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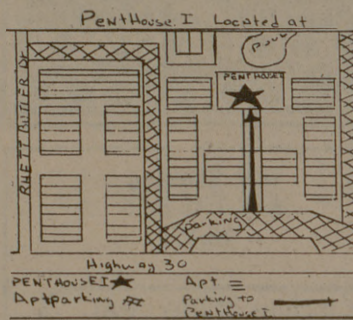
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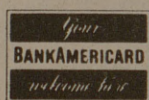
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PATTERNS

By Karl Wolfshohl

In the brush country of South Texas there is a phrase called "muy grande" that means "very big". But ask somebody from down there what a "muy grande" deer is and he'll tell you that's a DJMN big one. And you'll know just what he means if you've messed around much down in the Freer, Hebronville and Bruni area, because there you will see some awfully big whitetail deer.

Now let's bring Leonel R. Garza into the picture. He owns the Texaco service station on the northwest corner of the only intersection in Freer that has a spotlight.

Anyway, that's not all Leonel does. He has this theory that if you're going to have muy grande deer running around all over the place you should have a muy grande contest for the hunters that go after them.

And please understand that the prizes are big enough to match those deer.

The buck with the widest spread between antlers takes a 30-06 Model 70 Winchester, while the rack with the most points one inch or longer wins a .270 Remington BDL. A Ruger Model 77 in 7 mm Remington magnum goes to the heaviest deer.

The best all-around, or Muy Grande, deer wins for its taker a .300 Weatherby Magnum, and if you've priced this firearm lately you know that ain't hay.

The Muy Grande buck is based on four categories this year. They are weight, inches of spread between the antlers, number of points one inch or longer and circumference of the antler at the base. Points are given in each category and then totalled up for the Muy Grande competition.

For entrants who haven't won anything, Leo holds "The One That Got Away" drawing. The winner of that gets a Remington .243 Model 600 rifle.

There's something for the younger hunters, too. It's the Muy Grande Javelina contest for hunters from ages one to fifteen. A Winchester .22 caliber automatic rifle is the prize. It is equipped with a scope, as are all the other guns awarded as prizes.

The buck that won last year weighed 142 pounds, had a spread of more than 26 inches and had a 14 point rack. That was the Muy Grande deer. The heaviest weighed 186 pounds, the widest spread was over 28 inches and one rack had 18 points.

Last year was far from being a record setter, but Garza says that this season there is lush vegetation that ought to produce some fat, healthy deer. That same vegetation should make hunting them more difficult, though.

Leonel's contest had what can only be called humble beginnings. Several years ago he left his home in Benavides and moved to Freer, where he got a job working at the Texaco station for someone else. His boss wanted to start something that would bring in more business and Leonel came up with the idea of an annual deer contest, because he always saw "these big muy grande deer running around" while he drove through the countryside in a gasoline truck.

Well, the boss didn't buy the idea, so Leonel started the contest by himself and gave his own wrist-watch away as the prize. In 1970, he bought the station and in the same year had more than 2,000 entries in the contest. Needless to say, the prizes kept getting better and the rest is brush country history.

**Pokes must
play better**

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboy Coach Tom Landry said Tuesday his team is going to have to play better in the next five weeks if it expects to be in the National Football League playoffs for a record eighth consecutive year.

Dallas is 5-4 and riding a four-game winning streak. The Cowboys trail St. Louis by two games and Washington by a game in the National Conference Eastern Division.

The Cowboys and Redskins tangle Sunday in Washington.

"We're playing pretty well — about as good as the other teams in our division — but we've got to get better," Landry said. "I'm disturbed our pass defense isn't better, but I believe we'll be all right... we'll play well."

Dallas and Washington are in good shape for a wild card berth even if neither team catches St. Louis. Both teams own better records than any runnerup teams in the other NFC divisions.

"We're not out of it even if we lose to Washington Sunday," said Landry. "We play them again in two weeks and you never know what might happen."

Landry said he felt front-running St. Louis, now 7-2 and a loser to Minnesota, might be feeling the pressure of the hot division race.

"The Cardinals are a solid team and have a good schedule the rest of the way," Landry said. "But you never know how they can handle the pressure until you get to that certain point in the season when all the chips are on the line."

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C2, 484; D2, 342
S09, 449; C1, 417
SQ15, (Ed Bishene, 201); D1, 377
Sq4, 509; S2, 337

**Aggies get bid as
Sun Bowl guest**

EL PASO, Tex. (AP) — Northwestern, Texas A&M and Miami of Ohio will be the guest teams in the 14th annual Sun Bowl Basketball Tournament hosted by Texas-El Paso Dec. 19-20.

UTEP and Miami, Ohio, will meet in the first game Thursday Dec. 19 with the Aggies and Northwestern colliding in the nightcap. The losers and winners will meet the next night.

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