone a short while, and lo and behold, the apples disappeared. Now the mystery of the disappearing green apples.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Davis of near Ireland, were week-end guests of their daughter, Mae Lamb and family, at Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Warren of Huntsville, visited several days with his mother, Mrs. Pearl Warren of Fluvanna, who has recently been in a car wreck.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Patterson and family were week-end vacationers at Ruidosa, New Mexico.

Grandpaw Says

-Hi-

to discourage him.

School seems to have started with a tumult. It seems only three weeks ago that it was out, and summer had only begun.

Don't forget that your wife still likes candy and flowers. Show her you remember, by speaking of them occasionally.

There is no reason to drive 300 miles to fish when you can depend on being just as unsuccessful near home.

You can easily determine the caliber of a man by ascertaining the amount of opposition it takes

Rare is the person who can weigh the faults of others without putting his thumb on the scales.

---just in case it ever comes up in a conversation--- At Borger, on June 5, 1972, Texas had it's largest fish fry. Over 2 tons of fish, 1 1/2 tons of french fries, 1,750 pounds of cabbage, 450 pounds of onions, and 450 loaves of bread were served to 7,500 people at the "World's Largest Fish Fry".

To the folks that wrote from Loling - I don't see any reason why not, it should work-



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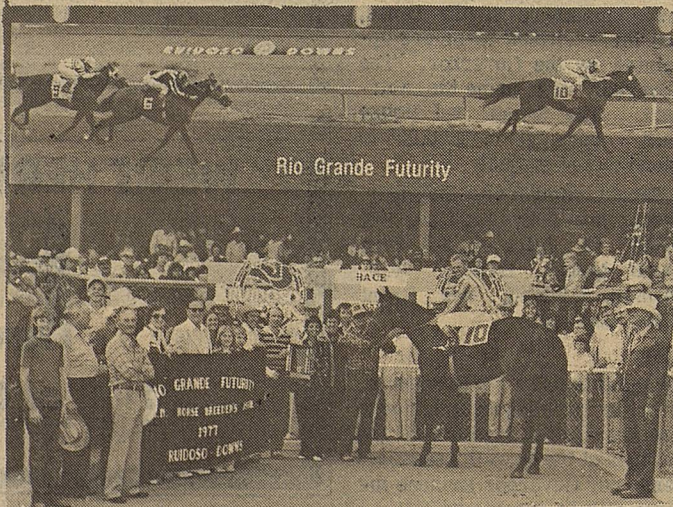
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MR. CLYDE

"Mr. Clyde" Wins Rio Grande Futurity

"Mr. Clyde", owned by Ralph Miller of Borden County, won the Rio Grande Futurity August 14 at Ruidosa Downs establishing him King of the New Mexico two year olds. He is by "Somebody II" and out of a mare "Quality Belle", which was owned and raced by the late R. Clyde Miller. "Mr. Clyde" is trained by Gilbert McClanahan and jockey is Leroy Coombs.



MRS. MATT FARMER
...nee Dianne Woodul

Woodul-Farmer Recite Vows

Miss Dianne Woodul and Matt Farmer were united in marriage last Saturday evening at the First Baptist Church in Lamesa. Rev. E.R. Holder, pastor of the Key Baptist Church, officiated the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Arvis Woodul and Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Farmer.

Traditional organ selections were played before the ceremony and for the recessional by Mrs. Don Dingus.

Vocal selections were presented by Miss Judith Parsons as she sang "The Twelfth of Never," "Whither Thou Goest" and "Evergreen." She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Ben Montgomery of Seminole.

Vows were exchanged before an archway of greenery decorated with white and pink gamelias, light and dark carnations and pink rosebuds. Centered at the back of the archway was a brass cross

holding 22 pink cathedral tapers. Two brass hearts with pink tapers stood at each side.

The bridal aisle was decorated with pink hurricane candles entwined with smilax.

Escorted to the altar and presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal gown of white satin organza fashioned with a deep V-neckline edged in scalloped venise lace. The empire bodice was accented with val and venise lace motifs. The long full bishop sleeves were deeply cuffed with a val lace ruffled edge. Venise lace motifs accented the sleeves. The slightly gathered A-line skirt was banded with val lace flowing down the front panel forming an apron effect. A deep ruffle adorned with val and venise lace formed the hemline of the skirt and chapel length train.

A camelot cap of matching venise lace held a waltz-length lace edged

tier of bridal illusion.

She carried a cascade of white gamelias, pink sweetheart roses, gypsophila and smilax.

For something old, the bride wore a diamond ring belonging to her mother. Something new was her wedding gown and a pearl necklace, which was a wedding gift from the groom; something borrowed was a pair of earrings belonging to the mother of the groom; and something blue was the traditional blue garter.

Upon entering the altar, the bride presented a pink satin rose to her mother and upon leaving presented one to the groom's mother.

Matron of honor was Mrs. George Hansard Jr. Bridesmaids were Miss Gayla Archer, Miss Debbie Martens, Miss Devon Woods and Miss Kami Boyce of Midland.

They were attired in formal gowns of pink chiffon fashioned with an empire waistline and spaghetti straps, and a flowing skirt of accordion pleats. Each wore a matching cape of pink chiffon and a picture hat with an overlay of pink chiffon.

The feminine attendants carried colonial nosegays of pink gamelias, dark roses, pixie carnations, pink gypsophila and tied with pink satin and lace streamers.

Tommy Guin of Tahoka was best man. Groomsmen were Rex Cox, Tommy Varner, Patrick Toombs and Cody Newton, all of Gail. Frank Miller and Perry Smith were ushers.

The male attendants wore black tuxedos with white shirts and tiny pink rosebud boutonniers. The bridegroom was attired in a tuxedo with a white jacket and black slacks.

Miss Sherrie Dawn McMorries, niece of the bride, and Shawna Johnson of Stanton, served as flower girls. They wore matching floor length dresses fashioned in likeness to the ones worn by the bridesmaids. Each wore a wristlet corsage of pink carnations with pink flowers in their hair.

Cody Woodul, nephew of the bride, served as ring bearer and wore a tuxedo.

Miss Patti Harris, cousin of the bride, and Chris Hatchett were candlelighters. Miss Harris wore a floor length pink chiffon dress, a wristlet of pink carnations and pink flowers in her hair. Hatchett wore a black tuxedo.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Don McMorries, sister of the bride.

RECEPTION

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Assisting the young couple in the receiving line were their parents and the feminine attendants.

The bride's table was covered with a pink dotted swiss cloth with an overlay of white net with lace trim around the top ruffle with a pink ribbon inserted. Clusters of pink roses with a white wedding bell were placed on each corner of the table. The centerpiece was a floral arrangement of pink roses, miniature pink carnations and gypsophila around the votive crystal candles placed in a nine-branch silver candelabra.

The pink and white four tiered wedding cake was decorated with little white doves and pink hearts. Wedding punch, nuts and mints were served from crystal appointments.

The groom's table was laid with an ecru linen cloth centered with a basket of miniature carnations in shades of pink. The chocolate cake was shaped like an open boll of cotton. Gold appointments were used in the serving of coffee, nuts and mints.

Serving at the bride's table were Lisa Oats, Julie Henderson, Carmen Cooper and Rhonda Harris. Serving at the groom's table were Amy Gresham, Lisa Hensley and Philena Pewitt.

Rice bags were distributed by Miss Mendy Martens of Lamesa.

Housepart included Mmes. Howard Wyatt, E.R. Holder, Johnny Montgomery, Dallas Woods, Don Archer, Carroll Tune, Vernon Martens, Charlie Keese, Pat Hensley, Jack McPhaul, Larry Smith, Jim Dunn and Earl Hatchett.

After a wedding trip, the couple will reside in Borden County where the groom is engaged in farming. They will both be seniors at Gail High School this fall.

Teenagers Not Smoking Less

A 1976 survey shows that, despite evidence of lung cancer and other hazards, both boys and girls smoke more now than they did in 1959.

Since long-term smoking habits are established during teen years, this study points to the need for an awareness program which includes the health hazards, as well as peer influence. Romanticism, often attached to smoking, may also contribute to the high incidence of teenage smoking.

In a Pennsylvania high school:

--37% of the boys and 32% of the girls smoked at the time of the study (a student was considered a smoker if he or she smoked at the time of the study).

--94% of the non-smokers and 70% of the smokers agreed that cigarette smoking is a health hazard.

--the school rules prohibited smoking in school. More than 90% of the smokers and 40% of the non-smokers felt that the rule should be changed.

--non-smokers were more likely to choose best friends who did not smoke, while smokers chose best friends who did smoke.

--61% of all students favored changing the school rule to permit smoking.

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Letter To Editor

Dear Editors (Barbara, Cookie & All),

I am sending my check for another year to the "Borden Star". I am enjoying "What's Hap-Nin" very much. There has been a great improvement in the paper this summer. Keep up the good work, My love to everyone.

/s/ Loys Cox Campbell

Our summer editor has been Mrs. Yonnie Brozo. We think she has done a very good job this summer.

/s/ B.Y.

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Registration

Tech

LUBBOCK--Registration for the fall semester at Texas Tech University will be held Aug. 24, 25 and 26 in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Individuals may register at assigned times from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Aug. 24 and 25, and from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Aug. 26.

Freshman students who have not registered previously may register Aug. 23. Late registration will continue through Sept. 14 in the Registrar's office and through departmental offices.

Fall semester classes will begin Aug. 29. Finals will be given Dec. 12-16.

Enrollment for the fall semester, 1976, was 22,176.

SPC

Registration begins August 25 and 26 for South Plains College at Levelland. Freshman Orientation is August 23 & 24, with classes beginning August 29.

Tech Med School

Forty students began their medical schooling, Tuesday, Aug. 16, when they registered for the fall semester at Texas Tech University School of Medicine (TTUSM).

WTC

SNYDER-- Registration for fall semester classes at Western Texas College will be held Aug. 29-30, with classes beginning Aug. 31.

Residence halls will open at 2 p.m. on Aug. 28 for the convenience of students living there.

Sophomores will register from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Aug. 29, with freshmen to register from 8:00-12:00 noon on Aug. 30. Evening students may register between 6:30-9:00 p.m. on Aug. 29 and any student not registered may register on the afternoon of Aug. 30.

Students beginning registration are asked to report first to the Student Center. Students who have pre-registered will be issued identification cards and parking permits starting at 1:00 p.m. on Aug. 29. Textbooks may be purchased in the college book store starting at 1:00 p.m. on Aug. 29.

Schedules of both day and evening classes are available from the office of the registrar in the Administration Building. Students wishing information about registration may contact the office of Dr. Duane Hood, Dean of Student Services, at AC 915-573-8511.

Last date for late registration is Sept. 6.

Cooking Game Birds

COLLEGE STATION -- Game bird hunting for tantalizing table tidbits this fall? Here's a cooking review "how to" from Mrs. Mary K. Sweeten.

WILD DUCK

Serve it rare--unless your crowd demands well done... in which case, cook longer but don't toughen it. (Wild duck is already dark and drier than domestic meat.)

To help retain moisture, roast it with strips of bacon or in a covered roaster or slow cooker--or marinate in vinegar oil before cooking.

Wild duck is great barbecued, too, or rolled in flour and browned by frying, then smothered with gravy and baked.

WILD TURKEY

Males average 14 pounds, females 8. For roasting wild turkey, allow 3/4 to 1 cup stuffing per pound of ready-to-cook meat.

Or barbecue it.

WILD GEESE

...a real delicacy, with little waste. The meat is rich, dark, and lean. Old birds sport a few pinfeathers, coarse plumage, and extremely large wing spurs. These old ones are tough and not easy to tenderize, even with moist heat.

For wild goose, use bread stuffing with onions and tart apples for flavor. Or fill the bird with sliced apples and roast it.

QUAIL

...a hunter's favorite, a gourmet treat. Quails weigh only 4 to 6 ounces, so serve at least one bird per person.

Quail meat is white but dry; it needs a protective cover of bacon or some other fat, and frequent basting.

Quail is delicious roasted (with lemon butter, then add mushrooms at serving time) or fried (for fine flavor.)

DOVE

These birds are dark-meated and the young ones are tender. Two make a serving.

Fry like chicken: salt, flour and fry in a heavy pan, in corn oil. Brown, remove, drain. Add one chopped onion, parsley, cloves, 2 tablespoons flour, 2 tablespoons butter, salt, a pint of water, and 2 cups wine. Bake for one hour at 350 degrees F.

PHEASANT

Like chicken, pheasant have light-meat breast and wings, and dark-meat legs. The cock weighs 2 3/4 pounds to 5 pounds; the hen, 2 to 3 pounds.

In cooking, age of the bird matters. Short round claws mean a young bird and long sharp claws mark an old one.

Bake or broil young birds and baste or stew older ones.

Pheasant is dry, so roast with bacon strips on the breast and

baste often. Use almost any chicken recipe, and complement with wild rice dressing.

WOODCOCK

These small, migratory birds have rich, dark meat. Season lightly, and always roast or broil with a generous amount of bacon, butter or margarine. For casserole, flour and brown in fat, drain, cover with sweet or sour cream and bake for 30 minutes until tender.

Farm Safety

Elevator and auger devices are used by farmers and ranchers to lift and transport materials like grain, hay and silage. Unfortunately, these machines have become a major source of farm accidents and fatalities.

"The primary danger in operating elevators and augers is getting caught in moving parts," points out Dr. Gary Nelson, safety engineer. "Before new operators use these devices, time should be devoted to examining the equipment and reading the operator's manual, noting recommended operating procedures and potential dangers."

It's especially important that children be kept away from elevators or augers, whether they are stored or in use. Elevators are not intended to be slides or seesaws, emphasizes Nelson.

"Loose clothing is risky apparel to wear around elevators or augers," notes the engineer. "Such clothing is easily caught and can pull a person into the machine before he has time to stop the machine or release himself."

Federal regulations now require new elevators and augers to be guarded to the fullest extent which will not substantially interfere with their normal operation. Grate type guards should have openings no larger than 4 3/4 inches long, with the entire rectangular opening no larger than 10 square inches and no closer than 1 1/2 inches to the rotating flying. Guards for older machines to be placed over potentially dangerous moving parts can be ordered from the manufacturer or can be built. This could be a life saving investment, emphasizes Nelson.

"Elevators or augers should be run no faster than necessary to move material efficiently," he adds. "For example, bales should be fed on a bale elevator end-to-end, with one bale touching the next. Using the elevator at excessive speed with only one or two bales on it will put unnecessary wear on the elevator. A slower speed decreases the chances of workers getting caught in moving parts, allows the elevator to be stopped before causing damage if a bale gets caught, and allows even spacing of bales to help balance the load on the undercarriage to keep the elevator from up-ending."

Kiker's Kolumn

Small Grains Need Fall Nitrogen

Don't spare the nitrogen on small grains this fall, says Earnest Kiker, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

He lists three important reasons why wheat and other small grains need nitrogen at planting or a short time afterward:

- for early grazing,
- to help decompose residual straw, and
- for high production.

Sufficient fall growth for ear-grazing cannot be expected without adequate nitrogen at planting, emphasizes Kiker. The advantages of early planting and favorable fall growing conditions can be lost if nitrogen fertilization is delayed until the condition of the stand can be determined. Establishing a good uniform stand requires some nitrogen, and most soils are deficient in this nutrient.

To meet nitrogen requirements during the fall growing period, producers can apply the total requirement before planting or can apply a small amount at planting followed by topdressing soon after planting.

Of course, fall nitrogen fertilization is also affected by the amount of straw from the previous crop, adds Kiker. The bacteria and other micro-organisms needed to decompose the straw require nitrogen and can use soil and applied nitrogen, thus reducing the amount available to plants. Since the 1976 crop produced above-average amounts of straw in some areas, it may be necessary to apply a higher proportion of the total nitrogen requirement in the fall.

The general rule in applying nitrogen has been to increase

the rate about 20 pounds per acre for each ton of undecomposed straw. However, a portion of this nitrogen is recovered during the final stages of decomposition so that as much as half of this may be available during the spring months. This means that about half of the "extra" nitrogen could be deducted from the late winter topdressing, explains Kiker.

This information comes from Dr. Charles Welch, Extension Soil chemist.

Soil Research Featured

LUBBOCK-- How to correct nitrogen, phosphorous, iron and zinc deficiencies in sorghum and cotton will be discussed among scientists, farmers and agribusinessmen during activities of the 68th Annual Field Day of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Tuesday September 13.

Soil research is one of several featured research highlights singled out for review during the afternoon events. An estimated 1,200 or more persons are expected with field tours, machinery displays and other attractions scheduled.

Field day chairman Dr. Bill Lyle says the special occasion will be at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, north of the Lubbock Regional Airport on Farm Market Road 1294.

Cooperating agencies hosting the field day with the Experiment Station include the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, National Weather Service and High Plains Research Foundation.

Tractor-drawn trailers will

take guests through the 300-acre research plot area. They'll be given a close look at studies ranging from cotton variety and disease tests to weed control and water-use efficiency experiments.

Dr. Art Onken, Associate Professor, working in soil and fertilizer research will lead discussions on soil studies. Special emphasis, he says will be on foliar application of fertilizer and how to correct plant nutrient deficiencies.

"The application of fertilizer materials is a huge economic investment," he says, "Growers can easily apply too much or too little and at the wrong time. Errors in judgement often are extremely costly to the grower, and he should manage fertilizer use in a way that he has a reasonable chance of obtaining an acceptable return on his investment."

Onken says that farmers should assess their fertilizer needs carefully. Research being conducted at the Lubbock Experiment Station is aimed at helping producers not only in methods of assessing their fertilizer needs but in the application of soil nutrients as well.

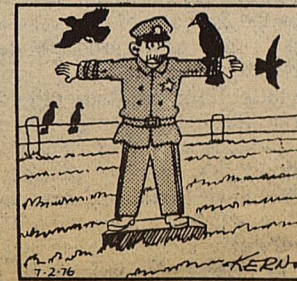
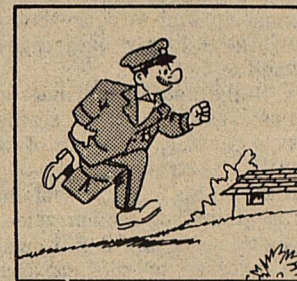
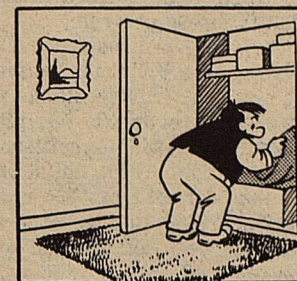
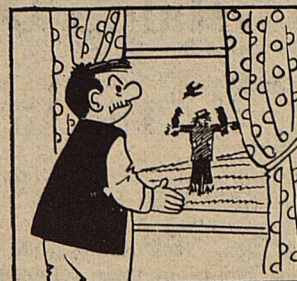
Scientists, he adds, are looking closer at plant tissue analysis as a method of determining when plants need certain nutrients and at what growth stages. This is a measurement technique using plant leaves to reveal rates of nutrient uptake which when correlated with fertilizer use data can help the grower calculate which nutrient should be applied at a given growth stage.

The soil researcher says every tool and bit of information available should be used by growers in making fertilizer use decisions. Soil research studies, he adds, are designed to help in this important test.

A Big Thank You

The 4-Hers and County Agent want to say a big Thank You to all the leaders and parents for their help at the 4-H Horse Show.

LITTLE FARMER



BOB BULLOCK
Comptroller of Public Accounts

Mr. Bullock:

I will turn 65 in September, and I understand I will become eligible for a special homestead exemption at that time. How do I go about getting the exemption?

A. A special homestead tax exemption for those age 65 and over is optional under state law, so you will need to check with your local tax authorities to see whether they allow one.

The amount of the exemption varies among those entities granting it. The law specifies, however, that any exemption must be at least \$3,000.

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Jury Fund	\$ 4,100.00
Road & Bridge Fund	397,515.00
General Fund	172,434.43
Officers Salary Fund	92,925.20
Revenue Sharing Fund	30,000.00
Total Budget	\$696,974.63

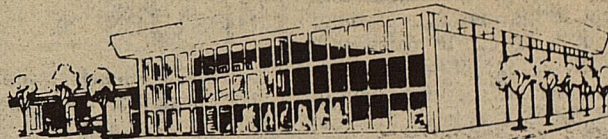
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The Airbag Bomb

WASHINGTON-Rep. Bud Shuster, R-Pa., has been joined by Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., and others of their colleagues to block the government's mandatory airbag program.

They have demonstrated that airbags are 5.5 times less effective than safety belts in the prevention of traffic fatalities, useful only in head-on collisions, and add not only the initial \$200 to the cost of a car but an additional \$600 to \$700 once the bag has been inflated and must be replaced.

Now Congressman Shuster has come up with evidence that the airbag is highly dangerous in itself.

"If the mandatory airbag-passive restraint order stands," says Shuster, "millions of cars will be travelling American roads with a canister containing 1.25 pounds of sodium azide, a poison so deadly that if inhaled or exposed to cuts can cause convulsions and death, according to the Library of Congress and the Office of Hazardous Materials."

Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations designates sodium azide as a "hazardous material" -- and the Condensed Chemical Dictionary describes it as "highly toxic" and a "severe explosion risk when shocked or heated." Shuster points out that "it presents a serious danger if the canister is opened, broken, or leaks and someone comes in contact with sodium azide."

And he adds, "If, for example, a mechanic gets sodium azide in a cut in his hand...or breathes the dust, he can be poisoned."

The Library of Congress reports that one part of sodium azide per million in air has produced a toxic response in animals -- a rapid change in blood pressure, followed by convulsions and death.

An environmental impact statement on sodium azide in the airbag warns that "use of this substance complicates the problem of disposal of vehicles. Under no circumstance should the live (unfired) generator be scrapped with the rest of the body. If left in contact with lead or copper, the azide may react with these metals forming lead or copper azide."

The National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health notes that "lead azide is a more sensitive primary explosive than nitroglycerine. In comparison with lead azide, copper azide is even more explosive and too sensitive to be used commer-

cially."

"Copper wiring under the dashboard and lead components in the steering column are both close to the canister," says Shuster. "The real danger exists with people tinkering with cars, with the 8.5 million cars abandoned each year" -- a danger to youths, vandals and people seeking replacement parts for their cars.

A highly reputable consulting engineer wrote to Shuster, "The airbag is not an airbag. It's a bomb! It contains 1.25 lbs. of high explosives which will be available to any kid in every abandoned car."

The Allied Chemical Company, which is hardly averse to making a profit, has informed Shuster that it will not produce the sodium azide canister for the airbag because there are "too many risks."

The National Highway Traffic Safety Agency admits all of these dangers but blithely says, in endorsing the airbag, that it will "work" in the future to "develop appropriate controls" for these hazards. That will be cold comfort to anyone whose airbag explodes or whose offspring are poisoned.

But the consumerist cabal wants the airbag and wants it now--before it has been adequately designed and tested. The cabal knows best what you need--even if it kills you.

Pesticide Capsules

LUBBOCK--Residual activity is both desirable and undesirable in pesticides. And thus scientists have been trying to help farmers by creating just enough residual activity in pesticides to make them more effective but not elicit objections from environmentalists.

One of the methods used in an attempt to achieve this balance is the placing of pesticides into extremely small, or micro size, capsules. This allows the pesticide to escape slowly beyond the time of application to crops but not to linger too long.

Even this method, however, has a drawback: residual accumulation of the capsule wall components. The pesticide itself does not linger to pollute crops, such as lettuce, but the capsule wall components do.

Texas Tech University chemists have helped in an attack on this problem by developing a

method to detect levels of these capsule residues in crops of foods.

Practical application of this analytical method could lead to safe level usage of encapsulated pesticides so as not to leave harmful residues beyond acceptable time periods, according to a Texas Tech chemist.

Encapsulated pesticides are relatively new and some are still in experimental stages, according to a representative of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. One commercial use has been on tobacco plants in the South.

Dr. Gary L. Blackmer, Tech associate professor of chemistry, and his research associate, Rex H. Reynolds, developed a detection process including dehydration, fractional distillation (a method of heating solutions to separate components of the solutions), and a method measuring fluorescence to detect levels of certain compounds released in solution.

"After application and dissipation of the pesticide, the non-biodegradable (not capable of being destroyed or reduced in natural conditions) microcapsules remain as an environmental residue," Blackmer wrote in an "Agricultural and Food Chemistry" report earlier this summer.

Analyzing organic material to find levels of this residue caused the chemists to confront several problems.

The first was the insoluble nature of the capsule walls. The microcapsules remain on crops after the pesticide has long since done its job and dissipated through the capsule walls.

Blackmer and Reynolds found, however, that the residues are soluble in a caustic ethylene glycol solution.

Fractional distillation enabled the chemists to separate one of the "not naturally occurring" compounds found in the capsule walls.

To quantify the residues through analysis of the solution of the separated compound, called ethylenediamine, Blackmer and Reynolds chose a process developed in 1967. It is a method of studying the intensity of fluorescence directly related to the concentration of the compound in solution.

Tests were run on lettuce contaminated with capsule residues and on uncontaminated lettuce. Results showed that the 1967 spectrofluorometric method and some math calculations would give scientists a means to calculate actual residue quantities. This could be done by analyzing only one component of the residues, Blackmer explained.

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