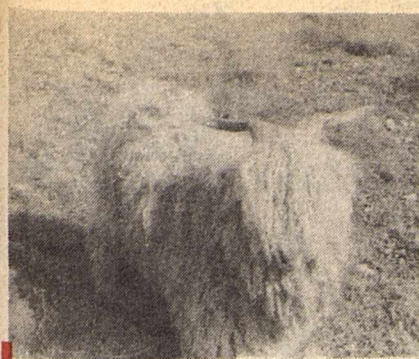




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Stockman's Review inside

Producers receive extension

Wool and mohair producers are being given more time to comment on an interim rule amending regulations which define a producer's eligibility for price support payments for mohair and wool and certain other minor changes, a U.S. Department of Agriculture official said.

Milton Hertz, Executive Vice President of USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation said that, under the interim rule, wool and mohair sold by producers will be eligible for price support even though the purchasers, such as hobbyists, are not engaged in the business of buying and selling wool and mohair on a grease basis. "Grease wool" means wool as it comes

from sheep, lambs, or goats before applying any process to remove the natural oils or fats.

Hertz stated that the sales proceeds of wool and mohair on which price support payments will be paid by CCC will be limited. Price support payments will not be made on that part of a producer's sales proceeds, in dollar amounts, which are in excess of the maximum sales price per pound, for wool and mohair, as determined by the CCC for each marketing year and publicly announced by USDA at the end of the marketing year.

"It is believed that price support payments based on sales not exceeding such maximum sales

prices will enable wool and mohair producers to compete with foreign-produced mohair or wool and increase the domestic production of mohair and wool, which was the intent of Congress in enacting the Wool Act," Hertz said.

Comments should be sent to: Director, Emergency Operations and Livestock Programs Division, USDA/ASCS, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013. Comments must be received by May 13. All comments will be available for public inspection during normal business hours in Room 4095 of USDA's South Building, 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Associate membership drive

Sheriff Bill Webster announced that Sutton County citizens who would like to join him in the fight against crime are invited to become members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas is a non-profit, professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas, according to the sheriff.

The Associate Membership program was begun to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local sheriffs protect

the lives and property of the citizens.

"We are inviting the public to help us better serve them by joining the fight for effective law enforcement," Sheriff Webster said. Sutton County residents should soon receive membership applications in the mail. "It is difficult to get an application to everyone who might want to join the Sheriffs' Association of Texas as an Associate Member," the sheriff said. "If you don't receive an application by mail, you can come by the sheriff's department, or you can send your name, address, and check-\$20 for individual membership to the

Sheriffs' Association of Texas, P.O. Box 4488, Austin, Texas 78765.

Membership dues are to upgrade, professionalize, and train sheriffs to protect the men and women and children of Texas. All Associate Members will receive a membership card, two window decals and a subscription to our quarterly publication, Sheriffs' Association of Texas Magazine.

"I hope that all law-abiding citizens of this county will join me in the fight for good law enforcement by joining the Sheriff's Association of Texas when your membership letter is received," the sheriff concluded.



Chairs and tables were borrowed from every place in town to accommodate the large crowd that gathered Sunday to celebrate Cauthorn Day.

Cauthorn Day/Story Fest celebrated together

This past Sunday will long be remembered by many Sonorans as one of the most enjoyable days they have spent in some time.

John and Mildred Cauthorn Day was celebrated at the Church of the Good Shepherd concluding with a free barbecue lunch for everyone in the community. Because of recent rainfall, the lunch which had been scheduled for the lawn in front of the Church of the Good Shepherd was moved to the parking lot of the Methodist Church.

The lunch was extremely successful as it drew people from all churches together. The barbecue was a large undertaking and very well done by members of the

Presbyterian Church.

On hand for the days celebration were several members from the Itasca Childrens Home, the other major recipient of funds from the John and Mildred Cauthorn estate.

Immediately following the lunch, those in attendance broke into small groups for a Story Telling Fest sponsored by the Outdoor Drama Group. It is the hope of the Outdoor Drama Group to gather information on the history of Sonora, Sutton County and surrounding areas to be used in the Centennial Celebration of Sonora during 1990.

Wonderful stories were gathered from all ages, some of them factual

and others, maybe not so factual but very colorful. Some of the stories were from first hand recollections while others had been handed down from earlier generations. All were interesting.

The day also served to unite old friends in a relaxed atmosphere with the sole purpose of "just visiting". Many of those old friends were from out of town which made the visits even more special.

A big thank you goes to all who worked so hard to make the day a reality with a special thank you to all members of the community who turned out for the event.

Local students place well in Regional events

Literary UIL

High school students from around the state converged on Odessa this past week for the Class 3A University Interscholastic League Regional Literary Meet.

The students advanced to the Regional contest after placing first through third at the District level in their area.

Out of nineteen contest events, Sonora students placed in nine of the events with five first places.

Results are as follows: Kelly Russell won first in Prose Interpretation. Chris Driskell won first in Journalism Newswriting, Journalism Editorial Writing and Ready Writing.

Cynthia Kepler won first in Calculator Application and second alternate in Number Sense.

In Spelling, Shon Jones won third and John Jones won second alternate in Pilot Literary Criticism.

These students will advance on to the State Competition which will be held in Austin May 7-9.

One Act Play

Sonora's entry to the one act play, The Rope Dancers won Regional this past week-end and will be performing at State today.

This is the first time in four years that Sonora has advanced this

far in the drama competition.

Kelly Russell received Honorable Mention at Regional. Russell has been named Best Actor in the two previous competitions.

Cristi Spain was named to the All Star Cast at Regional as she has been at both Area and District.

Jari Todd was once again named Best Actress as she was at District.

In Austin, Sonora will be competing against Lubbock Cooper, Mineloa, Bishop, Needville, Madisonville, Falsurrias, and Coppell.

Drama coach, Terry Marrs says that they are very pleased to be going on to state.

All District Band

The Junior High School Band, under the direction of Kyle Viertel,

tried out for All District Band in Menard last Friday night along with fifteen area schools.

The best students from each school were chosen for the Region VII West Zone Junior High All District Band.

Selected from Sonora were: Angie Stewart, flute; Catherine Kepler and Vicki Anderson, clarinet; Jessica Smalling, bass clarinet; William Burch and Oscar Perez, coronet; Chris Hazelton, trombone; Pete Perez and Eric Espinosa, percussion.

Saturday morning following being placed on the All District Band, the group participated in a four and one half hour clinic. Guest clinician was Tom Dillion, band director from McCamey.

4-Hers top contest

The senior 4-H wool and mohair judging team made up of Keith Wallace, Todd Keller, Shanna Patton, and Brandy Wallace took top honors at the recent Angelo State University Wool & Mohair Judging Contest. The team scored 1948 points with Keith Wallace placing as fourth high individual and Todd Keller as tenth high individual.

The junior team made up of

Tammy Fisher, Wade Spain, Brian Faris and Shane Keller placed third in some very stiff competition. Tammy was seventh high individual, Wade was ninth high individual and Brian was tenth high individual.

Other 4-Hers participating from Sonora were Bobby Mogford, Amy Patton, Shawn Patton, Brandon Lock, Matthew Smith, Cody Renfro, and Hadley Smith.

Briefly

RAINFALL

(As recorded at Sonora Wool & Mohair)

Week of April 20	2.68
Year to date	6.78
1986 to date	1.45
Heaviest recorded for April	6.11

DRN Mystery Photo

We didn't have a winner of the mystery photo last week because we forgot to put the mystery photo in the paper. Shame on us!

All photos used in the contest will be local, well known persons and will have appeared on the front page of past issues of the Devil's River News.

Rules for the contest are simple:

1. Only one guess per person.
2. No phone calls before Friday morning at 10am in order to give our subscribers a chance to play.

The mystery photo will be placed in a different location each week.

This week's winner will receive a \$10 Gift Certificate from Patricia's Place Antiques compliments of the Devil's River News.

Pre-registration

Sonora Elementary will have Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration for the 1987-88 school year on May 12, 1987, beginning at 9 am, at the elementary office.

To attend Pre-Kindergarten a child must be four (4) years old on or before September 1, 1987 and:

1. Be unable to speak and understand English; or
2. Family income at or below subsistence level.
Any child who is five (5) years old on or before September 1, 1987 may attend Kindergarten.

All children entering a Texas Public School for the first time are required to present their birth certificate and immunization record upon enrollment.

The school or your family doctor will be able to inform you as to your child's immunization needs. An immunization clinic is held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Senior Citizen Center.

You can contact Erma Lee Turner, County Clerk, at the Courthouse (387-2950), concerning information on securing a birth certificate for your child.

If you have any questions concerning your child's eligibility status, or enrollment procedures, please call the Elementary School at 387-2414 or 387-2109.

Historical Society

The Spring meeting of the Sutton county Historical Society will take place on Thursday, May 3 at 4:30 pm in the First National Bank Annex.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Society is invited to attend this meeting. Plans for Sutton County's Centennial Celebration will be discussed.

All Sports banquet

This years All Sports Banquet will be held on May 4 at the new high school. The banquet is scheduled at begin at 7 pm.

Tickets for the banquet should go on sale at the end of this week however ticket price and menu for the banquet are not available at this time and will be announced at a later date.

It is hoped that everyone in the community will attend the banquet, saluting Sonora students for their athletic accomplishments.

S.S. representative

Edwin Draughton, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his May visit to Sonora. He will be at the Courthouse on Thursday, May 21st, between 9am and 10:30 am.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Local Flea Market

The Brothers of Hiram A'Bif will be hosting a Flea Market on Saturday, May 2 from 9am to 9pm in the parking lot of the old Ritz Theater.

The Brothers of Hiram A'Bif is a group of area Masons who have banded together to assist in putting a new roof on the Masonic Lodge.

There will be food and drink booths set up all day and there will be all sorts of booths as well as a large inventory of authentic turquoise jewelry.

The Brothers will be having a gigantic Garage Sale at the Flea Market featuring items from thirty to forty families.

To reserve space or for more information, please call Butch Campbell at 915-387-2793.

Childbirth classes

Prepared childbirth education will be offered in Sonora beginning Wednesday, April 29.

The classes will teach what to expect from labor and relaxation techniques to make labor easier.

For more information contact Cassie Dietz, R.N., at 387-3938 after 5 pm. Please contact by the seventh month of pregnancy if you are interested.

Help

Do you have any metal folding chairs sitting in the garage or store room that you don't ever use?

These chairs are needed at the Senior Center and could definitely be put to good use.

And remember, all donations to the Senior Center are tax-deductible. Should you have any questions call the Center at 387-5657.

Slab dance

There will be a Slab Dance on Friday, May 1 from 8 to 12 pm at the County Park Slab.

Music will be by The Rounders. Admission will be \$3 per person with proceeds going to the Little League.

Tea to honor Auxiliary

On this Sunday, May 3, the Hospital Auxiliary is celebrating its 34th Birthday by inviting the entire community to a Tea in the Community Room of Sutton County National Bank from 2 pm to 4 pm.

This tea in addition to honoring charter members, begins a new member drive which will continue through the summer, culminating at the September meeting when new members will be recognized.



... we've got some great people

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear Editor

Last Saturday, April 25, 1987 I had the joy of working with a group of our young citizens during the Bike-A-Thon sponsored by the American Diabetes Association and under the leadership of Mrs. Cathy Lind and her corp of workers. I took my position out six miles on the Ft. McKavett (Miers) Road and was prepared to wait for sometime before the first rider would appear. To my surprise it was a very short wait before I saw a young man coming up the hill, and one by one, two by two they would appear, get a small drink of water and start back down.

The smallest cyclists took a little longer, of course, but even with small bicycles and short legs they pedaled away. Not one of them dropped out, not one of them turned around at the 2 or 4 mile marker but they just kept right on pedaling their little hearts away up the very last hill.

I would like to compliment these young people. I know it was a lot of fun, but I also know it was a lot of work, but they did not even let the rain stop them.

Sonora can be proud of these kids and can look forward to them growing up, working and living for Sonora. We older citizens can look forward to these young people working to keep Sonora a town we can always be proud to call "Our Home Town." Kids I am proud of you!

Maxine Locklin
Municipal Court Judge

Dear Editor

If you watched 60 Minutes on April 19, and then read what our School Board proposes to do, you'll understand why I'm extremely concerned about the education of our children. On the program, one learned that men and women at this certain college (avg. age 31), thought that Havana was the capital of the Philippines, that J. Edgar Hoover was President of the United States, that Joe McCarthy was a Communist (wouldn't he turn over in his grave on that one), and that Kurt Waldheim was a T.V. newscaster! I think it has something to do with education. So what does this have to do with our school board, you ask?

First of all, they're getting ready

to spend \$32,700 on a parking lot! Secondly, they're very seriously considering spending \$125,000 on a new track facility. (And they have the guts to say we "saved" \$30,000 on the parking.)

Where are our priorities? They're certainly not evident in the few following examples:

- 1) Our children do not have a school nurse because we can't afford to hire one.
- 2) Our Middle School children can't use their library because they can't afford a librarian.
- 3) The elementary school doesn't have a library.
- 4) When a teacher retires, or is let go, we don't re-hire at that position--which places many added burdens on the teachers left.
- 5) We built a Home Ec. department in our new high school for the use of 2 home economic teachers--but we still have only 1 teacher--
- 6) We have 14 coaches--think of that--no school nurse, no librarian, not enough teacher's aides, but 14 coaches and a trainer--
- 7) Many of our children have to take home mimeographed papers because they don't have enough textbooks for each child. (And the mimeographed sheets do not always have the directions of what to do.)

I could go on and on!

It really boggles my mind that our board seems willing to even consider their projects when for so much less money, we could take care of the real needs of our children, in trying to send them out into the world with the best education we can provide. Besides the fact that we are, and will be, for a long time, saddled with high taxes to pay for our new high school. Our board sounds like our federal government--Tax and spend, tax and spend, but for the wrong reasons--And I, as one taxpayer, am very upset at how my money is being spent; in fact, I'm appalled! Do you know that our taxes in Sutton County are more than double the ones in Schleicher County? I know because I pay taxes in both.

Our children need an education, and that means more good teachers, and textbooks, and supplies for all our children--not a fancy parking lot, and a fancy track that serves a very low

percentage of our students. We need to stop the reckless spending--NOW--

I don't mean to offend anybody. I'm just tired of having my money spent foolishly--and it's time to put the brakes on, as we've all had to do these past 2 or 3 years!

Sincerely yours,
Doris Rousselot

P.S. I know that I'm not the only one that feels this way. Maybe just braver--to finally say what should have been said long ago!

Letter to the Editor,

I want to thank everyone in this wonderful community for making the Story Telling Fest on Sunday a tremendous success. Not only did we record some priceless stories but we had a barrel of fun both telling and listening. It was definitely a day well spent and one to be long remembered.

It was so generous of the Church of the Good Shepherd to allow us to share the limelight during their celebration of the lives of John and Mildred Cauthorn.

The moderators and registrars: Jimmy Cahill, Preston Love, Monte Jones, Ann Cates, Albert Ward, Gil Trainer, Patricia Johnson, Ruth Shurley and Ruthie Cahill were great and there is no way I can thank you for the part each of you played.

Those of you who came and shared your stories made a contribution to future generations of Sonoran's, the worth of which can not be measured. Our heritage is one of the most valuable possessions we own and we owe it to ourselves, our ancestors and our descendants to preserve it. Thank you for taking the time.

Charlotte Gilmore
Co-ordinator,
Outdoor Drama Group

Dear Editor,

Sonora needs a "spring cleaning"! Sonora needs some "beautification"! Sonora needs a "Bustling Beautification Committee", and a "Tenacious Trashbusting Committee"!

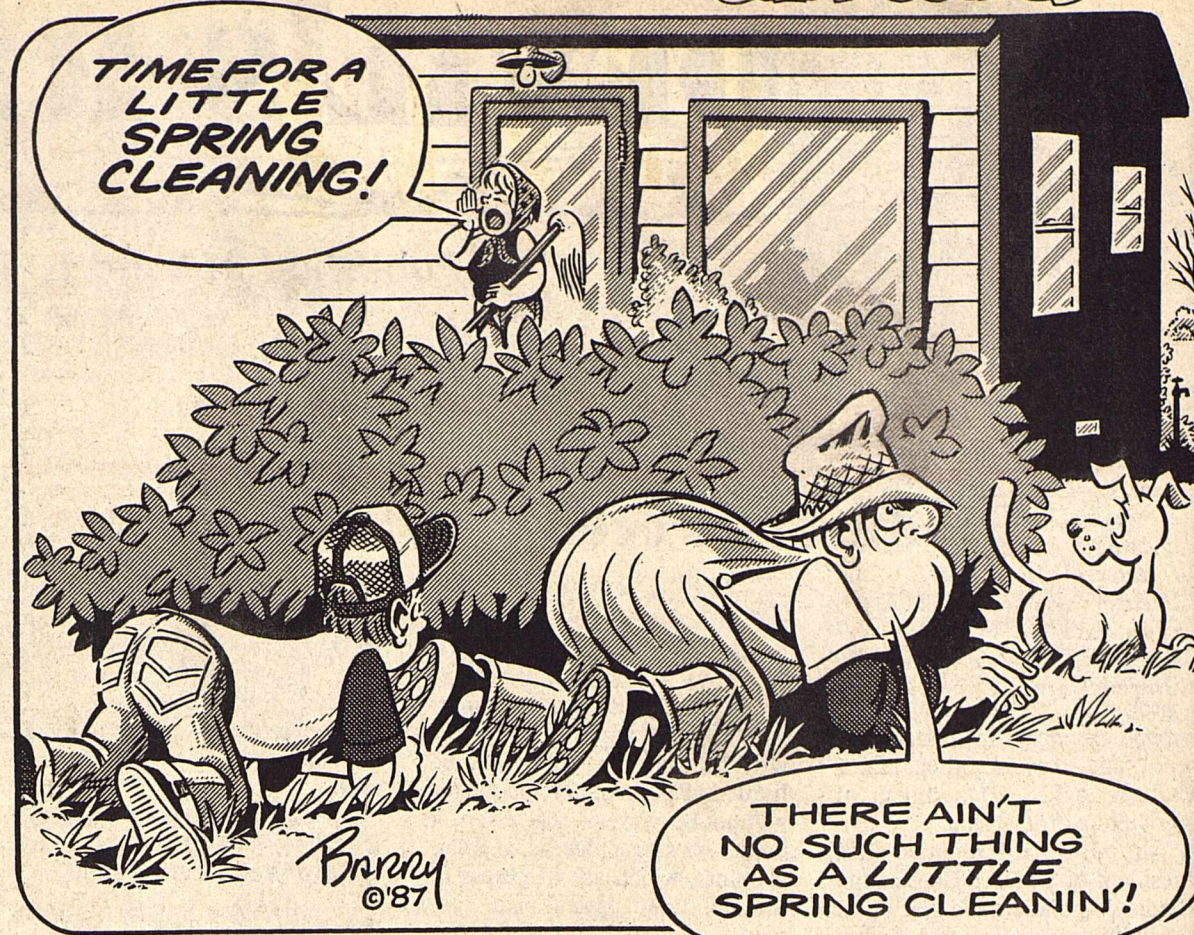
Our City Sanitation men and street cress have been trying to clean things up, but twelve men, two garbage trucks, and a street sweeper can't do everything! We, as citizens, have to do our part! Each one of us should become a "Trashbuster" and a supporter of the "Beautification Committee"!

Take a walking tour of Sonora and you will find that "trashmonsters" have been pitching their "trash" out on the streets, highways, vacant lots, in and around the school yards, roadside parks, the Courthouse, Police Department, County Annex, Post Office, and in the yards and neighborhoods of this town, instead of in their own garbage containers, or those provided by the City, County, or Highway Department.

Beer and soda pop cans, bottles and tops, cardboard boxes, paper, dirty diapers, sacks, cups, silverware from fast food establishments, old underwear, hose, towels, socks, old furniture, lumber, junk cars, junk heavy equipment, junk appliances, and auto parts are not biodegradable! These non-biodegradable items

(Con't. on pg. 6.)

J.P. Doodles



Publishers Comment

As the saying goes, to err is human and we are finding out that we may be the most human people in town--at least we sure err alot. The beauty of our errors is that they will haunt us forever as our grandchildren and others go through the old issues of the Devil.

Error number one last week was the headline on the anniversary story for Mabel and Joseph VanderStucken. The headline stated the VanderStuckens were celebrating their 50th Anniversary, the story stated they were married in 1925. Any fool knows that 25 subtracted from 87 would be 62, so guess I can say that I didn't or can't subtract.

The VanderStuckens accepted the error graciously, saying they felt twelve years younger, but to them I sincerely apologize.

Error number two was the omission of the Mystery Photo. No excuse on this one--it was simply a case of "I thought he was your friend" --each of us in

ONE MAN'S OPINION

by T. Driskell

Supply-side economics has shown itself to be a vividly wild imaginative delusion. Back it with the political expediency of failure to attack suicidally high production costs, then rigidly superimpose a distorted, mis-conceived free trade policy on about 60% of the economy and the delusion is brought into reality. In the cold light of reality, however, the delusion's spelling is disastrous debacle.

Supply-side has cost us our foreign markets, given our domestic markets to foreign industries, and lost us our technological position in the export markets. We find ourselves dependent on imports for our daily operations.

We began a program of devaluation, in the name of restoration of the balance of trade.

The dollar has plunged, but the balance of trade has not improved proportionally. The loss of value of individuals savings has demonstrated the imprudence of prudence.

The balance of trade that started the whole show is a nebulous thing. I do not believe I have ever seen a true balance of trade figure. The joker is the agricultural export--their true cost is never displayed publicly. The feeling is that they are sold far below cost. Butter (U.S.D.A.) sold for \$0.17 per pound in Europe for a profit does not dispel the feeling.

We sell agricultural products below cost yet we put a 100% duty on Japanese computer chips for the same thing. What is inconsistent?

The Iran-Contra affair was a nauseous bit of uncontrolled club-footedness.

The failure to put a surtax on imported oil to keep our domestic industry healthy has left us in jeopardy of another 1973 with less ability to cope with it.

The fall of the dollar must be checked by raising the prime rate, otherwise the foreign investors will be unwilling to buy our bonds this summer. It might be an investment opportunity (Gov't. 30 yr. Bond interest could go to

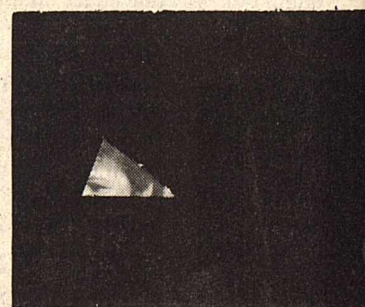
10%).

What am I saying? In a nutshell, I am saying that in the last year the Reagan administration has shown signs of slipping out of control, and rigid adherence to theories that obviously are not working.

As a life-long Republican (not of the right wing) it hurts me, and the sentiments I hear among other republicans are disturbing. It is recognized that this administration had forty years of economic sins inherited, and its first term was beautiful against the level of competence in the background. The second term has seen some leaks go unpatched and insufficient bailing.

Looking for a solution; if we are to have Republicans who can go into the Houses of Congress without visitors' passes in four years, a little strategy seems in order. The strongest candidate available must be selected and issues so dear to the extreme right must occupy a different position.

Mystery Photo



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To all my friends
(both old and new),

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I'd sure like to see all of my friends, drop by anytime at Modern Way.

I will have the store open by May 4-stop in and we'll talk about groceries, fresh meat or produce or we can have a cup of coffee and just talk.

Vivian Miears

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Through the years Auxiliary volunteers provide service

by Charlotte Gilmore

A Twenty Third Psalm for
Volunteers

Volunteer work is my candle, I
shall not want for light
It maketh me to forget self in
remembering others;
It radiates God's love to patient
and worker alike;
It restoreth my spirit,
It leadeth me down the bright path
of service to my fellowman.
Yea though I walk within walls
where life is given or taken away,
My candle burns brightly, the
light ever gleaming---
Though a nod, a smile, or a work,
I know I am needed;
It glows with the knowledge of
my hospital;
What it stands for, how it serves;
and my cup runneth over.
Surely the rewards of my job far
exceed what I have given,
And the light of my candle of
service shall glow in my heart
forever.

Copied from the 1951
Auxiliary Scrapbook

Researching through the Minute
Books and Scrapbooks of Lillian
M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
and Nursing Home Auxiliary
revealed many interesting facts and
information about this little band
of volunteers who have served not
just an institution but the citizens
of this community; the brave men
and women who pioneered Sutton
County, the children, mother and
fathers, the grandmothers and
grandfathers who gave their lives
to make this a good place to live.

The formal opening of Lillian
M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
was held on July 1, 1951 with the
Nursing Home added on in 1971.

There were 63 Charter Members
with Mrs. O.G. Babcock serving
as Chairman until the first elected
officers were installed on May 4,
1953 as follows: Mrs. Joseph
VanderStuken, President; Mrs.
Dan Cauthorn, Vice-President;
Mrs. Joe Hull, Secretary; Mrs.
Lawrence Nichols, Correspond-
ing Secretary; Mrs. Alvis
Johnson, Sr., Treasurer; and Mrs.
J.F. Hamby, Parliamentarian.
Dues were established at \$3.00,
committees were named at that
May 4th meeting and by their
second meeting on May 18th there
were committee reports of service
provided to the Hospital.

The Hospital and Auxiliary are
living memorials to the lives and
dedication of hundreds of
Sonorans, both men and women,
visionary men and women. Roy
Hudspeth, rancher, provided a
hospital for his community as a
memorial to his wife. Dr.'s
Howell and Browne gave the best
years of their lives and were loved
by so many. Men and women
serving as volunteers have given
time, money and loving service to
the Hospital and Nursing Home
through the Auxiliary during its
34 years of existence.

Fourteen women have served as
resident of the Auxiliary
cumulatively providing the bold

leadership which has kept the
organization not just alive and
functioning for 34 years but has
kept it on the growing edge.
Those fourteen are Mrs. Joseph
VanderStuken, Mrs. Dan
Cauthorn, Mrs. Alvis Johnson,
Sr., Mrs. J.F. Howell, Mrs. O.G.
Babcock, Mrs. J.E. Eldridge, Mrs.
Rodney C. Dowdy, Mrs. Charles
Browne, Mrs. Metha Trainer,
Mrs. Catherine Terry, Mrs.
Hamilton, Mrs. George Barrow,
Mrs. E.D. Shurley and Mrs.
Boney Jones.

Why is the Auxiliary needed
one might ask, and what does it
do? In an article written in 1965
for the Diamond Jubilee Edition
of the Devil's River News, Mrs.
J.F. Howell explained in this
way. "Feeling the need of a closer
relationship between the hospital
and the community at large, R.B.
Vandiver, administrator, felt that
the way to fill this need was to
create a women's auxiliary to the
hospital. Thus, willing hands
would be supplied to perform the
many extra things for the patients
and the hospital which might
otherwise be left undone. And at
the same time the auxiliary could
educate or acquaint the general
community with the facilities
available in the hospital and
furnish volunteer help to assist
with the expenses which have a
way of piling up in the best
supervised institutions."

Through the years the Auxiliary
has provided all kinds of service to
both the Hospital and Nursing
Home as well as the community
and has purchased or helped
purchase much needed equipment.
A partial list would include T.V.'s
furniture, special beds, VCR,
blood gas machine, wheel chairs,
x-ray machine, bassinets, coloring
books, organ, ambulance. Money
has been provided to help with
nursing education. Lots of sewing
has been done especially during
the years when the Hospital was
admitting hundreds of patients
each week, had a surgery and
delivered lots of babies. A chapel
was built and furnished. The first
project was a First Aid Course for
the community taught by Si
Loeffler. Hundreds of Sonora
residents had their blood typed.
The Cancer Society in Sonora had
its beginning in the Auxiliary.

There are currently 38 active
members in the Auxiliary, both
men and women. Seven of these
were Charter members. The
current membership drive is one
evidence of the boldness of the
present leadership. Faced with the
reality that many of the members
are no longer young and concerned
that the needs of the Hospital and
Nursing Home continue to be
met, it was decided to open the
membership in a way that will
permit a broad variety of members
each contributing his/her own
talent in the way which best suits
his/her own schedule.

In the Constitution and By-laws
of the Auxiliary provisions are
made for various levels of
membership in recognition that
many people wish to serve the
Hospital and/or Nursing Home as

volunteers, but not every one of
those persons is able to be an
active member. The levels of
membership available for 1987-88
are:

The membership of the Lillian
M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
and Nursing Home Auxiliary shall
be composed of any person, man
or woman, who is interested in
furthering the objectives of this
organization.

Active Membership-is for those
persons who wish to fully
participate in all activities of the
Auxiliary: 1) attend monthly
meetings, 2) serve on committees,
3) support planned activities.
Dues are \$5.00.

Sustaining Membership-is for
persons who desire limited
participation in the activities of
the Auxiliary. Attendance at
monthly meetings is optional
with no voting privileges. Dues
are \$10.00.

Life membership-is for those
persons who exhibit an interest in
aiding the Auxiliary in special
purposes, programs, and goals;
and who have made a one time
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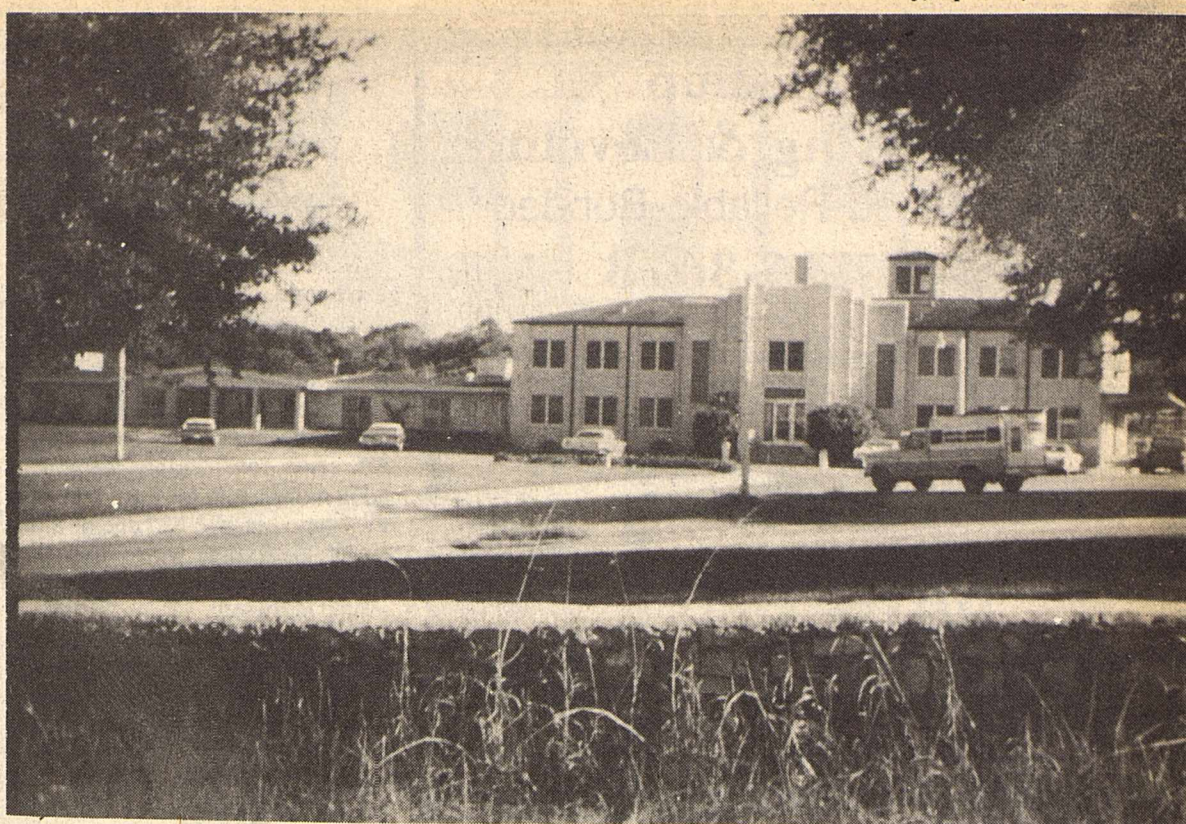
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special honor accorded to members
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more years of active service in the
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Membership may also be accorded
to an individual who does
exceptional service or benefits to
the hospital or nursing home.
This honor must be approved by a
majority vote of the Executive
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no voting privileges.

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clubs and organizations who wish
to donate time or service to the
hospital or nursing home. There
are no dues and no voting
privileges.

Dues are due and payable the
end of September, the beginning
of the fiscal year.

On this Sunday, May 3, 1987,
the Auxiliary is celebrating its
34th Birthday by inviting the
entire community to a Tea in the
Community Room of Sutton
County National Bank from 2
p.m. to 4 p.m. This tea begins a
new member drive which will
continue through the summer,
culminating at the September
meeting when new members will
be recognized.

You are invited to attend the tea
an a show of your support for the
Auxiliary and its service past and
present to the Hospital and
Nursing Home.



Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital

CHAMBER NOTES

by Dede Doran

The First Ever Chamber Get
Together was quite a success.
Although the quantity was
lacking, the quality certainly was
not! Those of you who joined us
had many good suggestions and
seemed to enjoy visiting with
each other. We WILL have
another one in May, time and
place to be announced at a later
date! If you missed the first one,
please plan to join us for our
second Get Together. It is a great
way to be a part of the Chamber
of Commerce. We do appreciate
your dues but we also need your
input!

And, the rains came.....We
are very grateful for the wonderful
rain, but it sure makes
beautification difficult. You will
see us working in different areas
of town this week (I hope) and
perhaps you will also be working
in your yard and surrounding area.
It takes a while to do a good job. I
have seen many beautiful areas in
town and I appreciate the City
crews, the Highway Department,
and the many interested citizens
for all the work they have done. I
am sure each one knows that their
work will never be finished!
Seems that just as you get
through, you think, the weeds
grow back and it is all to do over
again. Oh, but isn't it wonderful
to have the green grass and weeds.
It wasn't too long ago that we
were all praying for this! as each
one of you does their job, the
town just looks better and better.
We do need help on our
Beautification Committee, so just
give me a call and we will add you
to our list!!

JoAnn Jones and I attended a

"Fundamentals of Business"
seminar in Midland last week and
came home with many great ideas.
We will be conducting several
workshops for our retail business
people in the weeks and months
to come. First, I will be sending
out a survey for you to answer and
send back. Then we will begin
with several Customer Relations
Workshops, Visual Merchandising
Workshops, etc. The Extension
Service has some wonderful films
that go along with these and we
will order them to view. I feel that
this is important to every
business person and to every clerk
in Sonora! Please answer the
questionnaire and send it back to
me. We are trying to help you
and, in return, we need your help!

I will be out of the office May
6-8 attending a Tourism
Continuing Education Course in
Corpus Christi. Gil and Diana
Trainer plan to go with me. We
plan to come home with some
great ideas to help our
community. Please plan to come
in before or after these dates, as
my office will be closed on these
dates.

Please let us know if you have
any ideas at all for us. We always
welcome your thoughts on how
we can run a better Chamber or
how we can help Sonora in a
better way.

A big thank you to these
individual members: Rousselot
Ranch, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin
Sawyer, Wesley Sawyer, Mr. and
Mrs. Harold Schweining, Jr., and
Shalako Ranch. We appreciate
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Kate Mathews
Michelle McCleery
Shawna McLaughlin
Christl McLaughlin
Lisa Paredes
Alma Quiroz
Eddie Ramirez
Michael Ramos
Prissy Samaniego
Mickey Sharp
Sharla Snider
Lauri Sotelo

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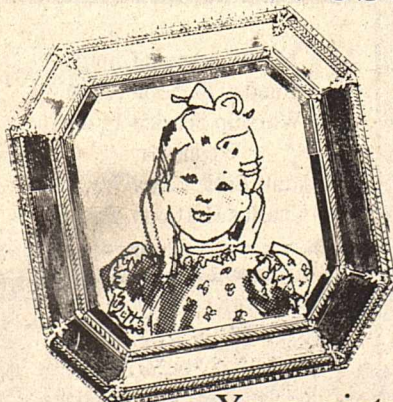
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Wool News....

by Glen Fisher
Sonora Wool & Mohair Co.

Most of the Texas mohair has been sold. We've had a slow market for a good part of the season with adult hair bringing in about 2.10-2.25 for finer adult.

Then in late March early April the market picked up some. We had some considerably weights, adult mohair sold for 2.40-2.50 on the fine types. We had one of the finest clips that we've had in several years. Even though goats yearled fairly well.

The kid market was basically of 5.75 market up until late in the season, when kid hair prices jumped to a few rare sales at 6.50. Yearling was pretty slow up until late in the season also and it moved at basically 3.25-4.00 with there again a few late sales. Moving up to 4.50-5.00 dollars on some super type yearling toward the end.

Here in Sonora we graded more hair than in the past seasons. We graded approximately 245,000 pounds, most adult hair to begin with and our average price on all the hair graded computed out at the end of the season to be about 3.10 a pound. Even after deducting the grading charges this is .50-.60 cents at a minimum over what we could of sold the hair for fine adult. So this was one of the most possible seasons we have ever had to grade mohair.

The wool market started off a little sluggish and then really turned lose. We had one of the most active full markets so far that we have ever had. Prices are at record level this past week. American wool and mohair sold the skirting and graded wool from

Sonora, Ozona, Del Rio, Mertzon, and Eden warehouses on a clean basis from 2.96 for our courses french grade to 3.60 on our finest staple. Like mohair, the wool grown seems to be fairly fine and very high yielding over the highest yield we've had since I've been here in Sonora for about 10 years.

We have estimated that based on this past sale that we just made we will have several lots of our staple bringing in 2.00 dollars on the grease.

Our clothing wool brought 2.63 cleaned which should make the grease somewhere between 1.30-1.40. The skirting or belly wool sold for 2.43 cleaned and they will be lighter this year and should bring around 1.10.

A rough average of a price for wool put back together at all grades would be somewhere in the neighborhood of about 1.75-1.80 although we have alot of variables that we do not know yet, so it's difficult to say.

Other recent sales on original bags of wool from Texas and New Mexico yielded prices of approximately 1.45 to a top of 1.89 for the better clips which is especially prepared in New Mexico.

The season started off after a sale in Sanderson. Grease prices there averaged at about 1.35. The market has moved up, with wool in Texas and New Mexico sold approximately 1.45 to top 1.89 on one of the better clips in the United States especially prepared in New Mexico.

This season started off with the sale in Sanderson grease prices there tended to average 1.35. The market has moved up since then and then the New Mexico sales and a few recent Texas sales, even the 8 month market is much better this year with better 8 month wool brining up to 1.30 and a practical average of 1.20-1.25 on both of them.

Both the wool and mohair market has been influenced some what with the weekly dollar in comparison with others in international currency and it certainly helped wool because the Australian dollar which is considerably the stronger then it was a few months ago.

Currency quotes for the Australian dollar is worth 71 cents as compared to a few months ago being down in the low 60's or mid 60's. This is a several percentage increase on Australian wool stocks that they been the lowest they have been almost since they started the program and wool corporation. Many years ago they virtually had no fine wool stock. Which compared to the types of wool that we produce here in Texas.

The outlook is still good, although currency will influence the market in the coming weeks.

The largest eyes of all land animals are those of the horse and ostrich — about one and a half times the size the human eyes.

"OVER the HILL GANG"

News from the Nursing Home
by Doris Cahill

The weather has been cold and wet, and Lilia persistent! She greets us with the query "Would you like to take a walk"? our response "We would like to take a rain check", seems to amuse her.

The Bible was discussed at our study, led by Doris Cox, Tuesday a.m. It is the Word of God, impossible to destroy, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, and 66 books. God speaks to us through the Bible. (We speak to God through prayer.) It is a book of Inspiration and Salvation.

We were the recipients of another of Celeste Prugel's delicious surprises-attractive fruit plates-Tuesday afternoon, and appreciate her thoughtfulness.

Lilia called and Wanda and Marilee helped with Bingo Wednesday a.m. Winners were: Ray 3, Brotherton 2, Cahill 2, Bruton 1, Hamilton 1, Cox 1, Drennan 1 and Drake 1. Remarks overheard were: If Mrs. Ray could hear, anything, You're supposed to be helping me!

The Sing-Along Wednesday afternoon was a bit of welcome entertainment. Vera Jones was our leader, and Leona Bishop played the piano. Little Valarie Hutchins, and her green frog, danced to waltz tempos, and marched around with her grandmother, Vera Jones, to the tune of "Yankee Doodle,, and was very earnest about "Where Has My Little Dog Gone", because her little dog wandered off, and she doesn't know where he has gone.

Happy Birthday to Thelma Phillips on April 24th, 1987. Thelma was threatened to an outing of 4 hours and dinner, on Thursday 23rd by her daughter Jo Ella Briscoe, of Midland, and sister, Bertha Guthals of San Angelo. Yummy apple sauce birthday cake was served in the lobby.

Ethelda Holland, Mary Hoffman, Gertrude Webb, and Phyllis Jones worked in the

beauty shop Friday am. Thanks a bunch ladies.

The Rev. K. Kepler's sermon, from the First United Methodist Church was heard over the radio Sunday a.m. and the Rev. Bernard Gully, assisted by Lilia Galindo, from St. Ann's Catholic Church, held the worship service here in the lobby, Sunday afternoon.

Cowboys: Aren't you putting that saddle on backwards? Dude: How can you ask that? You don't even know which way I'm going. I couldn't resist that one. Let's pretend it happened around Bandera, in Central Texas, "the dude ranch capital of the world."

Flowers from the Episcopal Church and Catholic Churches are eye-catching, and appreciated along with the Sunday bulletins from the First United Methodist Church that Ruth Spalding came out in the rain to deliver on Friday. Also want to mention Olga Fernandez is a recently employed nursing assistant.

Out of town guests were Harold and Jo Ella Briscoe-Midland; Bertha Guthals-San Angelo; Louise Glasscock-Austin, Violet Jarrett-Del Rio; Mr. and Mrs. F.W. Whitehead Jr.-Del Rio; Joel and Damacia Sanchez-San Angelo; Adrian, Samuel and Irma Mata-Robert Lee; Hortencia Garza-San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Nato Pina-San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rangel-San Angelo.

Local guests were Lori Ann and Amalia Galindo and Baby Albert B., Ruth Spaulding, Ruth Lee Eaton, Mary Earwood, Martha Wallace, Janice, Victoria and C.J. Lira, Barbara Snodgrass, Irene Gomez, Hans Nixon, Petra Gonzalez, John Osbourne, Ruth Harris, Laura Chalk, Marie Aldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Telesforo B. Gonzalez, Mandy Turk, Hazel McClelland, Monica DuRussell, and Guila Vicars.

Bueno Bye-until next week-and the merry month of May!!!!!!

Summertime poses threats to pets

The Warm summer climate brings with it many health hazards for pets. During National Pet Week, May 3-9, pet owners are urged to protect their pets from these risks by taking a few simple precautions.

Canine heartworm disease, rabies, canine distemper, canine parvovirus, feline panleukopenia, and feline leukemia can be prevented through vaccination or medication.

Pets are outdoors more during the warm weather. This exposes them to other animals and possible carriers of contagious diseases. Many conditions are preventable but if untreated they may be fatal.

An examination by a veterinarian may detect heartworm disease which is transmitted from dog to dog by mosquitoes. A dog must be tested for the disease before preventative medication can be started. A blood test will determine if the dog has already contracted heartworm disease. If the test is positive, it may be possible to treat the disease providing it has not already caused serious damage to the dog's heart, liver, lungs, or kidneys. It isn't

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Church Directory

Church of Christ Minister-Don Jones Bible School-10 am Worship-11 am Sunday Night-6:30 pm Wednesday Night-7 pm	The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Rev. William R. Jones Worship Service-10 am Communion first Sunday of each month	Somebody Cares Center Rev. Louis Halford Sunday Adult Bible Hour-9:30 am Super Son Bible Hour-9:30 am Morning Service-10:45 am L.I.F.E. (youth)-3 pm Evening Service-6 pm Wednesday Bible Study-7 pm	First Baptist Church Rev. Jim Stephen Sunday School-9:45 am Morning Worship-11 am Church Training-6 pm Evening Worship-7 pm Wednesday Service-7 pm
Primera Iglesia Bautista Sunday School-9:45 am Worship Service-11 am Training Union-5 pm Evening Service-6 pm Wednesday Service-7 pm W.M.U.-Sunday-2 pm Between Santa Clara & Chestnut	First United Methodist Church Kent L. Kepler-Pastor Sunday School-9:45 am Worship-10:55 am KVRN 98 AM-11 am UMYF-6 pm Chancel Choir-7 pm	Hope Lutheran Church Sunday School-10 am Worship Service-11 am Wednesday: Adult Bible Class-7:30 pm Charles Huffman, Pastor	St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. Bernard L. Gully Saturday Night Mass 7 pm English Sunday Mass- 8 am Spanish 11 am English Holy Day Mass-7 pm
Sonora Tabernacle United Pentacostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor Sunday School-10 am Worship-11 am Evening Worship-7:30 pm Wednesday Service-7:30 pm	Live Oak Baptist Church Rev. Charles White Sunday School-10:00 am Sunday Worship-11:00 am Evening-6:00 pm Wednesday Service-7 pm	Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's 387-2679 or 387-3947 Spanish Language Meeting Public Talk-10:00 Sunday Watchtower Study-11:00 Sunday Theocratic Ministry-7:30 Tuesday Service Meeting-8:15 Tuesday Bible Study-7:30 Thursday	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 NE Poplar Holy Eucharist-Sunday 8 & 11 am Sunday School-9:45 am Holy Eucharist w/Prayers for Healing, 1,3 & 5 Wed., 7 pm Daily Morning Prayer-8:45 am Monday-Friday The Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector

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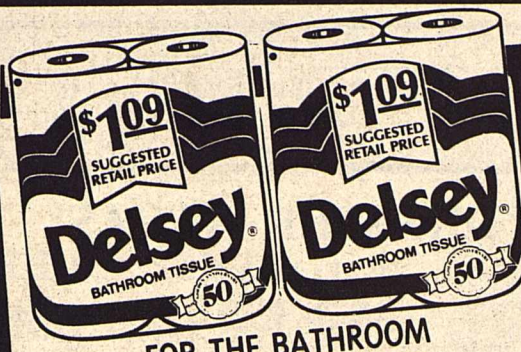
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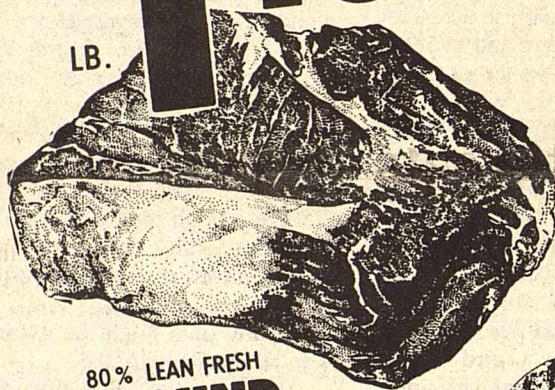


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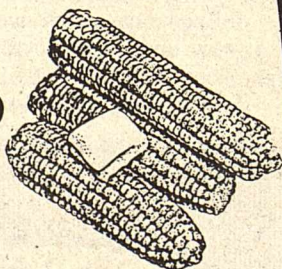
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THRIFTWAY

A. Z. Joy receives promotion

Reprinted from the Ely Daily News, Ely, Nevada.
Long-time White Pine County Agent in Charge A.Z. Joy has been named Acting Northeast Area Chair for UNR Nevada Cooperative Extension, effective March 16, 1987. Joy replaces

Geroline Lunsford, who is retiring after 32 years with extension. Joy, recognized for his broad knowledge of the range sheep business, has been agent in charge in White Pine County since 1959. From 1979 to 1984 he took on additional responsibilities as state

extension sheep specialist. "I do not anticipate any major changes, remarked Joy of his appointment as administrator for the Northeast Area, consisting of White Pine, Elko, Eureka and Lander Counties. As Acting Air Chair, Joy will have administrative

responsibility for educational extension programs in the areas of agriculture home economics and family resource management, 4-H and community resource development."

"We are pleased that Joy has accepted this assignment," said Dean Bernard Jones of the UNR College of Agriculture. "Joy has proven his leadership through the years and is well-respected in Nevada for his knowledge of agriculture."

Joy, a native of Texas, obtained a B.S. degree in Animal Science and Agriculture in 1955 and M.S. in Ag Economics in 1957 from the University of Wyoming. Prior to coming to Nevada, Joy was a researcher for the Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station and was employed as a wool buyer in Wyoming.

In 1969, Joy was named White Pine Outstanding Citizen by the Jaycees and in 1972 received the Distinguished Service Award by the National County Agents Association. He has also been recognized by the National and Nevada Woolgrowers; Cowbells; Ely Lions Club and the Nevada and White Pine County Farm Bureau.

Joy and his wife Vivian will remain in Ely. The couple has three children and five grandchildren.

He is the son of Fannie Joy and the late Artie Joy.

Meet the EMS personnel



George Keese is employed by General Telephone and has lived in Sonora for the past nine years. In addition to working with the EMS, George is also a member of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department. George and his wife, Donna, have two children, Jimmy, age 17 and Dawn, age 12.

LETTERS

(Con't from page 2)

and the overgrown flora (glass and weeds) that usually surround them, do not disappear mysteriously, and do not age well. They do become "Environmental Eyesores", and do require human power to eradicate them.

Keeping our town clean and attractive should be a concern not only of the City, County, and Highway Departments, but of every Sonora citizen as well--everyday, not just during "Clean-Up Week", or "in the Spring", or "in the Fall."

We can't wait until "times get better", "things get worse", "until we have more money", "until we have more time", we have to do it now!

No new family or business want to move to a dirty and ugly town, and a tourist surely doesn't want to stop and stay in a dirty and ugly town.

So what can we do about it! Here are a few ideas:

1. The City, County and Highway Departments could work together to keep their areas of responsibility clean, and work especially hard to keep the entrances and exits to our County and City attractive and clean.

2. The City could use the street sweeper more often, and increase the efficiency of its street crews by purchasing more "weed eaters" and a couple of "leaf blowers" for them to use.

3. The City and County should enforce its litter laws.

4. Litter laws and Litter control could be emphasized more in Drivers' Education classes.

5. Litter control, civic responsibility, and the beautification of our community environment could be emphasized in our schools:

a. in the curriculum (Government, Health, Science),

b. by having poster or essay contests,

c. by having each grade responsible for ground clean-up duty for a month, week, or whatever.

d. by having the Student Council donate a tree, a plant, or something, each year to beautify the grounds

e. by dedicating a recess or a lunch period of cleaning up the grounds every so often.

f. by having the Art classes adopt a garbage receptacle and paint it however they want it (creativity and civic responsibility).

4. Encourage every homeowner to mow and clean up their yards and immediate areas.

5. Encourage vacant lot owners to mow and clean up their lots, and keep them that way.

6. Encourage those who have

homes for sale (vacant or occupied) to keep the yards and immediate area clean. If the owner is out of town, perhaps he or she could pay someone to keep it. Youth organizations and kids in general always need money, and this might be an answer for the owner, and for the money needs of a youth organization, or a kid!

7. Have a group of volunteers that would be willing to help an elderly person, or a sick person keep their property mowed and cleaned.

8. Encourage all merchants to keep the areas around their businesses not only clean, but pretty. Flowerpots with blooming plants in them cost very little. (Less than a hamburger, coke and french fries, and not much more than a rented video), and can do a lot to brighten up a store entrance. The downtown area has great flower containers! If every business did that, and our public buildings (Courthouse, County and Police buildings, the Jail, and Post Office) the town would be on the road to beautification!

9. Encourage neighborhoods and citizens to adopt an alley, a street, a spot a garbage container, a portion of the highway, or a part of a draw!

10. If you are a friend of an absentee landlord, call him and remind him about his dilapidated building or weed covered lot.

11. Have the newspaper recognize the City and County workers that continually work to keep our City and County clean.

12. Be a good citizen and volunteer during "Clean-Up Week" to clean up an area that the City or County hasn't been able to get to. An attack of "volunteeritis" won't kill you, in fact, an epidemic of it might be a pretty good thing for all of us!

13. Join the "Beautification Committee". The Chamber of Commerce is trying to form one, in fact, there are three of four members already. If every civic organization (Scouts, 4-H, Women's Club, etc.), church group, the School Board, Downtown Merchants, the hospital, the telephone and utility companies, the City, County, Law Enforcement, and Highway Departments would send a representative, plus private citizens, this committee could really get to work on beautifying the town.

14. Encourage everyone to PITCH THEIR TRASH INTO A CONTAINER instead of in OUR TOWN!

There are lots of ideas out there. Everybody has them. Instead of keeping them to yourself, tell someone, or better still do something about them. Let's all work together to clean up and beautify our town.

Sincerely,
Sarah Sawyer Neely

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REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic and foreign subsidiaries of the

First National Bank of Sonora City
Name of Bank of City
In the state of Texas, at the close of business on March 31, 1987
published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.
Charter Number 5466 Comptroller of the Currency Eleventh District

Statement of Resources and Liabilities

		Thousands of dollars
ASSETS	Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
	Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	1,425
	Interest-bearing balances	-0-
	Securities	17,297
	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank and of its Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and in IBFs	6,100
	Loans and lease financing receivables:	
	Loans and leases, net of unearned income	16,588
	LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	364
	LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	
	Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	16,224
	Assets held in trading accounts	-0-
	Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	2,024
	Other real estate owned	72
	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	-0-
LIABILITIES	Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	-0-
	Intangible assets	-0-
	Other assets	731
	Total assets	43,873
	Deposits:	
	In domestic offices	38,779
	Noninterest-bearing	5,551
	Interest-bearing	33,228
	In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	-0-
	Noninterest-bearing	-0-
	Interest-bearing	-0-
	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank and of its Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and in IBFs	-0-
EQUITY CAPITAL	Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	-0-
	Other borrowed money	-0-
	Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	-0-
	Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	-0-
	Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	-0-
	Other liabilities	120
	Total liabilities	38,899
	Limited-life preferred stock	-0-
	Perpetual preferred stock	-0-
	Common stock	209
	Surplus	573
	Undivided profits and capital reserves	4,192
	Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	-0-
	Total equity capital	4,974
	Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital	43,873

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

E. L. Smith
J. W. Elliott
Joe M. Vandue Stuckan

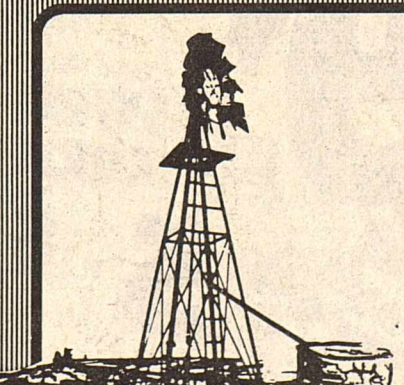
Directors

I, Harold G. McEwen
Name
Vice-President/Cashier
Title

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Harold G. McEwen
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Track season wraps up, Faz to go to Regional

by Kate Mathews

Abilene Wylie was the location of the District 5-3A track meet.

The Bronco Girls placed in ten of the fifteen events, but the standards were set high. They ended the season with an all-around fifth place, most of the points being contributed by third place in all three relays.

The Bronco Boys placed an all-around fifth also. Most of the points were scored by the individual events. With a second place in the 800-meter dash, Santiago Faz will be competing at regional this weekend.

Here are the results of the 5-3A District Track Meet involving Sonora students:

Girls Division-High Jump-Christie Adkins 5th, 4 ft.-10 in.; Discus- Kathy Richter 6th, 98 ft.-1 in.; Shot put-Kathy Richter 4th, 30 ft.-10 1/2 in.; 3200 meter run-Melissa Glaze 5th, 15.16.86; 400 meter relay-3rd, 52.74 Kay Williams, Ladonna Snyder, Alicia Sanchez, Gayann Dobbs; 800

meter run-Christie Adkins 4th, 2:42.99; Leticia Chavez 5th, 2:43.45; 800 meter relay-3rd 1:51.31 Kay Williams, Ladonna Snyder, Alicia Sanchez, Gayann Dobbs; 1600 meter run-Robbie Dickenson, 6th 6:32.87; 1600 meter relay-3rd, 4:15.71 Alicia Sanchez, Kay Williams, Debra Harris, Gayann Dobbs.

J.V. girls placed first with 160 points.

Boys Division-Long Jump-Mickey Sharp, 5th 20 ft. 1 1/2 in.; 6th-Mike Fullen-6th 20 ft. 3/4 in.; 3200 meter run-Hugo Moreno, 3rd 11:32.20; 400 meter relay-6th, 46.05 Mike Fullen, Louie Gonzalez, Leroy Sanchez, Erasmo Perez; 800 meter dash-Santiago Faz, 2nd 2:01.45; 300 intermediate hurdles-Rodney Haltom, 5th 43.48; 1600 meter run-Alex Duenes, 3rd 4:51.53; 1600 meter relay-3rd, 3:34.19 Leroy Sanchez, Louie Gonzalez, Ismael Duenes, Santiago Faz.

J.V. boys placed 2nd with 93 1/3 points.



Region VII West Junior High All District Band from Sonora are pictured (l to r) William Burch, Chris Hazelton, Pete Perez, Oscar Perez, Vicki Anderson, Angie Stewart, Eric Espinosa, Jessica Smalling and Catherine Kepler.

Fourteen Junior High students inducted into NJHS

Fourteen seventh and eighth grade students were recently inducted into the National Junior Honor Society during a formal induction ceremony. The new members are: John Russell, Andrea Virgen, Blake Adkins, Brian DeWitt, Dana Evans, Tammy Fisher, Chris Hazelton, David Kemp, Jessica Johnson, Susen McCleery, Lisa Noriega, Sam Taylor, Mack Wardlaw and Adam Youngblood.

Assisting Allison Schwinning, president, in the candlelighting ceremony were Norma Alvarez,

Vicky Anderson, Julie Jones, Tana Churchill, and Mark Wootton. Other members participating in the program were David Mirike, Laura Barlemann, Angie Stewart, and Kelley Webster. Mrs. Carla Fields, county judge, was guest speaker.

Following the induction ceremony, members and their guests enjoyed refreshments prepared by the mothers of the eighth grade members and served by co-chairmen Virginia Jones and Ilene Stewart.

Bronco tennis team prepares for regional

On Friday and Saturday April 24th and 25th the Sonora Bronco Tennis Team traveled to Junction to compete in a regional qualifiers tennis tournament. Only first and second place district winner and alternates competed in this tournament. Other teams participating were Burnet, Coleman, Colorado City, Eden, Eldorado, Junction, Lago Vista, Lampases, Llano, Lohn, Paint Rock, Rising Star, Lakeview, San Saba, Santa Anna, Sonora and Winters.

The results were: Boys Singles-Mike Hooper def. Jeffreys (Coleman) 6-2, 6-0. Hooper def. Cox (San Saba) 6-2, 6-3. Heap

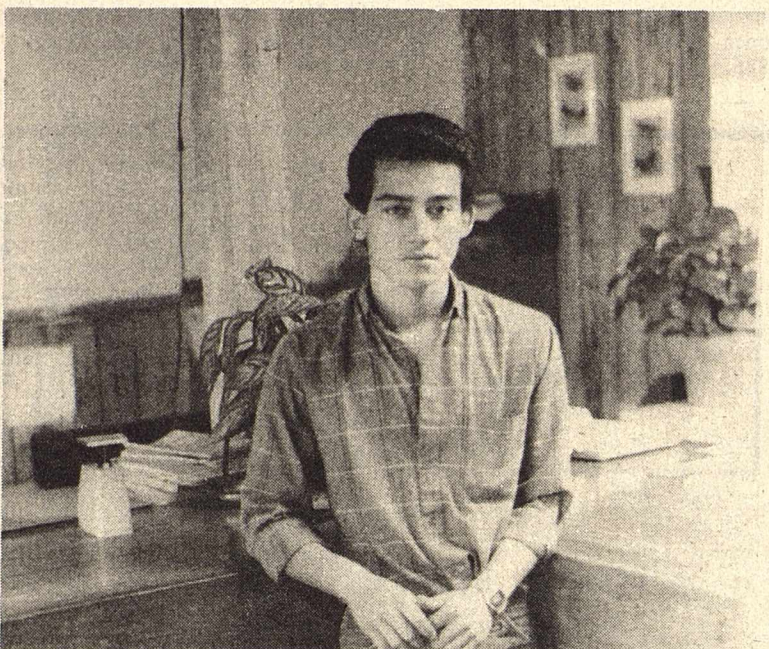
(Junction) def. Hooper 6-2, 6-4. Hooper def. Burk (San Saba). Mike Hooper won third place.

Boys Doubles-Mike Ramos-Joe Paul Solis def. Oliver-Bertlund (Lago Vista) 6-2, 6-3. Graighead-White (Colorado City) def. Ramos-Solis 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. Ramos-Solis def. Heath-Sutton (Junction) 6-0, 7-5. Raschke-Daken (Colorado City) def. Ramos-Solis 6-4, 6-4. Mike and Joe Paul placed 6th.

Girls Doubles-Heather Bunkley-Cindy Doran def. Poehls-Belew (Winters) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4. Lopez-Lopez (Lakeview) def. Bunkley-Doran 6-0, 6-4. Brannies-Mark (Mason) def. Bunkley-Doran 6-4, 6-3. Bunkley-Doran placed fourth. Preccia Miller-Mary Ross def. Brannies-Mark (Mason) 7-6, 7-5. Lopez-Lopez (Lakeview) def. Miller-Ross 6-4, 6-0. Miller-Ross placed second.

Girls singles-Woodruff (San Saba) def. Carrasco 6-4, 3-6, 8-6. Carrasco def. Martin (Junction) 6-2, 6-2. Carrasco won consolation. Helmers (Eldorado) def. Kelly Whitehead 6-2, 6-2. Whitehead def. Olivares (Lampases) by def. Whitehead placed third.

The Broncos next tournament will be Wednesday and Thursday April 29th and 30th at Odessa where they will compete in the regional tournament. Good Luck Broncos!



Santiago Faz earned himself a second place finish in the 800m.run which qualifies him for Regional competition in Odessa.

BRONCO TAILS

News from Sonora High School

by Cindy Doran

Only 23 more days until school is out. I hope everyone makes it!

Congratulations go out to all the High School Rodeo Members! There are 4 kids going to state! Rachel Merck in barrels, Anna Balch barrels and poles, Duane Jones in bareback and bullriding and Cindy Doran in cutting and breakaway roping. The State rodeo is in Seguin June 21-27. Try to take time out of your summer to come!

Congratulations also go out to the cast of the play, The Rope Dancers and Mr. Marrs and everyone else involved. The people won regional division and are going to compete at State, May 7. Good Luck! Win State!

The Annual Sports Banquet will be held May 4 in the High School Commons area. Numerous Awards will be presented so come and show your support for SHS athletes.

The track and tennis team travel to Odessa Wednesday and Thursday to compete in regional. Good Luck athletes. Let's go to State!

by Alex Duenes

A group of students and their sponsors left last Friday after school to Odessa. Their destination was the regional literary meet. This group did better than we have ever done in the past. They brought home six first places and a third that will go on to state competition. Chris Driskell had 3 of the first places, Cynthia Kepler had 1, and Kelly Russell had 1. The one-act play is also going on to state. Shon Jones took the third award and will also be going on to State. Congratulations to all of you and Good Luck!! You have represented SHS very well!

The Sonora High School Rodeo team also competed in the Regional Rodeo in Odessa. Rachel Merck, Cindy Doran, Duane Jones and Anna Balch will be going on to compete in the State High School Rodeo.

Students began signing up for student council election on Monday. The elections will be held soon. Good Luck to all SHS students running for an office.

Athletes of SHS met Tuesday

morning to collect tickets for the All Sports Banquet, which is Monday, May 4, 1987. If anyone would like to attend the banquet just contact an athlete to purchase tickets.

The Jr.'s have been busy finishing up the decorations for the Jr.-Sr. Prom.

Friday Santiago Faz will be going to Odessa to compete in the Regional Track Meet. Santiago is running the 800 m. run. You have represented our track teams and school well Santiago! Congratulations on making it to regional and Good Luck!

The tennis teams left yesterday to compete in the regional meet. The tennis teams have also done an outstanding job in representing S.H.S. Good Luck!

Well, after Friday there will only be 20 days of school left. If students haven't taken their pre-arranged absences don't forget to use them!!



The first receivers of telephone calls cried out "Ahoy-ahoy" rather than the later greeting of "hello."

Sonora students advance to State U.I.L. Literary Meet

All that hard work paid off for Sonora students, as they have advanced to state competition. Sonora was represented well in various events at the Regional U.I.L. Literary Meet on April 24-25.

The Rope Dancers, Sonora's One Act Play entry, was performed on April 24 and was chosen to advance to state.

Individual results are as

follows: 1st Prose-Kelly Russell; 1st Calculator & Alternate Number Sense-Cynthia Kepler; 3rd Spelling-Shon Jones; 1st Newsriting, Editorial Writing, and Ready Writing-Chris Driskell.

State competition will be held on May 7-9 at the University of Texas at Austin campus.

Congratulations to all these students and we wish them the best of luck.



Tom Clifton, President of the local American Heart Association presents Traci Tatum, Middle School Physical Education Teacher with an award recognizing their efforts in raising \$4,281 in the recent Jump-A-Thon. (the most collected in our 18 county region). The students also received colorful t-shirts with the Jump-A-Thon logo. Pictured (l to r) Jennifer James, Becky Gronski, Callie Moore recipient of certificate for overall high fund raiser of \$167.05, Jennifer Galvan, Chris Crowder, Tessa Robertson, and Jenny Noriega.

Clip & Save What's Happening Around School This Week

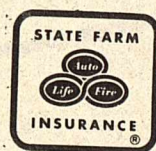
High School Schedule

MAY	Thur. 7	Student Council Elections
	7-9	U.I.L. Literary State Austin
Fri. 1-2		
Mon. 4		
	Sat. 9	Jr.-Sr. Banquet/Prom-7 p.m.
	Tues. 12	School Board Meeting-7 p.m.

School Menu

Monday, May 4-Pizza, Buttered Corn, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Milk.	Vegetables, Hot Rolls, Cherry Cobbler, Milk
Tuesday, May 5-Fish Filet, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Cornbread, Jello, Milk	Thursday, May 7-Barbequed Chicken, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Chocolate Cluster, Milk
Wednesday, May 6-Beef-aroni, Potato Wedges, Mixed	Friday, May 8-Corn Dog, Nachos, Apple Half, Ice Cream, Milk

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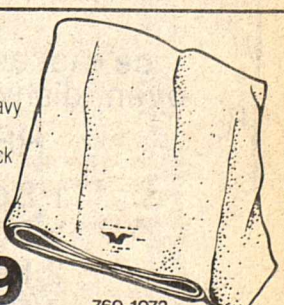


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- (1) 11" hole
- (2) 8" plastic PVC Schedule 40 casing
- (3) Cement seal at water level
- (4) Testing for capacity

Final receipt for bids will be at 9:00 a.m., May 11, 1987, at the regular meeting of Sutton County Commissioner Court, at the Meeting Room of the Sutton County Annex.

Please deliver or mail sealed bids to: Judge Carla Fields, P.O. Box 1212, Sonora, Texas 76950, 387-2711.

INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR DEPOSITORY OF INVESTMENT FUND OF CITY OF SONORA

NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Sonora will receive bids for depository of the City's Investment Fund for the period commencing June 1, 1987 and ending May 31, 1988. Any banking organization, qualifying under the laws of the State of Texas to act as depository of municipal funds, which desires to act as such depository for the City of Sonora shall submit written application therefore, sealed and marked on the outside "Application for Depository of City Investment Fund". Such application shall be received in the office of City Manager, Sonora City Hall, 201 N.E. Main Street, Sonora, Texas no later than 10:00 a.m. on the 15th day of May 1987, at which time such applications shall be opened publicly and read aloud.

All terms, conditions, specifications and requirements for such application are available upon request made to City Manager and same are hereby incorporated into this Notice to the same extent as though fully set forth verbatim herein.

The City Council shall have the right to accept the application

which offers the most favorable terms and conditions for handling of such funds and shall have the right to reject any or all applications and to waive informalities.

James E. Dover
City Manager
City of Sonora

Real Estate

5 acres riverfront, north Llano River, \$700 down. \$125.98 p/month. Owner financed. Call 3-W Investment Co. 1-800-292-7420. Open 7 days. 19-4tc

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3-R Realty

Don Sessom, Agent
387-5797 tfc

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Homes for Sale

For Sale: 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home on large lot. Central h/a, ceiling fans, fireplace, privacy fence and 2 car garage. \$58,000 firm. Located at 121 Deerwood Dr. Call 387-3400 after 5 p.m. 8tp

House for Sale: 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 baths, paneled central h/a, drapes, new carpet, utility room, ceiling fan, 3 carports, 1 1/2 lots, stove, refrigerator, fire place, dishwasher, garbage disposal, covered patio. Cheap \$38,000. Call 387-3658. tfnc

For Sale by owner: 3bdr., 1 1/2 bath home. Carpeted, ceiling fans throughout. Wooden siding, carport, store room. Close to all schools. Call 387-5166 after 5 p.m. Equity and take up low payments. 32-tfc

House for Sale-2 bedroom, 2 bath, carpeted-asking \$22,000. Call 387-3461. 15-tfc

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First National Bank of Sonora

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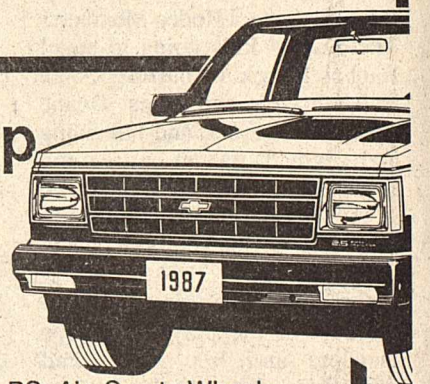
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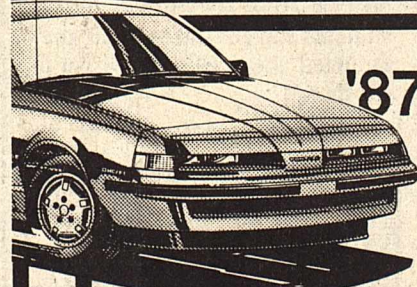
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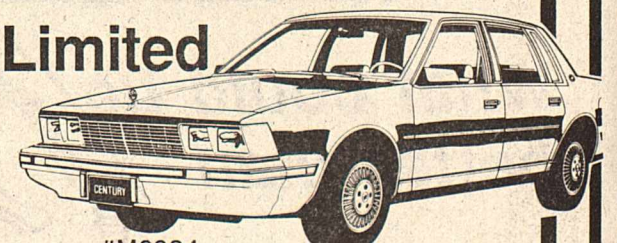


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Earwood operation time consuming and costly but productive

When many people think of ranching, their mind's eye produces a scene like those of a western movie. The wealthy land baron hires plenty of "hands" to round-up the stock and drive them to the shipping pens. Often this land baron has no idea how large his herd is until the round-up. His animals never get sick or need extra care unless it is conducive to a good script, and then the animal will always be in a precarious situation or in the barn, which ever works best.

While these thoughts may be very romantic, they are certainly not realistic.

Ranching, like any other profession and yes, ranchers are professionals, has evolved into a highly technical field. For a rancher to survive in today's world, he must constantly search for better methods.

Local rancher, Armer Earwood is a perfect example of a rancher searching, and finding better ways of doing things.

Several years ago, Earwood added a "kidding barn" to his mohair operation. "I thought about it and how it should be built for a long time before we built it and it works pretty good," Earwood says.

The unique process on the Earwood ranch begins with staggering the breeding of the nannies. Since the "kidding barn" will accommodate one hundred nannies, they are bred one hundred at a time at intervals of two weeks.

Since the goats are registered, the sires are selected individually for each nanny. To insure the proper identification of the kid with both sire and dame, each nanny has one horn color coded at breeding time to



Photo by Ann Cates

The view from one end of the "kidding barn" shows the efficiency of the operation. The barn will accommodate one hundred nannies at one time. The concept and use of the barn has improved live kid production by approximately thirty percent.

correspond with the billie.

As the birthing time nears, the nannies are placed in a large pen adjacent to the "kidding barn". The nannies give birth out of doors and are immediately moved into the "kidding barn".

The "kidding barn" is divided into four rows of twenty-five small stalls. Each stall is square, the front of the stall when opened closes off all other access to the barn. When

bringing a nanny into the barn if the gate to her stall is open she has no choice but to enter the enclosure.

The floor of the "kidding barn" is hard packed dirt. The area inside the pens is covered with a light coat of lime to which a heavy coat of cedar shavings are added. After one set of nanny and kid are removed from the pen, the old lime and shavings are cleared away and new added before

Guard dogs are becoming more popular with ranchers in helping prevent predators

Predators, such as coyotes, are one of the few enemies of the rancher. Each year a portion of the flock is lost to these predators.

The EPA has blocked use of poisons once used to control these unwanted animals and state funding for government trappers may eventually be cut.

Sheep and goat producers are finding that one way of protecting their flocks and herds is with the use of guard dogs.

An article in the *National Wool Growers*, written by Ron Daines, Utah State University Extension, Daines quotes Jeff Green, USDA in Dubois, Idaho as saying that the use of guard dogs can reduce predation in flocks by as much as 90 percent.

The article goes on to say that guard dogs have few encounters with predators. They are effective because they are active, they bark and they scent mark, which lets coyotes and other predators know they are around.

Some pointers in training a puppy which Green offers are:

*Start the puppy with a few lambs, in a small area, when the pup is about eight weeks old. Between eight and twelve

weeks, the pup will form a social attachment to whatever it is with.

*When the dog is old enough that it won't be trampled, it can be transferred to a larger pen with larger sheep.

*Some dogs will be playful with the sheep. The playfulness is usually created by boredom and can be reduced by varying the dog's routine and location.

Green also says that if you get a guard dog, it is a good idea to let your neighbors know so they won't be alarmed when it visits their flocks.

In an article from the March issue of the *Ranch Magazine*, Jean Ebeling, notes that the stock raiser who has not tried guard dogs is understandably hesitant about the project and that not all dogs of any breed have the right temperament.

In reference to the size of the area a dog can work, Ebeling also says that a good dog is not protecting the landscape, but the flock.

The most common three guard dog breeds are Komondor, Akbush and Great Pyrenees. The Komondor is said to be good with farm flocks while the Akbush and Great Pyrenees are reportedly both good with either farm flocks or range flocks.

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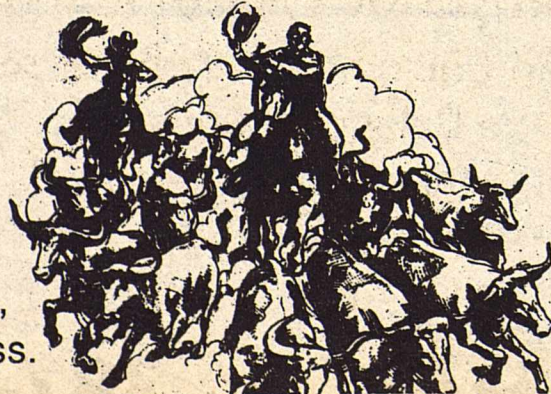
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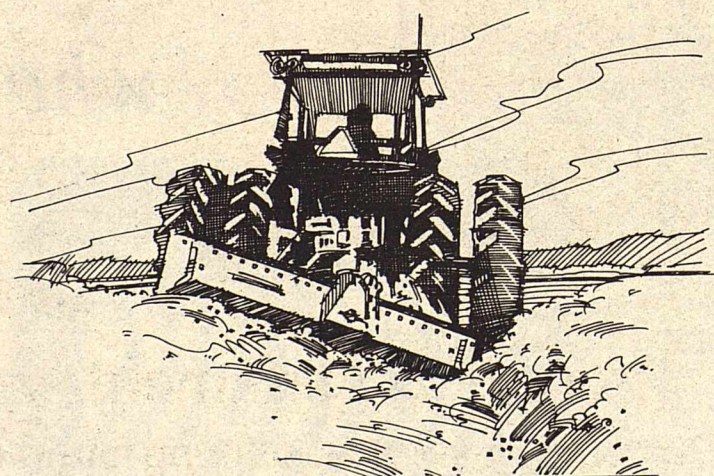
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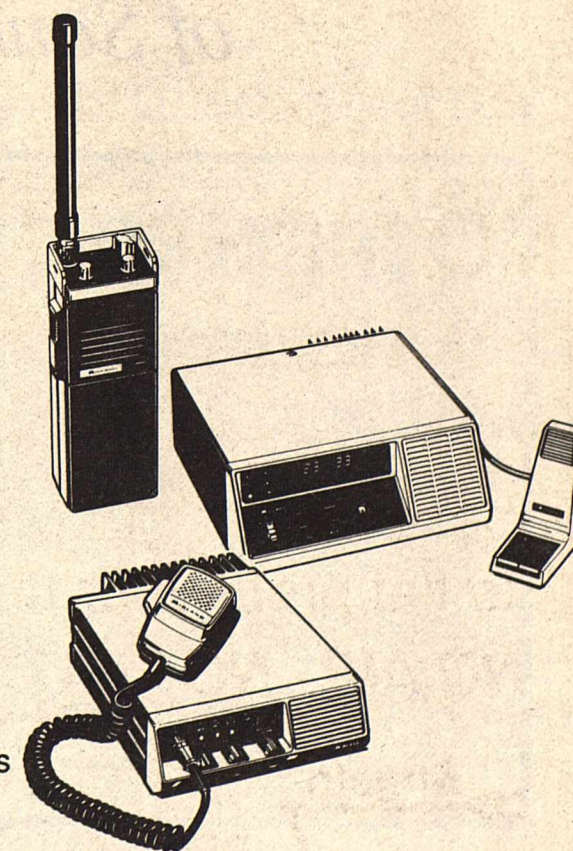
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Sheep, goats wool & mohair

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compare direct costs to gross income for each of these three agricultural enterprises and determine which may return the most dollars. These figures were developed for a hypothetical 10,000 acre ranch in our area at a recent extension ranch management training session. The gross margin per animal unit for goats was \$300, for sheep \$200 and for beef cattle \$140. Though each production unit would vary these are realistic estimates of the possible revenues from these animals. With the excellent market for lambs, wool and mohair this year and the incentive support levels for 1986 the sheep and goat business is a bright picture indeed.

In addition there are some related benefits which angora goats and sheep offer. They are tremendously beneficial in the management of some noxious plants as biologic control factors. Goats prefer browse in their diet and have long been used to enhance the value and conserve the land in a higher level of production.

With over 100,000 goats Sutton County ranks in the top five counties in Texas in terms of numbers and production of goats and mohair. Since Texas produces over 90% of the mohair grown in America and the U.S.A. is one of only three major mohair producers in the world one can see that Sutton County is a very important part of the world's mohair production.

While we do not rank as high in sheep numbers or in sheep or wool production, Sutton County remains a vital force in the sheep and wool production of Texas. Through the dedicated efforts of pioneers in

the industry like Mr. Fred T. Earwood and former extension agent Clint Langford the wool clip from Sutton County has become known as one of the very best in the State or Nation. Continuing efforts by the Sonora Wool & Mohair Company to help producers and sponsor activities such as the National 4-H Wool Judging Contest have kept Sutton County in the forefront of progress in the agricultural enterprise.

This industry has also helped us identify many true leaders and helped them develop their potential as leaders. Sonora has produced many presidents of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Assn. and has always been actively involved in the leadership of that tremendously important organization. In addition the leadership of organizations like the American Sheep Producer's Council, the National Wool Growers Assn. and the Mohair Council of America have come from right here at home. These people have given much of their time and continually return from their travels with new ideas and understandings to help us here in Sonora.

We are vividly aware in these tough times of what the decline in the oil and gas industry has done to our local economy. I shiver to think, however, about how much more devastating would be the impact of a similar decline in the sheep and goat industry. In short, these miracles of nature are the most efficient manufacturing units known to man. They take energy derived from the sun and converted by plants and transform it into not only food but a luxurious durable fiber. Any ideas for a new bumper sticker?

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the next nanny and kid are placed in the pen.

There is a large PVC pipe running through each row of pens with holes cut in the PVC in each pen. The animals are watered through the PVC which is set up on a float system. The pipe runs low enough to the floor for both nanny and kid to drink.

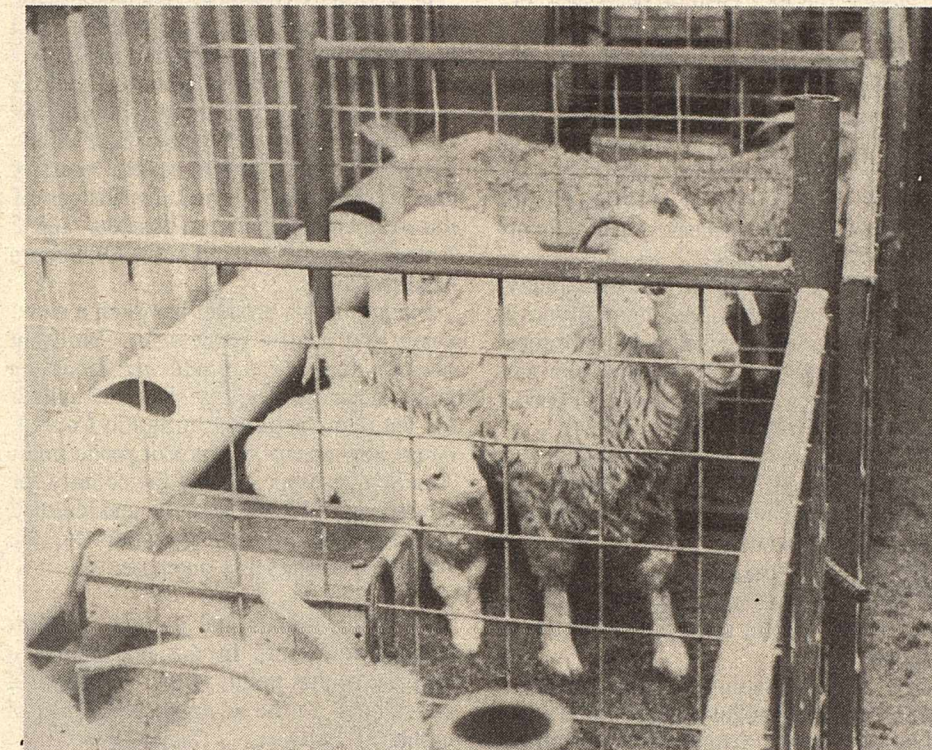
The rafter above each row of pens serves as a "blackboard" on which any necessary information is noted such as twins or medication, if necessary, and when it was given.

The size of the pen also enables an orphan to be forced

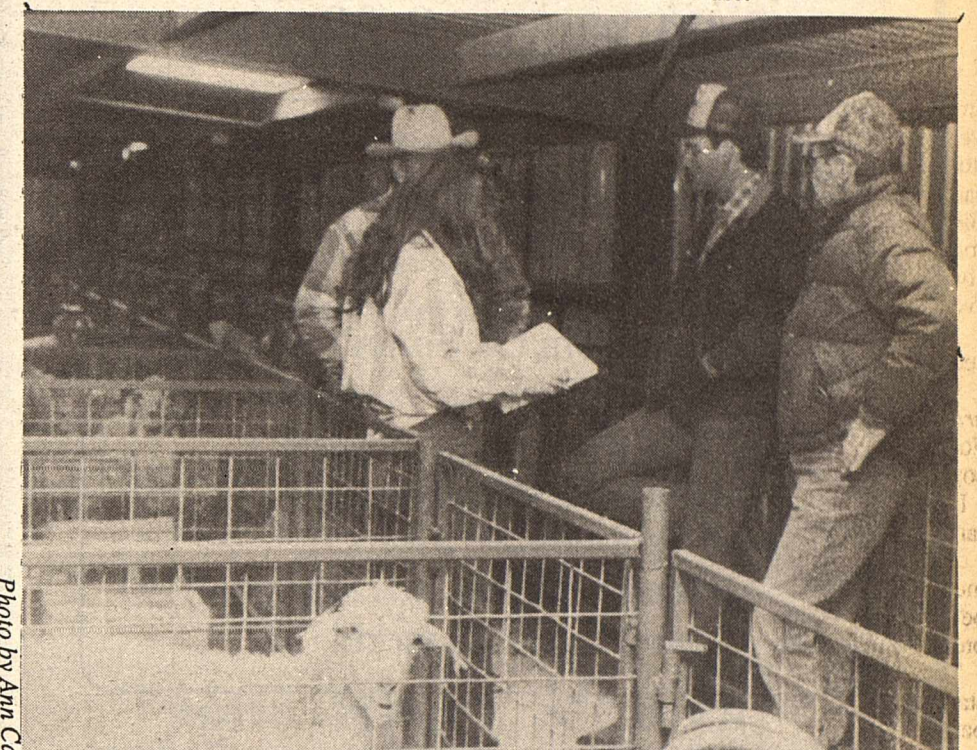
on a nanny much easier. The Earwood's laughing tell of an orphan lamb that was placed on a nanny in the barn and how funny the mother/child looked.

Nannies and kids are kept in the "kidding barn" until they are both doing well. The time for each varies and could be as short as two days or as long as a week. When both are doing well, the nanny and kid are transferred to a larger pen outside where they are still closely monitored.

The "kidding barn" has a large exhaust fan at one end and no heating. If it becomes necessary heating can be added in the form of lamps or pads.



Both nanny and kid can be closely monitored in the confines of the separate pens inside the "kidding barn".

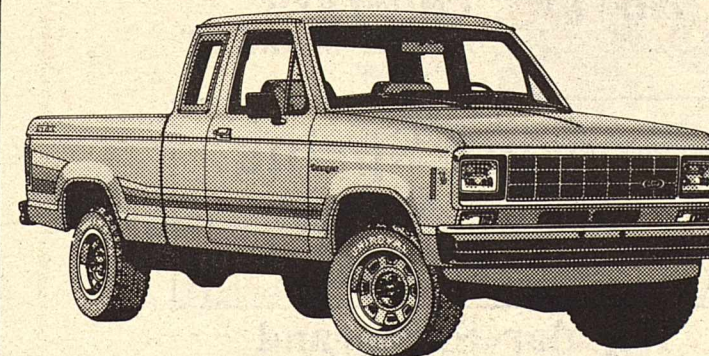


Carolyn, Edward and Armer Earwood discuss kid production with Virgil Polocek from the Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District.

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Cahill promotes area, and nation, through mohair promotion

During the Fall Fashion Market week, held in late March at the Dallas Apparel Mart, the Mohair Council of America hosted a fashion show of garments made of mohair. The show featured 109 garments from fashion designers across the country. It is rumored that the top fashion fabric for Fall '87 will be mohair, a rumor that should certainly please Sutton County ranchers.

According to an article in Sunday's Standard Times, designer Jhane Barnes is quoted as saying that mohair adds depth and texture without adding weight, enabling her to be more creative because it is such a blendable fabric.

In addition to the showing of garments made of mohair and mohair blends, the Council handed out educational material to those in attendance. A major effort is being made by the Council to educate not only the buyers and salespeople, but also the general public as to the properties of mohair.

Ol' Sonora Trading Co. participated in the show with designs created by LaVerne Benton and Charlotte Gilmore. Reportedly, the garments from Ol' Sonora Trading Co. received a standing ovation from the audience.

The garments shown in Dallas are made from the same fabric as the throws and blankets at the Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

Cahill's concern with the mohair industry in the US coupled with his concern for buying American made products has lead him to several years of hard work which bore fruit the first part of this year when throws and blankets "100% American made" arrived at the Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

Marketing his product has been a slow, costly and painful process for Cahill but rewards come from producing American made items, particularly since the mohair for the items is grown in Sutton County. At present most of the mohair produced in America is shipped out of the country for processing and manufacturing and returned to the US as finished garments for the American consumer to purchase.

Cahill agrees that one of the most important factors in the marketing of mohair, at this point, is the education of consumers to the amazing properties of mohair.

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Sheep, goats, wool and mohair-a vital part of Sutton County's economy

by Preston Faris, CEA-Ag

Sutton County has long depended on sheep and goats and the associated production of wool and mohair as a vital part of the county economy. Just how dependent, however, are we on this segment of the agricultural industry? In November 1986 the Sutton County Extension Agricultural & Natural Resources Advisory Committee in cooperation with local agribusinessmen completed an estimate of cash receipts for various agricultural commodities produced in Sutton County for the 1986 production year. The estimate for total 1986 agricultural receipts for Sutton County was just over \$14 million. Sheep, goats, wool and mohair accounted for \$6.6 million in receipts or almost one half of the total agricultural receipts. All receipts from beef cattle totaled \$6.3 million while hunting and other crops and livestock comprised the remainder.

A clearer picture, however, of the importance of sheep, goats, wool and mohair to our economy might be a comparison of the gross margins per animal unit for goats, sheep and beef cattle. Ignoring fixed or overhead costs for the moment the gross margin allows us to

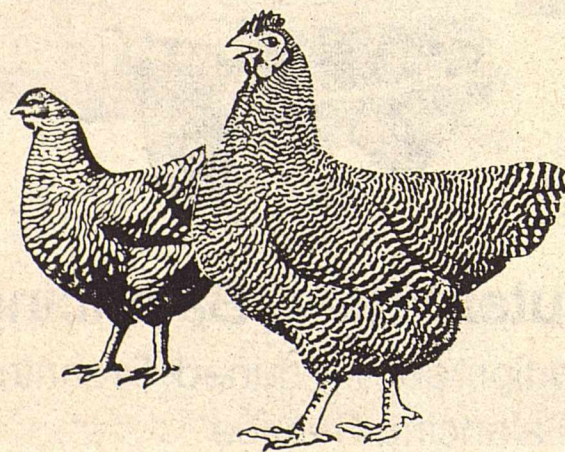
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Sutton County, as well as surrounding counties, has become dependent on the agriculture industry. According to estimates, almost one-half of the 1986 agriculture receipts came from sheep, goats, wool and mohair. The remaining half came from livestock, hunting and other crops.

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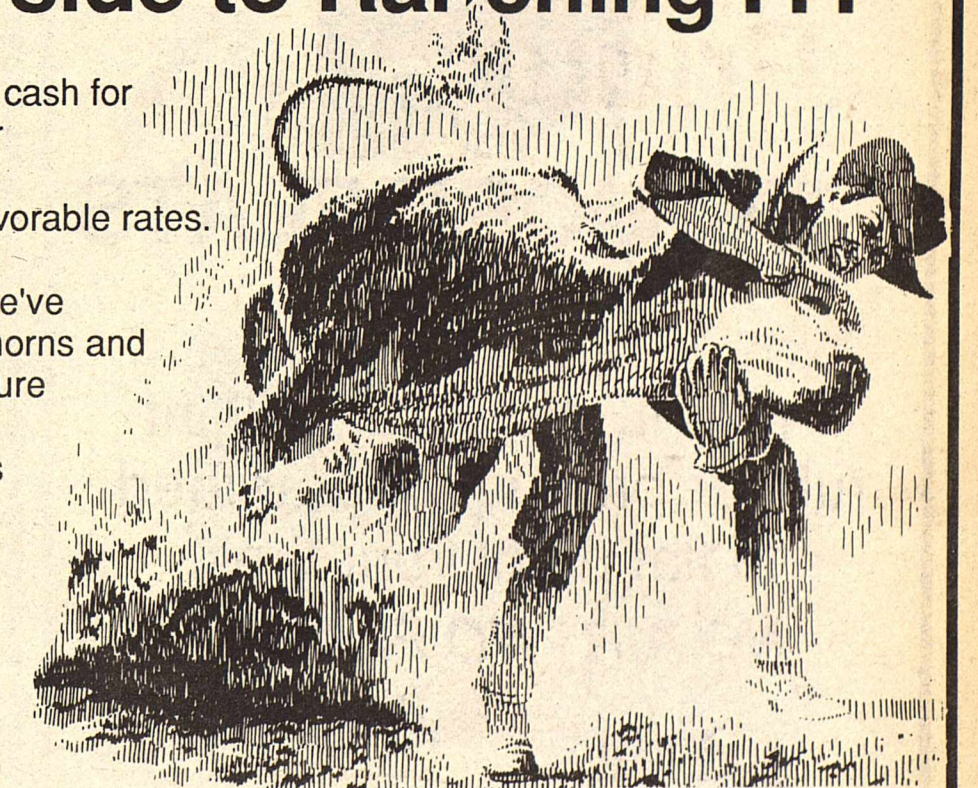
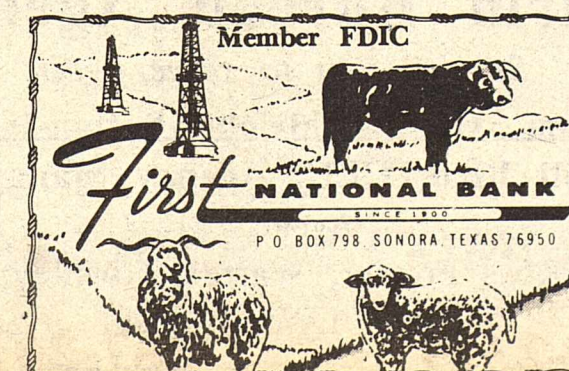
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Ranch Management

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information to use in the software.

Most of the individual programs can be useful in "what if" type analysis. The "Range and Permanent Land Improvement Cost Calculator (ABH)" is the forage cost calculation program used to generate different forage production cost input values used in the different livestock budgets. This program can be used for annual pasture or improved pasture cost calculation, as well as, to address a variety of brush control and/or permanent land improvement options. The "Whole Ranch Summary: Range and Permanent Land Improvement Investment Analyzer" summarizes the analysis from the livestock budgets.

For ranchers that have a mixture of annual and improved forages mixed with crop production and livestock enterprises, a set of enterprises budget templates and a ranch summary are available.

Information Flow for the Ranch Economic and Financial Planning Process.

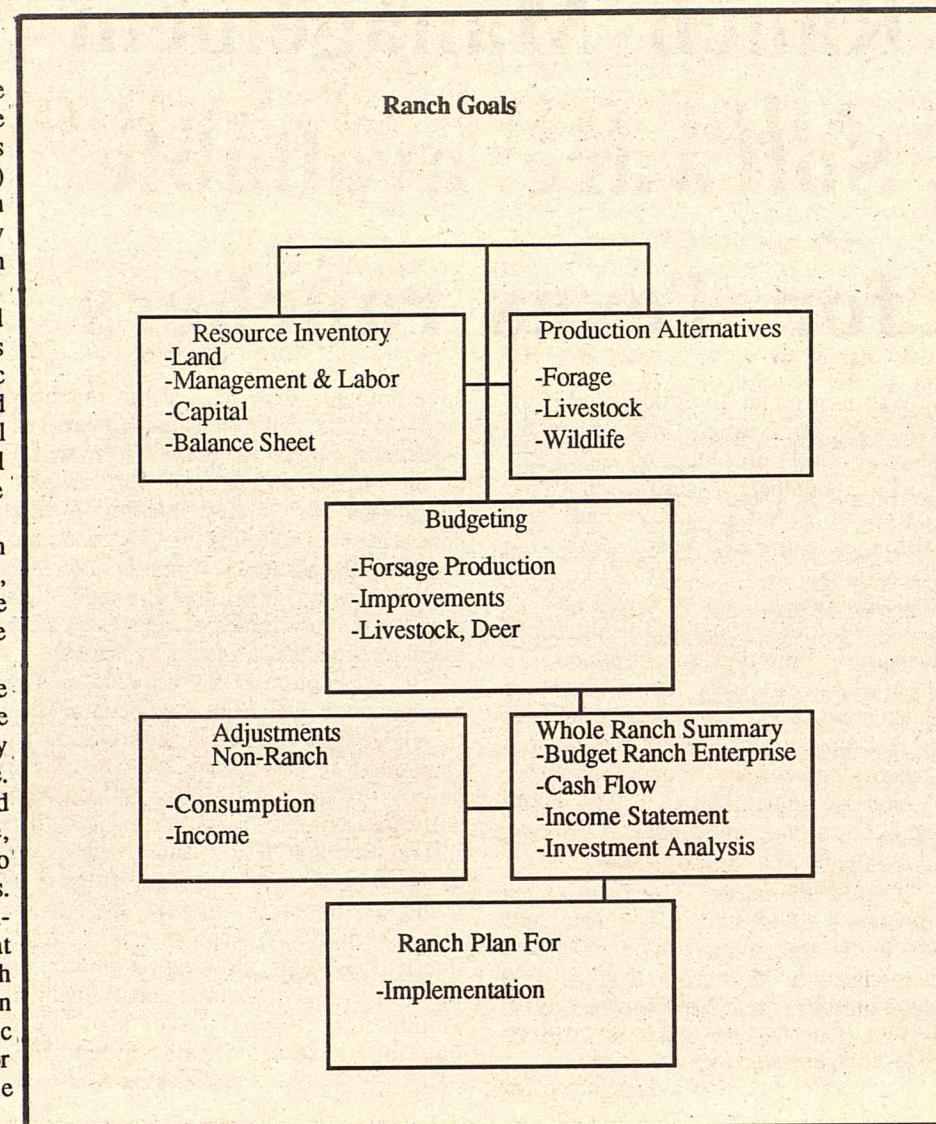
Funding for software development came from the Soil Conservation Service, Temple, Texas, Dow Chemical Company, and two Texas ranchers-Patrick Welders and Albert Ward. Additional funding came from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation which supported the "Year 2000 Computerized Farm Project" under the direction of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Texas Instruments Incorporated supplied the computer hardware for the project. The state legislation funding through the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES) and the Texas Agricultural Extension (TAEX) of the Texas A&M University System supported research and extension involvement.

Technical support for software design and field testing came from a number of Texas ranchers, SCS Range and Economic Specialist, Extension specialist and researchers from primarily Agricultural Economics, Range Science, Animal Science, and Wildlife and Fisheries Science departments at Texas A&M University.

Private vendor software, particularly in the area of livestock performance records, accounting records and financial analysis are available and will complement these decisions aids.

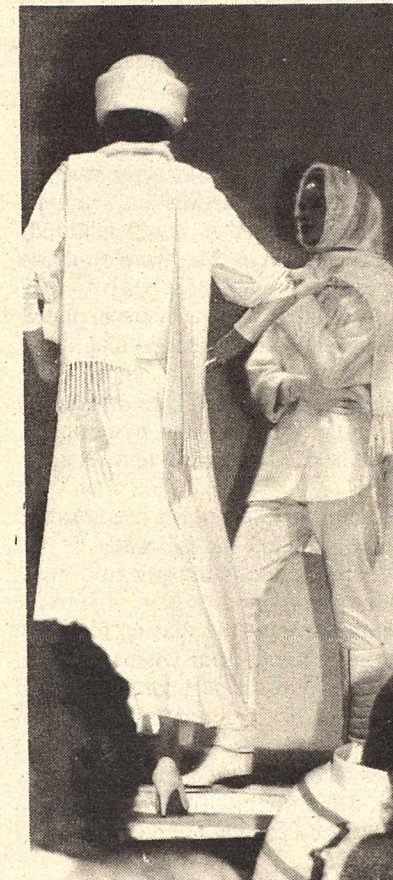
In using the software, users must be cautious and recall these are only tools. The computer must be complemented by subject matter knowledge and experience. Many users must take an effort to expand their knowledge of economics, finance, production technology and management to effectively utilize the computerized tools. Educational efforts by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are aimed at expanding educational needs of ranch managers. The local County Extension Agent should be contacted for specific information on educational programs or for more detailed information on available software.



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Cahill points out the safety factor, particularly in blankets, since a recent article in U.S. News and World Report which reported on the hazards of items using electricity.

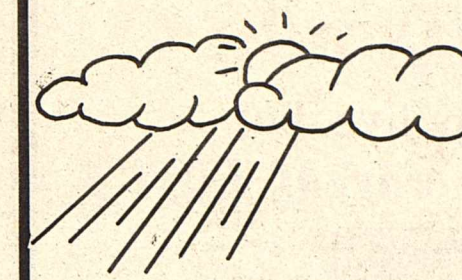
According to the article, electromagnetic radiation (EMR) has become the newest threat of the modern age and is being linked to cancer and birth defects, electric blankets being specifically cited.



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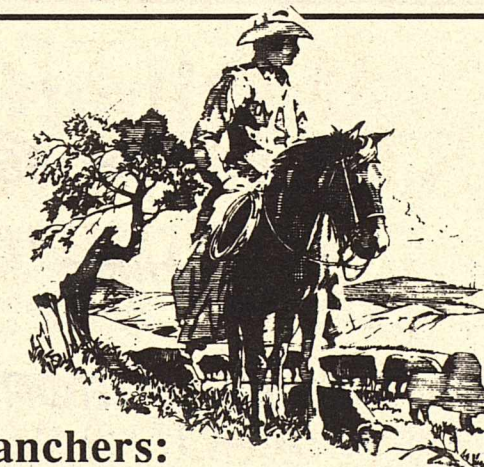
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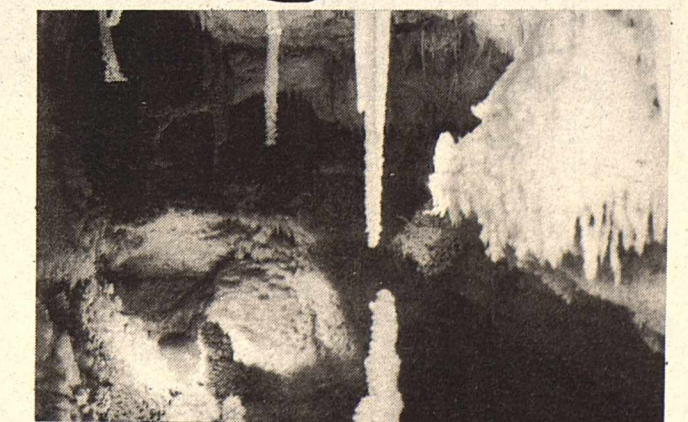
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Bitterweed is the most serious poison problem affecting sheep production

When winter comes to sheep country and the vegetation becomes even more scarce than usual, sheep often are attracted to bitterweed.

A member of the sunflower family, bitterweed thrives in Texas sheep country such as the Edwards Plateau and TransPecos regions. Unfortunately, bitterweed is toxic to sheep.

Some bitterweed plants are more toxic than others, and scientist are unsure whether genetics, environment, or a combination of both are in play.

The plant is the most serious poison problem affecting sheep production in Texas.

Bitterweed poisoning usually occurs from late fall through early spring, and the severity of the problem depends upon rainfall patterns and the availability of other forage, the researchers say.

Signs of poisoning include loss of appetite, salivation, depression, the absence of rumination and sometimes a green nasal discharge.

Scientists already have isolated the principle toxin in the plant, a compound containing carbon-hydrogren-oxygen called

hymenoxon.

While it sometimes has been thought that mature plants were the most toxic, this study found that the hymenoxon content of the dried plants was highest in seedling plants and it decreased as plants matured. Values were as high as 5 per cent on a dry matter basis in seedling bitterweed collected in November and approached zero in plants collected during the first week in June.

The study found no significant relationship between soil type and toxin contents, but it did find that hymenoxon content decreased as soil temperature increased.

The research also found no relationship between toxin content and soil water.

This study has demonstrated that bitterweed plants growing at different locations on the Edwards Plateau differ in hymenoxon content, even when growing under similar environmental conditions and when collected at the same phenological stage," the scientists say. "Whether these differences in hymenoxon are caused by genetics differences in these plant populations or by pehnotypic differences is unknown.

Ranch Management Software available for Texas ranchers

Texas is a major livestock producing state, ranking first in the United States in beef-cows, cattle on feed, and sheep and angora goat numbers. Texas has range land in excess of 90 million acres with a large portion of the land base supporting livestock production.

Ranchers caught in the price-cost squeeze and highly volatile commodity price and uncertain production environment are seeking to improve their use of management tools. One of these tools is the microcomputer. With the proper software (instructions for the computer), the microcomputer can facilitate record keeping, economic and financial planning and analysis and a "what if" type of decision making.

In 1982, a joint effort by SCS, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES) initiated a software development effort for Texas ranchers and those involved in education and advisory activities.

The specific decision aids selected for

development were based on ranchers requests, SCS and extension professional opinions and the availability of software for ranchers in the private sector. Software was developed for range, livestock, deer enterprise decision aids and for economic and financial planning. A number of other programs were developed through other projects that are useful for ranch decision making particularly in financial analysis.

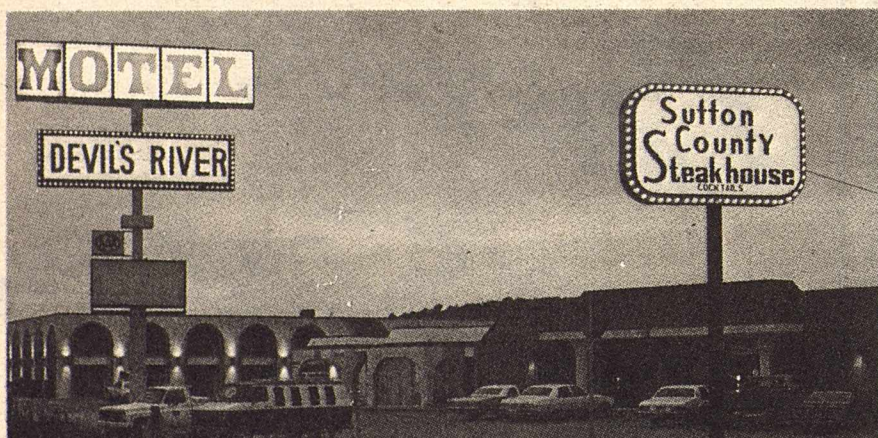
The application of the decision aids in ranch economic and financial planning can be viewed as a flow of information as illustrated in chart, pg. 16. The initial activity is goal definition. Spreadsheet software (templates) is used to summarize information that defines and describes the resource inventory, budgeting software to evaluate forage production, permanent improvement, livestock and deer alternatives. This information flows into the whole ranch summary and financial statements. Forms have also been developed to facilitate assembling

(Con't on next pg.)

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(Con't. from pg. 13.)

The offender's right hand was cut off. The English restrictions on sheep raising and wool trading in America was one of the major factors leading to the American Revolution.

Weaving homespun wool garments was a sign of patriotism during the revolution. Both George Washington and Thomas Jefferson were inaugurated in suits made of American wool.

With the lack of fine apparel wool in America, eighty Merino sheep were brought from Spain to upgrade the quality.

Wool cloth was thought to be so important that weavers and wool crafters were given immediate citizenship in the early days of America.

About the same time, Louis XVI, of France, imported Merino sheep from Spain, placing them on his estate in Rambouillet. From these the Rambouillet breed was developed.

As the frontier farmers and families moved westward, sheep always went with them helping to open the new land.

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animal can or will because of their specialized digestive system. They can roam the arid highland or thrive in farm flock areas and are raised in all 50 states.

In the Midwest, East and Southeast United States sheep are raised in farm flocks of 10-100 ewes. By contrast the West and Southwest sheepmen have 1,000 to 5,000 ewes in their rangeland operation. Of the top five sheep raising states, Texas has the largest number followed by Wyoming, California, South Dakota, and Colorado.

Raising sheep is a family operation and

in many cases the land and flocks have been handed down from generation to generation.

Today's sheep operation is run like any modern business with up-to-date scientific research on the most efficient kinds of feed, how to keep the animals disease free, and how to improve the quality of the wool and the sheep's growing ability. It is not uncommon on a sheep ranch to see any or all members of the family involved in feeding, herding, shearing or in some way caring for the sheep. Sheep are a major source of income to the family. (See related story, page 2).



With a close haircut, you are said to be "shorn" while if you lose all your belongings, you have been "fleeced". And if you trick someone, you have "pulled the wool over their eyes".

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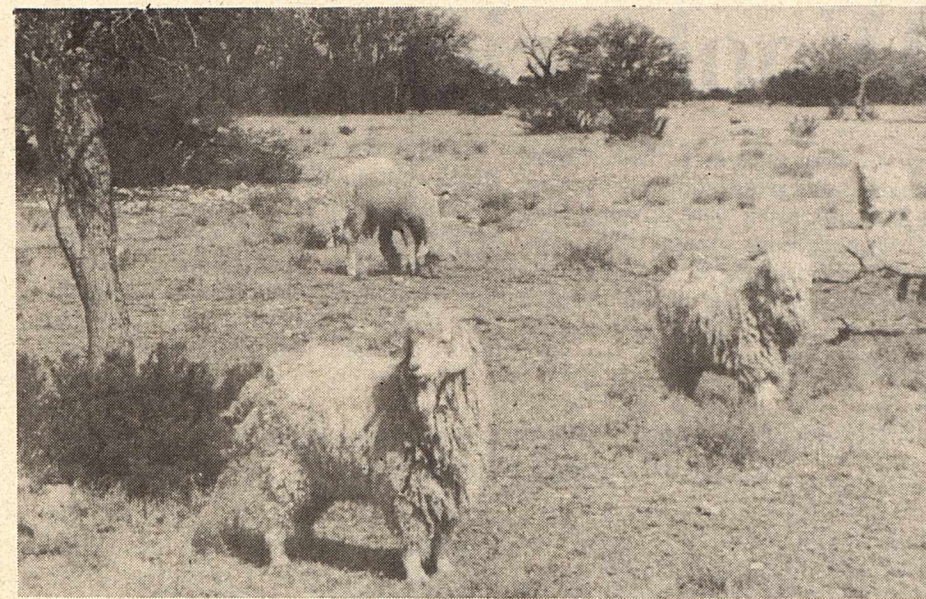
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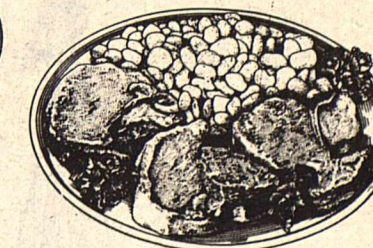
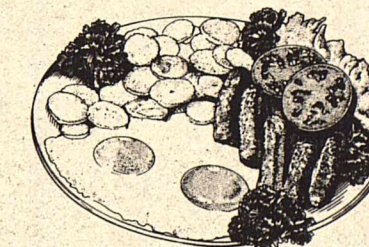
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This American Sale should average approximately \$1.80 per lb. weighed average for all types.

Several lots of the finer higher yielding staple wool should bring over \$2.00 grease. Wool prices in Texas are at record highs. Lamb prices are likewise with feeder lambs bringing from \$1.00-\$1.15 per lb.

All of these things coupled with the recent high incentive payments should make a profitable year for sheep producers.

Results of the American Wool & Mohair Association, 1987 Sale of Graded, Skirted Wools.

Sale Lot 1				Sale Lot 2 & 3			
	Micron Ranges	clean price		Micron Ranges	clean price	Micron Ranges	clean price
Length	20.0 and Finer			20.01/21.0		21.01/22.0	
3.25"	360,000	3.60		365,000	3.31	100,000	3.11
3.0-3.25	140,000	3.50		263,000	3.26	40,000	3.06
2.75-3.0	43,000	3.45		57,000	3.16	8,000	2.96
Totals	543,000			685,000		148,000	

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Sale Lot 4		Sale Lot 5	
Total Tender/Clothing	clean price	Total Skirts	clean price
138,000#	2.63	128,000#	2.43
Tags 57 1/4 Grease basis			

EDITORS NOTE: The following information is from the American Wool Council, Wool Education Center, Denver, CO. We felt the information both timely and interesting since we live in a wool producing area.

The sheep was one of the first animals to be domesticated, over 8,000 years ago.

Sheep were usually seen with man on the move because they could be easily herded and they provided man with his basic needs—food, clothing and shelter. For the early Stone Age hunter, the fleece served as a tunic or sleeveless shirt, worn just as it came from the animals back.

As early as 4000 B.C. wool clothing was worn in Babylon which means "Land of Wool". Fifteen hundred years later, nations of the East began to trade wool, thus making it one of the early items of international trade.

In Asia, herdsmen used wool for their clothing and for carpets to insulate the walls and floors of their tents. The art of weaving was growing and wool clothing was worn by the richest king and the lowliest peasant.

Sheep were brought to Spain by the Romans because of the climate and eventually a breed of sheep called Merino was developed. The fleece of the Merino was so fine it could be made into the best clothing. Anyone caught taking a Merino out of Spain could be put to death.

It was Columbus who introduced sheep

Early history of wool

Passed on from generation to generation

into the Americas. He left sheep in Cuba and Santa Domingo, Cortez took them into Mexico. Sheep from these flocks would eventually find their way into the Southwest and extreme western United States.

The Navajo Indians traded for sheep and began their very important art of weaving wool for clothing, rugs and blankets. Weaving by hand, creating original designs of incomparable quality, the product of their work is treasured as art pieces all over the world.

In Europe during the Middle Ages, England and Spain became rivals in the wool trade. King Edward III, of England, forbade his subjects to wear clothing made from foreign wool. By the mid 1600's, wool made up two-thirds of England's foreign trade.

Since England did not approve of exporting sheep to the new world, they were smuggled into the colonies and colonists were forced to buy the animals from the Dutch settlers on Manhattan Island.

In 1643 there were about 1,000 sheep in Massachusetts. In 1664, there were over 100,000 and the General Court of Massachusetts passed a law requiring young people to learn to spin and weave.

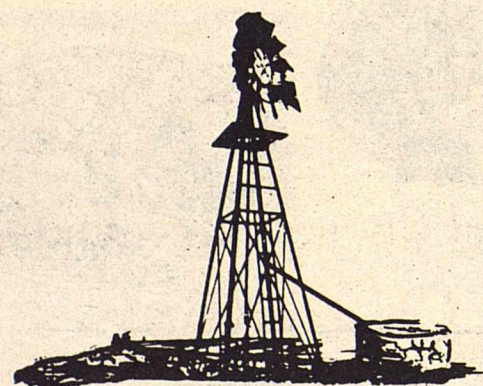
As the American wool trade grew, the English became upset and made sheep raising and wool trading a crime. If caught,

(Con't on pg. 14.)



Sheep, their characteristics and the way they are handled has enriched our vocabulary. Because of their docile nature, a pleasant cad would be described as a "wolf in sheep's clothing" and most families speak of at least "one black sheep of the family". People who will follow the leader are said to behave "like a flock of sheep".

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4-H'ers learn wool & mohair evaluation

by Preston Faris, CEA-Ag.

The primary aim of any 4-H project is to teach the young person leadership, citizenship, and decision making and problem solving skills. All of these factors aid in building a positive self image which leads to a productive citizen of the future.

The wool and mohair judging activity is a perfect opportunity for young people to begin developing skills dealing with analysis and evaluation. In grading mohair 4-Hers learn to categorize samples of mohair into one of six standard grades. These are grades which are common to the industry; therefore, 4-Hers actually develop a skill which could be applied to a future trade. In grading wool they categorize whole fleeces according to three criteria: 1) grade, 2) length & 3) yield. There are four grade classes, three length classes and three yield classes. Again all are tied directly to the commercial wool trade.

Young people also learn how to evaluate and make proper decisions by placing classes of wool or mohair. The classes consist of four fleeces which must be ranked and sixteen questions which must be

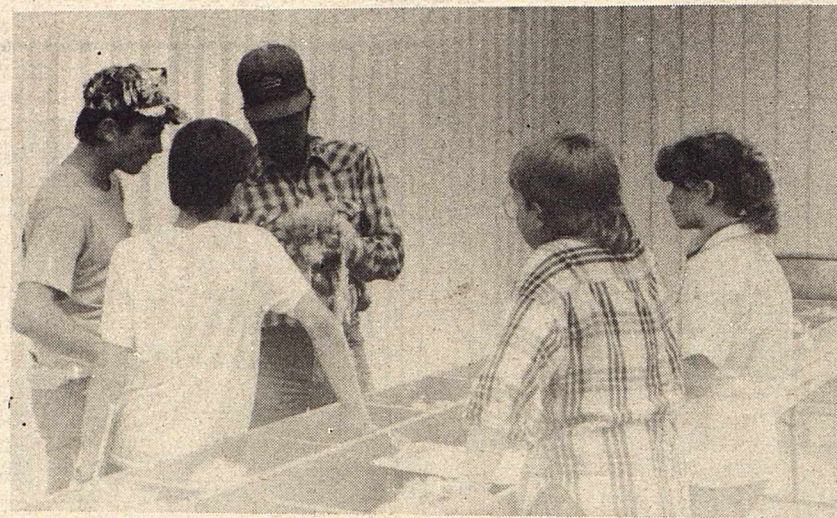
answered based on a visual analysis of each fleece.

Competition is an integral part of today's lifestyle. Through judging activities 4-Hers learn cooperation while comparing skills with other 4-Hers in local, district, area, state and national contests.

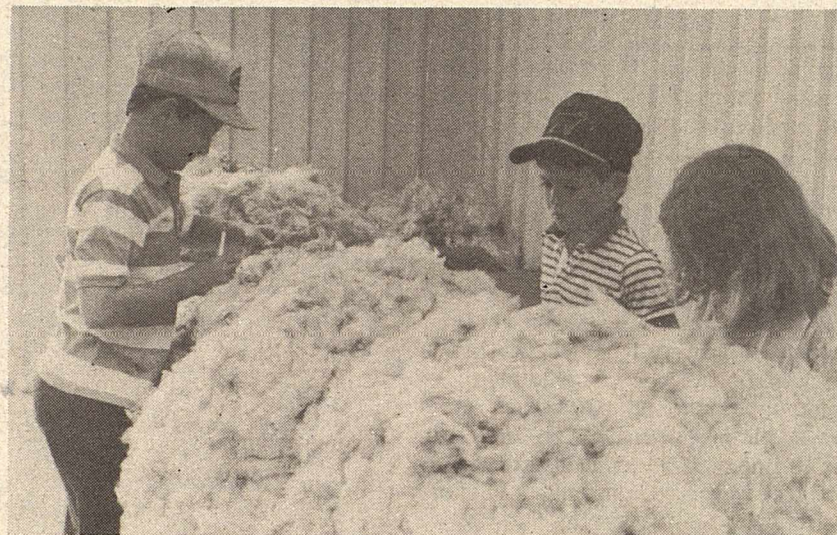
Wool & mohair judging in Sutton County is deep rooted. This year we will host the 50th Annual Sonora Wool & Mohair Show with the 27th National 4-H Wool Judging Contest.

The real reward of this project and most others is the lasting friendships made and the many opportunities to learn about ourselves and others. Our biggest competitors sometimes become our biggest companions. I never would have thought, that as a Bandera County 4-H wool & mohair judger in the mid sixties, that I'd have an opportunity to train the children of some of our stiffest competitors twenty years later.

4-H is a project which brings us all together. Youth development is the goal and whether it's judging wool or making cakes its rewards are tremendous.



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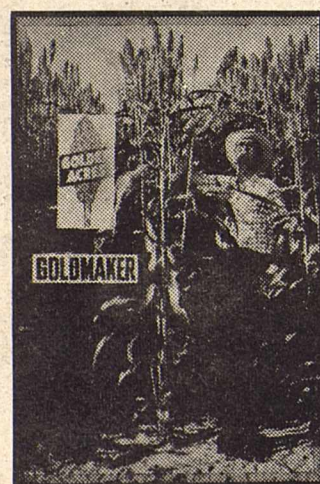
Photo by Patti Strauch

The incentive checks spoken of by area ranchers are paid to the ranchers as an inducement to raise better quality wool. The incentive monies come from tariffs on imported wool and not from tax monies. Wool and mohair production plays an important part in the economy of Sutton County. This year, with 150 mohair and 98 wool producers, approximately \$3,250,000. was added to the local economy.

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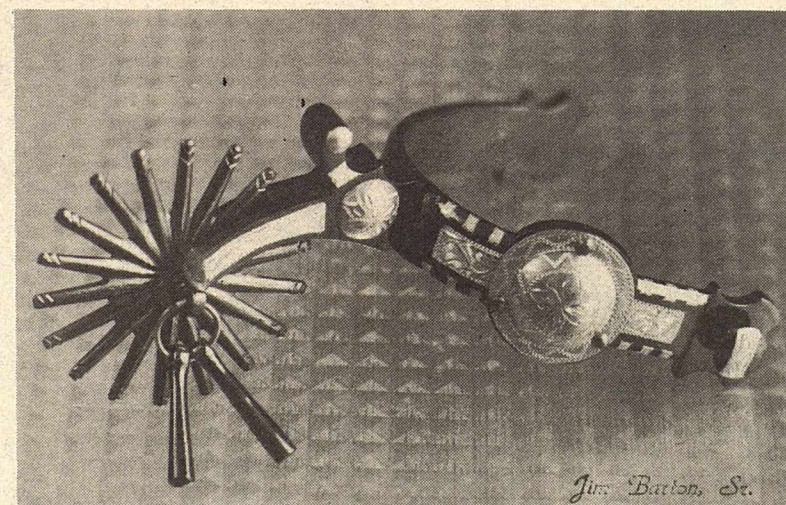
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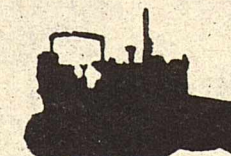
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A cowboy's life, hard trying but satisfying

by Charlotte Gilmore

A real live cowboy! That was the first impression as Tommy Love walked into the restaurant for the lunch/interview. Starched faded denims with a sharp crease, weathered hat and boots, ruddy face of an outdoorsman and that wonderful Texas drawl...all the signs one look for in addition to the Ford pickup, his modern day steed. But Tommy Love is not just a cowboy. He is a man who is doing daily what he loves to do, working hard, staying in contact with mother nature, not just seeking the good life, but living the good life with his family, his animals, his land. Tommy doesn't own the land on which he has lived with his family since 1964, though. You might say the land owns Tommy.

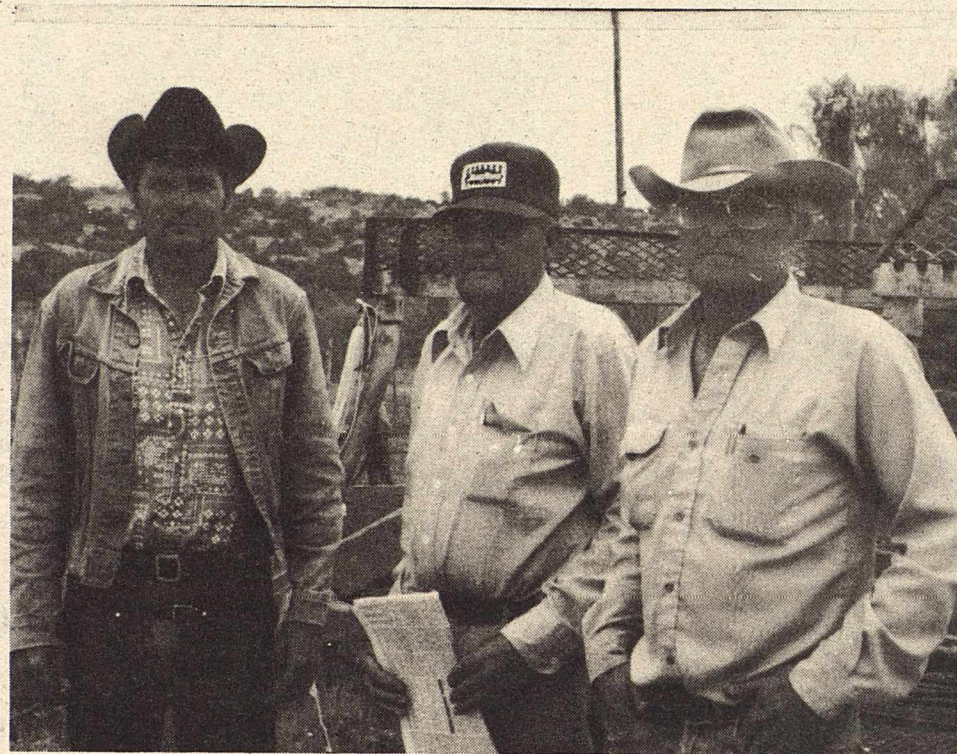
His father, Preston Franklin Love, became the foreman of 60 sections of the T-Half Circle Ranch in 1928 when he was 17 years old, living on the South Ranch where Dr. J.B. Taylor, the original owner of the T-Half Circle, had the original headquarters. Tommy was born there in November, 1940 and although he and his family Carol, David, Stephen, and Tracy

now live in North Ranch, this is the only home he has ever known. The Mayer family for whom Tommy works as foreman bought the ranch in 1896 from Dr. Taylor's heirs.

Tommy came back to the T-Circle when he completed his college education in Range Management because it is home, the only life he knows and the only one he wants to know. He is a happy man, pleased with what life has given him and content with the part he has been given to play in life. How many men in this world would give their eye teeth to be able to say that?

Life as a ranch foreman is not easy and the hours can be long. There aren't many vacations, especially today when the number of hands on the ranch is reduced to near minimum, but Tommy likes not having to punch a time clock. The only kind of vacation he can imagine enjoying would be camping and fishing on the river. Tommy describes himself as a loner, but it was obvious as he spoke of his family, introduced his wife, and one son, and greeted other guests in the restaurant that he loves people too much to be a true loner.

Although the ranch has at times run sheep, goat and cattle, Tommy indicated



Tommy Love (right) is pictured with brother, Preston (left) and father, Preston Franklin Love (middle).

Contributed photo

that today the North Ranch of the T-Half Circle has only cattle and sheep. His favorite of all the animals is sheep because they most easily pay for their keep. Tommy dispelled the myth that cattle and sheep or goats don't like to run together and are hard on the land as he described how the sheep and goats eat weeds and cattle eat grass, thereby complementing each other.

*He is a happy man,
pleased with what
life has given him*

Tommy discussed the changes he has seen come about in ranching during the twenty three years he has worked the T-Half Circle. The ease of working today has cut down on the number of permanent men required to work a ranch. Trailers for hauling horses have cut down on the number of saddle hours the ranchman puts in and have consequently cut down on the time it takes to do a job. When you are working 60 sections of land with 640 acres per section and have stock scattered over much of that land (approximately 21 acres is allowed per 1 animal unit or 1 cow and 5 sheep or goats), it is easy to understand how mechanization has changed the life of the cowboy.

When questioned about the rancher's #1

problem, Tommy answered immediately, "Dry weather." He explained that without rain there are only two alternatives for the rancher in this country without available ground water. He either sells the stock or sees them die. It was obvious that Tommy still is pained by the fact that goats sold for \$2.00 during the last drought. The fact that he can't get out and work when it rains doesn't bother Tommy. He philosophically stated that the rancher just "sits back and waits for it to stop."

Is he optimistic about the future of ranching in Southwest Texas? Yes, he thinks things are going to get better, that the economy is going to return to a reliance on ranching more than anything else. He also thinks that folks are going to get back to the basics and that life styles will once again reflect the closeness the rancher has to the source of life; the land, which Tommy describes as the original resource.

Tommy has hopes that some of his children will follow his footsteps, staying on the T-Half Circle perhaps as foreman. If this becomes a reality it will be a repeating of history, so to speak. Tommy's father, Preston, worked for three generations of the Mayer family over a 37 year period. It could easily be that three generations of Loves will have worked for the Mayers by 1997, which will be 37 years.

Tommy Love epitomizes the way in which the character of the early 1900's settlers interacted with the character of the land to produce the Southwest Texas rancher.

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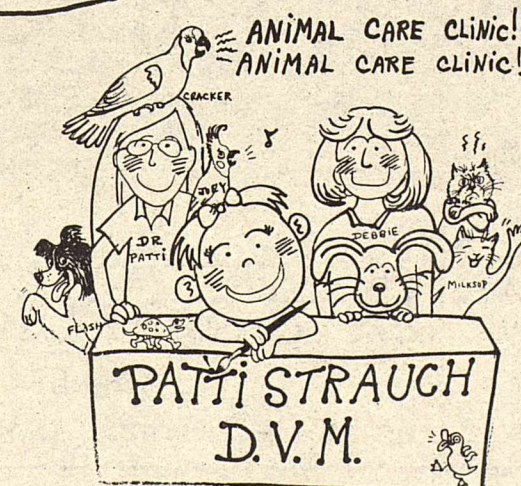
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