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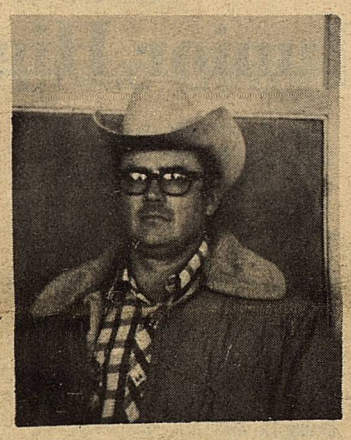
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Local Incumbents File



LARRY D. SMITH



VAN L. YORK

PRECINCT 2

Larry D. Smith formally announced today his intention of running for re-election for County Commissioner of Precinct 2 of Borden County.

In making his decision to run, Smith said, "I want to thank the people in the county and in Precinct 2 for their cooperation with me as County Commissioner the past three years."

"I will continue to support good County Government and do my part in carrying out the business of Borden County to the best interest of the taxpayers," continued Smith.

"Borden County probably has better roads than any county in Texas, and I will do my best to keep them that way" Smith reported.

In conclusion Smith said, "I am asking for your support for County Commissioner of Precinct #2 in May at the Democratic Primary.

Smith, 40, has lived in Borden County for 37 years. He was educated in the Borden School system.

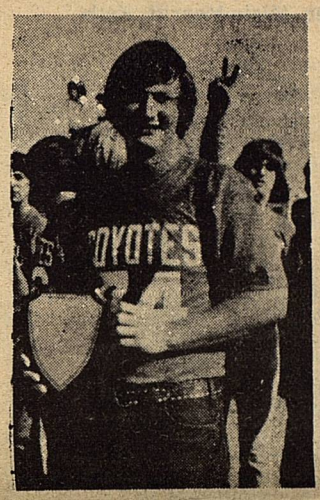
He and his wife Wanda have two children. Kristy, 18, is a freshman at Tech and Perry , 16, is a Junior in Borden High.

PRECINCT 4

Van York, County Commissioner Precinct 4 has filed for re-election subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in May.

York was elected in 1975 to his first term. His wife Barbara, works for the Borden County School. They have two children. Cathy, 10, is in the fourth grade and Van Lee, 15, in the ninth grade. They have lived in the county for the past 17 years.

Van said, "I would like to thank everyone in Precinct 4 for their support the past three years and ask that they continue to support me in the future".



TIM SMITH has been chosen as All State Defensive Guard.

Tim Smith Is Elected All-State

Borden County's Tim Smith was named to the Class B All-State Team as a defensive guard. Tim, a 220 pound senior was recently chosen All-South Plains defensive guard and honorable mention offensive tackle. He was also chosen All-District offensive tackle and defensive guard.

Tim has been active in the U.I.L. One Act Play and U.I.L. Debate. He is the vice-president of his class and a member of the student council.

Tim is the son of Mrs. Bobby Powers of Gail. He has been offered several scholarships and is considering attending McMurry College in Abilene.

Sportswriters throughout the state vote on the All-State honor. We would like to offer our congratulations to Tim on a job well done.

More Beauracracy?



JIM BAUM



REAGAN V. BROWN

Democratic Congressional candidate Jim Baum of Big Spring has voiced his support of the American Agriculture Movement for 100% parity.

"I support the farmers' movement and I embrace their call for parity," he quoted.

Baum said the depressed farm prices could be relieved through increments in government loans with an immediate hike to 75% parity, plus mandatory acreage controls and a vigorous export program.

The democratic candidate also vowed to wage a door-to-door campaign in "at least 73" of the towns and communities in the 17th District. "This campaign is directed to the middle income taxpayers," Baum said. He added, "This campaign gives families caught in the middle a chance to elect a man who will make THEM his 'special interest group' ".

Austin--Commissioner of Agriculture Reagan V. Brown announced Tuesday (Jan. 10) his candidacy for election as Texas Commissioner of Agriculture.

"I am deeply concerned today about the financial crisis facing our Texas farmers and the farmers of the nation," Brown told the Capitol press and a crowd of supporters that overflowed the Speaker's Committee Room.

"The cost-price squeeze on farmers is, in my view, a real threat to them and to the nation. There must be immediate relief from their financial plight or many of our farmers and ranchers will be bankrupt this year. Survival is their---and our---immediate concern.

"There must be a national food policy---established at the highest level of government---which

BROWN Cont. on page 6

Rhodes Visits Borden Star

Abilene businessman A. L. (Dusty) Rhodes officially filed application with chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, Calvin Guest, for a place on the Democratic Party Primary Ballot. January 3, 1978, was the first day that applications may be made by political candidates to be placed on primary ballots.

Rhodes was the first of five hopefuls to announce his candidacy for the U. S. Congressional House seat being vacated by the retiring Omar Burleson. Since Rhodes' August 16th announcement, one Republican has also announced for Burleson's Spot.

Candidate Rhodes visited the Borden Star office last Monday.

Being introduced to the staff by Martin Parks, Rhodes said "---I want a conservative voice in Congress who will represent the agricultural, oil and gas interests of Borden County but not controlled by any ONE interest." "I will try to represent ALL the citizens of Borden County", he added.

While in Gail, Mr. Rhodes also visited with James McLeroy and Ben Jarrett, administrators in the Borden County school system, and Judge Burkett at the court house.

Martin Parks of Fluvanna is acting as Rhodes campaign manager in Borden County.

Borden County School News



ELEM. AND JR. HIGH BETA ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE 3rd Six Weeks were Kevin Telchik, Keith Williams, Gena McLeroy, Lyndy Doyle, Lorri Doyle, Tammy Miller, Doug Love, Stephanie Stephens, and Becky Massingill. Seated- Samantha Porter, Misty Merritt, Kelly Williams, Kim Wills, Roxie Wolf, and Tonya Hollis.



HIGH SCHOOL BETA ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE 3rd Six Weeks were Danny Holmes, Mayme McLaury, Talley Griffin and Lisa McLeroy. Front Row- Glynda Burekett, Carla Jones and Jana Edwards.



HONOR ROLL for the Elementary and Junior High School for the 3rd six weeks were Keith Martin, Scott Brooks, Glen Gray, Shana Bradshaw, and Tracy McLaury.

Wellman Slips By Borden

Wellman slipped by Borden County 60-54 last Tuesday night, Wellman's Louis Arrezolo scored 32 points to lead them to their 3rd victory. Borden County was led by Craig Peterson with 22 points, followed by Blane Dyess 11, Eurdist Rinehart 8, Ty Zant 6, Perry Smith 4, and Tim Smith 3.

Scoring by quarters

Well.	10	16	14	20	60
B.C.	3	14	15	22	54

High School Honors

Beta Achievement

The following named students achieved an academic evaluation of 90 or above in each subject.

Lesa McLeroy	11
Glynda Burkett	10
Carla Jones	10
Mayme Mc Laury	10
Jana Edwards	9
Talley Griffin	9
Danny Holmes	9

Honor Roll

The following named students achieved an academic average of 90, with no evaluation less than 85 in a subject.

Lesa Barnes	12
Kevva Tucker	12
Rhesa Wolf	11
Ben JMurphy	10
Troyce Wolf	10
Becky Miller	9
Bart McMeans	9
Heather McPhaul	9
Gayla Newton	9
Tammy Telchik	9

ATTENDANCE REPORT
Grades 9-12

9-12 Enrolled- 73
Average Daily Attendance- 66.17
% of Attendance- 91.86

Elementary-Junior High Honors

Beta Achievement

The following named students achieved an academic evaluation of 90 or above in each subject.

Gena McLeroy	8
Lyndy Doyle	7
Doug Love	7
Stephanie Stephens	7
Kevin Telchik	7
Keith Williams	7
Lorri Doyle	6
Misty Merritt	6
Tammy Miller	6
Kelly Williams	6
Kim Wills	6
Roxie Wolf	6
Tanya Hollis	5
Becky Massingill	5
Samantha Porter	5

Honor Roll

The following named students achieved an academic average of 90 with no grade below 85 in a subject.

Glen Gray	8
Scott Brooks	6
Tracy McLaury	6
Keith Martin	6
Shana Bradshaw	5



HIGH SCHOOL

HIGH HONOR ROLL for the 3rd six weeks are Bart McMeans, Lesa Barnes, Rhesa Wolf, Tammy Telchik. Seated-Heather McPhaul, Ben Murphy, Troyce Wolf and Gayla Newton. Not available for picture were Becky Miller and Kevva Tucker.

Menu

January 23-27, 1978

MONDAY
Burritos
Tossed Salad
Buttered Corn
Fruit Cobbler
Milk

TUESDAY
Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
English Peas
Applesauce
Hot Rolls and Butter
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Pizza Squares
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Fruit
Milk

THURSDAY
Chopped Turkey with Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Fruit Salad
Hot Rolls, and Butter
Milk

FRIDAY
Hamburgers
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles
Jello
Milk

School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees for the Borden County Independent School District met in a regular session on Monday, January 16 at 12:00 noon in a luncheon meeting. Rich Anderson presided. The following members were present: Doyle Newton, Kenneth Williams, E.L. Farmer, Martin Parks, T.L. Griffin, and Ralph Miller.

After routine business of minutes and bills, the Board appointed the Equalization Board for the Borden County Independent School District for 1978. Members appointed were Nathan Zant, Brent Murphy, and Pat Hensley.

A School Board Election was called for April 1, 1978 for the purpose of electing two Board members. The terms of Rich Anderson and E.L. Farmer expire on April 1, 1978.

The contract of Superintendent James McLeroy was renewed to include the school years (1978-1979) - (1979-1980) - (1980-1981) The Board expressed their appreciation to Mr. McLeroy for a job well-done.

The Board approved a year-to-date financial report. The attendance was reported as 231.

The progress of the new building program was presented to the Board by the Superintendent. Some work was approved that was not included in the general contract.

After a tour and inspection of the building in progress, The Board adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Jr. High Boys

Klondike defeated Borden County Monday night 27-24. At the half Borden Junior High found themselves behind 17-13, but fought back in the second half and made a run at Klondike. Leading the way for Borden Coounty Junior High was Jym Rinehart 11, Mike Peterson 8, Junior Benavidez 3, and Kevin Telchik 2.

Teachers Aide Program Offered

Snyder -- A new vocational-technical program designed to prepare students to work as teachers aides will begin at Western Texas College in the spring semester which opened January 18.

Courses in the two-year program are designed to train students to perform a wide range of supportive duties in public school classrooms. Persons who complete the program will receive the Associate in Applied Science degree.

Persons wishing information about the new program may contact Dr. Gene McClurg, Dean of Occupational Education and Technology at WTC, 573-8511, extension 220.

Loses Close Game

Dawson beat Borden County last Friday night 60-51. At the end of the first half, Borden County was in the lead 26-24, but the Coyotes were outscored 18-9 in the 3rd quarter and found themselves behind 42-37. Leading the way for the Coyotes were Tim Smith 13, Blane Dyess 10, Ty Zant 8, Craig Peterson 8, Perry Smith 7, and Eurdist Rinehart 4.

The loss left Borden County 2-3 in district and 9-8 on the season.

Scoring by quarters:

Daw.	13	11	18	19	61
B.C.	10	16	9	15	50

Girls Basketball

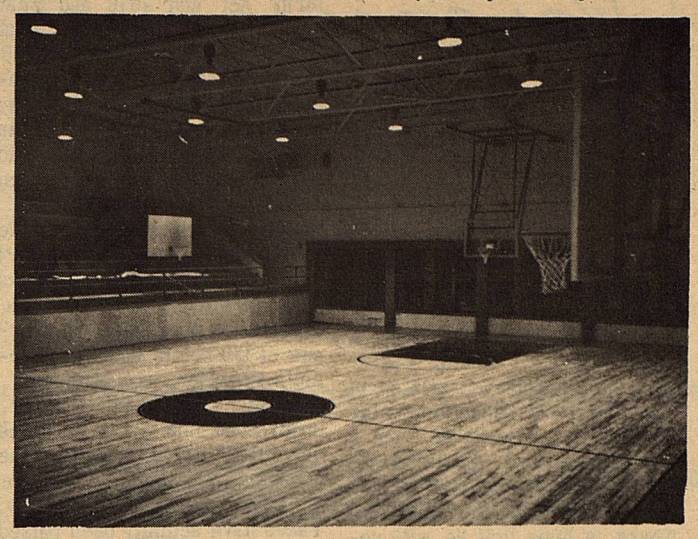
The High School girls defeated Wellman 71-29 Tuesday night. Scoring for Borden were Talley Griffin 19, Karen Williams 16, Pennye Thompson 12, Vickie Jones 10, Jana Edwards 10, and Lesa Hensley 4 points. Jana and Jeni Martin each had 6 rebounds and Gayla Newton came up with 4 recoveries.

On Friday night, the girls won over Dawson 59-37. Talley scored 34, Karen 11, Pennye 8, Lesa 4, and Vickie 2 points. Talley had 8 rebounds, Martha Anderson had 6, Jana and Kevva Tucker each had 5 rebounds.

The B Team girls won two games last week to up their record to 7 wins and 3 loses. On Tuesday, they defeated Wellman 35-14. Jana Love and Joie Brummett scored 13 each, Mayme McLaury, Rhesa Wolf, Judy Martin, and Debra Kountz had 2 each and Carla Jones scored 1 point. Carla and Jana each had 6 rebounds and Debra had 5.

On Friday, the girls defeated Dawson 50-45. Janna scored 23, Joie 14, Carla 6, Judy Martin 4, Suzanne Walker 2 and Debra 1 point. Carla had 12 rebounds and Janna and Debra each had 6.

The Junior High girls were defeated by Klondike Monday night, 31-16. Gena McLeroy scored 7, Sharon Brummett 5, Kay Copeland 2, and Lorri Doyle 2 points for Borden.



Textbook Hearing — January 28

Area textbook committees and other interested educators will have an opportunity Saturday January 28 to examine the new textbooks for next year estimated to cost over $31 million.

The annual hearing will be from 9 am to 1 p.m. at Smylie Wilson Junior High School, 4402 31st Street, Lubbock.

New materials will be adopted this year for 14 elementary, junior high and high school subject areas and will be used in public classrooms beginning next September.

Following the state policy of selecting textbooks, each school district will select its own teaching materials from the state-approved lists which range from two to five books in each subject.

The local adoption follows several months of review by the State Textbook Committee and its advisors, aas well as public hearings before the committee, the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education

New adoptions are in such subjects as elementary Spanish, Texas history and geography, literature of grades 7-8, English composition, drama I, biology, chemistry, German, Spanish, fundamentals of the free enterprise system, general business, office procedures, business math and driver education.

For additional information contact Dr. Woodie Coleman at the Center.

A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIGGINBOTTOM FUR CO. WILL BE IN GAIL AT JYM'S CAFE EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9:30 to 10:00 A.M. TO BUY FURS THROUGHOUT THE FUR SEASON STARTING DEC. 8.

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8	9 6:00 P.M. JR HI BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *UNION - HERE	10 5:00 P.M. H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *WELLMAN - HERE	11	12	13 5:00 P.M. H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *DAWSON - THERE	14
15	16 5:30 P.M. JR HI BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *KLONDIKE - THERE	17 6:30 P.M. H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *UNION - HERE	18	19 6:00 P.M. H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS PLAINS - THERE	20 GRADY JR. HIGH TOURNAMENT JANUARY 19-21	21
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29	30 5:30 P.M. JR HI BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *GRADY - THERE	31 5:00 P.M. H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS *KLONDIKE - HERE	1978 JANUARY			

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Jere's Jottings

BY THE SEAT OF MY PANTS

James Earl may not be entirely stupid after all-just a slow learner. Rumor has it that the President is now considering a tax reduction seeing as how tax reform has such a bad track record. Public reaction to his proposed tax reform has caused him to reconsider. There is hope that he will recommend a simple across the board tax reduction. No rebates-no gimmicks-just a common sense cut in the fed's share of our net income.

Way back in the days when Scotch tape was new (1946), President Truman got worried about the post war economic doldrums. The national economy was indeed sluggish. The stock market reflected the uneasiness of investors. Truman never was one to dilly dally around so upon the advise of some sane economists, he prevailed upon Congress to legislate a tax cut. Voilla-instant improvement in the economy.

Then in 1960, President Kennedy in an effort to stimulate the economy, proposed a tax reform. And it worked-for awhile. You see, the people were used to the direct approach and mistook reform to be as invigorating as reduction. As soon as it was obvious that reform was nothing more than shuffling taxes and in some instances raising them, the stock market fell out of bed. Kennedy was forced to abandom his reform plan and just before he was assassinated, he asked for a tax cut. The cut came about under Lyndon Johnson and we enjoyed a healthy economy not seen since the days of ole Harry. (Of course a war helped bolster the economy too.)

Now we are up to date. Every-one can remember the Tax Reform Act and 1976 and what havoc it has wrought. That little trick included around 140 tax increases. Jimmy the candidate had nothing good to say about the Act. But once in the White House, chamillion James decided further reform would most surely stimulate a flagging economy. But now the people have wised up-they aren't buying-a reform plan or stocks for that matter. The stock market has plummeted an average of 130 points since the People's President took office.

Should President Carter understand that a tax cut is the only thing that will shore up the economy, he is going to have to act quickly and drastically. Taxes have actually been raised thru inflation so any cut will have to be doubled in order to be felt in the market. Remember, inflation is caused by government spending with no product ensuing. And didn't candidate Jimmy say he would cut back on size of government and balance the budget? Hmm-the number of people on the fed's dole has increased by 52,401 from Inauguration Day, 1977 to November 1, 1977. The national debt increased $60 billion in a year's time. That information isn't very stimulating. But Representative Jack Kemp has sponsored a bill which will reduce individual income taxes by 33% over three years, reduce corporate tax rates by 3 percentage points, and increase corporate surtax exemptions. So far he has 135 cosponsors to his bill. Now that is pretty stimulating and should say something to James Earl.

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PRECINCT #4
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What's Hap-Nin

Ira News

Mrs. Sally Cole of Clovis, New Mexico has been a visitor in the Jess Murphy home and visited Friday with the Murphy's in the Light home at Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Erda Lewis of Big Spring, spent Friday night in the Paul Gordon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Laster of Snyder visited Saturday in the Paul Gordon home.

Ruth Weathers was a business visitor at Colorado City Wednesday.

Mrs. Olen Horn is recovering from a broncial infection.

Mrs. Laura Rollins visited Sunday afternoon in the "Buddy" Trevey home.

Mrs. Lois Bartel and her mother Mrs. Wissinger hosted the Murphy Home Demonstration Club in their home with 16 answering roll call. Mrs. J. D. Blankenship will be hostess for the February 2nd meeting to be held at the Knapp Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sorrells and children of Ira have been recent visitors in the J. E. Sorrells home.

Mrs. W. Ed Murphy visited Wednesday in the Glen Ed Murphy home at Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Horn visited Thursday in Colorado City.

Patty Barnes, Rosa Hodnett and Exa Grant of Ira visited Friday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sorrells.

Around Town

Overheard in Gail this week that Pauline Clark will leave Monday to go to Dallas. While there she will go through a clinic.

Jerry Stone's mother had surgery last week. She is doing as well as can be expected.

Jessie B. Jackson left Sunday to go to Houston. While there she will have a checkup and also find out if she has been getting the cobra venom treatment. She will be getting the cobra venom treatment now, whether she was getting it before or not.

Heard that John Johnson is still in the hospital in Crosbyton. Hope he is better soon.

The chicken pox seem to be going around school. Each day you hear of someone else who has them.

The County Commissioners attended a meeting in Austin this past week to discuss the water development program.

A late report revealed that Jap Jones is still recovering from surgery in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock - Room 690. Reports are that he is out of Intensive Care and should be back home in another week or so.

We also just heard that Joe Canon is in the Stephenville Hospital. He apparently fell from a horse Saturday and has serious head injuries and broken ribs. At this time his condition is reported as serious but not critical.

Van York's mother, Mrs. Lee F. York has been released from the hospital in Lubbock after an attack of asthma.

If you have any newsworthy (or not so newsworthy) items, please send them to The Borden Star; What's Hap'Nin Reporter; Box 137; Gail, Texas 79738, or call 856-4402.

We would like to have reporters from the different areas of Borden County and would title our column "What's Hap'nin Around Borden County". Your advise and help will be appreciated.

We feel that our readers enjoy this column and do not want it discontinued. However, if we do not know the news, it can not be passed on to you.

Legal Notice

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN
LEGAL NOTICE

In compliance with directive of the Commissioners' Court dated January 9, 1978, notice is given herewith that Borden County will offer for sale at public auction Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block No. 101, in the original townsite of Gail, Borden County, Texas on February 2, 1978, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Bids will not be considered for less than $100 per lot. If residence is not established with in two years, title to lots will revert to Borden County.

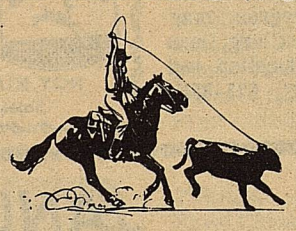
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s/ Jim M. Burkett
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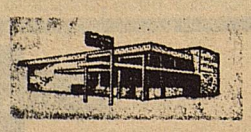


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Cotton Farmer Says:

Shoot for Top Yields Don't Cut Expenses

This is not the time to trim fertilizer, water, chemical and other crop production costs, says Don Sanders, of Seminole, Texas, an outstanding cotton farmer.

"I try to get the highest possible yield, because that is where the profit is. I aim for two-bale cotton every year even if it means injecting more money into the crop than some believe necessary," says the Gaines County farmer.

His ideas carry some weight. He generally reaches his yield goals on his 1,425 acres of cotton. And he is recognized nationally as a top-notch cotton grower.

Sanders was recognized "Cotton Farmer of the Year" Wednesday, January 11, by *Cotton Farming* magazine, a national cotton publication based in Memphis, Tennessee. The 11th annual award was presented during the Beltwide Cotton Production/ Mechanization Conference at the Sheraton Hotel in Dallas.

"I feel the difference between a very good crop and an average one is management—providing you have enough irrigation water," he says.

Sanders has plenty of water because he has one of the better irrigation systems in the area.

He has eight center pivot systems supplied by 16 wells from 150 to 200 feet deep. They pump from 300 to 1,000 gallons a minute to the soils which are Brownfield loamy fine sands. He uses 18 to 20 acre-inches of irrigation water a season.

Sanders does such a good job growing cotton on land once-covered by scrub oak and sage brush that his neighbors have nicknamed him "Two-Bale." They even use this handle to reach him on their CB radios.

Sanders uses broadcast herbicides to cope with early-season grasses and holds cultivation to a minimum. "Some years we cultivate only once or twice with rotary hoes, running them down in the bed and a little up on the side of the bed."

He occasionally has light infestations of bollworms—and thrips and fleahoppers do some damage. Nematodes are an ever-present problem. He uses a systemic insecticide.

"I put out some Temik this year in the planter boxes, using about three and one-half to four pounds per acre. This takes care of the thrips and also helps keep nematodes down," he says.

Sanders says he likes a thick stand of cotton. He plants about 27 pounds of delinted seed per acre. This is compatible with his heavy fertilization and irrigation program.

In the fall he applies 200 pounds of dry ammonia sulphate or 10 gallons of Uran per acre. Before planting he uses another 400 pounds of 9-27-0 per acre and follows up with 32 units of urea through his sprinkler irrigation system after plants are rooted. He adds a micronutrient mix, too.

"The extra fertilizer and other inputs I put into my crop might cost me $40 to $50 an acre more than my neighbors," says Sanders. "Yet if I can make an extra bale per acre, I gain more than $100 an acre, even at today's low cotton prices."

Luncheon For United Methodists

Abilene -- United Methodists from Lamesa, Ackerly, O'Donnell, Draw and Gail will attend a lunch and meeting in Lamesa at 12 noon Wednesday, January 25, to launch the 1978 McMurry College Annual Fund Drive, announced Jimmy Stallings, Big Spring district chairman of the McMurry Annual Fund.

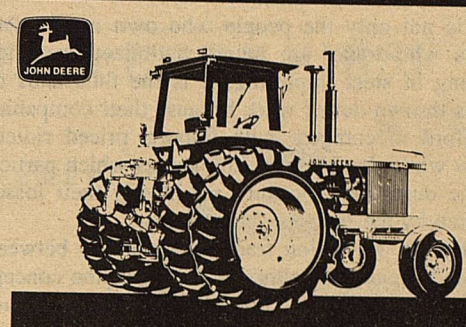
The meeting will be held at Northridge United Methodist Church. The pastors and members of the local McMurry Annual Fund teams from the United Methodist churches have been invited, said Stallings.

The McMurry Annual Fund was begun in 1973 to raise money for academic and general expenses of the college. This year's McMurry Fund effort is part of the more general Thrust for Excellence effort which aims at raising $10.7 million by 1982 to undergird the United Methodist college in teaching, endowment and otherwise.

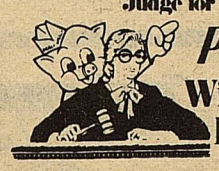
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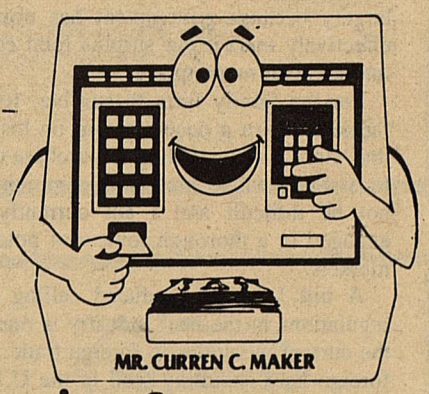
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DOUBLE STANDARDS

WASHINGTON—The Treasury Department handed down a tough, but necessary, decision last week when it ruled that five Japanese companies have been illegally selling steel in the United States at prices less than it costs to produce.

The investigation into this practice, commonly referred to as "dumping," was triggered by U.S. steelmakers who maintain that the low price the Japanese charge Americans for their steel is having a dramatic effect on the U.S. steel industry.

But it is not only the people who own major steel companies who today are being victimized by price undercutting in steel importing; it is the thousands of employees thrown out of work because their companies cannot afford to compete with imports priced ridiculously low while the Japanese companies which participate in the dumping procedure are having their losses underwritten by the Japanese government.

Currently, an $8 billion trade deficit exists between the U.S. and Japan, and although I support the concept of an open and competitive international market, something must be done when we are purchasing $8 billion more in products than we are selling a nation, particularly when the purchase of an imported product such as steel cuts into our domestic production to the extent that it has cost more than 100,000 Americans jobs in the past two years.

Ironically, the Treasury Department decision was returned the same day that a national poll showed that four out of five Americans support government intervention to restrict imports, even if it means paying more money for the American version of a product.

A poll such as this is conclusive evidence that the American people are tired of the double standard that exists in the import-export area.

The same situation exists with our agricultural products.

American farmers are in dire financial straits now, largely because government has not found a way to effectively market our surplus food commodities in the international marketplace.

For the family farm to survive, for the professional farmer to earn a decent return on his money, we must find more nations willing to purchase our farm products. In a world where hunger is commonplace, that should not be difficult and I am currently, with my staff, engaged in a thorough review of potential international markets.

A bill I have introduced calling for stiffer import regulations in the beef industry is one way to eliminate the current inequities in foreign trade. As it now stands, foreign beef is selling well in the U.S. because import inspection standards are less stringent than standards imposed upon U.S. beef producers. My bill would make inspection standards more uniform so that domestic beef producers are not victims of discrimination at the hands of their own government.

The question of trade with Japan, however, remains foremost in the minds of both lawmakers and American businesspeople.

Because my concern is exceptionally strong, I will be following this week developments emanating from a meeting taking place between U.S. and Japanese trade negotiators, both of whom have pledged to sign an agreement that will diminish our trade deficit.

Letter To Editor

Last night at the invitation of a neighbor, I attended a meeting in Big Spring held by the group of striking farmers called American Agriculture. I went to this meeting just to be accomodating; not thinking that an old political pro could learn anything new about our farm problems or solutions to help solve those problems.

First off, I was amazed at the size of the turn-out. There could have been 400-450 people there from 3 or 4 counties and these people were there for business. There were bankers, lawyers, business people and some politicians in attendance.

The message cleared up some misconception that I had about the movement and also showed me that it had more depth than expected. It's generating quite a lot of publicity and the politicians are beginning to take note. We can see what effect it will have when more than 1000,000 farmers descend on Washington this week.

I knew that as a whole, agriculture was in sad shape in this country. My own problems had so covered me up that I had lost sight of my neighbors problems and what the total of these problems were doing to the entire national economy.

There is no way in one letter that I can recount what went on at the meeting. However, I totally endorse what American Agriculture is doing and it could be a grass roots movement that could straighten out some of our pressing economic problems in this country...if it is not too late. I recommend to every farmer, rancher, and citizen in Borden County this movement. Please go to some of the meetings and give it your support.

Sincerely,
Rich Anderson

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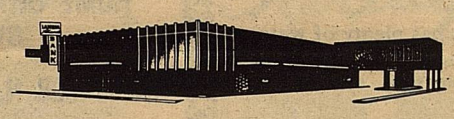


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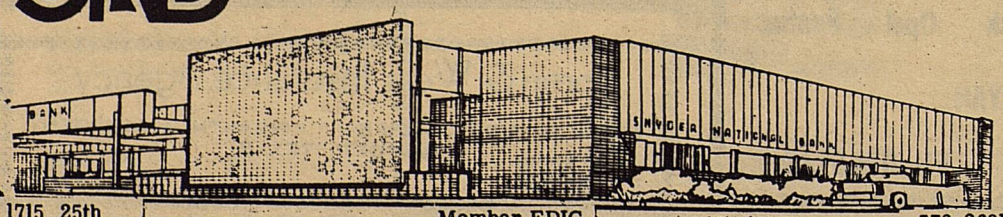


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Courthouse NEWS

Borden County Commissioners' Court met in regular session at the Courthouse on January 9, 1978 with all members present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and regular monthly accounts were approved for payment.

Mr. Billy Gunter, District Extension Agent and Mrs. Catherine Crawford, District Extension Agent met with the Court to discuss employing a County Home Agent for Borden County. Mrs. Crawford indicated she would try to find an acceptable qualified person for this job.

The following names were drawn to serve as the public members of the Grievance Board for 1978 as required by law: Dewey Faye Miller, Jack McPhaul, Jesus Marado, Roland Key, Patricia Murphy.

Bonds of Carolyn Stone as Justice of the Peace and Sue Smith as Deputy County and District Clerk were approved.

Salaries for all county employees and elected officials were increased by 5% over 1977 as provided in the budget.

Borden County School Funds were reinvested in Certificates of Deposit with First National Bank of Big Spring, the county's depository bank.

Court recessed at 3:45 P. M. until 10:00 A. M., January 10th.

After reconvening at 10: A.M., Tuesday, January 10, the Court met with District Highway Engineer Roger Welsh, Nelson Shane, Ed Vernon, and R. D. Taylor of the Texas Highway Department concerning the water level of Coleman Lake adjacent to Highway 180, West of Gail.

The water situation was discussed with Mr. Dudley Coleman. Negotiations are proceeding to enable Borden County to obtain an emergency water supply from Mr. Coleman's reservoir if raising of the dam is feasible and permission can be obtained from the Texas Water Rights Commission.

Court was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. P.M.

Reagan Brown

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will assure the consumers of this nation a continuation of an abundance of food at a reasonable cost. This policy must provide farmers and ranchers an opportunity to make a profit for his investment and labor. In other words, the farmer and rancher must have a fair wage for his work. He must be a full participant in our economic system. He must not be seated on the sideline."

Brown said the national food policy should give farmers and ranchers unimpeded access to domestic and foreign markets. "This means," he added, "protection from embargoes, boycotts, restrictive legislation, price ceilings and other restrictions to free trade.

Before responding to questions from the press, Brown outlined his priorities as Commissioner of Agriculture: (1) a fair and equitable return to efficient farmers and ranchers on their investments and labor; (2) promotion and expansion of domestic and international markets for Texas' agricultural products; (3) maintenance of an adequate supply and variety of wholesome food for domestic and export needs at fair prices; (4) use of agricultural practices that will contribute to a clean and attractive environment; (5) adequate supplies of water and energy at affordable prices.

Brown, a native of Henderson, is a graduate of Texas A & M University, with his basic degree in Agricultural Marketing and Finance. He holds advanced degrees from Texas A & M in related fields.

After returning from service in World War II, Brown served as County Agricultural Agent in Kaufman and Caldwell counties.

Governor Briscoe appointed Brown Commissioner of Agriculture last March when Commissioner John White accepted a position as Deputy Secretary of Agriculture in Washington, D. C. Brown is married and the father of a son and daughter, and has a grandson.

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John Tower NEWS

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No one, who is intellectually honest, and who loves his fellow citizens, would aspire to serve in so important a body as the United States Senate without approaching the undertaking in all humility. To represent one's people, to speak for them in matters great and small, is a high honor and an enormous responsibility that have to be felt to be understood---and I want all Texans to know that I am aware of that honor and that responsibility every waking moment of my life and I am grateful for the confidence you have reposed in me.

In that spirit, conscious of all that lies ahead, and confident of the good judgement of an informed people, I today offer myself for reelection to a fourth term as United States Senator for Texas.

I have a profound and abiding love for Texas and her people. I have been in all 254 counties of this "empire wide and glorious", this great land that strikes so deeply in us all a sense of gladness and infinite pride. I am going to carry this campaign into every corner of our great state in the coming months and return to as many of those counties as time and circumstances will permit. I will present the issues as I see them--confidentt that when the people make their decision it will be made on the basis of the issues and on the records and credibility of those in the race.

I will speak with candor.

I will appeal to our farmers--who are now being driven from their farms because of economic policies that make it practically impossible for them to exist as independent operators.

I will appeal to our small businessmen who are being driven to distraction by a horde of government regulators and regulations.

I will appeal to our educators and parents who have seen their classrooms given over to social experimentation rather than learning.

I will appeal to our working people who do not wish to be forced, against their will, to pay dues to eastern labor bosses before they can get or hold jobs in this state.

I will appeal to our senior citizens who have seen the purchasing power of their retirement income dwindle in the face of constant inflation.

I will appeal to our young who ask only for the opportunity of upward mobility in a stable society.

I will appeal to those ethnic minorities of our state who want to take their rightful place in our free enterprise system.

I will appeal to those who are concerned about our national security at a time when the Soviet Union is outstripping us in so many aspects of modern warfare.

And finally, to all those Texans, in every walk of life, of every race, color or creed, who long for the day when the heavy hand of government shall be lightened, and the oppressive army of regulators, bureaucrats, and tax-eaters once again enter the private work force of a free society.

As you are aware I have not been a shrinking violet in Washington when it comes to fighting for the interests of Texas and her people. There are many people there representing vested interests and an entrenched bureaucracy who would like to see my voice stilled and my vote silenced. They have their minions in Texas as well. It is frustrating to them to have a spokesman for the great and powerful state of Texas stand in the way of their efforts to regiment our society and plunder our resources.

It is frustrating for them to have a political leader from this state stand in the way of their plan to give away the Panama Canal.

It is frustrating to them to have in this state an effective opponent for their ultimate plans to repeal our right to work laws.

It is frustrating for them to have someone around who is not afraid to point out the folly of their inflationary economic policies.

For all these reasons and more they have targeted me for defeat in 1978.

They would like nothing more than to be able to trumpet to all the world that Texans have repudiated a champion of individual liberty and national strength.

But I say to you now that with your help that message will NOT go out.

The message that WILL go out when this campaign is done will say to the nation and to the world that Texans have reaffirmed their devotion to principles that have made this country great and have given its people hope for the future.

The road ahead is long and arduous. The forces arrayed against us are powerful and cunning; Victory will require untiring effort on the part of all of us. I promise you my own unflagging dedication and effort. But we will need your support, your labors, your strength of conviction and that of thousands more like you all across Texas, to see this through. Together we will prevail.

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We have all set back for the past five to ten years grumbling and griping about the situation in Washington, but doing nothing, saying to ourselves, it will be better next year, but it has continually grown worse. My family and I have decided it is high time that something is done about the situation in Washington.

I would like to personally invite everyone in Borden County and everyone in Precinct #1 of Dawson County to a coffee at 3:00 p.m., Feb. 6 at the Borden County School Lunch Room to hear Dusty Rhodes make his bid, to be elected as our representative from the 17th Congressional District to Congress.

We would like to invite you and your families to join us in trying to do something about the situation in Washington, and to please come and listen to Dusty Rhodes.

Dusty will answer any questions you may have at the end of his talk.

Sincerely,
/s/ Martin Parks and family

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