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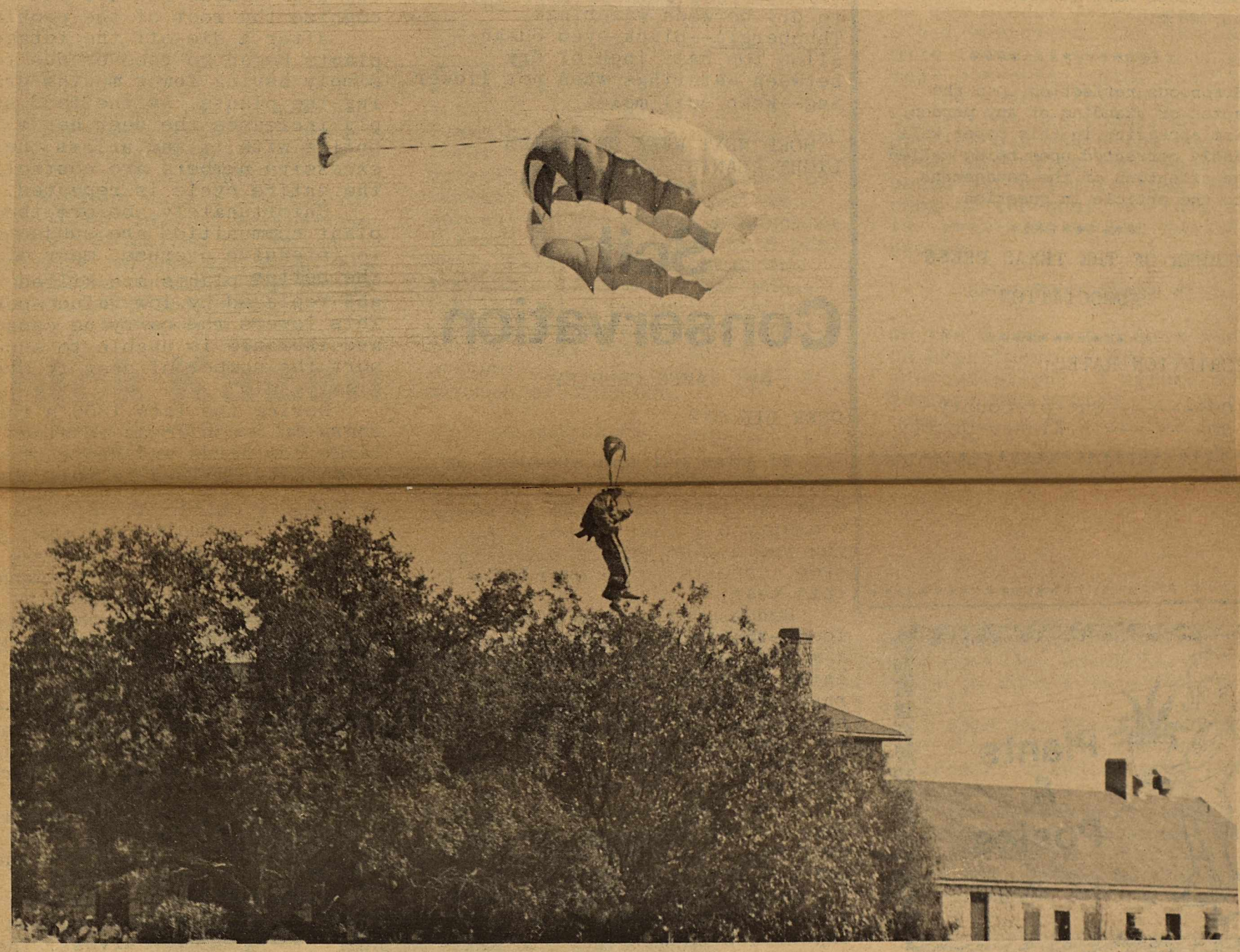
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CRANE SKY DIVERS INVADE FORT CLARK ON FORT CLARK DAYS.....

Headliners

BATTLE OF GUADALCANAL RECALLED

Thirty-nine years ago today, August 7, 1942, Allied forces stormed ashore on the beach of Guadalcanal and other small islands in the Solomon Island group. This amphibious landing initiated the first land offensive against the Japanese in World War II. A series of now historic, land, sea and air battles were fought over the six-month period before the allies could claim victory. The allies sustained heavy losses in ships and planes, but less than 12,000 of the 60,000 men committed, succumbed to the

enemy. The Battle of Guadalcanal was the turning point of World War II in the Pacific. Subjected to inadequacies in food, planes, and supplies, men sick with malaria and dysentery, lack of food, fighting in rain, mud and jungle conditions revealed that allied soldiers could give of themselves equally with the Japanese. Many of the veterans of this campaign carried forth the traditions established at Guadalcanal and fought on island beaches all the way to Japan. Yet these men have not forgotten. Today many of these veterans have joined to other in an Association. Bound by circumstances of yesterday, these veterans enjoy a com-

mon bond. They were a part of America's most glorious history. The Guadalcanal Veterans National Headquarters are located in Minneapolis, MN. Information may be had by writing to GCV, P.O. Box 1141, Minneapolis, MN. 55440. *****

DATES SET FOR 1980 TCFA CONVENTION

AMARILLO, TX.--The 1980 convention of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association is slated for Oct. 19-21. Convention headquarters is the Hilton Inn of Amarillo. "Cattle feeders from more than a dozen states will be on hand for this year's convention," said TCFA Membership Director Jim Peterson. "Amarillo is the

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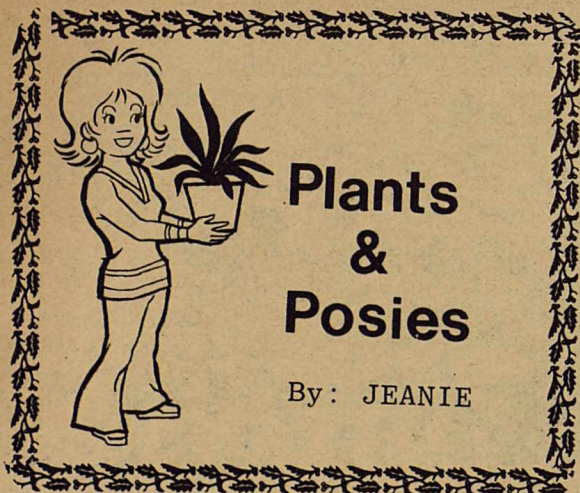
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PLANT CAREcontinued from
last week.....

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plants dry out a bit before you
water again.

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between waterings, and avoid
wetting the leaves.
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of soil to dry between waterings.
Hibiscus--- allow top inch of soil
to dry between waterings.

Hoya--allow top half inch of soil
to dry between waterings.
Hypoestes----Pink Polka dot,
frickle face--allow the top half
inch of soil to dry between water-
ings.

Jacaranda---allow top half inch
of soil to dry between waterings.
Kalanchoes---allow the top half
of the soil to dry between water-
ings.

Mostera-- water sparingly--allow
top third of soil to dry between
waterings.

Pachystachys---Gold Hops, Golden
Shrimp---Let the top inch of
soil dry between waterings.

Peperomias--allow the soil to
dry almost completely before you
water--overwatering is easy here
and fatal!

Philodendrons--allow top half
inch of soil to dry between
waterings.

Scilla--Leopard plant, wood
hyacinth, allow top half inch of
soil to dry between waterings.

Scindapus-- Devils Ivy, Pothos
Ivy--allow top half inch of soil
to dry between waterings.

Thunbergia--Black-eyed Susan--
Allow top half inch of dry
between waterings when not flower-
ing--keep soil moist

MORE NEXT WEEK ON MEDIUM
LIGHT PLANTS.....

Soil Conservation

By: JAMES CRUMLEY

DEER DIE OFF

If your out and stomping a-
round the country side here in
Kinney County there will be little
doubt in your mind that we've ha
a pretty big deer die-off. As
you would also expect our fawn
crop, appears to be extremely low
this year.

Recently I caught a deer on
foot--that's how weak it was and
i'm not very fast--a few seconds
later it died. You can talk to
ranchers around the county and
hear similiar stories. You'll
see deer that died hanging over
fences--their hind feet aren't
tangled up in the fence--(that
will trap and kill even a healthy
deer), they are simply fraped out
over the fence, to weak to strug-
gle and flop on over it.

To get a good idea of exact-
ly how big of a die-off we've
experience we will have to wait
until this Fall when the Parks
and Wildlife flies their annual
deer counts.

It's tempting to simply blame
the drought for all of this and
let it go at that, however, let's
back off andtake a brief look
at the Texas whitetail deer sit-
uation and see how we can relate
it to what's happening in Kinney
County.

Texas has the largest deep
population in the United States
Texas has some of the finest qual-
ity deer with a number of heads
in the record class. Texas also
has some of the poorest quality
deer--as a matter of fact, we
have a lot of poor quality deer
and the quality is getting worse
in many parts of the state. The
major reason for this poor quality
is excessive numbers of deer graz-
ing and browsing on poor condition
range in direct competition with
domestic livestock.

Overpopulation of deer re-
sults in a low level of nutrition
which is reflected in poor growth

low weights, and poor antler de-
velopment. As numbers of deer
increase above carrying capacity,
the quantity and quality of for-
age available to deer declines.
Ultimately, a point is reached
where the forage is completely
consumed and massive starvation
of the herd occurs. An intensive
dry period at a critical time
of the year may culminate in such
a die-off.

All too often the blame for
these die-offs is attributed only
to dry weather conditions and no
mention is made of actual the
problem which is excessive num-
bers. Deer in poor condition
due to nutritional stress are
also more susceptible to disease
and parasites. Again, many people
blamed diseases and parasites
for deer losses and did not re-
cognize the root of the problem.

After a die-off the forage
plants began to recover due to
simply having fewer mouths graz-
ing the plants. As the food sup-
ply increases the deer herds
builds with it and unless the
excessive numbers are controlled,
the entire cycle is repeated.

Unfortunately, before the
plant communities are subjected
to intensive overuse, many of
the better plants are killed
and replaced by low value species
This lowers the carrying capacity
and therange is unable to sup-
port the number of deer it ori-
ginally did.

During the late 1800's ran-
chers in South Texas retained
large cow herds and drove steers
to market. Failure to sell cows
as well as steers ultimately led
to massive cattle die-off for
exactly the same reason that deer
die-off occur today. Ranchers
have learned that cattle numbers
must be kept in balance with
forage production and that the
only way this can be done is to
sell cows and heifers as well
as steers.

Early game management pro-
grams were directed to increas-
ing deer numbers. This objective
was quickly realized. Some herds
in the Edwards Plateau region
had exceeded their carrying ca-
pacity in the 1940's. At this
time, biologists recognized the
problems of declining size of
deer, poor antler development,
distorted buck-doe ratios, and
the need for a doe harvest. The
first doe season was proposed
in the early 1950's. This pro-
posal met with resistance by
landowners and hunters who had
protected does since 1903. We
have still not overcome this
bias. Less than one-third of the
antlerless deer permits provided
by the Texas Parks and Wildlife
Department are used each year.

A systemic harvest of does
as well as bucks in necessary to
keep deer numbers in balance
with carrying capacity. Deer num-
bers simply cannot be controlled
by shooting buck only. Increas-
ing the buck harvest only re-
duced the average age and number
of available bucks. Doe numbers
will continue to increase until
carrying capacity is exceeded
and a die-off ultimately occurs.
Balancing forage consumers with
forage production is a basic re-
quirement whether we are dealing
with domestic livestock or wild-
life popluations.

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DEER DIE OFF!!

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To summarize, deer numbers should be kept below the carrying capacity. When an extended drouth appears to be at hand deer numbers should be reduced even further. This will prevent a larger scale die-off like we just experienced.

all this is a little like telling somebody to shut the barn door after the horse got out, but I've been told by a reliable source that it will start raining again, someday. This will be followed by an increase of deer numbers and it won't be long until we are faced with the same ol' problem again.

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TCFA.....

heart of Texas cattle feeding and the headquarters of TCFA so it's only natural to return here for our convention."

Peterson said a program of the three days of activities will be finalized by Sept. 1. For more information about the convention, contact Jim Peterson at 1/806-358-3681.

Chick Kazen

Disaster assistance programs of the federal government continue to get my special atten-

tion as constituents complain of losses due to heat and drouth I have talked with the government departments administering these programs, and want to share the information I have received.

Before we began our August recess, the House passed legislation to extend the heat relief program, of the Community Services Administration. By application to local CSA offices needy people may obtain up to \$100 to help with their utility bills or up to \$100 to buy fans and window air conditioners.

Our action does not require a additional federal money, but rather authorizes use of previous appropriations not yet used to help heat victims.

The Farmers Home Administration, through its county office is making loans in regions designated as disaster areas, which officials tell ne unfortunately means almost all of Texas and adjoining states. The first of four types of loans is on actual losses if a farmer or rancher has lost at least 20 percent of his normal production. Interest on these loans is 5 percent. Physical loss loans are available if damages are substantial; at 5 percent interest, a borrower may get funds equal to his total loss minus 10 percent of that figure, with a maximum of \$500,000.

CAN REFINANCE DEBTS

Major adjustment loans, which

may refinance earlier borrowing on land or cattle, may be made to resume ranch and farm operations. Land loans, with the real property as security, can be made for up to 30 years at 12 1/2 percent interest, while loans on cattle are normally made for seven years at 13 1/2 percent.

A fourth category of loans can cover annual production losses, such as seed, fertilizer or fuel, and may be written for one year at 13 1/2 percent interest.

The Small Business Administration can make direct loans for housing of up to \$55,000 at 3 percent, while business loans up to \$250,000 are available at 5 percent persons unable to get credit elsewhere. For other borrowers, the SBA can make loans at the current government borrowing rate, now 11 %.

The county Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service can share the cost of feed, providing two cents a pound but not more than 50 percent of the cost, so this help is available to our cattle people.

BACK FOOD STAMP FUNDS

As the House acted last week on Department of Agriculture appropriations, I agreed with Members who wanted to limit spending in the closing months of each fiscal year, because we have found many agencies

their claims to needs in the next year's budget. However, I pointed out that the Food Stamp Program had growing needs for money with unemployment increasing, and we should not cripple that assistance plan. I believe we need careful administration with periodic cleansing of the rolls to remove those who do not qualify.

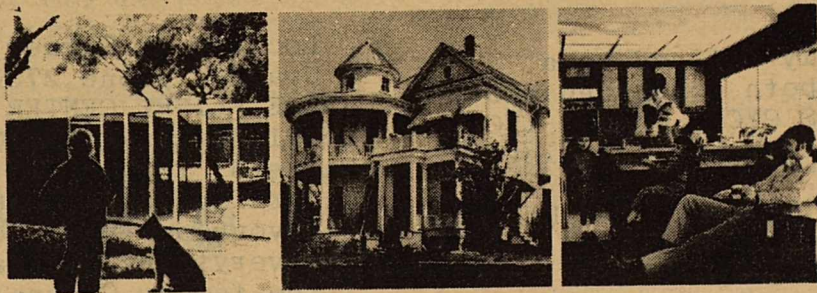
I told the House, however, that a ban on any government department spending more than 20 percent of its budget in the last two months might deny needed responses to international or domestic emergencies. I was assured that provision would be made for such contingencies.

HONOR OLYMPIC ATHLETES

I took time from the floor debate to join many fellow Members at a ceremony on the Capitol steps for presentation of medals, voted by the House, to our Olympic athletes. I agreed with President Carter, who told them in his remarks, that we all recognize the disappointment they felt at not competing in Moscow, but we salute their acceptance of the decision to keep them at home. They and we thus denied to the Soviet Union the luster and propaganda which it argued constituted approval of its Afghanistan invasion.

The athletes felt the Congressional recognition was one of the highlights of a week in Washington that honored their athletic skills and their patriotism. I was as proud of these fine young men and women as if they had won medals in Olympic competition.

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Miss Elvia F. Fuentes, Manager of the Eagle Pass Social Security Branch Office, announced today that persons in this county who need to file a claim for Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits may call the Eagle Pass Office collect or either telephone number 773-2392 or 773-9561. "You do not have to wait for the Social Security Representative to visit your City, drive out to meet him or her, take a number and wait your turn," Miss Fuentes said.

Miss Fuentes said, "when you call the office, if a representative is not available to take your claim at that moment, let us know the best time for us to call you back. We shall schedule the return call at your convenience, if at all possible," Miss Fuentes also stated.

Please continue to refer general inquires regarding both Social Security and Supplemental Security Income matters to toll-free number 1-800-392-1603.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Richard Crum of San Antonio, administrator of the South Texas region of the Texas Department of Human Resources, has been selected for a significant new position in the state agency's Austin headquarters.

His appointment was announced today by Human Resources Commissioner Jerome Chapman, who picked Crum to head a high-priority effort to improve the training and professional development of the Human Resource Department's 12,000 member staff throughout the state.

"This job will be vital to the success of our restructuring of the agency around the needs of the people it serves. Mr. Crum was chosen because of his

knowledge of the department and its programs and because of his outstanding performance as regional administrator," Chapman said. The Department of Human Resources provides financial social and medical services to families and children and to the aged and disabled.

Homero Rodriguez of Austin will succeed Crum as regional administrator in San Antonio Chapman said. Rodriguez, 44, now is associate commissioner for support services for the department. A native of San Antonio, Rodriguez began his career in 1961 as a field worker with the agency. He has held numerous positions with progressively increasing responsibilities, including assignment as administrator of the Austin-Waco region and as deputy commissioner for operations in the state headquarters.

Rodriguez will report to San Antonio for his new assignment in September and Crum will assume his new duties in Austin about a month later, providing a transition period for the change in regional administration.

"Finding the right person to replace Mr. Crum was not easy," Chapman said, "because he did an excellent job as regional administrator for South Texas. Mr. Crum emphasized the concepts of open administration and participatory management, improving the delivery of services within his region. He encouraged community involvement in our programs through such means as the active participation of a 15-member Community Advisory Council, organized in 1979 and now chaired by Tommy Seargeant of Brackettville."

The 21-county region extends from Gillespie County on the north to Dimmit and LaSalle on the south, and from Val Verde County to Guadalupe, Wilson and Karnes Counties on the east.

MOHAIR MEETING SLATED

The summer meeting of the Mohair Council of America is scheduled for August 21, at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville, Texas. All activities will be in the Medallion Room at the Inn of The Hills.

Topics to be included on the agenda are the outlook for mohair for the coming fall in New York, planned activities to be conducted with the assistance of the USDA-Foreign Agricultural Service, and reports from other industry organizations will be given. Dr. John Hutchinson consultant with the Texas Department of Agriculture, will discuss the importance of marketing programs in agriculture.

attending the meeting from New York will be Mr. Ivan Moradoff, president of Franetta Fabrics. Mr. Moradoff will speak on the use of mohair in womenswear in the U.S.

Miss Della Riewe, a Comanche County 4-H member, will present her demonstration on "kemp" a topic many Angora producers have been discussing the past year. Miss Riewe was a contestant at State 4-H Roundup with this demonstration.

An update of the Council's activities will be given, and plans will be made for the balance of the fiscal year. An audit review of the past year's financial transactions will be given.

A dance has been planned for the night of August 20, with the Leisurmen scheduled to play from 8:00--12:00 midnight in the Medallion Room at the Inn of the Hills.

Anyone interested in the Angora goat industry is certainly welcome to attend this meeting. If you need assistance with reservations, please contact the Mohair Council of America office in San Angelo (915-655-3161) or the Inn of the Hills (512-896-2300.)

Health Views



HOW TO "RECYCLE" ENERGY WITHOUT GETTING HURT

More bicycles were sold this past year than anytime in the past 20 years. Not just to children, but to grown-ups as well.

Bicycling is the kind of exercise that will burn off the calories. It will build up the muscles in your legs and trim the fat from your midsection. It will improve your circulation and strengthen your heart. It will stimulate your breathing, promote greater lung activity. It will increase your stamina. As a physical conditioner, it is one of the best.

But there are some hazards to bicycling—and they should be dealt with in a preventive manner.

Government statistics point out that there are about a half million bicycle accidents a year. About 1 out of every 5 of these accidents is due to some form of mechanical failure. And a high percentage of the mechanical failure is not because the product is inferior, but rather because the bicycle was not maintained properly.

What can go wrong? Many things. Tires can get worn and are subject to blowout. Nuts and washers can snap or fall off because of lack of lubricant. Brakes can become defective because of lack of maintenance. Portions of the frame can crack because of mishandling. A bicycle has to be checked and taken care of like any important piece of machinery. It's especially important because your safety depends on it.

While the speed of a bicycle does not present the same hazard as does that of an automobile, for example, sailing over the handle-bars at even 20 miles per hour is no minor mishap. The bicyclist must remember he or she is not protected by an enclosure, as in a car. Yet, we often ride the same streets and compete for the same lanes.

And this brings us to the next hazard—cars. As the numbers of bicycles on the streets and roads increase, so does the competition between the two types of vehicles. With it grows a hostility between motorists and bicyclists.

A simple solution would



be to separate the roadways, and make special bicycle ways. But that is expensive for hard-pressed communities and may be long in coming.

The next best thing is education and respect for both operators of cars and bicycles. If you are a bicyclist, these are your rules:

- (1) Make sure your equipment is in good shape. It should be licensed and inspected for proper lights and reflectors.
- (2) Ride with the traffic, not against it.
- (3) Keep to the right side of the road.
- (4) Wear clothing that is highly visible. Also, wear a protective helmet if possible.
- (5) When riding in groups, stay in single file, and keep reasonably separated.
- (6) Watch out for pedestrians and animals, especially at intersections and crosswalks.
- (7) Do not carry passengers on a bike, be it on the handle-bars, basket or anywhere else.
- (8) Use hand signals to alert motorists to turns and changes of lanes.
- (9) Do not weave in and out of traffic.
- (10) Drive defensively.

The above list of rules has been developed by the American Chiropractic Association as a result of reports from Doctors of Chiropractic throughout the U.S. who are concerned about the increase in orthopedic injuries and structural health problems from bicycling mishaps.

The last warning relates to preparation. By all means, do not try to embark on a vigorous bicycling venture without making certain you are physically ready. This involves getting a health examination, including that of your back and spine, and conditioning your body to meet the physical strain.



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INSECT ACTIVITY LOW IN SOUTHWEST TEXAS

UVALDE--Southwest Texas agricultural producers are faced with a variety of problems, but at the current time insects are not one of them. Dr. J.W. Stewart, entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Uvalde reports that bollworm egg counts in Uvalde and Zavala County cotton fields are almost nil.

"Bollworm eggs are extremely hard to find right now," he says, "but we could have a peak egg lay occurring in the near future in irrigated fields."

However, boll weevils continue to plague cotton growers throughout the area with virtually 100 percent square puncture in fields that have not been treated.

Stewart says the Gulf Coast tick is almost non-existent in the region this year. This tick does very well during wet summers but since 1977 their numbers have been extremely low, apparently associated with the drought.

Horn fly numbers are very low now throughout the area, but Stewart predicts they may increase again in August and September. He notes that the drop in infestations of this pest during the latter part of June, July and August are normal.

Insecticide impregnated ear tags containing Rabon are working well in controlling horn fly populations. "Two tests in Medina County show that one tag for every two animals does a very good job in keeping horn fly numbers low," he says. "In another pasture associated with this test one tag for every three animals was not suppressing horn flies satisfactorily."

In another Medina County ear tag test new Permethrin tags have been checked on a 76-animal herd for about three weeks. Data associated with this test will be released after completion of the test, Stewart says.

The Texas A&M University entomologist points out that horse flies play a key role in transmitting anthrax among animals. Recent outbreaks of this dread

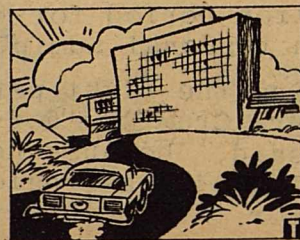
disease occurred recently in Uvalde County.

"Horse flies and deer flies have been shown to transmit anthrax from an infected animal after biting it, flying to a healthy animal, then biting it," Stewart explains.

TIPS FOR HOMEOWNERS



Do your throw rugs curl at the edges? Try this: paint the back of the rug with two coats of clear shellac, one at a time. This stiffens the fabric, lets the rug lie straight. But be sure the rug's dry before placing it on the floor.



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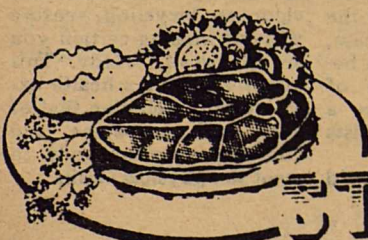
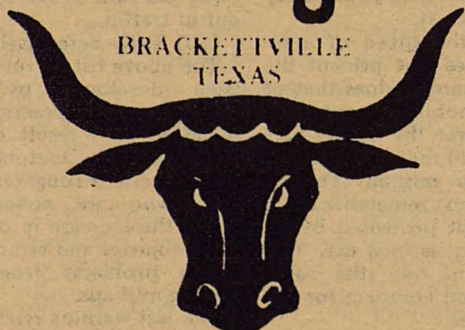
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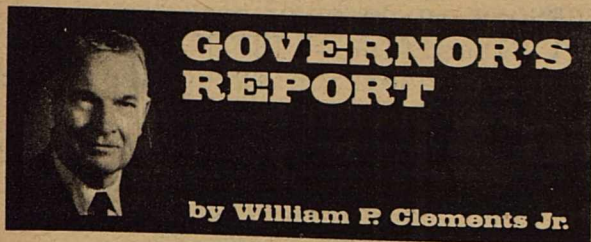
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And if you "Walk in His footsteps" and have the faith to believe,
There's nothing you ask for that you will not receive!

Thank You for teaching us this is so, and and have a HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY.....

Love,
George & Judy



Much has been written about the initiative and referendum proposal I will submit to the Legislature in 1981. Unfortunately, a great deal of misunderstanding remains—some of it, I fear, due to deliberate efforts of opponents to confuse the issue.

Here is a kind of primer on the subject, which, I hope, may serve to clear some of the cobwebs:

Initiative is the power of people to enact laws independently of a legislative body. Referendum is the power of the people to repeal an unwanted law.

Twenty-three states already have some form of initiative and/or referendum. No state that ever has adopted initiative and referendum has repealed those powers.

Polls have indicated that some 70 per cent of Texans favor initiative and referendum. Eighty seven per cent of Texas Republicans who participated in a May 3 party primary referendum indicated they want authority to initiate and repeal legislation via petition and the ballot.

A constitutional amendment would be required to give Texans that power.

Regardless of some concern, there has been no pell-mell rush to pass new laws or repeal old ones in the I & R states. Use has been restrained.

I feel it is important, however, that voters be given the powers of initiative and referendum for use in those situations where the legislative process refuses to respond to the clear will of the majority. Particularly in the area of taxation and spending, citizens should have emergency clout to deal with an unyielding bureaucracy.

I propose a procedure by which at least 10 per cent of those voting in the last gubernatorial election have to sign a petition to get a recommended law on the ballot. The petition requirement for a constitutional amendment election should be a minimum of 15 per cent.

To prevent concentration of petition powers in the major cities, signatures should have to come from 75 per cent of the 254 counties. And the Legislature, then, should have authority to approve the petition as submitted or to offer voters an alternative version. Where an alternative is submitted, voters should have a choice at the statewide election between the original and the legislative option.

The U. S. Supreme Court has held that I & R constitutes no violation of the Republican representative form of government.

Legislatures still account for 99.5 per cent of all laws passed in the 23 states which have I & R.

Opponents claim bad legislation, too many issues for the ballot, emotional issues and ill-conceived laws are spawned by I & R.

The truth of the matter is that in the 23 states using I & R, only 20 per cent of the issues submitted for initiative action get enough approving signatures to get on the ballot, and two-thirds of those which make it to election are defeated. Obviously, no legislation which violates the state or federal constitution or federal law can be adopted by either initiative or legislative routes.

No radical initiative legislation has been approved in the I & R states, regardless of opposition charges. Many of the arguments used by opponents have been raised throughout history against other expanded efforts of people to control governments.

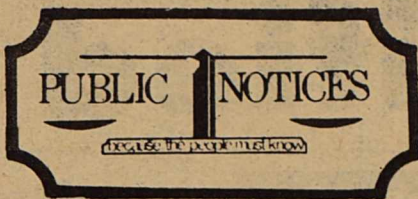
During framing of the U.S. constitution, James Madison argued tyranny would result if citizens were in control of government. Thomas Jefferson countered that the real tyranny lay in centralized government. A compromise was reached, but the election of U.S. senators by direct vote was not permitted for many years. Not until 1920 did women get voting rights.

The Texas Constitution states: "All political power is inherent in the people, and all free governments are founded on their authority and instituted for their benefit." Initiative and referendum will help keep that principle alive.

Citation Wins Citation



This year's "Motor Trend Car of the Year," is the American-made Chevrolet Citation. Presenting the award during ceremonies in Los Angeles recently is MOTOR TREND Magazine Publisher Robert E. Brown, left, while Robert D. Lund, General Motors' vice president and general manager of the Chevrolet division, holds the trophy. Curt Gowdy, far left, pensively watches ascending balloons, while Robert E. Petersen, Chairman of the Board of MOTOR TREND's publisher, Petersen Publishing Co., watches proceedings. Before selecting the Car of the Year, the magazine's editors conduct an exhaustive examination of domestic motor cars, testing them against a special set of criteria.



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Kinney County LIBRARY

DEAR K.C.,

The 16mm films for the month of August have arrived at the Library. Arrangements may be made for a showing of any of these films to an individual or to a group of individuals either in the library or at another location by contacting the public library (563-2884).

One of the July films, Tejanos, Which was shown at the Little Library Theatre during Fort Clark Days was so well received that Gesa O'Donnell arranged to show it again, this time, at the Adult Center in Fort Clark for those who missed it or wanted to see it again.

Below are the titles with annotations of the August films just arrived: A Bell For Ursli; Fly Away, Follow the North Star; Funny Thing Happened On the Way To the Garbage Dump; Holography; The Louvre; Blaze Glory; Simple Hand Puppets; The Exploding Courtroom; The Tramp; Beauty and the Beast; Ghost Towns of the Westward March; Horses and How They Live; Pedro; Sentinels of Silence.

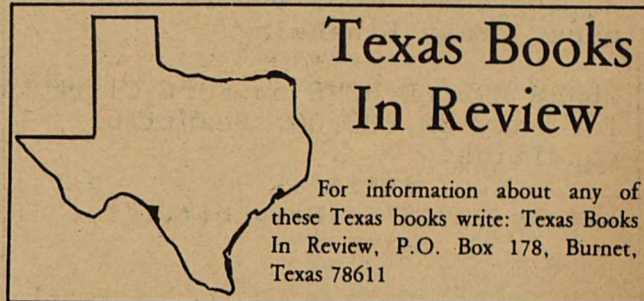
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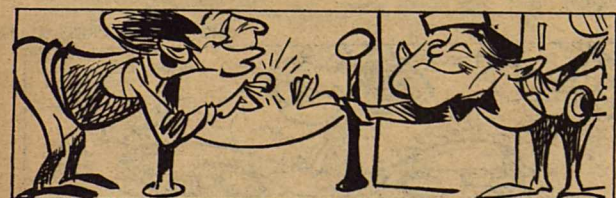
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