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Soil Conservation District News

Mike McGlothlin, a district
coordinator of the Frelsburg
area has completed clearing
10 acres of brush, and he
plans to establish coastal
hermuda grass on the cleared
area.

A new conservation plan
has been completed for Fritz
Leopold of Nada. Mr. Leopold
is planning to install a new
underground irrigation pipe-
line for more efficient water
management when irrigating

his rice and/or corn.
The regular monthly meet-
ing of the Colorado Soil and
Water Conservation District
Directors was held on Nov.
19th. Those attending the
meeting were Herbert Eng-
strom of Garwood, Henry
Sunderman of Eagle Lake,
Melvin Albright of Weimar,
and Theo. Shultz of Fayette-
ville.

Assistance was provided to
Henry Sunderman of Eagle
Lake on installation of an
underground irrigation pipe-
line. His conservation opera-
tion was also discussed with
him.

A new conservation plan
has been completed for Leon



Homemakers' Reflections

By Donella Pantel
County Extension Agent

Big Game Sausage Smoking, Storing Tips

Last In Series On Wild Game Menus

[By Donella R. Pantel
County Extension Agent]
Smoke and store big game
sausage properly.

There are many ways to
smoke meat.

One way of smoking is to
build a small fire out of
hardwood (pecan, hickory or
oak) at the end of a backyard,
choke-type cooker.

But if you live in an area
where you cannot obtain
hardwood chips on the coals.
Place the sausage or cured
meat cuts on the rack on the
opposite end from the coals.

Use enough water on the
chips so they do not burn,
and smoke the sausage with
the cooker closed. Keep the
temperature of the cooker
between 130 and 150 degrees
F.

Or, make a smokehouse
from any closed device such
as an old refrigerator or oil
drum.

An air inlet is needed at
the bottom and a damper at
the top. Some method for
keeping the interior hot is
also needed.

The whole smoking and

Hatterman who owns a place
in the Oage Community.

The conservation plan for
Frank Schoellman, Leopold
Bros. operators, has been
updated to show changes in
their farming operation and
land use changes.

drying procedure can be
accomplished in one of these
devices, but requires close
watching.

Try a small quantity at
first to develop your own
special method. This is not an
exact science.

Storing
Store fresh sausage in
refrigeration for one week or
in the freezer at zero degrees
F. for not more than three
months.

Salt added to the meat
reduces freezer storage time
by about 50 percent.

Before freezing, wrap sausage
in freezer paper, plastic
freezer bags or foil.

Wrap bulk sausage and
place directly into the
freezer.

For cured and smoked
sausage, hold in refrigeration
for two to three weeks or
store in the freezer.

Protect and store cured
and smoked sausage using
the same method as for fresh
sausage.

Keep cured and smoked
sausage in the freezer no
more than three months.



Whippoorwill has been
heard to give their call
1,000 times an hour.

Feeding Rumen "Bugs" Key To Cattle Performance

[By Larry J. Hajduk
County Extension Agent]
When feeding cattle, pro-
ducers need to know that they
are actually feeding little
"bugs" in the animal's rumen
or stomach. These micro-
scopic organisms turn forage
into something cattle can use.

Rumen bugs need 6 to 7
percent protein to function
properly. If hay has this
much protein or more, no
supplemental feed is neces-
sary for adequate microbial
activity and good digestion.

However, with low quality
hay or forage of 3 to 4
percent crude protein, a
protein supplement will in-
crease digestion, total feed
intake, and daily gain.

Classes of cattle such as
growing heifers, fattening
cattle, or cows nursing calves
require protein levels of 10 to
12 percent for good pro-
duction - levels above those
needed by rumen bugs.

One way to determine if
cattle are getting an ade-
quate protein diet is to ex-
amine their droppings. If
droppings are dry and tall,
it's a good sign of consti-
pation and lack of protein in
the diet.

Small amounts of supple-
mental phosphorus and pro-
tein stimulate these bugs and
the digestion process so that
mature cattle can use low
quality forages that are
available this time of the
year. A pound of 30 to 40
percent protein supplement
and a few ounces of a good
salt-phosphorus mineral can
change poor animals' per-
formance into acceptable
maintenance performance on
low quality forage.

Young cattle do not have

the digestive capacity to use
low quality forage effectively.
They need higher levels of
protein and energy supple-
ment, higher quality forage
or both for acceptable growth
rates.

Open House At Winedale Hist. Center Sat.

The University of Texas at
Austin Winedale Historical
Center near Round Top will
hold its annual Christmas
Open House this Saturday,
December 20th from 2 to 5
p.m. in the Lewis House.

Cedar decking on the fence,
wreaths, garlands, fruits,
vegetables and a giant
Christmas tree decorated
with old fashioned orna-
ments, candles, candy, coo-
ies, nuts - bows and paper
chains will give the restored
buildings a festive holiday
look. Period toys will be on
display along with the Emil
Schumann Christmas Pyra-
mid made in Wadlock, Texas
in the 1870's. Refreshment
consisting of homemade
cookies, gingerbread, apple
cider, punch, egg nog, candy,
apples, oranges and nuts will
be served.

A program in the theater
barn will be presented by the
Shakespeare at Winedale
students during the day and
there will be singing in the
Lewis House featuring the
"God's Messengers Singers"
from Round Top and Eunye
Berthold of Burton.

Everyone is invited to
come out and join in the fun
and enjoy a taste of a
19th-Century Christmas.

the 10 acres; the additional
5,900 pounds would be
eligible for price support at
the lower "additional" level.

Low rates for both quota
and additional peanuts will
be announced no later than
Feb. 15, 1981. For the 1980 crop,
quota peanuts are supported

at \$455 per ton and additional
peanuts at \$250 per ton.

If marketing quotas are
approved by two-thirds or
more of the peanut producers
voting in the December
referendum, the quotas will
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1982 and 1983.

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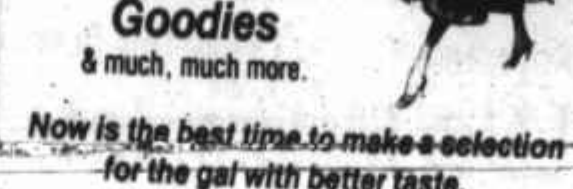
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Rotarians See Beautiful Film On "Flying"

Eagle Lake Rotarians and
guests enjoyed viewing an
excellent film presentation
on the evolution of flying,
at the meeting last week.

The colorful film prepared for
the National Air and Space
Museum by the Continental
Oil Company, had some
outstanding photography of
scenic areas of the United
States as seen from above.
Jack Johnson was program
chairman for the day and was
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Pickle Praises Congress Action On Medal For El Campo Man

A former constituent of
Congressman Jake Pickle's is
a big step closer to receiving
the Congressional Medal of
Honor, thanks to action in the
last days of the 96th
Congress.

First the House, and then
the Senate, last week passed
HR 8386 to waive the time
limitation and permit the
President to award the Medal
of Honor to Sgt. Roy P.
Benavides of El Campo for
acts of valor performed on
May 2, 1968 in Vietnam. The
law required the award to be
made within three years after
the date of the act. Sgt.
Benavides ran into road-
blocks because of a lack of
direct evidence as required.

But this year, a man who
verified the actions was
located, and Benavides' claim
was finally established.

"I take a special interest in
Sgt. Benavides' case because
when El Campo used to be in
the Tenth Congressional
District in the early 1970's, I
began working with the
arguing and the Army,"
Pickle explained. "We all felt
Sgt. Benavides was deserving
of this honor, but it took the
Army a long time to investi-
gate and to find the
evidence," he said.

As a Green Beret in
Vietnam, Sgt. Benavides
accompanied a rescue mission
to extract a 12-man recon-

naissance team pinned down
by enemy fire. The sergeant
was wounded several times
by a constant barrage of
shooting, but he managed to
defend the trapped men and
carry them to a waiting
helicopter.

He did not board the helicopter until he
knew all the soldiers were
aboard. Benavides suffered
severe wounds and was
subsequently discharged with
an 80% disability.

"I like to think the work we
did on Sgt. Benavides' case
several years ago laid the
groundwork, but it took still
more work and cutting of red
tape for the Roy Benavides
story to become fully ac-
knowledged. Though it took
over seven years, thank
goodness it was finally done.
Justice has prevailed," Pickle
said.

Benavides had received the
Distinguished Service Cross
shortly after his heroic acts.
The action by Congress paves
the way for the President to
award the Medal of Honor.

"Sgt. Benavides' valor and
dedication to patriotism serve
as an example to all
Americans. Even though he
is no longer a constituent of
mine, we still claim him as a
hero and salute him as a
friend," Pickle said.

The fall has been a busy
one for Anderson, who is a
member of the Campus
Crusade for Christ and other
christian and political orga-
nizations.

He is a member of the
Young Republicans and
served as president of the
Sam Houston chapter of
Youth for Bush.

He is the son of Mr. and
Mrs. Jay Anderson of Eagle
Lake.

The holiday spirit was
definitely in the air on
Wednesday evening, Dec.
10th, as the residents on
Melody Lane in the Meadow-
brook Addition, gathered in
the lovely home of Mr. and
Mrs. Victor Ray Corman for
the annual Christmas party.

The home was resplendent
in Christmas decor indoor as
well as outdoor for the gala
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Milton Anderson
Chaplain Of
SHSU Senate

Milton Anderson, senior
agriculture business major
from Eagle Lake, has been
selected as chaplain of the
Sam Houston State Univer-
sity Student Senate, the
university's student govern-
ment body.

Anderson is one of five
student senators who rep-
resent the College of Applied
Arts and Science. He is also
a member of the Student
Senate Grievance Committee.

Anderson transferred to
Sam Houston from Wharton
County Junior College where
he served as president of his
sophomore class, and is a
graduate of Rice Consolidated
High School. He is planning
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