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## Abolish OSHA?



The ten certified Emergency Medical Technicians from Borden County are: (left to right) Mary Gill, Linda Hovey, Bill Killian, Buster Taylor, Frances Burkett, Pat Telchik, Pat Porter, Buddy Telchik, and (Not available for picture) Mike Toombs and Troy Williams

### 10 Locals Certified As EMT's

Twice a week from February 21 to May 27, 1977, twenty-one students met at Borden County High School to receive Emergency medical training. Ten out of the 21 original students went on to be Certified Emergency Technicians. The balance of the students chose to use their knowledge for their own personal use.

The certified technicians had to have 120 classroom hours and 40 hospital hours consisting of 4 in ICU, 4 in CCU, 4 in Recovery, 4 in Orthopedics, and 24 hours in the Emergency Room. The director for classroom

instruction was Bob Harbon. Mr. Harbon works at Howard College. Other instructors were John P. Fowler, a certified EMT who is also a fireman and is in the Army Medical Corp; and Jim Hohn, a fireman at the base in Big Spring.

The instructors commented upon completion of the classes that this was one of the best classes they'd ever had and that the people in Borden County were the most conscientious they had ever met.

An ambulance was purchased by the Borden County Booster Club and is available for com-

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has adopted two position papers in regard to pending legislation in Congress.

One is needed legislation to abolish OSHA: the other is a revised position regarding the proposed wild and scenic river designation of the Rio Grande.

WTCC strongly supports the passage of H.R. 1348 (Symms) which states in its entirety that "be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 be repealed."

WTCC has taken a position in support of the repeal of OSHA for many reasons, and some of the reasons expressed in the position paper are: (1) The Federal bureaucracy has demonstrated that it is incapable of understanding, administering and implementing the broad scope of the act as passed; (2)

its lack of expertise and understanding has caused it to take advantage of the age-old refuge of bureaucrats everywhere of issuing a deluge of incomprehensible regulations written in a veritable unknown tongue; (3) the act has loosened a swarm of bureaucrats upon the citizens to devour tax money at an incredible rate, and has harassed the citizens in the private sector who are trying to make a living; (4) OSHA has impeded and restricted many successful safety programs that have been used and followed by many different segments of our society. WTCC believes that OSHA has in many cases actually decreased the safety of the people in the private sector rather than increasing it; and (5) OSHA, as it now stands and as it has been operated in the past, is another example of federal government intervention into matters of which it has almost no expertise or understanding and ap-

parently refuses to acquire either.

"Since 1970, when the act was passed," says E. Bruce Street of Graham, WTCC President, "the federal bureaucracy has demonstrated clearly, and sometimes disastrously, sometimes ridiculously, and sometimes pathetically hilariously that it is incapable of understanding, administering and implementing the absurdly broad and ambiguous scope of the act as passed. Because of its lack of expertise, common sense and understanding, it has issued a deluge of incomprehensible regulations written in a veritable unknown tongue."

In its revised position paper regarding the proposed wild and scenic river designation for the Rio Grande, WTCC strongly opposes the inclusion of any portion of the Rio Grande in the legislation as proposed by President Carter on May 23.

Bob Corkins of Alpine, Chairman of WTCC's Tourist and Travel Development Committee, says that "the inclusion of a 191.2 mile segment of the Rio

OSHA (Cont. on page 6)

### Big News Is RAIN

- Kent Holmes - 5"
- Pat Porter - 2 1/2"
- Vernon Miller - 3"
- Bill Stephen - 1 3/10"
- Bob Dyess - 1/2"
- Corky Ogden - 9/10"
- Rube Smith - 1 7/10"
- Don Cox - 3"
- Bill Phinizy - 2 7/10"
- Lake Thomas - 2 9/10"
- Mardes Clayton - 2 9/10"
- James McLeroy - 2 9/10"
- O. D. Jackson - 3 1/10"
- Aubry Stokes - 3 1/2"
- O. B. Ranch - 3 1/2"
- Skeet Porter - 3 6/10"
- Royale Lewis - 2 1/2"
- Doc Howell - 3 3/10"
- City of Gail - 3"
- Bert Dennis - 2 1/2"
- Doris Rudd - 3"
- Van York - 4 1/2"
- Doyle Newton - 2 3/4"
- Vivian Clark - 2 7/10"
- Roger Williams - 4 1/2"
- Earnest Kiker - 3 2/10"
- Kenny Moore - 2 5/10"
- Norval Cunningham - 3"

munity and county use. It came partially equipped and the county bought additional equipment to meet the state requirements. The school built a garage for the ambulance, keeps it in working order, and buys the insurance.

The ten certified EMT's and their phone numbers are as follows:

FLUVANNA AREA	
Linda Hovey	915-573-7048
Mary Gill	915-573-7862
Mike Toombs	915-573-5269

#### PLAINS AREA

Pat Telchik	806-439-5372
Buddy Telchik	806-439-5372
Francis Burkett	806-439-5366
(work phone)	915-856-4972

#### VEALMOOR AREA

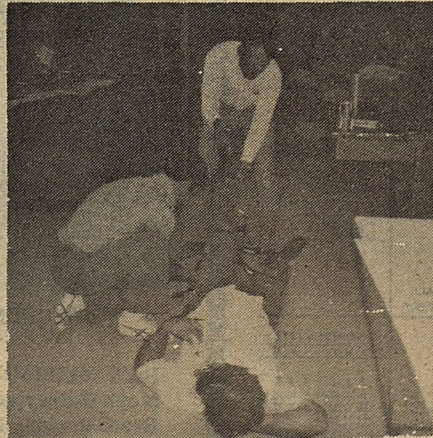
Pat Porter	915-399-4456
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#### GAIL AREA

Bill Killian	856-4922
(or work)	856-4262
Buster Taylor	856-4691
(or work)	856-4291
Troy Williams (moved away)	



PAT TELCHIK observes as PAT PORTER and FRANCES BURKETT practice CPR.



BILL KILLIAN and BUSTER TAYLOR apply a leg splint to instructor JOHN FOWLER.



TROY WILLIAMS and BUDDY TELCHIK do two man CPR as PAT TELCHIK looks on.



# Borden County School News



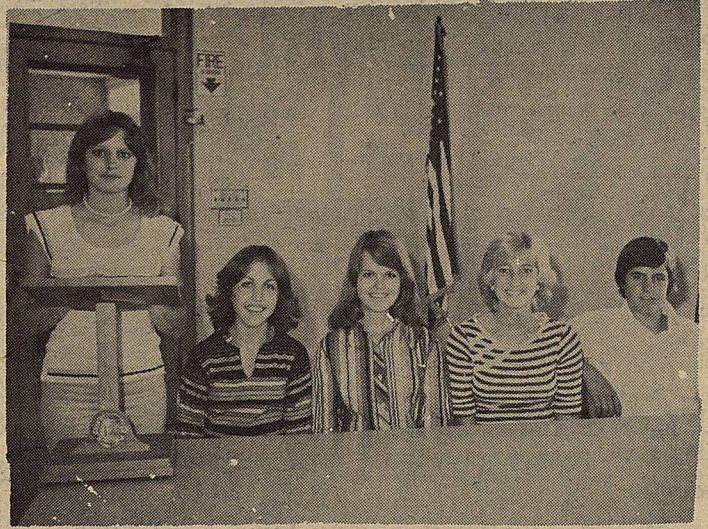
Senior Class officers are Patrick Toombs-President, Tim Smith-Vice President, Lesa Barnes-Secretary, Kevva Tucker-Treasurer, and Martha Anderson, Reporter.

## Classes Elect Officers

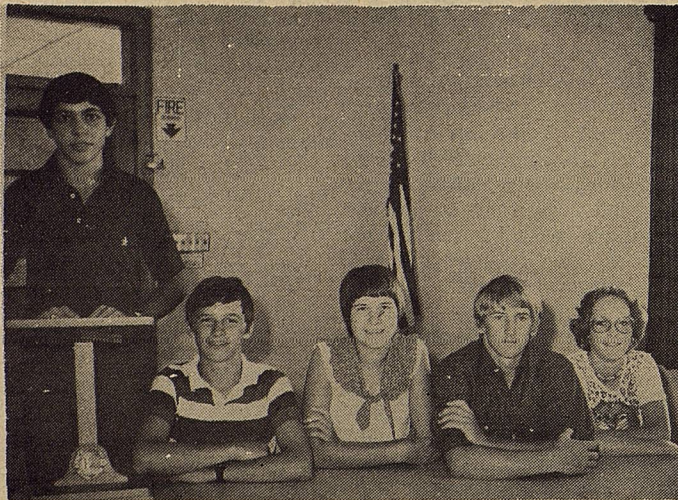
### SENIOR CLASS

The senior class held their first meeting August 25, 1977. Class officers, and student council representatives were elected for the 77-78 school year. They are as follows: President-Patrick Toombs; Vice-President-Tim Smith; Secretary-Lesa Barnes; Treasurer-Kevva Tucker; Reporter-Martha Anderson. Student Council representatives are Lesa Hensley and Tim Smith. After officers were elected, the busy year ahead was discussed. One of the many activities will start Wednesday, August, 31 with the selling of football ribbons every Wednesday until the season is over. If you would like a ribbon, contact a senior.

/s/ Martha Anderson, Reporter.



Junior Class officers are Penny Thompson-President, Rhesa Wolf-Vice President, Lisa McLeroy-Secretary, Vickie Jones-Treasurer and Perry Smith-Reporter.

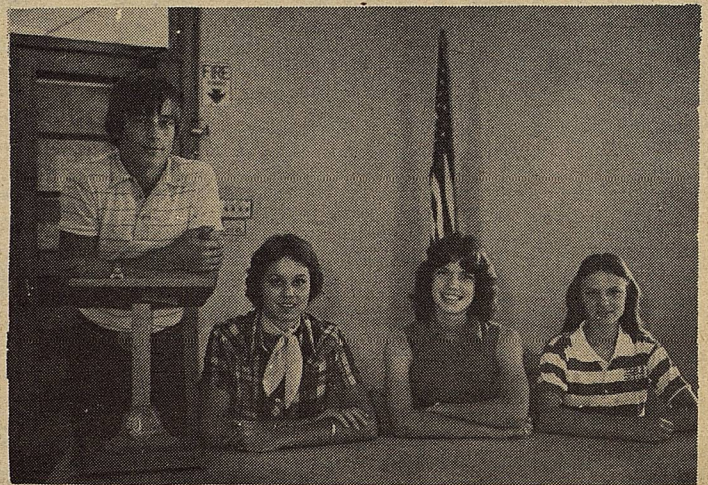


Sophomore Class officers are Troyce Wolf-President, Ben Murphy-Vice President, Glynda Burkett-Secretary, Travis Rinehart-Treasurer, and Mayme McLary, Reporter.

### JUNIOR CLASS

Thursday, August 25 a Junior Class meeting was held. Class officers and student council members were elected as follows: President - Penny Thompson, Vice-President-Rhesa Wolf, Secretary-Lisa McLeroy, Reporter - Perry Smith and Treasurer, Vickie Jones. Student council members are Brent Rhoton and Lisa McLeroy. Money making projects were also discussed.

/s/ Perry Smith, Reporter.



Freshmen Class officers are Keil Williams-President, Jana Edwards-Vice-President, Becky Miller-Secretary (absent), Talley Griffin-Treasurer, and Debra Kountz-Reporter.

### SOPHOMORE CLASS

On the 25th day of August 1977, the Sophomore class of Borden High School held a class meeting to elect officers. The following people were installed: Troyce Wolf-President, Ben Murphy-Vice-President, Glynda Burkett-Secretary, Travis Rinehart-Treasurer and Mayme McLary-Reporter. The class also elected a boy and girl to represent them in the Student

Council. Karen Williams and Mark Walker were chosen. After the elections, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Mayme McLary, reporter

### FRESHMEN CLASS

The freshmen class of Borden High School held their first class meeting Thursday, August 25, 1977. Officers for the 1977-78

school year were elected as follows: President-Keil Williams, Vice-President, Jana Edwards, Secretary, Becky Miller; Treasurer, Talley Griffin; and Reporter, Debra Kountz. Danny Holmes and Heather McPhaul will serve as Student Council Representatives for this school year. Mr. Copeland, Mr. Killian, Mr. Kountz and Mrs. Jarrett are the Freshmen sponsors.

## Scrimmage

The Borden County Coyotes tied Sterling City Friday at Sterling City with one touchdown each. The Coyotes had a slight edge in yards gained offensively.

There were two injuries in the scrimmage. The Coyote will lose the services of quarter-

back, Blane Dyess and end, Ty Zant. Dyess received a large bruise above his knee and will miss one or two weeks. Zant tore a cartilage in his knee and will be out for at least six weeks.

The Coyotes will play Roby at Roby September 2 at 7:30.

## 1977 SEPTEMBER 1977

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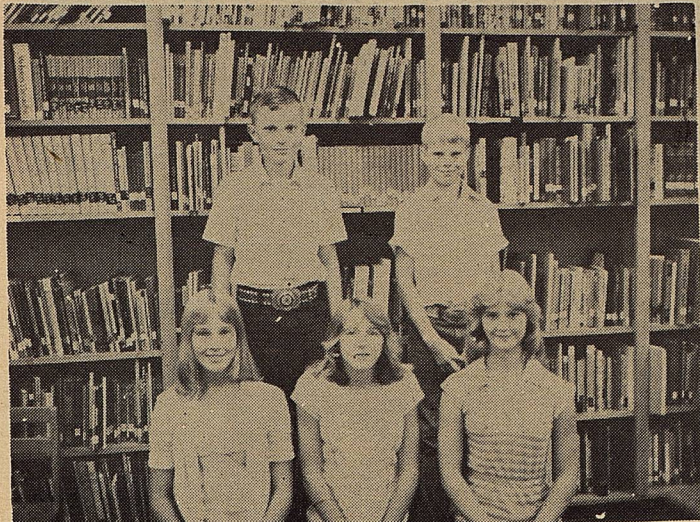


STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Back row l to r- Danny Holmes and Heather McPhaul, Fr.; Mark Walker and Karen Williams, Soph.; Lisa McLeroy and Brent Rhoton, Jr.; Lesa Hensley and Tim Smith, Sr. Lesa Barnes is Vice-President of the Student Council and Patrick Toombs is President.



## Jr. High Class Meetings



OFFICERS FOR THE EIGHTH GRADE CLASS FOR 1977-78 are front- l to r- Gena McLeroy, President; Lisa Smith, Vice-President; Tammy Merritt, Treasurer. Back- Jeffrey Martin, Secretary; and Ty Wills, Reporter.

The Borden County Coyote Football Team has been chosen tenth in the state in class B. The following is the AP pre-season prep football poll with first place votes in parentheses, last year's records and total points.

Jr high elects officers

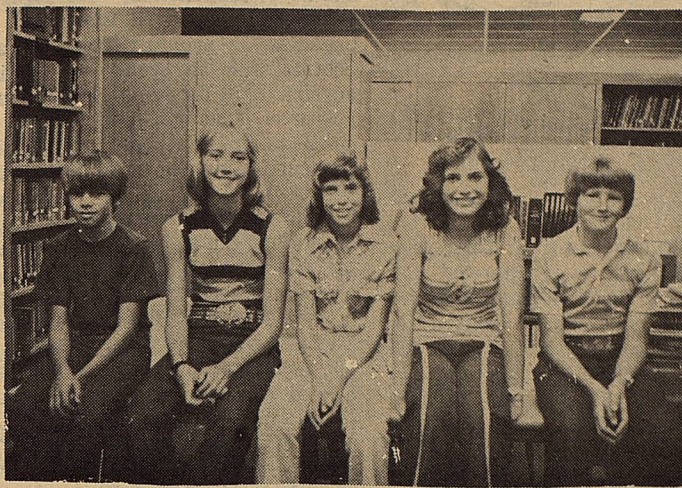
The classes of Borden Junior High School met for their first meeting August 25, 1977.

According to class reporter, Ty Wills from the eighth grade, the officers from his class are as follows: Gena McLeroy, President; Lisa Smith, Vice-President; Tammy Merritt, Treasurer; Jeffrey Martin, Secretary and Ty Wills, Reporter. Eighth Grade sponsor is Mrs. Delores Wolf.

Seventh Grade officers for 1977-78 are Kevin Telchik, President; Lyndy Doyle, Vice-President; Sandra Kountzw, Secretary; Stephanie Stephens, Treasurer, according to their new reporter, Doug Love. Doug also reported that Fred Ridenour is seventh grade sponsor this year.

The new reporter for the sixth grade, Lorri Doyle reports the following new officers for 1977-78: Tammy Miller, President; Kim Wills, Vice President; Kelly Williams, Secretary; Roxie Wolf, Treasurer; and Lorri Doyle, Reporter. Mrs. Peggy Westbrook is class sponsor.

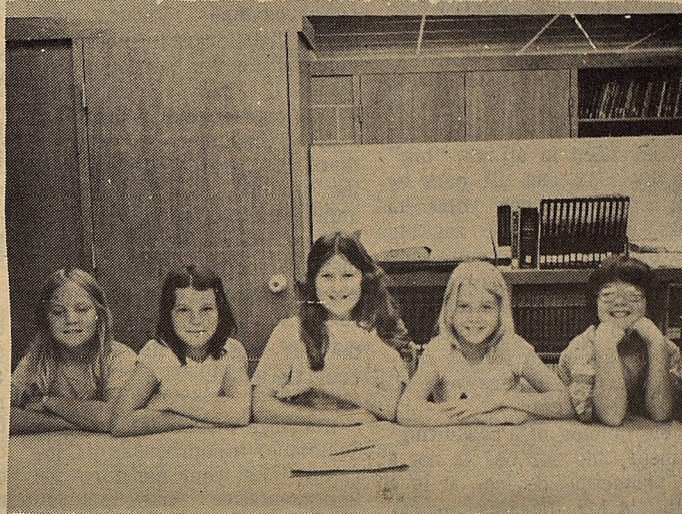
Becky Massingill has been elected President of the fifth grade class. Vice-President is Shana Bradshaw; Tanya Hollis, Secretary; Shana Vaughn, Treasurer; reports new fifth grade class reporter, Samantha Porter. Mrs. Eunice Yadon is sponsor for the fifth grade.



SEVENTH GRADE OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1977-78 are left to right- Kevin Telchik, President; Lyndy Doyle, Vice-President; Sandra Kountz, Secretary; Stephanie Stephens, Treasurer; and Doug Love, reporter.



SIXTH GRADE OFFICERS for this year are left to right- Tammy Miller, President; Kim Wills, Vice-President; Kelly Williams, Secretary; Roxie Wolf, Treasurer; and Lorri Doyle, Reporter.



FIFTH GRADE OFFICERS FOR 1977-78 are left to right- Becky Messingill, President; Shana Bradshaw, Vice-President; Tanya Hollis, Secretary; Shana Vaughn, Treasurer; and Samantha Porter, reporter.

## Invitation To Bid

The Superintendent's Office, in behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District, will receive sealed bids until not later than 8:00 p.m., September 1, 1977 for the following vehicle:

One 1976 LTD Ford Pillared Hardtop - 4-door - fully loaded.

This car is in excellent condition with approximately 16,000 miles. The vehicle may be inspected at the Borden County Schools.

The Borden County Independent School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any or all formalities.

You will not need a special form to place your bid. Just a note bearing your signature stating the amount you are prepared to give. All bid envelopes should be clearly marked, "Bid on Vehicle".

If you should need further information concerning the sale of the vehicle, please contact Mr. James McLeroy at Borden County Schools.

## Livestock Meet.

The Borden County Junior Livestock Association will meet at 7:30 P.M. September 14th in the Ag Shop.  
/s/ Fred Ridenour

## Parents Club

The Borden Elementary Parents Club will have its first meeting of the year on Thursday September 1 at 2:30 p.m.. All interested mothers and fathers are invited to attend.

## Booster Club Meeting

Tuesday night, August 23, the Borden County Booster Club met and elected new officers for the 1977-78 year. They are as follows: Brent Murphy-President; Bob Dyess-Vice President; Bob Bagley-Treasurer; and Jack McPhaul-Secretary.

The members that were present voted to buy a Sony Video tape recorder for the Athletic Department to be used this school season.

The meetings are every Tuesday night, 8:00 p.m. at the school.

Everyone is urged to attend these meetings to support the teams and to help raise money for equipment.

There will be more news in later issues concerning other fund raising events, including the annual Chili Supper.



Borden County Schools would like to welcome these new students to the campus. Shown are Mrs. Joe Copeland and her kindergarten class. Left to right they are (back row) Bert

Merritt, Jim Ridenour, Tammy Bunch, Kristy Holmes, John Vorhes, Jon Clay Herring, Windy Moralez, Cody Stone. Center row- Jay Wayne Pool, Allison Redding, Kandy Belew, Randi Woodward, Jo Barnes, Brian Huddleston, Serelo Neito. Front row- Lance Telchik, Michael Hogan, Scot Killian, Fuzz Herridge, and Amy Lewis. Absent were Jarrett Stanford and James Smith.

## Menu

MONDAY

Labor Day Holiday-No School

SEPTEMBER 5-9, 1977

THURSDAY

Texas Straw Hat  
Cole Slaw  
Ranch Style Beans  
Fruit Cocktail Cake  
Cornbread  
Milk

FRIDAY

Hamburgers  
French Fries  
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles  
Cookies  
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Steak and Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Early June Peas  
Jello with Fruit  
Hot Rolls and Butter  
Milk

TUESDAY

Burritos  
Buttered Corn  
Tossed Salad  
Sliced Peaches  
Milk



# Jere's Gottings

O'K, get out from under your shade tree - or wherever you found a cool spot this summer - and let's get back to work. While we have been trying to beat the heat and drouth for three months, the guys in Washington have been cooking on the front burner. Hearings will be held in September on the air bag. James Earl rammed the crippling energy policy thru the House. And the Panama Canal may be owned by Communists soon. Let's look at these items one at a time for a few weeks and see if we can't become an effective electorate.

While we watered the okra and sprayed for squash bugs, Brock Adams (Secretary of Transportation) ordered air bags installed in all new "big" cars by 1982 and all cars by 1984. (Wonder how come he thinks there will BE any big cars by 1982?) The media went to bat and blandly reported that Congress will undoubtedly go along with the ruling. But this media doesn't see it that way - nor would many others were all the facts reported.

In the opinion of a consulting engineer, the air bag is not a life protecting device - it is a bomb. A Mr. Beckley reports that the chemical which inflates the air bag is a highly explosive substance called sodium azide. Even the feds classify it as a Class B poison and is therefore a hazardous material. (Does OSHA know this - or will the owner of the mandatory bomb in the car be held responsible?)

Just think what could happen. Here is a potential bomb available to any kid left in a car alone. And kids are left in cars alone. The dangers are

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serious should the canister (bomb shell) holding the chemical be punctured, should it leak or should it malfunction. Sodium azide is poisonous if ingested, breathed or should it come in contact with an open cut or scratch. It produces a toxic response in animals which results in a drastic change in blood pressure, convulsions and death.

Even the Department of Transportation (the same that issued the mandate) has cautioned that a cigarette, electrical spark, or match could ignite the chemical. The fire produced burns faster and with greater heat than one caused by gasoline. Furthermore, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has proven that air bags are not as effective as seat belts. In controlled tests, the bag did not inflate 42% of the time. The fatality rate when using the bag was 1.7% as opposed to .3% when seat belts were used.

Congressman Shuster believes that Congress should disapprove the air bag for 5 reasons: 1. "they are unproven, 2. the order could become a \$20 billion consumer rip-off, 3. there is a proven alternative to the air bag, 4. the order is unfair to the 40 million who do use their safety belts, 5. the order chips away needlessly at our individual freedoms". And I say the 6th reason is that the air bag and its activator could be lethal.

Hearings will be held in early September in both houses of Congress. Let your Senators and Representative know that you would rather wear a seat belt than have a bomb blow up in your face. Now get busy - things are moving right along.

## Davis Reunion Held At Knapp

The family and friends of the late Jno. G. Davis of Lake Thomas, met at the Knapp Community Center August 13-14 for their annual reunion. Along with plenty of good food there was lots of visiting and games that ranged from '42' to the merry-go-round, fishing and swimming, noted a spokesman for the group. There was a 'singing' held on Saturday night that was attended by the whole community.

Those attending were Mrs. Boyce K. Lann and Jason, Nathan and Colton, Grady M. and Viola Wike, Don and Norma Davis and Darla, Howard Zachry, Bethel Graham, Esther Peevyhouse, Gilmer A. and Ludy Davis, Raphael and Nara Della Buchanan, Arthur W. and Carolyn Davis, Anthony and Greg, and Fred and Lujayne Jones, all from Midland. Also Mrs. Oscar Morgan

## Obituary

### Harry Bruner

Harry M. Bruner, 75, died at 6:20 p.m. Tuesday, August 23, in Malone Hogan Hospital after a brief illness.

Services were Thursday, Aug. 25, at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Newton Starnas, pastor of First Methodist Church in Tahoka, assisted by the Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor of First Methodist Church in Lamesa, and the Rev. Ray Cunningham, Slide, officiating. Burial was in Lamesa Memorial Park under direction of Brannon Funeral Home.

He was a native of Central City Colorado, and married the former Jewell Johnson in September 1943, in Big Spring. He moved to Lamesa in 1945 from Big Spring, working as an electrical contractor there for 27 years.

He had lived the last four years on the Vincent Route.

He is survived by his wife, and a niece, Earlene Beggs of Madras, Oregon.

He was lifetime member of the Methodist Church and a member of the Evening Lion's Club in Lamesa.

## Card Of Thanks

Gail may be a small town, but we have learned that it has some of the biggest hearted and best people we have ever met. We want to express our thanks for the thoughts, prayers, cards and flowers. We want to especially thank those who are bringing in meals for our family each day while I am convalescing.

/s/ Frank and Joyce Herridge



Mr. Skeet Porter, of Vealmoor and his uncle Morris Sanderson of Seagraves, watching all the activity going on in honor of Mr. Sanderson's birthday.

## Birthday Celebration

Approximately 40 members of the Sanderson family gathered together in Seagraves, Texas to celebrate Morris Sanderson's birthday.

Hosting the bar-b-que dinner were Mr. Sanderson's children, Bonita and her family from Ecuador, Billy Morris and his family from London, England and Neil from Seagraves.

One surviving sister, Claudia, neices nephews, grandneices and nephews, grandchildren and

great-grandchildren visited, ate a delicious dinner and continued visiting in the Sanderson home until late in the afternoon.

Pictures were brought out of boxes and everywhere could be heard - "remember when" and "my goodness, how you've grown."

Mr. Sanderson was raised in the Gail and O'Donnell area. He and his wife Bertie, who passed away recently, have lived in Seagraves for many years.

## Coffee Honors

### Mrs. Mike Stephens

Mrs. Mike (Susan) Stephens was honored with a get acquainted coffee in the Steve Stephens home Thursday August 18th. 22 guests from the Plains Community gathered to welcome Susan to our County and community.

Coffee, donuts, punch, banana nut bread, mints and nuts were served by the hostesses, Sherry Telchik, Leona Doyle, Pam Hess and Carolyn Stephens. Susan was presented with a Schefflera.

Mike and Susan will reside

on the "49" Ranch while she continues her education at Texas Tech where she is a Senior.

## A Big Thank You

Bert, Dorothy and Lisa Dennis are truly grateful to all the good friends and neighbors who helped with the grass fire on their ranch Saturday afternoon. Thank you all so very much.

/s/ Bert, Dorothy and Lisa Dennis

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# What's Hap-Nin

## Around Town

Visiting this past week in the Steve Stephens home were Carolyn's parents, Dalton & Bonnie Cross. Former residents of Borden and Howard Counties, they are now enjoying retirement at the Colorado City Lake. Also visiting were Carolyn's sister Sandra Gross of Killeen and her grandbaby Jennifer.

Katie Lewis, mother of Sybil Gilmore, is visiting in Gail for a few days.

John and Katherine Stephens have been enjoying their beautiful new home in Ruidosa this summer.

Jealene Hodge is in Gail visiting with her mother, Lorene Jones for a few days.

The Farmers, Smiths and McLeroys got caught in the dark with ice cream on their faces Saturday night when the electricity went off. The power was off from 8:30 p.m. until 5:30 a.m.

Jetta Turner, of New Braunfels, returned home Sunday after a two weeks visit with her grandmother, Doris Rudd.

John Minnick of Big Spring, Mrs. Snow Kennedy and Mrs. Earl Wooten of Lubbock and former residents of Gail and Fluvanna were visiting in Gail this week.

## Ira News

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Murphy were Friday visitors in the Light home at Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon and daughter of Oklahoma have recently been overnight visitors in the Paul Gordon home, Lake Thomas.

Thomas B. "Chic" Hale of Lake Thomas has been a recent visitor with relatives at Graham. Eddie and Billy Wayne Perkins of Lubbock spent Saturday night in the Olen Horn home with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perkins of Lubbock visiting Sunday.

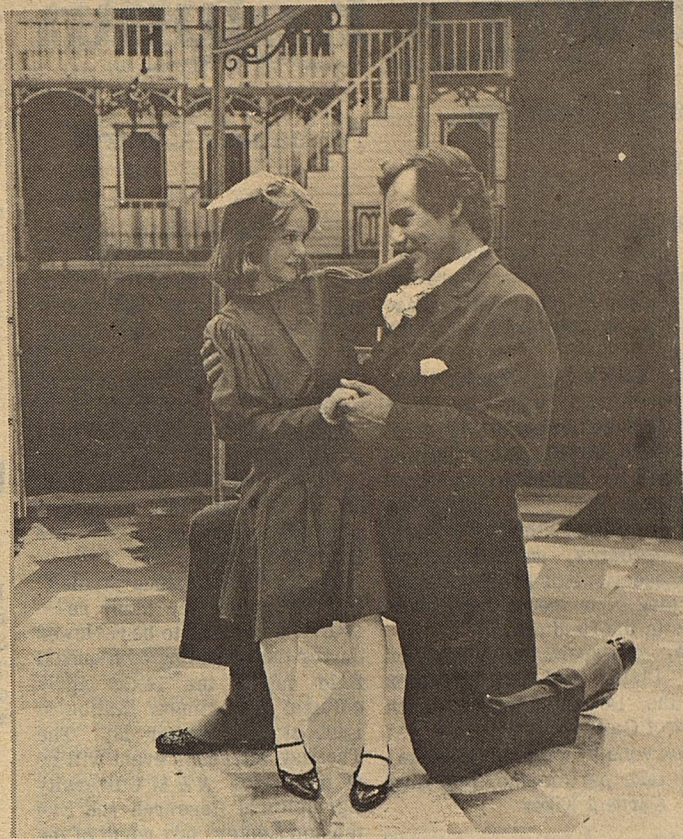
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sorrells visited Sun in the Exa Grant home at Ira.

Overheard in Gail last week - absolutely nothing. Overheard during the weekend that everyone was very happy with the rain they received. Some received up to 3 inches. Some are still wishing for more. Since I do not have any news to report, I would like to share

this poem.

A happy home is where kindness grows  
And blooms from day to day;  
Houses grow old and draperies fade,  
Material things decay.  
But gentle words and kindly deeds  
Live on in the heart always.  
A house, though fine, may be only a house,  
For beautiful homes are rare,  
Where love's clear light shines bright,  
Even through clouds of care.  
If there's spiritual beauty in your home  
You are blessed beyond compare.

That is all for this week,  
Maybe I will hear some news soon.



Gaylord Ravenal (Nolan Van Way) and his daughter (10 year old Missy Johnson) reunite for a little while during a short visit from the convent where she was living after her parents separation. Note: Showboat in background.

## Showboat

First there was the novel, written by Edna Ferber in 1926. The novel itself came out to the accompaniment of a great fanfare. The publishers printed an unprecedented 100,000 copies as a first edition, so enthusiastic a reception was anticipated. Even before publication, Universal Pictures had bought the movie rights, from the reading gallery proofs.

One of the early readers of the book was Jerome Kern, and he had barely got through the first half of it when he felt the tunes in him to make its story into an immortal musical play. He telephoned his friend Edna Ferber, for the stage rights, invited Oscar Hammerstein 2nd to dramatize the story and write the lyrics, and Florence Zieg-

feld to produce the show. All these people respected each other's talents so much that everything was immediately arranged. The writing of "Show Boat" took several months, and then its production had to wait till Ziegfeld's new theater's first production "Rio Rita", had run its course. At last it was presented in New York on December 27, 1927, and the city knew that

a great, enduring state classic had been born.

It was the hit of its time, and ran 572 performances to July, 1929, then for eight months on a national wide tour. It was revived in New York for 180 performances in 1932, this production being made by Rodgers and Hammerstein as a diversion while they were writing "Allegro". The last revivals in New York up to this writing were in the N.Y. City Center's spring operetta series in 1954 and 1961. Never once in these revivals was the merest trace of a wrinkle found in the face of this ever-fresh and young show. No other show had been given fine elaborate productions in New York within a 40 year period.

The first movie version (1930) was based solely on the novel - the film rights to the novel as such having been sold before its publication. In 1936, another film was made, based on the musical version and enjoying its songs. Another film version was made in 1951.

Enormously successful productions of "Show Boat" have been made in London and other English-speaking cities all over the world, and several other great capitals.

"Show Boat" has been presented three times previously at Casa Manana, in 1961, 1966, and

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**SCHOOL DAY  
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## Pecan Grafting Clinic

Dear Producers,  
A pecan field day has been planned for 9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 8. The meeting place will be at Herman Ledbetters Farm.

Dr. William S. Peavy, Area Horticulturist, with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, stationed in Ft. Stockton will present a program on Pecan Grafting.

Time will not allow us to visit all orchards, so if you have any questions or problems concerning your trees, bring samples to the field day.

We will spend the morning on the Plains and the afternoon at the Dewey Everett Ranch east of Gail.

Everyone is welcome to come and take part in the field day.  
/s/ Earnest Kiker

## Field Day Set

Lubbock--The 68th annual edition of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Field Day for Lubbock and Halfway, which highlights a variety of crop research programs on the Texas High Plains, has been set for Tuesday, Sept. 13.

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock, is host this year, according to Dr. Bill Ott, resident director of the Lubbock-Halfway Experiment Stations, and Dr. Bill Lyle, field day chairman. The Lubbock Station is part of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center complex located three miles north of the Lubbock Regional Airport, just off Highway 87.

Scheduled for this year's event is a five-stop field tour of the Lubbock Station research plots and facilities. Machinery displays presented by area implement dealers, grape vineyard tours and a garden information booth will be added attractions.

Stops along the field tour include research plots for weed control, cotton varieties, cotton disease control, soil fertility, nematode control and water-use efficiency of the row diking system.

Professional staffs of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Agricultural Research Service-USDA, and the National Weather Service Agricultural Meteorology Office will be on hand for the special occasion, says TAES officials.

Some classified ads play con games. Beware of companies that run "Help Wanted" ads, then charge for training or equipment. Besides not getting a job, you may lose money.

## Nematode Control

LUBBOCK--Parasitic nematodes will take 120,000 bales of High Plains Cotton in 1977. This annual loss ranks nematodes among the most serious of pests to the cotton producer.

Scientists with Agricultural Research Service, USDA at Lubbock are evaluating 50 varieties of cotton and various chemical methods of control in efforts to combat this microscopic, worm-like organism that lives in the soil.

Results of nematode studies will be among the many research programs to be reviewed during the upcoming 68th annual field day of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock, September 13. The Tuesday afternoon event will be at the Texas A & M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, just north of the Lubbock Regional Airport on FM 1294, one-half mile east off Highway 87. Activities get underway at 1. Tractor-trailer tours, field talks, farm equipment displays and refreshments are part of the celebrations.

Dr. Calvin Orr, ARS scientist who heads up studies on nematode control, says much scientific effort is devoted to the development of varieties of cotton with resistance to nematodes, especially the cotton root-knot nematode.

"Many commercial varieties show differences in tolerance to nematodes," he says, "however, none of the presently grown varieties possess adequate resistance to prevent substantial cotton losses to nematodes."

The nematologist says more than 50 strains and selections of cotton are being evaluated for nematode resistance. Each strain or line is evaluated for growth and development, nematode development and reproduction in roots, and finally by yield. All experimental lines are compared to a standard cotton variety.

"Two chemicals have given good results for nematode control in West Texas," Orr adds. "The soil fumigant DBCP has consistently increased cotton yield where nematodes are a problem. The yield increase averages 150 pounds of lint per

acre.

Not all nematodes are bad, he says. The species *Nottanguina phyllobia* is a natural control for silverleaf nightshade, causing a marked reduction in growth and reproduction of the weed. Three to four years after infection, about 80 percent of the stands of silverleaf nightshade are killed.

Besides Orr's studies, field day guests also will get a close look at weed control research, studies, soil fertility research and water-use efficiency studies.

## Rural Accident Picture

Midland College Traffic Safety Planning released this week the rural accident report as of June 30, 1977, for Borden County. The accidents, occurring outside of city limits within the County, were as follows:

- 0 Fatal Accidents with 0 Fatalities,
- 1 Injury Accident with 1 injury and
- 0 Property Damage Accidents.

In converting the accident statistics into economic loss statistics the following loss is recognized:

- Fatalities caused losses of \$ -0-
- Injuries caused losses of \$11,200.00

Property Damage Accidents caused losses of \$ -0-  
TOTAL LOSSES \$11,200.00

"The driving public, can effect of conditions of the road, the traffic, the weather, your car and your abilities," Mrs. Alford said. She offered four basic National Safety Council tips to prevent two car accidents:

Stay alert - watching for signs from the driver ahead as to what he intends to do; stay ahead of the situation - looking beyond the driver ahead to see situations which may force him to act quickly and therefore effect you; start stopping sooner - applying your brakes as soon as you see a hazard developing, but applying them gradually to avoid skids; and stay back - using the two Second Rule, following behind the car in front of you one second per ten feet of your car length... thus two Second Rule for the average 20 feet car.

"A reduced accident rate for Borden County can be achieved if we each watch out for the other guy," concluded Mrs. Alford.

## OSHA

(Cont. from page 1)

Grande, as proposed, would effectively close a major portion of the southern boundary of West Texas to any future job and profit opportunities that might develop in the future."

"It would also be detrimental to the good neighbor policy between the United States and Mexico. WTCC's concern over the possibility of West Texas being forever barred from making any decisions or actions in the future for this area as a result of the proposed designation is certainly not new. WTCC has followed closely the efforts of the Interior Department and the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation to arbitrarily assert their will regardless of facts, wishes, future plans or the desires of the people whom the Federal Government is supposed to serve."

Joe A. Kloesel of Midland, WTCC's chairman of National Affairs Committee, says that "the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is deeply interested in the development of outdoor recreation resources, and also

in the protection of the natural resources located in the region it serves."

"In fact, WTCC has had an important leadership role in the establishment of Texas' two national parks, Big Bend and Guadalupe Mountains. It is taking a leadership role in the continued development of these and other areas with the objective of providing enjoyment for the majority of the people without adverse impact on what nature has provided."

In its revised position paper WTCC again states that it is greatly concerned with the President's proposal, and believes that if the proposal is implemented in its present form, it will have a far-reaching and long-lasting adverse impact on both West Texas and Mexico, and will result in completely closing a major portion of the international border to any future development of vitally needed jobs and profit opportunities in areas on both sides of the river.

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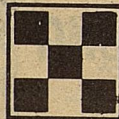
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## Showboat

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1971. Each time the patrons proved by their reaction that "Show Boat" has never been surpassed by any other musical show.

### THE STORY OF SHOW BOAT

"Show Boat" is a saga of a show-boat that plied the rivers of the mid-South in the late eighteen-eighties, Captain Andy Hawk's COTTON BLOSSOM, and the story of the hearty captain, his shrewish wife, his lovely daughter, Magnolia, and the profligate Ravenal, who fell in love with her.

The story traces the life of Magnolia and Ravenal from the time he stands on a levee, and she on the deck of her father's boat, and with the song "Only Make Believe" begin their romance - through their marriage in Chicago at the time of the 1893 World's Fair, their parting when he deserts her after his gambling luck has deserted him, her gallant climb alone to win theatrical fame for herself and their daughter as well - and their final reunion years later, when he is a broken and aging man. It is the story also of the resigned and melancholy Julie, forced off the show-boat by the discovery that she had negro blood in her veins, and her theatrical fame and alcoholism in a Northern Cabaret. There she sat on an upright piano and sang about Bill, who was just a plain and ordinary fellow, but she loved him and it hurt.

For comedy relief, there is the gay, cake-walking, Frank and Ellie, who find their own kind of theatrical success after they leave the show-boat.

And there's the old colored man, Joe who works on the levee, and sings probably the most immortal of the show's songs "Ol Man River".

America just can't stop loving this show. Like Old Man River himself, it just keeps rollin' along.

Missy Johnson (Kim) daughter of Jerry and Linda Johnson of Fort Worth, and niece of Vivian and Pauline Clark, played the only child of Gaylord Ravenal (Nolan van Way) and Magnolia (Linda Peters)

Linda Peters filled in for Linda Michelle, after she became ill and had to go back to California. (Later years) Everything turns out alright. The family, Nolan van Way; and his wife Linda Peters, a Fort Worth actress, and their daughter (Kim) Missy Johnson are reunited.

NOTE: Vivian and Pauline Clark were in Fort Worth, August 15th and 16th and saw two performances of the show.

Pauline comments, "Those shows remind me of the Chautauqua I used to go to in the 1920's. These were under a big tent just south of the Snyder Square. There were some of the most beautiful dresses and dancing.

### Letter To Editor

I would also like to comment on the summer editions of the Borden Star. Vonnie Brozo and her staff gave us the finest summer paper yet.

/s/ Carolyn Stephens

## Legal Notice

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BORDEN

Notice is given herewith that Borden County, acting by and through its Commissioners' Court, proposes to lease for oil, gas, and other minerals all of Labor 8, League 260, Borden County School Land, located in Martin County, Texas. Term of said lease shall be for three years without warranty and consideration shall be paid in cash. Borden County will reserve three-sixteenths (3/16) royalty interest and all acreage not developed at end of primary term will revert to Borden County Texas.

Sealed bids will be opened and considered Monday, September 16, 1977, at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Courtroom in Gail, Texas. The Commissioners' Court of Borden County reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted. Bids should be mailed to: Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Box 156, Gail, Texas 79738. Bids should be identified as sealed bid on mineral lease.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

/s/ Jim M. Burkett  
COUNTY JUDGE

To dispose of a credit card, cut it in small pieces.

## Savings Bond Report

July sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds in Borden county were reported today by County Bond Chairman Lloyd Cline. Sales for the seven-month period totaled \$4,510.00 for 23% of the 1977 sales goal of \$20,000.00.

Texas sales during the month amounted to \$22,544,475, while sales for the first seven months of 1977 totaled \$163,463,640 with 59% of the yearly sales goal of 276.9 million achieved.

## Notice Of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE TEXAS WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

No. 3797

Notice is given that COLEMAN FARMS, INC., P.O. Box 178, Ackerly, Texas, 79713, applicant, seeks a permit to maintain an existing dam and reservoir exempt under Texas Water Code Section 5.140 from the requirement of a permit on West Salt Draw, tributary Salt Creek, tributary Tobacco Creek, tributary Colorado River, Colorado River Basin, to impound therein not to exceed 158 acre-feet of water, and to use the impounded water for recreational purposes on applicant's property in the T&P Ry. Co. Survey No. 27,

THE BORDEN STAR, WED., AUG. 31, 1977...7

Abstract No. 332, Borden County, 9 miles west of Gail, Texas.

Texas 78711, Telephone (512) 475-2711.

The dam is in the aforesaid survey with its midpoint at the stream being 701.25 feet south of the SW corner of the W. J. Turner Survey No. 22, Abstract No. 1314, all being more fully set out in the application.

/s/ Joe D. Carter, Chairman  
TEXAS WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION

Date: July 26, 1977

## Legal Notice

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BORDEN

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County at its regular meeting at 10:00 A. M., September 12, 1977 will consider increasing the travel allowance of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, by \$32 per month, effective immediately.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

/s/ Jim ... Burkett  
COUNTY JUDGE  
BORDEN COUNTY

Making a habit of using a sewing machine "doodle pad" will save sewing time by insuring that the machine is threaded and adjusted properly before beginning to sew. Use a similar weight, type and thickness of "doodling" fabric if scraps of the fashion fabric are unavailable, suggests Mrs. Becky Culp, area clothing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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## Rainfall Outlook

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COLLEGE STATION--Texas farmers and ranchers can look forward to some improvement in the rainfall situation during the next 30 days, if the National Weather Service is right in its predictions.

Most of the state should get some reprieve from the extended dry weather, say NWS officials. They are calling for above average rainfall in all regions through the middle of September. At the same time, temperatures should remain normal, which means a continuation of generally warm weather. Of course, some relief from the summer heat wave that has plagued much of the state should begin to show up by the first of September as cold fronts start winding their way down from the northern part of the nation.

The possibility of increased precipitation during the next 30 days should brighten the ranching picture considerably, according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Most pastures and ranges are brown and the grass is dry and of poor quality. Supplemental feeding has begun in many counties due to the lack of grazing. Also, stock water is short over much of the state, and some ranchers have resorted to hauling water for their livestock.

Rain in the next few weeks would also boost hay production which has been extremely short this spring and summer, notes the Extension Service. Yields are off as much as 50 per cent in some sections of East Texas. There is a growing concern about adequate hay for this winter due to the short crop and the fact that hay barns were emptied during last winter's severe weather.

Peanuts, soybeans, fall planted small grains, fall gardens and commercial vegetable crops would also benefit from the rainfall, said the Extension Service. Of course, the increased precipitation would delay harvest operations especially cotton harvesting in southern, central and eastern areas, and grain harvesting in the Plains.

### Maid Of Cotton Deadline

Robert McKinsey, Chairman of the South Plains Maid of Cotton Committee of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, encourages interested girls to enter the Maid of Cotton Selection before the deadline 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 13, 1977. The selection will be made on October the 7th and 8th.

Basic qualifications for entry are: (1) 19 to 23 years of age, inclusive before December 27, 1977, (2) never been married, and (3) be at least 5 feet 5 inches tall.

The South Plains Maid will be flown to Memphis for the National Finals and will receive an all cotton wardrobe. First and Second alternates receive \$100 gift certificates. Contact Lubbock Chamber of Commerce for information.



DEIDRE TUCKER - MONTE SMITH

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A synonym is a word you use in the place of one you can't spell.

A fellow should always be sincere whether he means it or not.

--Just in case it ever comes up in a conversation--

Brad Arndt consumed 108 jalapeno peppers in one hour, to take the world pepper eating crown. This event was held in Austin in August 1976. (Ed. note - WOW!)

Yes, I do write these ahead of time - therefore, I don't really know if I have or not, but I am still trying.

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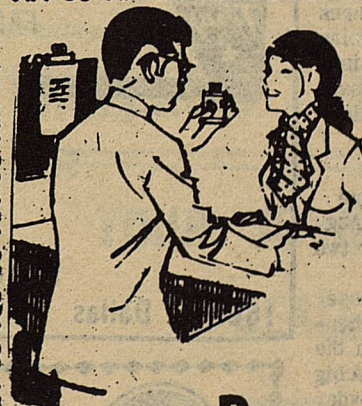
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