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A Doonesbury a day

HI, YOU DON'T KNOW ME, BUT I SAW YOUR PICTURE IN THE STUDENT DIRECTORY, AND I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WERE DOING ANYTHING ON NEW YEAR'S EVE..



The work of G.B. Trudeau is familiar to millions of comic-strip readers and media watchers around the world. Now, for the first time, he presents a Doonesbury collection in calendar form: THE DOONESBURY DESK DIARY 1984. This volume features 37 of Trudeau's Sunday strips. Weekly date pages are proportioned for maximum usefulness.

In addition to these top-drawer Trudeau strips, the calendar makes note of important dates — of several varieties. All major holidays are noted, as well as other special days ("All in the Family" premieres, Carter admits "lust in heart") and days of particular interest to Doonesbury fans (Duke sentenced to death by an Iranian tribunal, Joanie graduates from law school).

With almost 300 entries, this calendar will turn 1984 into a joyride through the popular and political culture of the past 15 years — the rich kind of ride Trudeau has provided for over a decade.

The Doonesbury Desk Diary 1984, by G.B. Trudeau, \$8.95.

It's fair time folks!

The 1983 State Fair of Texas, billed as the "Best of Shows," will offer the best of old and new to this year's fairgoers.

The Fair will present a variety of never-before-seen-in-Dallas rides, acts, exhibits and entertainment. At the same time it returns the favorites which have delighted crowds in years past.

Among new attractions is "The Great Rock and Roll Time Machine," a multimedia show which combines slides, film, animation and special effects with a soundtrack of 215 songs that encompass the highlights of rock during the past 25 years.

Three new (and big!) displays are among 300 exhibitions. Included is a geodesic dome with a diameter of 42 feet and containing a completely furnished home, an F-16 Fighting Falcon used by the U.S. Air Force and a truck-driving school for 18-wheelers.

To quicken the pulses of fairgoers, eight new rides have been added to the Midway. Among the most spectacular are the Log Flume ride, which floats its passengers through a 780-foot trough and ends with a splash; the Loop-

ing Star Roller Coaster, which makes a complete 360-degree loop; the Gravitron, which stimulates the sensation of weightlessness in outer space; and the 1001 Nacht, which gives the feeling of a 90-foot fall.

A host of entertainment events are free. New this year is live entertainment from Sesame Place, presented in the Centennial Building, while repeat attractions include a full-scale circus, an outdoor ice revue, a nightly parade and a fireworks show. Appearing for the first time in the parade will be Walt Disney World's ten black paceron horses.

Numerous musical groups will perform on stages throughout the fairgrounds and for street dances.

Among the better-known performers will be David Frizzell, Vern Gosdin, Steve Wariner, Boxcar Willie, Frenchie Burke, George Strait, Gary Morris, Red Stegall and Earl Thomas Conley. Groups performing will include Atlanta, Mason Dixon, The Shoppe, the Lost Cowbot Band and Renegade.

Texas-Mexico Day will be celebrated Oct. 18 with con-

Are you puzzled?



In this puzzle, you are to fit the letters in each column into the boxes directly above them. It is up to you to decide which letter goes into which box above it and figure out the

order of the letters. Letters may not be used more than once. When the diagram is filled correctly, you will be able to read a quotation across the boxes.

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Did you know ...?



In the summer of 1807, at the request of the governor of the newly acquired Louisiana Territory, Lt. Zebulon Pike led an expedition commission to explore the head-waters of the Arkansas and Red rivers, and to report on Spanish settlement in New Mexico.

In addition to Pike's party of 21, 51 Osage and Pawnee Indians who had been held captive by the Patawatomees made their way up the Arkansas river in canoes.

On Nov. 15, Pike spotted what appeared to be a small blue cloud; however, closer examination through his field glasses revealed a mountain. A week later Pike and two or three of his men set out to explore the mountain. Weather that often went below zero forced the crew to turn back about 30 miles from the peak. Pike decided it would be almost impossible to climb.

After descending the

Arkansas River through the rugged Royal Gorge, they took a southward route and ended up on the upper Rio Grande. They built a fort there, and soon were discovered by the Spanish. Not wanting to stir up a confrontation with the U.S., the Spaniards treated Pike and his men with extreme courtesy and entertained them lavishly.

It is claimed that Pike furnished the most informed account of New Mexico and Texas that the U.S. had received to that time. Several years after Pike's death, the mountain he discovered was named Pike's Peak in his honor.

The Texas Historical Commission has placed an OFFICIAL TEXAS HISTORICAL MARKER at one of the sites where Pike camped on his way back to the U.S., Cadogan Mound State Historic Site, six miles southwest of Alto.

tinuous entertainment all day on the Big Tex stage and an 8 p.m. show in the Cotton Bowl. Sixty-nine other cities, counties, areas, ethnic groups, organizations and educational institutions will be honored with special days during the run of the Fair.

This year's University of Texas vs. Oklahoma football classic will be played on Oct. 8 in the Cotton Bowl, and the State Fair of Texas championship rodeo will run Oct. 8-16.

Several museums located on the fairgrounds will have special exhibits during the run of this year's annual event. Topics to be highlighted include Texas prairie lands and Picasso prints.



Food is always a star attraction at the State Fair, with more than 200 restaurants and food booths offering their wares. Joining the Fair menus for the first time will be Louisiana-styled meat pies and the Round-Up Cafe (in the Coliseum). As usual, countless other items, ranging from international cuisine to the Fair standards of corn dogs and Belgian waffles, also will be available.

The State Fair of Texas is still the biggest entertainment around, with an admission of \$3 for adults and \$1 for children ages 5 to 11. Children under 5 years of age are admitted free, and senior citizens are admitted free each Tuesday.