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## TOP BULLFIGHTER INVITED TO SONORA PRCA RODEO

### Rodeo plans underway

Rick Chatman, known in the rodeo circuits as one of the best bullfighters in the business, has been invited to participate in Sonora's first Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) rodeo to be held in conjunction with the Sutton County Days celebration slated for Friday and Saturday, August 26-27.

Chatman has only been working professionally since 1979 but his quick reactions and talent for freeing the cowboys who hang up on the big Brahmas brought him instant recognition.

In both 1980 and 1981 he was one of the two bullfighters selected by the top 25 bull riders to work the National Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City.

Coming to the forefront so quickly is unusual, but Chatman is reportedly that good.

"I was working a lot in Texas where a lot of tough bulls are and where lots of the top 25 bull riders are," he explained. "They had lots of opportunities to see me work."

Bull fighting as practiced in professional rodeo is far different from the traditional Spanish style in the American version, its pits a 1400-17000 pound Brahma-crossed bull against the agility and daring of a funny-faced rodeo clown and bull fighter.

In this version, it is the bullfighter who risk serious injury and not the bull.

Far from being mere entertainment, the concept of bullfighting grew as a natural part of pro rodeo as the method for getting cowboys safely away from the mighty animals.

Once the bull ride is over, horses cannot be used for the dismount as they are in saddle bronc and bareback riding. Combined with the art of the circus clown which emerged from the Wild West shows in the early 1900s,

modern bullfighting is a dual role—one deadly serious, the other comical and deceptively light.

The Sutton County Days Association, after much thought and consideration, elected to go with the PRCA this year in hopes of attracting more attendance.

In addition to its prestige as a professional sport and its value as top entertainment, PRCA rodeos offer many economic to a host city.

One of the largest PRCA rodeos, Cheyenne Frontier Day, annually brings about \$15 million into the city. Wyoming Travel Commission studies indicate that each dollar is turned over within the community an average of seven times. Motels and hotels are filled to capacity during rodeo week, with tourism benefits extending over a 200-mile radius.

At Salinas, California statistics indicate that the four-day pro rodeo may bring the community as much as \$9 million.

A recent survey showed that 73 percent of the rodeo audience came from out-of-town, with 27 percent drove 90 miles or more to attend the rodeo.

Retail sales increased by 50 percent during rodeo week at Sidney, Iowa according to a rodeo spokesman.

Greeley, Colorado's merchants say the Greeley Stampede is a financial bright spot each year. While visitors account for much of the increase, local businesses report that residents also are more likely to purchase rodeo-related merchandise.

Motels, night clubs, gift shops, clothing stores, and food outlets all directly benefit from the Stampede.

This being Sonora's first PRCA Rodeo, SCDA hopes to help improve the city's economics to show appreciation for everyone's help and support.



NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED LAST WEEK

New officers of the Lions Club, installed last Tuesday at noon include (back row, left to right) Don Wooten, new director-one year term; Ray Smith, new director-one year term; Matt Davenport, new director-two year term; Jim Cusenbary, new director-two year term; Harold McEwen, tall twister; and Dale Chaney, director-Texas Lions Crippled Children's Camp; [front

row, left to right] Jim Dover, first vice-president; Glen Fisher, second vice-president; Tryon Fields, third vice-president; Hershel Davenport, secretary-treasurer and J.T. Hill, installing officer. Not pictured are Mike Hale, president; Preston Farris, hold-over director; James Bible, new director-one year term; and Earnest Lykins, Lion tamer. [Staff Photo--KKN]

## Meeting slated tonight

The Sutton County Days Association and the Sonora Chamber of Commerce will have a joint meeting tonight (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. in the HNG Building to make further plans for the Sutton County Days celebration set for August 26-27.

Interested persons are invited to attend the meeting. Edith James, chamber manager, has reported that anyone interested in holding a class reunion during the celebration may contact her at 387-2880 to make plans.

Mrs. James also stated that more parade entries are needed. Local persons or organizations interested in entering the parade may contact Harold McEwen, chairman of the parade, at 387-3861.

Volunteers are needed for preparation of the grounds and construction and anyone who would like to help may contact Jim Cusenbary, chairman of that committee.

Gil Trainer will be in charge of the barbecue again this year and the cooking and serving will be done by Libb Wallace and crew.

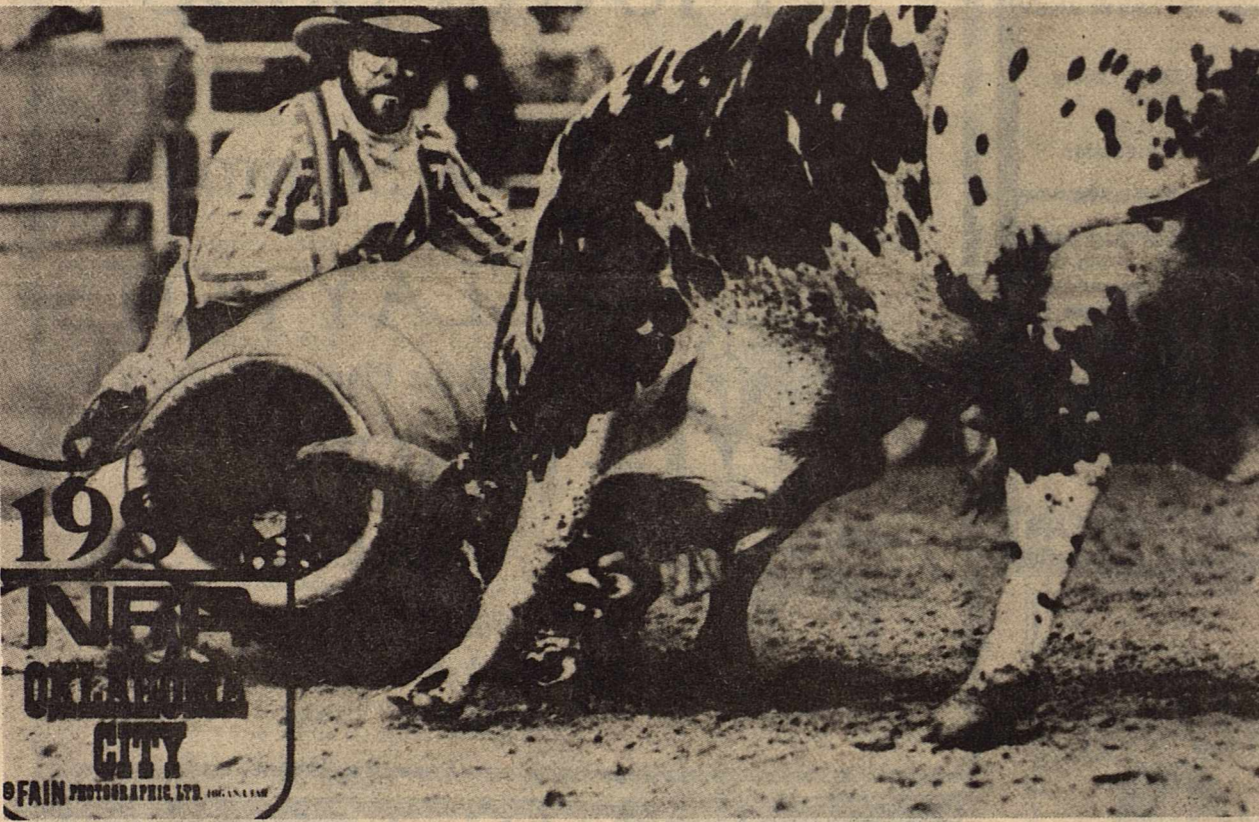
Anyone wishing to enter the arts and crafts division may do so by contacting Hilda Flores. Ms. Flores has gotten this project underway by mailing several letters to interested persons.

The chairperson for the auction is Marilyn McEwen who urges all non-profit organizations to participate. Letters have also been mailed for this project with information about participating in the auction. If your club or organization has been overlooked, please contact Ms. McEwen at 387-3267 or 387-2524.

Linda Love and Rhonda Wilson are co-chairpersons for the rodeo queen contest and Harva Cooper will be the chairperson for the Old Timers Reunion.

Patty Sirauch is the chairperson for the "Fun Run" this year and urges everyone to participate. For more information about the "Fun Run" contact her.

Les Robertson is the co-sponsor for the entertainment part of the celebration and reports that games for young and old are being planned with "fun" on the agenda.



TOP COWBOY INVITED

Rick Chatman, top rodeo clown and bullfighter, has been invited to perform at Sutton County's professional rodeo set for Friday and Saturday, August 26 and 27th

## Newcomers guide to be published

BY CAROL JONES

The Devil's River News will publish a special section Wednesday, July 27 to be dedicated to newcomers as well as long-time residents, called the Newcomer's Guide.

Various items of interest will be included in this publication including a brief history of Sonora; a list of law enforcement officers serving our area; along with photographs of each, photographs of all governmental bodies in the area; brief stories about each Church, club, and organizations in the area; and school news.

Other things of interest to be printed are letters from the Sutton County Judge, the mayor of Sonora, the Sonora ISD superintendent, the county appraiser, and various congressmen, senators, and the governor,

welcoming newcomers to this area.

The special publication will be inserted in the regular paper July 27, but several extra copies will be printed for distribution on the chamber of commerce office, various motels in the city, most of the convenience stores, and other places upon request.

In the next few weeks representatives from this office will be calling on merchants and contacting various services, organizations and Churches to obtain information for the guide.

To get your news article or advertisement in the special section, contact anyone at the Devil's River News office, 220 NE Main or 387-2507 during regular business hours.

## Policies told

According to Carol Jones, assistant publisher of the Devil's River News, several policies have been made improved for the operation of the newspaper.

All pictures turned into the news department for publication will require a self-addressed, stamped envelope or the party responsible for the photo will need to come by the office during regular business hours to pick it up following its publication.

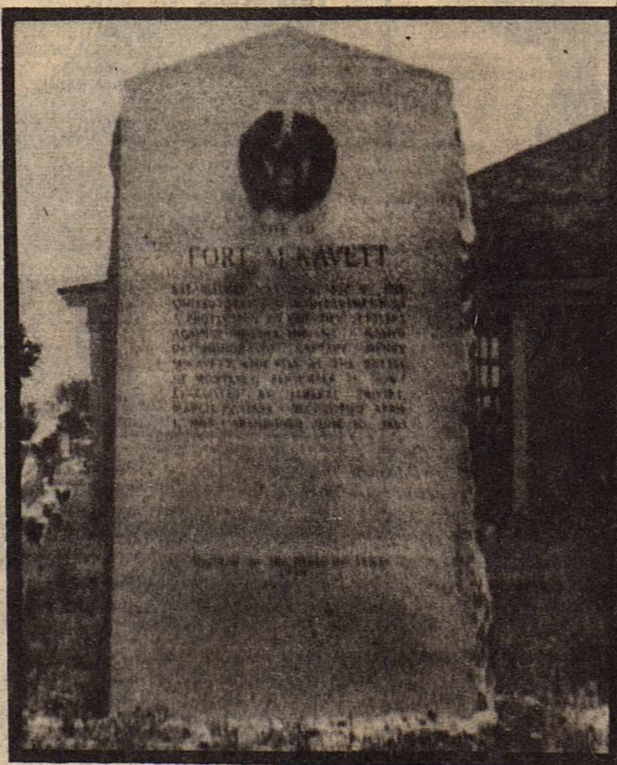
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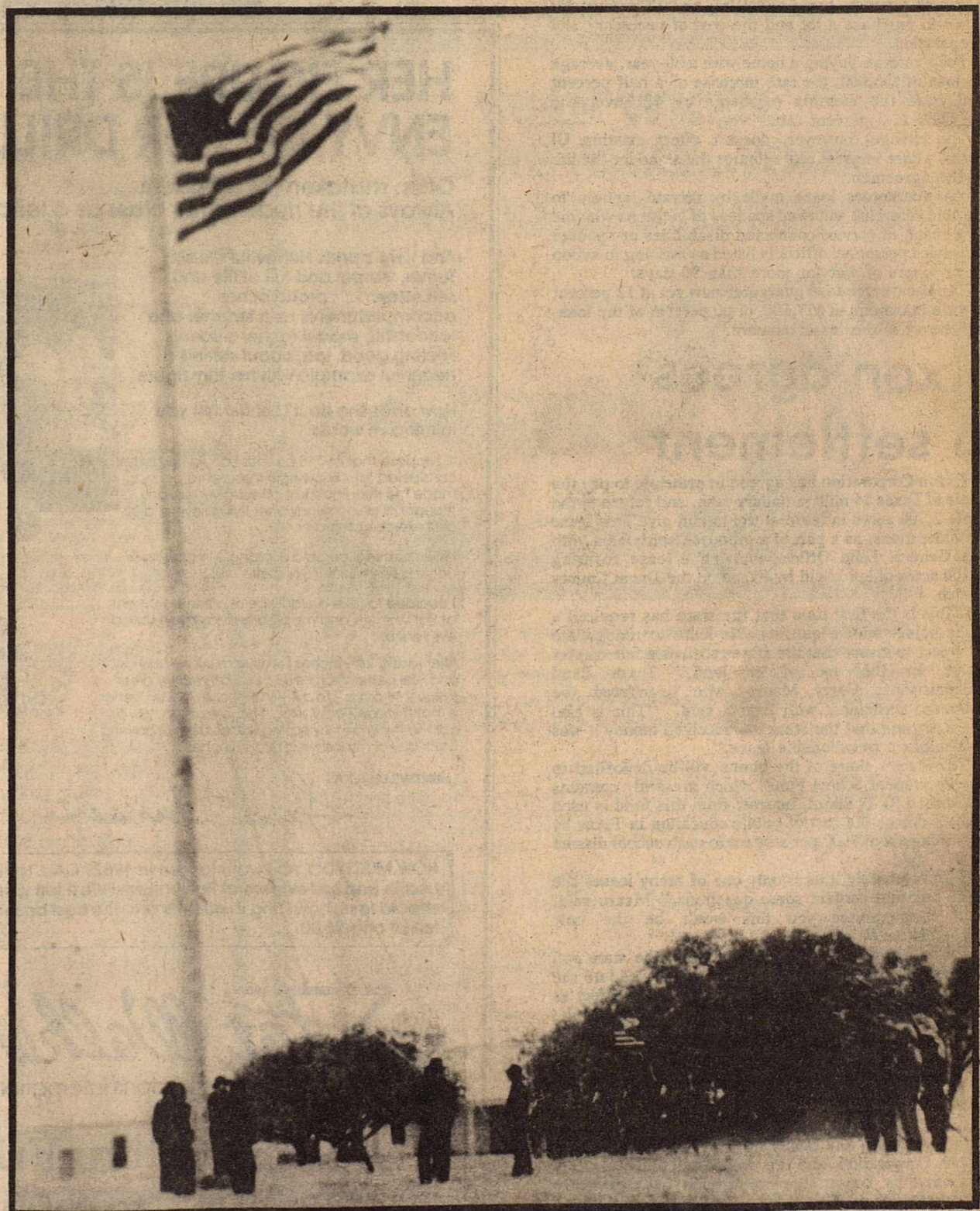
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The DRN will not be responsible for errors made when the copy handed to our editorial department is hand-written. If at all possible, please type or print legibly any articles for publication in the newspaper.

"A notice of correction will be published in the event that the error is ours," Mrs. Jones stated, "But it is against our policies to re-run a news item."



Fort McKavett historical marker



CLOSING WITH THE FLAG

The dramatic re-enactment of the closing of Fort McKavett 100 years ago in 1883, is terminated by a symbolic reading of the new post assignments and the final lowering of the flag. [Photos by LDW]

# Convention set in San Antonio

Six thousand Texas FFA members and guests are expected to attend the 55th Annual Convention of the Texas Association of Future Farmers of America July 13-15 at the San Antonio Convention Center.

The FFA is composed of students who are studying vocational agriculture in the public schools in preparation for a variety of careers in Agriculture and Agribusiness.

Vocational Agriculture is well known for "Educating Through Experience" - a "Learning By Doing" process which uses the FFA to give students experience. The ultimate objective is to produce future leaders for American agriculture with its vital role of producing food and fiber. Texas now has more than 900 FFA chapters with over 60,000 active members and more than 500,000 former members.

During the convention, over 2,000 award winners will be recognized with more than 1,700 members receiving the Lone Star Farmer Degree, the highest level of recognition by the state association. Educational scholarships totalling more than \$450,000 will be presented to many of the members in attendance.

Durwin Hill, Executive Secretary, reports that deserving adults who have supported the FFA and its activities will be recognized by the presentation of Honorary State Farmer Degrees, Distinguished Service Awards, and VIP Awards.

Outstanding speakers, scheduled during the three-

day convention include Michael Broome, nationally renowned speaker and humorist of Charlotte, North Carolina; Grant Teaff, head football coach at Baylor University in Waco; and Jan Eberly, National FFA President of Fallbrook, California.

Randy Brady, state president of Humble will preside at the general sessions. These sessions will include the election of the 1983-84 state president from the state officer candidates nominated by the 10 area associations.

From 10 area nominees, voting delegates will also select the state FFA sweetheart to represent the state association during 1983-84. Those in attendance will hear and recognize the Outstanding Public Speaker who will represent Texas at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

Recreational activities will include the Fun Night and Talent Contest where the delegates will select the Outstanding Talent Team from 10 area nominees.

The Texas FFA Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting on Thursday afternoon along with the State FFA Convention. In addition, the alumni will host a reception for the past state FFA officers and participate in the presentation of its publicity award.

Convention participants will have the opportunity to visit with approximately 60 commercial exhibitors to observe new methods, products, and equipment in the agribusiness industry.

## Sonora to hold annual Angora billie goat sale

The 3rd Annual Angora Billie Performance Tested Sale and Field Day will be held Thursday, July 21, at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station ranch Hwy. 55 between Sonora and Rocksprings. The sale starts at 1 p.m.

Texas Agricultural Extension Service sheep and goat specialist Jack Groff reports that 41 premier Angora breeders have consigned nearly 300 Angora billies for the 112-day feed test trial. The top 35 percent will be sold by auctioneer Willard Jordan of Junction.

For the third year color slides will be shown of each animal before their shearing, an innovation Groff believes gives the buyer a better show of how each billie fleeces. The animals will be sold shorn.

An educational program begins about 10:30 that morning with talks on goat genetics, animal nutrition and herd health. A barbecue lunch will be available.

Groff says use of the Sonora Billie Performance Test has grown dramatically since the trial was established in 1981. One hundred goats were entered in the first test, increasing to almost 200 last year and nearly 300 in the current test.

## Veterans provided for

The Veterans Administration provides many benefits for veterans with vision impaired as a result of military service.

Those benefits include vocational rehabilitation, disability compensation, specially adapted housing and other housing grants, advises Ted W. Myatt, Director, Houston VA Regional Office.

The VA's Vocational Rehabilitation program provides vision-impaired veterans with counseling on the effects of their disabilities, training for such aids as laser canes, large-print readers and other technical devices. The program can assist the veteran by providing retraining assistance to obtain necessary skills for a new career. Eligible veterans receive a monthly subsistence allowance while VA pays the costs of required training, Myatt said.

A vision-impaired veteran may receive monthly disability compensation. The amount of the payment is based on severity of vision loss. For example, the payment for 60 percent loss is \$443 a month. A veteran with only light perception in both eyes and who has lost, or lost the use of, one foot may receive a VA grant of up to \$32,500, or half the cost of a home specially adapted for his or her needs.

Persons interested in further benefits information may contact the nearest VA Regional Office. A VA counselor will respond.

# Programs to be undertaken

New drilling programs must be undertaken to find new supplies of natural gas if demand is to be met for the future, Mack Wallace, chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas said at Dallas recently.

The current oversupply of natural gas-obtained not by increases in supply, but by reduced demand brought about by economic decline and falling prices of competitive fuel-can turn into a shortage very quickly, Wallace said.

"In fact, I can see another severe energy crisis in the not too distant future if our government fails again to take steps that would demonstrate to the world that America considers the production of its fossil fuels to be the highest national interest," he said.

Wallace made the remarks at the 37th annual convention of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association.

Natural gas must be stripped of all "governmental pricing schemes" and set free to search out its own true value in the market place, the commissioner said.

"It is an outright national disgrace that the price and use of natural gas-so critical to the American public-continue to be manipulated in the Congress," Wallace declared.

The interests of all Americans are totally wrapped up in the natural gas congressional battle, Wallace said, adding "every man, woman and child in this country has a stake in this issue."

"Our Congress has a perfect opportunity now--this year--to demonstrate true statesmanship and take the steps that are necessary to free this energy resource from its political stranglehold," Wallace said.

Instead, Wallace said, the nation is still importing almost 5 million barrels of crude oil and crude oil products into this country every day "not to mention the natural gas we are importing from Mexico and Canada."

"This--at a time when rigs are stacked up all over this country," he added.

He said, "I believe it is time steps were taken to limit imports into the United States. Such a limitation could boost exploration and production at home and encourage the use of our own domestic gas."

"I firmly believe crude oil and vast quantities of natural gas remain to be discovered in America--right here in Texas," Wallace said. "But in order to find it, the federal government must get out of the way, let the drill bits turn, and allow the free market to take hold of the natural gas industry."

Wallace also reviewed Railroad Commission legislation recently approved by the Texas legislature, including a Sunset Law extending the agency's life another 12 years.

He also pointed out new laws strengthening the commission's ability to deal with pollution and oil field theft.

Wallace told TIPRO members he is anxiously awaiting the results of a special blue-ribbon committee which has been studying the Texas natural gas situation. The committee's report is expected by the end of the month.

Wallace spoke to the TIPRO membership after being awarded the organization's "Hat's Off Award."

## Refining summary told

Railroad Commission Chairman Mack Wallace announced that 60 refineries in Texas processed 110,563,647 barrels of crude oil and hydrocarbon blends during February.

February's volume compares to 120,355,123 barrels in January and 110,955,831 barrels in February 1982. Texas refineries ran 86,195,119 barrels of crude oil in February compared to 91,847,204 barrels in January and 83,588,532 barrels in February 1982.

Products manufactured in February totaled 110,694,092 barrels, down from 122,121,646 barrels in January and down from the 111,532,276 barrels in February 1982.

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## VA increases rate

The Veterans Administration increased the basic loan-guarantee rate for single-family homes and condominiums by a half percent June 8 to 12 percent, said R.L. Cobb, VA Loan Guaranty Officer for Houston.

It was the first rate hike in 16 1/2 months and returned the basic rate to the level set last November 15.

At the same time, the VA maximum interest rate for Graduated Payment Mortgage Loans was increased to 12.5 percent.

Other current VA loan-guarantee rates: 13.5 percent for purchase of manufactured home units; 13 percent for buy both a mobile home and a lot, and 13 percent for loans to purchase a lot and the cost of necessary site preparation.

For a veteran buying a home with a 30-year, average GI loan of \$55,000, the rate increase of a half percent will raise the monthly payments by \$21 over the previous 11.5 percent rate.

The change, however, doesn't affect existing GI loans, whose interest rate remains the same for the life of the agreement.

VA guarantees loans made by private lenders to eligible veterans, widowed spouses of veterans who die as a result of service-connected disabilities or spouses of service personnel officially listed as missing in action or prisoners of war for more than 90 days.

The basic home-loan guarantee now set at 12 percent is for a maximum of \$27,500, or 60 percent of the loan, whichever is the lesser amount.

## Exxon agrees to settlement

Exxon Corporation has agreed in principle to pay the State of Texas \$4 million dollars cash, and return to the state 2,700 acres in mineral rights and give new lease considerations, as a part of a proposed settlement with the General Land Office involving a lease covering 5,200 acres of land held by Exxon on the Duval County Ranch.

"This is the first time that the state has required a lease holder with a questionable lease to renegotiate that pact to insure that the state receives a fair market value for the use of its land," Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, who negotiated the proposed settlement with Exxon, said. "This is also the first time that the state has received money it was due under a questionable lease."

The state's share of the bonus will be deposited to the Permanent School Fund, which presently contains more than \$3.7 billion. Interest from this fund is used to help defray the cost of public education in Texas by providing about \$600 per student to each school district in the state.

"Unfortunately, this is only one of many leases the state has that contain some questions," Mauro said, "but I guarantee you this won't be the only renegotiation."

Exxon has agreed to pay \$4 million if the state and the Duval County Ranch Corporation will validate the questionable lease. This will have the same effect as the issuance of a new lease covering a portion of the disputed land. Exxon will retain 2,400 acres where it has some mineral production. The corporation has agreed to increase its royalty payments from one-eighth to one-fourth on production from all land below the depth of 10,000 feet.

Because 69.063 percent of the land is owned by Clinton Manges and family through the Duval County Ranch Corporation, and the remaining 30.937 percent is owned by Exxon, the corporation has agreed to cooperate with the General Land Office in negotiating a lease for the 2,700 acres returned to the state.

The Texas Relinquishment Act will allow the surface owners to receive the proportionate share of the \$4 million dollars, which would be considered a bonus for validating the new lease. The settlement will still have to be found by the court to be fair and equitable to all parties involved.

## NEWS OF WOMEN

It is estimated that there are now some 10.4 million girls in the 15-19 age group. By comparison, under the age of five, there are only 7.4 million girls.

A prescription medicine is being successfully used against candidiasis, a widespread and recurrent vaginal fungus infection. MONISTAT 7, a product of Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation, has proved effective when used during a seven-day regimen.

The American female is clearly the stronger of the species. Male births consistently outnumber female births, yet more males die at every age than females. Thus, only through the 25-29 age group do males preponderate.

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## Fabrication nearing completion

ENSTAR Engineering, Inc. announced recently that the fabrication of production facilities for the world's first commercial offshore geyed tower, owned and operated by Exxon Company, U.S.A., is nearing completion in ENSTAR's Jacintoport, Texas, Fabrication Yard.

The facilities are scheduled for offshore launch July 15, and will be installed by Exxon on top of the 1,078-foot geyed tower in the Gulf of Mexico this summer.

The unique tower design allows the platform to move

compliantly when it is subjected to wind and wave forces. The production equipment has been designed to accommodate this motion of the platform which can be a maximum of 40 feet in any direction.

The facilities provide separation, oil treating, gas dehydration and compression for production levels of up to 50 million feet of gas, 30,000 barrels of oil and condensate, and 10,000 barrels of water per day. After separation, the ca-

singhead gas is compressed to 1,220 psig for sales. The oil is metered and transferred to an offshore pipeline at a pressure of up to 2,000 psig.

ENSTAR Engineering, Inc. provides engineering and construction services for the hydrocarbon processing industry both onshore and offshore. Headquartered in Houston, ENSTAR Engineering, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of ENSTAR Corporation (NYSE symbol: EST).

## Rule proposed for identification

The Railroad Commission has approved for public comment a proposed rule that would require oil tank trucks to carry identification papers for the oil they are transporting.

The proposed rule would require a cargo manifest for each of liquid hydrocarbons loaded onto transported by an oil tanker vehicle. The manifest must identify the lease or facility from which the oil was removed, the amount of oil removed, the date and hour of the removal, identification of the transporter, and the intended destination. Upon request by a Commission agent or other law enforcement official, the transporter must produce the cargo manifest immediately.

A copy of the manifest or a document with the same information must be left at the lease or facility from which the hydrocarbons were removed, or delivered to the lease or facility operator or his representative.

The manifest must be kept for two years by the transporter, and must be available for inspection. Another provision would require oil tanker trucks to be identified on both sides with the transport company name, the number of the vehicle, and the number of the certificate or permit authorizing the service.

Comments will be taken for 30 days after publication of the rule in the Texas Register, and then the proposed rule will be presented to the commission for final consideration.

The Texas Legislature recently enacted a manifest system law for oil transport vehicles and gave the Railroad Commission jurisdiction of the matter.

## Farmers, ranchers to be honored

Pointing to the importance of recognizing and remembering the pioneer farm and ranch families in Texas, Senator Bill Sims invited long-time farming families to participate in the Texas Department of Agriculture's 1983 Family Land Heritage Program.

Registration for the program, which recognizes families who have had land in agricultural production for 100 years or more, is now open and will extend through August 16, Senator Sims said.

"To date 90 properties in Senatorial District 25 have qualified for the Family Land Heritage Program, and this year I hope we will be able to identify many more," he said. Since the program was established in 1974 to honor pioneering families, 1558 such families have been recognized.

The basic requirements of the program include continuous agricultural production on the farm or ranch for 100 years, land ownership within the family, complete operation or supervision of the farm/ranch production by family members who are Texas residents, and a size of at least 10 acres within a minimum income of \$50 from farm or ranch products. If the farm or ranch is smaller than 10 acres, sales must total \$250 per year.

"These families are living, productive symbols of our family farm unit. We celebrate their past achievements, and acknowledge the importance that such family farms hold for us in the future," he said.

This year's certified registrants will be honored at a state ceremony in the Capitol in November. The honorees will receive a certificate and a copy of the Family Land Heritage Registry, which is a brief history of each farm or ranch, including old photographs of the families and their homes.

Those who wish to apply may obtain an application from their County Judge, County Historical Commission chairman, the nearest TDA district office, or by writing to: Family Land Heritage Program, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

## Commission formed recently for women

A speaker's bureau designed to take state-wide issues of concern to women directly into the community is being developed by the Governor's Commission for Women, commission executive director Gay Erwin announced last week.

The bureau is one of the projects planned by the newly formed commission at its first state conference in Austin recently.

Erwin and 29 women from throughout Texas were appointed by Governor Mark White in April to address issues affecting women, hold conferences and workshops and identify the needs and concerns of women in Texas.

The bureau will be composed of commission members and will address such issues as the proposed Constitutional Amendment to allow garnishment of wages and voluntary assignment of income for child support payments. Erwin said the bureau will also encourage women to participate in government and find new roles in non-traditional careers.

The commission also adopted a resolution encouraging the state Job Training Coordinating Council to recruit women as members of local Private Industry Councils. The impact of the funds distributed by the councils will affect women in Texas, Erwin said.

Other projects planned by the commission include a state-wide data-bank of services available to women and the creation of local women's commissions in the cities represented by its members.

At the conference, commission members organized working groups in the areas of program development, public information, education and research, public relations and problems and issues.

Lunelle Anderson of San Marcos was selected chairman of the Public Relations Committee with vice chair Martha Whitehead of Longview.

The Problems and Issues Committee is headed by Helen Farabee of Wichita Falls and is assisted by Lynn Searcy of Fort Worth.

Anne Simmons of Galveston is chair of the Public Information, Education and Research Committee. Carol Nasworthy of Beaumont is vice chair of that committee.

The Committee for Program Development is headed by Aurora Sanchez of San Antonio with Joy Martin of El Paso serving as vice chair.

## Blowout well reassigned

The Railroad Commission has reassigned the amount of gas overproduced by the Apache Key No. 1 blowout well in Wheeler County to the Apache Key No. 2 well.

The Key No. 2, now a producing gas well, was originally drilled as a relief well in an attempt to kill the Key No. 1, which blew out in October 1981 after it had been completed and was awaiting a pipeline connection. The blowout, which produced as much as 26 million cubic feet of gas per day, was killed Feb. 6 by a second relief well, the Key no. 3.

Before it was killed, the blowout produced 947,268 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) more than its Commission-assigned production allowable. Commission transfer of that amount to the Key No. 2 production allowable to make up the extra production.

Since the summer of 1982 the Key No. 1 had been in a "controlled blowout" status. As part of its statutory responsibility to prevent the waste of the state's hydrocarbon resources, the Railroad Commission had ordered Palo Duro Pipeline Co. to take all of the blowout production rather

than flare the gas. That required the pipeline company to reduce its takes from other wells in the Key (Marrow, Upper) Field.

The Commission has also extended until Sept. 1, 1983, the period of time it will allow wells in the same field to make up any underproduction of commission-assigned allowables that may have resulted from Commission actions regarding the Key blowout.

## Pre-entrance exam set Thursday in Sweetwater

The second pre-entrance exam for persons interested in the TSTI-Sweetwater Vocational Nursing program is scheduled for Thursday, July 7 at 9 a.m.

According to program chairman La Vohn McGlothing, the exam will be given in the Nursing building on campus and will take approximately two hours to complete.

McGlothing said the test will measure the student's general knowledge and:

nursing aptitude.

The nursing program takes one year to complete, and all persons interested in the program should contact the Nursing department prior to taking the test. The exam costs \$15 and applications are asked to bring a check or money order. No cash will be accepted.

For further information, contact the Nursing Department at 915-235-8441, ext. 60.

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## Dr. Fowler elected president

Dr. James M. "Jim" Fowler of Little Rock, Arkansas was elected president of the International Association of Lions Clubs at the organization's 66th Annual Convention held June 22-25 in Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A.

He succeeds Everett J. (Ebb) Grindstaff of Ballinger.

As President of the world's largest service club organization, Fowler will travel the world representing the Association, observing local service activities sponsored by many of the more than 36,000 Lions Clubs in more than 155 countries and geographical areas, and meeting with heads of state and communities to promote Lionism and the theme of his Presidential Program: "JOIN HANDS IN SERVICE."

A Lion since 1948, Fowler is a dentist with offices in Little Rock and Hot Springs.

An experienced pilot with more than 14,000 hours in the air, he is a past president of the world-famous training and rehabilitation center, Arkansas Enterprises for the Blind.

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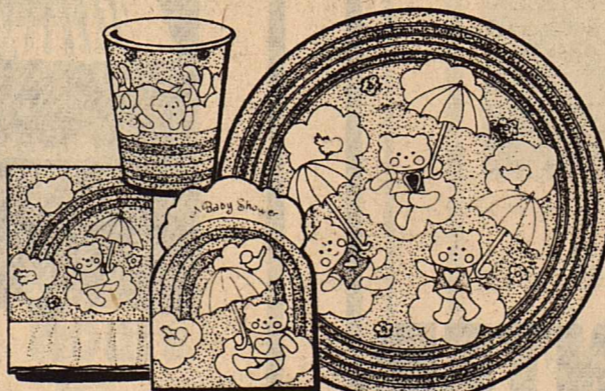
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## "Ageism" threatens elderly

The most serious problem facing elderly Americans today is "ageism," the prejudice society holds against older people, according to an article in the journal *Texas Medicine*.

"Think how often we remark on a 'cute' old woman or man and are amazed that they look, move, or get along as well as they do. Barring some debilitating illness, why should they not?" Dr. Deborah V. Gross writes in the June issue of the *Texas Medical Association's* monthly journal.

She quotes author Alex Comfort in defining ageism as "the notion that people cease to be people, cease to be the same people, or become people of a distinct and inferior kind, by virtue of having lived a specified number of years."

"Like other prejudices," Gross writes, "ageism is founded on ignorance and maintained by stereotype. Such stereotypes are self-perpetuating since they are held by many elderly people themselves. The big difference between ageism and other forms of prejudice is that we all hope that we will become old."

Gross encourages physicians to examine their own feelings about aging since their views may be a primary factor in the "success or failure of the doctor-patient relationship....If we wish to help our patients achieve a good old age, we need to ensure that we do not unconsciously perpetuate the cruel practices of ageism."

Gross, a recent graduate from The University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio, notes that the elderly are less often affected by acute illness than are younger people. When it does occur, however, acute illness causes more days of inactivity in older people.

### TEXSAN opens branch

Texasan Satellite Antenna Systems (TEXSAN) has recently moved to Sonora. They formed a branch out of San Angelo and are located at 804 S.W. Crockett.

TEXSAN has been in business under the ownership of John Ford for four years. His products feature seven satellites, with most of them having 24 stations, including all paid TV channels, and Canadian networks.

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## Classic slated

Touring golf pros Larry Mize and Jim Simons have both agreed to play in the \$350,000 LaJet Coors Classic, September 22-25 at Abilene's Fairway Oaks Golf and Raquet Club, according to Tournament Director Steve Threlkeld.

Mize took a big step forward in his young pro career by recently capturing the Danny Thomas Memphis Classic, his first tournament win on the PGA Tour. Mize won the Memphis Classic in grand style—he birdied three of the last four holes, including sinking a 20-foot pressure-packed putt on the 18th to beat Fuzzy Zoeller by one stroke.

The \$72,000 first place check in Memphis boosted Mize's earnings to \$110,077, 28th on the 1983 Money List. The former Georgia Tech team captain, who's in his second year on the tour, has finished in the money in 14 of the 21 events he has entered so far in 1983.

Mize's other Top Ten finish was a tie for sixth in the Coca-Cola Houston Open in early May.

Also coming to Abilene for the 1983 LaJet Coors Classic is Jim Simons, one of the most popular and personable players on the tour.

Simons is no stranger to Abilene. He played in the 1982 LaJet Classic and he works with Abilene golf research specialist Dave Pelz on putting and his short game.

1983 has been an injury plagued season for Simons, whose last tournament win was the 1982 Bing Crosby Pro-Am at Pebble Beach. It was at that event that Simons revealed that he's legally blind without proper corrective lenses.

So far this year, Simons has collected \$31,408 by finishing in the money in eight events of the 15 he has entered to currently rank 93rd on the 1983 Money List. Overall in his career, Simons has won \$738,369.

The field for the 1983 LaJet Coors Classic is already shaping into one of the best on the tour as Mize and Simons join the list of early commitments. Others who have agreed to play here include 1983 Joe Garagiola Tuscon Open and 1983 Glen Campbell Los Angeles Open Champion Gil Morgan, 1983 TPC Champion Hal Sutton, 1982 Southern Open Bobby Clampett, and Bobby Wadkins.

All proceeds from the LaJet Coors Classic benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, which is a private, non-profit diagnostic and treatment facility for handicapped children and adults.



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And chronic diseases, including relatively mild and non-disabling diseases, increase tenfold between ages 15 and 65.

"Still, less than 1 percent of people over 65 were limited in their ability to bathe, dress, feed themselves, or perform toilet functions," she continues in citing studies. "Although 86 percent of the elderly have one or more chronic health problems, 95 percent live in the community, and 81 percent get along without outside help."

Concerning a typical stereotype, she says, "'Senile' is a word which has been abused and overused and probably should be struck from the language. When an old man forgets his hat, he is called 'senile.' When a young man does the same thing, he is called 'forgetful.'"

Another stereotype is that once retired, older persons are finally able to enjoy life fully without the pressures of day-to-day living. "This may be true for some people," Gross writes, "but many would prefer to continue what for them is productive, fulfilling work. Ageism denies them the right to choose."

She cites isolation, loss of freedom, decreased sense of personal worth, fear of the unknown, and specific biological and psychological changes as reasons for depression, anxiety, and frustration in the elderly.

### RRC to require fee

The Railroad Commission has proposed for public comment a new rule that requires a non-refundable \$100 fee for new or materially amended permits to drill for oil and gas in the state.

The proposed new rule is the result of recent legislation enacted by the Texas Legislature. That legislation requires the \$100 fee and authorized the Railroad Commission to deposit the money into a special fund for plugging abandoned wells. The funds can also be used for general enforcement of state pollution prevention laws involving oil and gas operations.

Comments on the proposed rule will be taken for 30 days after publication in the Texas Register, and then the proposed rule will be presented to the Commission for final consideration.

The new law will also require some procedural changes in the way drilling permits are handled at the RRC. For example, applicants must file a drilling permit application (RRC Form W-1) and the fee with the Commission's headquarters in Austin rather than with the respective RRC district office. However, applicants must still send a copy of the application to the district office.

The RRC will no longer authorize "verbal" drilling permits, but will allow an applicant to expedite processing of a permit by "walking" it through the review process in Austin.

By law, the fee requirement is effective Sept. 1, 1983.

The Commission has sent a full explanation of the drilling permit application changes to all oil and gas operators in the state.

To answer questions, the Commission has established a toll-free telephone number (1-800-772-0091) for calls placed in Texas. Out-of-state callers should dial 512-445-1314.

## Phone service shown effective

Many veterans' problems may be resolved and effective assistance obtained by telephoning rather than visiting the Houston Veterans Administration Regional Office, advises Director Ted W. Myatt.

VA services and benefits affect up to 45 percent of the people of Texas, he stressed.

Many claimants visit the VA Regional Office daily seeking information and assistance. However, in an effort to render the best service possible, the VA has a group of well-trained counselors to assist claimants by telephone during normal daytime hours. The number: 664-4664 in the Houston area and toll-free 1-800-392-2200 from elsewhere in Texas.



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## Female veterans due benefits

Many female veterans who have made significant contributions to the nation through military service may not be aware of the numerous benefits and services available to them from the veterans Administration.

There are now more than 1.1 million female veterans, totaling nearly 4 percent of the U.S. veteran population.

The VA wants those female veterans to learn about their eligibility for medical, dental, home loan, educational, disability and other benefits, stresses Ted W. Myatt, Director, Houston VA Regional Office.

For Example: Female veterans may claim their husbands as dependents for additional educational allowance. Further, they may claim additional disability compensation when rated 30 percent or more disabled.

Female veterans are encouraged to contact the nearest VA Regional Office. A VA counselor will respond.

## Commission approves gas rate decrease

The Railroad Commission has approved a decrease in contract gas rates between Esperanza Transmission Co. and Lone Star Gas Co. that will decrease Lone Star's weighted average cost of gas.

The weighted average cost of gas is the gas cost that utility companies pass through to their customers with purchase gas adjustment charges.

The changes involved two contracts. Through one, Lone Star's weighted average gas cost will be reduced by approximately .86 cents per Mcf. Through the other, it will be reduced approximately by .47 cents per Mcf.

Esperanza's estimated annual revenues will decrease by approximately \$4.1 million.

The changes will be effective July 7. Lone Star serves more than 500 city gas distribution systems in the state.

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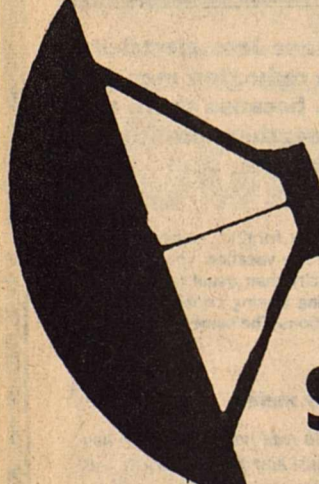


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Reflections of Texas frontier days come alive in the reprint of "The Evolution of a State or Recollections of Old Texas Days," a book recently published by The University of Texas Press.

The recent UT Press publication makes the stories of early Texas life once again available to the general public with tales both of everyday happenings in the lives of Texas pioneers and of famous events in the state's history, including the battle of San Jacinto.

The book, written by a Texas frontiersman, Noah Smithwick, first appeared in print as early as 1896 when portions of the work were published in the Galveston-Dallas News. The first book form, published in 1900 by an Austin publisher, H.N.P. Gammel, has long been out of print, available only through rare book dealers at high prices.

The book includes chapter-length accounts of milestones in Texas history as seen by the author during his stay in Texas from 1827 through 1861, when he left for California because of his opposition to slavery.

Smithwick, who moved to Texas from North Carolina, recounts his life and adventures as a blacksmith, farmer, tobacco smuggler, weapon maker, soldier, postmaker, Texas Ranger and justice of the peace. His simple, straightforward style, combined with a wry sense of humor, give the reader strong insight into the life in frontier settlements.

The book includes a forward by Tuffly Ellis, director of the Texas State Historical Association.

The book will be available Aug. 1 at local bookstores in hardback for \$19.95 plus tax and in paperback for \$8.95 plus tax. For information, contact UT Press, P.O. Box 7819, Austin, Texas 78712.

## "Plaza Suite" to open July 8

Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite" will open July 8 in Uvalde's Grand Opera House for a four performance run. Encore performances are slated for July 9, 14, 15. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

"Plaza Suite is the second production for the Uvalde Area Community Theatre. UACT's April production of "Deathtrap" attracted theatre goers from throughout the area.

The first of Simon's sketch plays, "Plaza Suite's" three one-act segments all take place in Suite 719 of the Plaza Hotel in New York.

Act I center around a wife's efforts to rekindle her husband's interest in their marriage. While spending their 24th anniversary in the suite in which they spent their wedding night, Karen Nash must confront the fact that her husband is no longer interested in the marriage, but is very interested in his secretary. Mary Rucker portrays Karen Nash. Emmett Harris is her husband. Debbie Janes plays the secretary. John Davis is the waiter and Madison Jechow, the bellhop.

The second act, "A Visitor from Hollywood," stars Bernard Ross as Jesse Kiplinger, a famous Hollywood producer who returns to the Plaza for a meeting with his high-school sweetheart, Muriel Tate, as played by Linda Calhoun. The friendly meeting becomes an awkward situation with results neither Jesse nor Muriel anticipated.

"The Visitors from Forest Hill," in Act III are Norma and Roy Hubley as portrayed by Shirley Jackson and Max Henderson. They have taken Suite 719 to prepare for their daughter's wedding which is to take place momentarily in the hotel ballroom. The only problem is their daughter Mimsey has locked herself in the bathroom and refuses to get married. Simon is at his farcical best in the third segment of the trio as the Hubleys use everything from force to trickery to get their reluctant daughter to the altar. Mimsey is portrayed by Donna Lent and her groom, Borden Eisler, by Mark Jacobi.

Marilyn Nunley is directing "Plaza Suite." Sarah Greer is her assistant.

All tickets are \$5 and are available at the Opera House Box Office, P.O. Box 1451, Uvalde, Tx 78801 or by calling 512-278-4082.

A dessert party on Fountain Plaza will precede the opening night's performance as UACT and various civic organizations host a money raising "sweets on the plaza."



## The Consumer Alert

by Jim Mattox  
Attorney General

AUSTIN-Advertisements for "Government Surplus Sales" many sound appealing but usually offer information you can obtain from the government free or charge.

A typical offer may sound like this: "Surplus desks, typewriters, jeeps, boats and cars. Under \$50. Call this number for information."

These advertisements may appear in printed publications, such as newspapers or periodicals, or on TV or radio. Upon calling the listed number, you are requested to send a sum of money, usually about \$20, for a buying guide. This buying guide or booklet simply tells you how to contact government agencies that might be offering surplus items for sale.

Of course, you can obtain information about the availability of surplus equipment free of charge from various government agencies. Usually the purchasing or general services department of local, state or federal agencies can provide you with listings of surplus equipment and the procedures for purchasing this equipment.

It may be more difficult, however, to easily obtain the true bargains that the ads imply since other government agencies are often given the first opportunity to buy. Bargains are available, if you can devote the time necessary to locate them.

Phone solicitations are also used to sell surplus items. Some dealers not connected with the government may use the term "government surplus" in their spiel to grab your attention and make the offer sound too good to pass up. Keep in mind, however, that the government does not make special phone solicitations to prospective buyers.

The best way to handle phone solicitations of this nature is to tell the caller you need time to think it over or talk with your "boss." Try to obtain a phone number or the caller's name and address to verify legitimacy. Chances are that you will not be given this information.

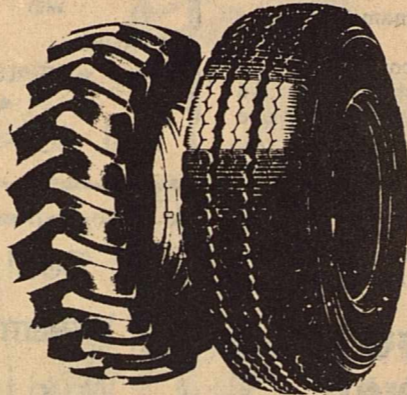
Complaints about "bargain government surplus" offers, as well as any other consumer complaints, may be directed to the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office. The State Attorney General maintains offices in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen and San Antonio.



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*John Tower*  
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As the task of defending our national security has grown in complexity during the years since World War II, so has the Department of Defense. During both Republican and Democratic Administrations, its size and the complexity of its bureaucracy have grown dramatically. A number of issues have been raised repeatedly in recent years that make it necessary for us to question whether changes need to be made to improve the decision-making process.

The Senate Armed Services Committee, on which I serve as chairman, soon will begin a comprehensive study into these issues.

We will examine the organization of the Office of the Secretary of Defense to determine whether decisionmaking has become overcentralized, staffs are too large, duplicatory work is being done or military judgment and innovation are being stifled.

Secondly, we will look at the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to see if it is organized in such a way as to be effective in performing its missions.

Additionally, we will look at the way in which the unified military commands function to see if interservice cooperation and planning are adequate. We also are interested in examining the way in which decisions are made in areas such as budget formulation, procurement of weapons systems and testing and evaluation of these systems. I am concerned about the amount of time these decisions take, with the process often stretching into years between the time a need is identified and the time a system to meet the need is operational.

Finally, the Committee intends to examine the relationship between the Department of Defense and other parts of the federal government which become involved in national security planning, such as the National Security Council, the State Department and the Central Intelligence Agency, to see if the structure lends itself to formulation of a comprehensive national security strategy.

Let me emphasize that in beginning this inquiry I am not criticizing Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger. In fact, I believe Secretary Weinberger has done an outstanding job considering the bureaucracy he inherited.

Further, I suspect that any weaknesses we may find in the Department of Defense organization also exist in other federal agencies, but as Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, my responsibilities lie in looking into the Department of Defense.

I plan for the committee to hear from a large number of witnesses who currently hold government office as well as many persons who have previously served in government or are otherwise knowledgeable about this subject.

It is essential that we determine what, if any, problems in the organization and structure of the Department of Defense keep the decision-making process from operating as smoothly as it could. Failure to do this leaves us with the possibility of incurring unnecessary costs or being unable to respond quickly to a potential crisis.

## Savell receives award

Scott D. Savell of Sonora has been named a Permian Honor Scholar this upcoming fall semester.

Supported by businesses throughout the Permian Basin, the Permian Honor Scholarship Foundation, Inc. provides scholarships to Permian Basin residents who plan to attend a local community college and UTPB. Community colleges in the program are Odessa College, Midland College, Howard College, Western Texas College and New Mexico Junior College.

J. Conrad Dunagan, founder of the foundation, said the scholarships are assigned to recognize academic excellence and are not contingent on financial need. Awards are for \$200 per semester. Initially, awards are made for four consecutive years to carry the student through two years at the community

college and two years at UTPB, but if a scholarship recipient relinquishes his award for any reason, his scholarship may be given to a student already attending UTPB or one of the community colleges. These awards are called "residual" awards.

Receiving a residual award to attend Howard College, Savell is studying management.

## Senator Tower to sponsor legislation

U.S. Senator John Tower (R-Texas) announced recently he has joined in sponsoring legislation to protect children against sexual exploitation (S.1469). "Passage of this legislation is critical to counter the growing incidence and severity of child exploitation in

this country," Tower said. "This legislation extends to our nation's youth greater protection from the multimillion dollar child pornography industry."

"This legislation would make unlawful the distribution of any photographs which sexually exploit children under age 18, and increases the punishment for a child pornography conviction," Tower explained.

Under the legislation, stiffer fines and prison terms

would be applicable against any person, including a parent or legal guardian, found guilty of employing, using, persuading, inducing, enticing or coercing any minor to engage in any sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual or printed materials.

The first conviction carries with it a fine of \$75,000 or up to 10 years imprisonment, or both; a second conviction could result in a fine of \$150,000, or up to 15 years imprisonment, but not less than two years, or both.

"Child pornography is an outrage. Action must be taken immediately to put a halt to this vile business and better protect our innocent children," concluded Tower.

## Joy honored with lapel emblem

John W. Joy with the Sutton County Residency of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (DHT) located in Sonora, was honored June 9 when he was presented a 30 year Certificate of Service and Lapel Emblem.

Joy is a native Texan, born in Temple and educated in Sonora. He began his DHT career in 1953 as a roadman for the Sutton County Residency. During his 30 years with the Department he has had many job classifications.

In 1974 he was certified senior engineering technician by the Institute for the Certification of Engineering Technicians of Washington, D.C. His present position is Engineering Technician V.

Mrs. Joy (Avis) and John have four children and two grandchildren. They belong to the Methodist Church and Joy's hobbies are working on his ranch and hunting.

District Engineer D.R. Watson of San Angelo made the presentation. He thanked Joy for his long and dedicated years with the Department.

## Bullock certifies state budget

State Comptroller Bob Bullock recently certified the state budget passed by the Legislature as being in balance--and little else.

"After paying the bills there will only be small change left in the bank," Bullock said of \$30.9 billion in spending measures he certified under the Constitution's pay-as-you-go provision.

Based on Bullock's last revenue estimate, the Legislature left only \$15.1 million unspent in general revenue.

Bullock also said that current tax collections through the first few days of June show his revenue estimate "remains right on target."

"Actual collections are the proof of the pudding," Bullock noted, "not the skepticism voiced by some other state officials and a few freshman legislators."

Bullock pointed out that the budget was in balance only because he counted nearly \$600 million in revenue-raising bills passed by the Legislature. The bulk of that will come from measures proposed by Bullock to move up tax due dates to capture more money in the 1984-85 budget period.

The budget measures certified by Bullock now go to the governor for his action.

## Tournament slated

A women's slow pitch softball tournament will be held July 23 and 24 in Sonora.

Prizes to be awarded will be first, second, third, and fourth place sponsor trophies; first and second individual trophies; 10 all tournament trophies and one most valuable player award.

For more information contact Larry Mosby at 445-4339.

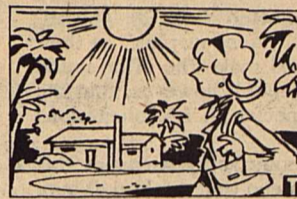
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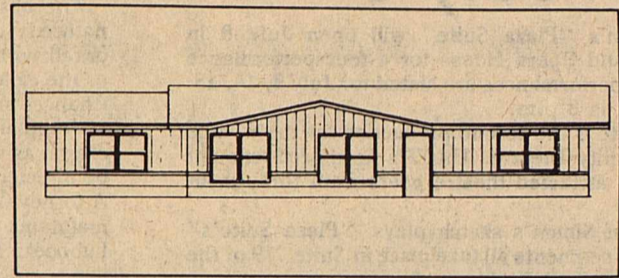
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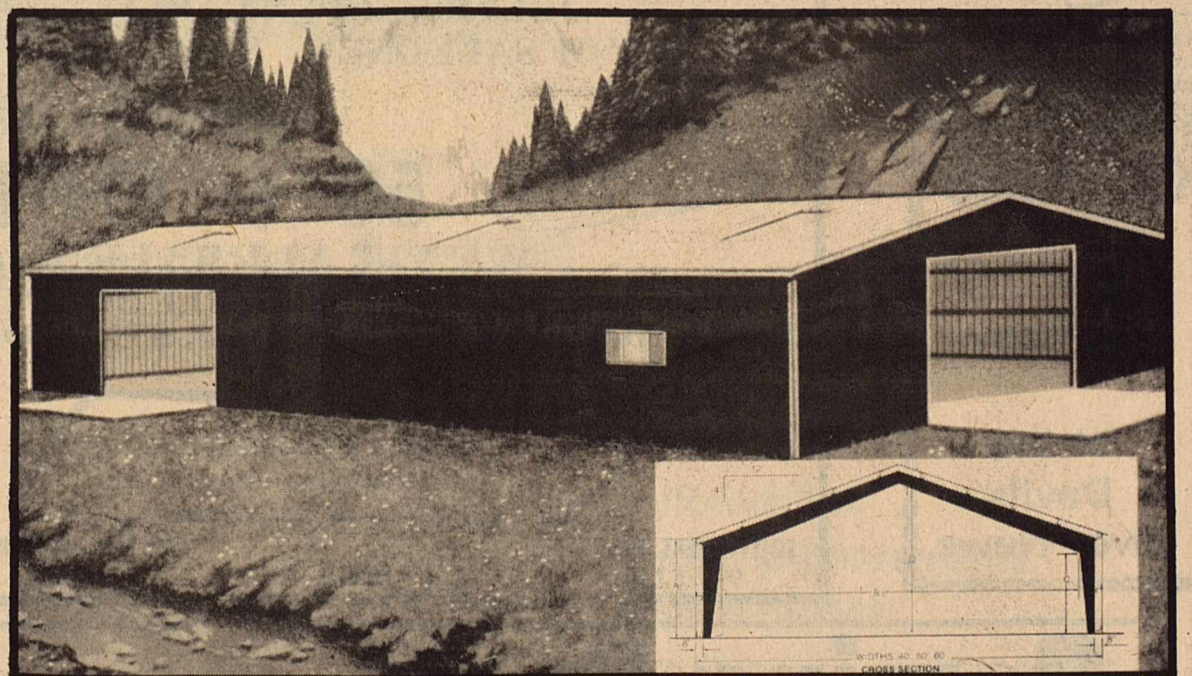
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<p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> David W. Griffin-Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:55 a.m. KVRN 98 AM 11:00 a.m. Children's Choir 5:00 p.m. UMYF 6:00 p.m. Wed. Chancel Choir 7:00</p>	<p><b>Jehovah's Witnesses</b> Sunday Public Talk 10:00 a.m. Watchtower Study 10:50 a.m. Tuesday Cheoeratic School 7:30p.m. Service Meeting 8:30 p.m. Thursday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Assembly of God</b> Rev. Louis Halford-Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 P.m.</p>	<p><b>Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal</b> Rev. Kenneth Doyle Pastor Sunday Schol 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m., Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Saint John's Episcopal Church</b> Rev. John W. Fritts Pastor Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. (2nd and 4th Sunday MP) Wednesday Holy Eucharist 7:00 p.m. Holy Days as announced</p>	<p><b>Church Of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints</b> Bishop: Bryan Galloway San Angelo 658-4797 2817 Christoval Rd. Priesthood 9 a.m. Primary 9 a.m. Relief Society 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sacrament meeting 11 a.m.</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Rev. Clifton Hancock Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:30 Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>St. Ann's Catholic Church</b> Rev. Gilbert Rodriguez Sat. Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.m.</p>

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## Photography program helps 4-Hers learn

Good pictures can help a 4-H member record a lot of exciting events, and that's where the 4-H photography program comes in, says Charles Gardener 4-H and youth specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

The 4-H photography program can help youngsters learn how to take better pictures by paying particular attention to composition, camera angle, background and many other things that go into a "picture that's worth a thousand words."

Young people in the 4-H Photography Program, supported by Eastman Kodak Co., suggest aiming the camera so the subject is not exactly in the center of the picture but a little to the right, left, above or below center.

Background is also important. A simple background makes the subject stand out. A light-colored background is best for dark objects. On the contrary, a dark background, for light-colored subjects.

The photographer should move in as close to the subject as possible to eliminate distracting background elements. Or, shoot from a high or low camera angle.

4-H photography projects and activities are fun and educational. As they learn-by-doing to take and use pictures, 4-H members begin to appreciate photography as an art, science and communications tool, says the specialist.

Kodak offers recognition to program members at all levels of participation: six \$1,000 scholarships nationally, expense-paid trips to National 4-H Congress for one member per state and four medals of honor in each county. Winners are chosen by the Extension Service and awards arranged by the National 4-H Council.

4-H'ers can share their best photographs with others each year in the Texas 4-H Photo Exhibit during the Texas 4-H Project Show in June. This show features single photos or picture stories of typical 4-H activities.

More information on this and other programs is available at the Sutton County Extension office, says Gardner.

## NEWS OF HEALTH

It's estimated that five million Americans have diabetes and don't know it, and even those who are aware that they have the disease often do not know how to manage it. Diabetes, a disorder in which the body does not produce or effectively use its hormone insulin to control the level of sugar in the blood, can have complications that affect various parts of the body, such as the eyes, heart, kidney or brain. Fortunately, diabetes can be controlled, and more and more people with the condition are learning all they can about it so that they can take greater control over their lives.

A new five-day program is helping diabetic patients learn how to manage the disease on a day-to-day basis. At the Diabetes Self-Care Program in Dallas, a trained staff headed by two highly respected endocrinologists, registered nurses and dietitian, and an exercise physiologist, teach patients how to monitor blood glucose levels at home through the use of the latest technology, how to use exercise and diet to control blood glucose levels, and, for those patients on insulin, how to adjust usage according to changing needs and daily activities.

It's a learning experience that medical experts say can greatly enhance the treatment the patient gets from his or her personal physician. Patients who complete the program have more confidence and a greater understanding of their individual treatment program, and the result is a better working relationship, in many cases, between the patient and physician as well as a patient who will be taking better care of his health.

For free brochures, write to the Diabetes Self-Care Program, 1330 River Bend Drive, Ste. 700, Dallas, TX 75247, or call (214) 630-4456.

## Mauro discusses gas sale options

Representatives of some 20 state institutions, the Governor's Office, the State Senate and House of Representatives, and Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro met recently during a working lunch to discuss options available on the purchase of state owned gas as called for in the state appropriations bill.

"During the last session of the legislature, I met with Senator (Chet) Brooks and Representative (Jim) McWilliams to discuss the feasibility of state institutions throughout the state buying gas that is produced on state lands," Mauro, who hosted the lunch at the General Land Office, said. "We all felt at the time that the state could take some of its royalty payments in gas rather than cash, sell that gas to other state institutions at less than retail prices and save the state millions while making more money for the Permanent School Fund."

Brooks, D-Houston, and McWilliams, D-Hallsville, sponsored a rider to the appropriations bill requiring all state agencies and institutions to explore the possibility of using energy sources developed on state land before purchasing energy on the retail market.

"It is ridiculous, and just a damn poor business practice for the state to be paid an average of \$3.10 per mcf for gas to produce energy the state needs then turn right around and pay an average of more than \$4.25 per mcf for gas to produce energy the state needs to operate its utilities," Mauro said. "As an example, the prison system is producing some gas and selling it as low as \$.54 per mcf and buys gas at well over \$4.00 per mcf."

Mauro has proposed selling the in-kind gas at more than wholesale cost but less than current retail prices in an attempt to save the state utility costs while at the

same time, making more money for the Permanent School Fund. The Permanent School Fund now stands at more than \$3 billion and generates more than \$600 per student for every school district in the state.

"We feel that this program can save the state anywhere from \$20 to \$50 million and we feel that is a conservative estimate," Mauro said.



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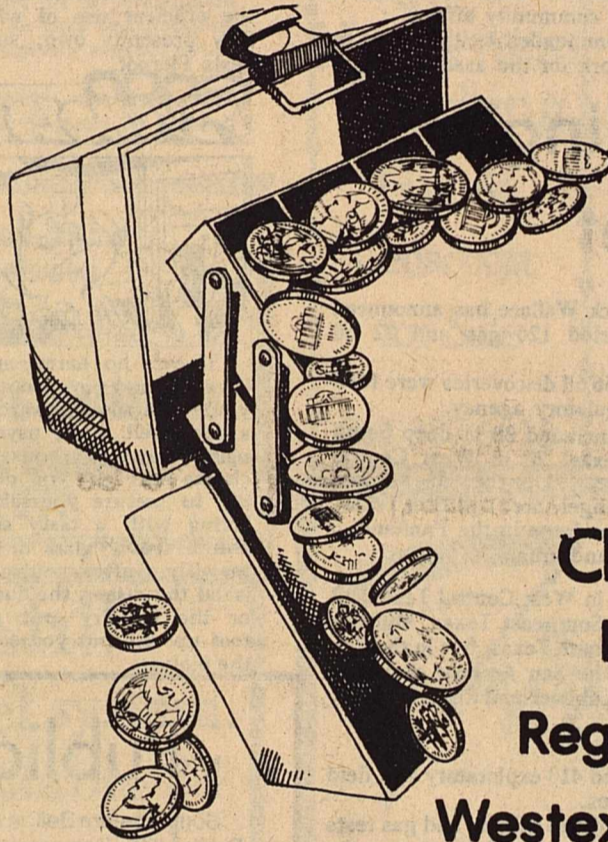
## Sonora firefighters to be represented

The Sonora Volunteer Fire Department will be represented by George Wipff at the 1983 Texas Firemen's Training School July 24-29.

Wipff is being sponsored by the Texas Farm Bureau and will attend the school at A&M University campus in College Station.

Fire Chief Louis Olenick, City Fire Marshal Gene West, and County Marshal Carl Teaff will also attend the training school.

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# Sutton County Ag Corner



## Cattlemen celebrate anniversary

Cattlemen from throughout the Southwest celebrated the 100th anniversary of the founding of the range cattle industry's unique detective force in Ft. Worth recently by dedicating a one-ton, lifesize bronze in the lawmen's honor.

The bronze was dedicated to the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Foundation by the Anne Burnett and Charles Tandy Foundation.

At the same time, the cattlemen recognized the many unselfish contributions to the beef cattle industry given by five generations of the Burnett family, which has operated the Four Sixes Ranch and the Burnett Estates near Guthrie since 1874.

The present members of the Burnett family, Mrs. Anne Windfohr Sowell, president of the Burnett Estates, and her daughter, Miss Ann Windfohr Phillips, both of Fort Worth, were on hand to participate in the dedication and unveiling ceremonies. Mrs. Sowell, as president of the Anne Burnett and Charles Tandy Foundation, made the presentation.

The bronze statue erected in front of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Foundation building in downtown Fort Worth depicts a brand inspector of the 1880's on horseback examining the 6666 brand of a typical Texas Longhorn steer.

More than 400 cattlemen, who were in the Metroplex to attend the summer board meeting of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, witnessed the dedication. TSCRA offices are in the TSCR Foundation building.

TSCRA President Frates Seeligson of San Antonio presided over the formal dedication ceremonies.

The detective force memorialized by the bronze was first organized by TSCRA in 1883 when lawlessness on the Texas frontier led to unbridled cattle theft. At first

these lawmen were called range detectives, but because their work involved inspecting brands of cattle at concentration points for stolen or stray animals, they were soon renamed brand inspectors.

From just six inspectors in 1883, the demands of modern times have caused the present force to grow to 32 inspectors stationed in strategic livestock centers in Texas and Oklahoma. Salaries and expenses of the hundreds of men who have served as brand inspectors over the last century without exception have been paid by cattlemen who were members of TSCRA.

Since their beginning, these inspectors have carried law enforcement status. At first they were deputized by individual county sheriffs, but in the late 1890's they became a part of the Texas Rangers. In 1919 the Texas Legislature commissioned Texas inspectors as special Texas Rangers, and in 1953 Oklahoma inspectors received comparable commissions within that state.

Although a century separates the first brand inspectors from today's elite force, their duties have remained much the same through time. During calendar year 1982, for instance, TSCRA's present inspector force developed 195 theft cases, primarily involving cattle theft. During the same year, the inspectors recovered property worth \$1,142,014.95—an average of \$3,128.81 of ranch property recovered each day.

"Our inspector force remains one of the major thrusts of our Association," TSCRA President Seeligson said during the dedication. "That's why we place such emphasis on hiring inspectors of unquestioned integrity. We think we have an excellent force today—men who are faithful and loyal to the cowman's needs as they continue to combat cattle rustling and stem the tide of cattle theft."

Seeligson also paid tribute to the past and present members of the Burnett family for their many philanthropic gestures to the cattle industry of the United States. "This is a family that has unselfishly given innumerable contributions to our Association since its beginning," Seeligson said.

The patriarch of the family, S.B. (Burk) at Graham one of the 40 original founders of TSCRA at Graham, Texas in 1876. Although he had heavy business

responsibilities both at the Four Sixes Ranch and in Fort Worth, he served as treasurer for the Association for two decades. Many times he kept the fledgling Association solvent by paying inspector salaries out of his own pocket.

His son, Thomas Loyd Burnett, was a staunch supporter of the Association and its goals for most of the early part of the century.

Tom Burnett's daughter, the late Anne Burnett Tandy, and her daughter, Mrs. Anne Windfohr Sowell, in 1979 personally contributed funds to buy the land on which the present TSCR Foundation building stands.

Mrs. Sowell and her daughter, Miss Anne Windfohr Phillips, continue their family's long philanthropic tradition by presenting "The Brand Inspector" bronze, dedicated today, on behalf of the Anne Burnett and Charles Tandy Foundation to the TSCR Foundation and the entire Southwestern cattle industry.

An interesting sidelight to the bronze is the fact that it is as faithful to the 1880's as is possible.

TSCRA Secretary-General Manager Don C. King of Fort Worth, who served as an inspector in the early 1960's, researched the bronze after discussing its concept with Mrs. Sowell. Through historical books and old photographs, King settled on a typical steer and horse as well as the inspector's badge, spurs, saddle, hat and clothes that would lend themselves to a composite scene accurate for its times.

Western artist Jim Reno of Kerrville, Texas, was commissioned to sculpt the bronze at the suggestion of Mrs. Sowell. Reno's previous works of art include lifesize sculptures of the famed Thoroughbred stallion Secretariat, the statue of Fort Worth entrepreneur Charles Tandy, which stands on the north side of the Tarrant County Courthouse in Fort Worth, and the R.J. Kleburg Statue on the campus of Texas A&M University.

The final casting of the bronze, showing the Four Sixes steer next to a brand inspector on horseback, illustrates the unique bond that Cattle Raisers Association, its members, and its employees have to the cattle industry of the Southwest.

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The Texas State Depository board named 32 banks in 25 communities to be eligible for state deposits, Treasurer Ann Richards said.

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With the new approvals, a total of 1,524 Texas banks are designated as state depositories and are eligible to receive deposits from the State of Texas.

Richards explained that to become state depositories, state and federally chartered banks in Texas must apply to the State Depository Board. The Board reviews the financial condition of the bank and its capital structure, which is used to determine the maximum amount that may be deposited.

The Treasurer noted that all deposits in excess of the \$100,000 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) coverage must be fully protected by collateral pledged by the bank.

As of the close of business June 8, the State Treasury had nearly \$2.4 billion in Texas banks, more than 99 percent in interest-bearing accounts.

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# Sutton County Petro Page

## TIPRO elects Bruce Anderson for new president

Houston independent oil and gas producer Bruce Anderson was the unanimous choice on June 6, when members of the state's largest organization of oil and gas producers and royalty owners voted him to become the new president of the 5800-member Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association (TIPRO).

Anderson, who has oil operations in 12 states, has operated out of Houston for the past 18 years. Two other principal offices are located in Corpus Christi and Lexington, Kentucky. "He's an oilman's oilman," said one independent. "Anderson and his sons drill a substantial number of wells each year using their own money, and taking their own risks."

Anderson, a mining and petroleum engineer, has been active in the affairs of the TIPRO association since 1967, serving at one time as their Gulf Coast Area Vice President and regularly representing the association at hearings in Washington and Austin.

He has been active in industry relations with the Texas Railroad Commission, including the chairmanship of special advisory committees reporting to the Commission and the governor.

The Association also selected Midland independent Robert Dean as Secretary, and renamed Bennie Downing, an Austin-based CPA, as Treasurer. Tom Merritt, a Kilgore oil tool and supply executive who has served three terms as the Association's Membership

### Offshore production told

State leases in bays, inlets and the Gulf of Mexico produced 78,501 barrels of crude oil during April, in contrast to 81,171 barrels in March and 76,898 barrels in April a year ago, according to Railroad Commission Chairman Mack Wallace. Through April, offshore state leases have produced 306,719 barrels of crude this year.

Gas well production from state leases amounted to 13,162,040 Mcf in April against 15,914,353 Mcf in March and 16,650,773 Mcf in April of 1982. Total gas well production from offshore state leases so far this year was 61,504,614 Mcf through April.

Casinghead gas production totaled 251,442 Mcf in April against 297,029 Mcf in March and 217,981 Mcf in April 1982. Through April, total casinghead gas production reached 1,093,405 Mcf this year.

Condensate production state leases amounted to 63,430 barrels in April, as compared to 66,781 barrels in March and 46,897 barrels in April of 1982. Through the first four months of the year, total condensate production in 1983 reached 262,474.

In April, offshore crude production was about 0.1 percent of total estimated crude production in Texas. Offshore gas well production was approximately four percent of the state total.

## Changes adopted for proposed gas rates

The Railroad Commission has adopted changes in its rules that will allow the Commission's Gas Utilities Division adequate time for the evaluation of proposed gas rates.

The changes were made necessary by a bill approved in the recent session of the Texas Legislature. It requires the Commission to issue a final order in a case appealed by a utility from the action of a city, within 120 days from the date the appeal was filed. Otherwise, the rates will be deemed approved by the Commission.

The changes enacted by the Commission require a utility filing an appeal to prefile its testimony and exhibits simultaneously with the appeal.

In another action, the Commission approved an amendment to its rules that will give a party 15 days to file exceptions. The previous time limits were 20 and 15 days, respectively.

The proposal for decision is the document circulated by a Commission hearings examiner to all involved parties after he or she holds a hearing on a case. The examiner reviews the exceptions and replies and makes any changes necessary in the proposal for decision before making a recommendation to the Commission for final action.

In approving the changes, the Commission said that imminent peril to the public health, safety and welfare exists if the additional time is not allowed for an adequate evaluation of proposed rates by the Commission staff.

## Refineries announced

Railroad Commission Chairman Mack Wallace has announced that 61 refineries in Texas processed 125,509,426 barrels of crude oil and hydrocarbon blends during March. Through the first three months of 1983, Texas refineries ran 356,428,196 barrels.

The March volume compares to 110,536,647 barrels in February and 123,601,299 barrels in March 1982. Texas refineries ran 98,403,393 barrels in March 1982.

Products manufactured in March totaled 125,220,328 barrels, up from 110,694,092 barrels in February and up from the 123,855,099 barrels in March 1982.

March manufactured of motor gasoline totaled 50,689,741 barrels, compared to 48,358,290 barrels in February and 51,153,969 barrels in March of 1982.

Texas refineries manufactured 8,139,375 barrels of home heating oil in March—a decrease of 1,007,198 barrels from the February volume. March 1982 output was 8,297,656 barrels.

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Committee Chairman, was named Vice President of the East Texas area.

Other officers elected included South Central Texas Area V.P., Irene Wischer, San Antonio; Houston Area V.P., Ben Hinds, Houston; Dallas-Fort Worth Area V.P., Shelby D. Pitts, Dallas; West Central Texas Area V.P., James Russell, Abilene; West Texas Area V.P., Hans Hansen, Midland; North Texas Area V.P., Joe McMahon, Wichita Falls; Panhandle Area V.P., Malouf Abraham, Canadian; Out-of-State V.P., Robert Prewitt, Denver, Colorado; and the honorary position of Chairman of the Board, Gene Wright, Gilmer.

Anderson reappointed the present heads of the Association's powerful legislative committees. TIPRO V.P. Hans Hansen, Midland, will continue to head the organization's State Petroleum Issue Committee, and Rex Fuller, Lubbock, will continue his leadership of the National Energy Policy Committee.

The latter committee recommended, and the association unanimously approved, a position on the controversial natural gas legislation now in Congress which read that TIPRO will "vigorously support federal legislation that would by date or dates certain eventually decontrol all natural gas pricing in a manner that would not unduly penalize domestic independent producers and royalty owners who have explored for, developed, or participated in the development of new gas supply since the passage of the Natural Gas Policy Act."

A proposed resolution to support legislation calling for equal taxation or import fees on foreign oil and gas met with surprise opposition from some members. They argued that the timing of the resolution was wrong because the possible advantage to the producing industry might be offset by disadvantages to the overall U.S. economy. The motion was tabled, and is expected to be discussed later by the Association's Executive Committee.

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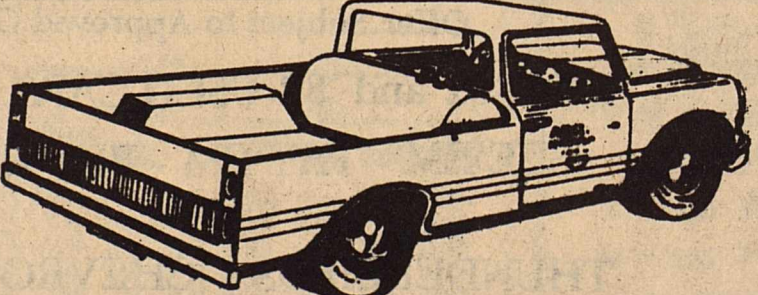
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A native of Sioux City, Iowa, Vandermark received his J.D. degree in 1968 from Creighton University.

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