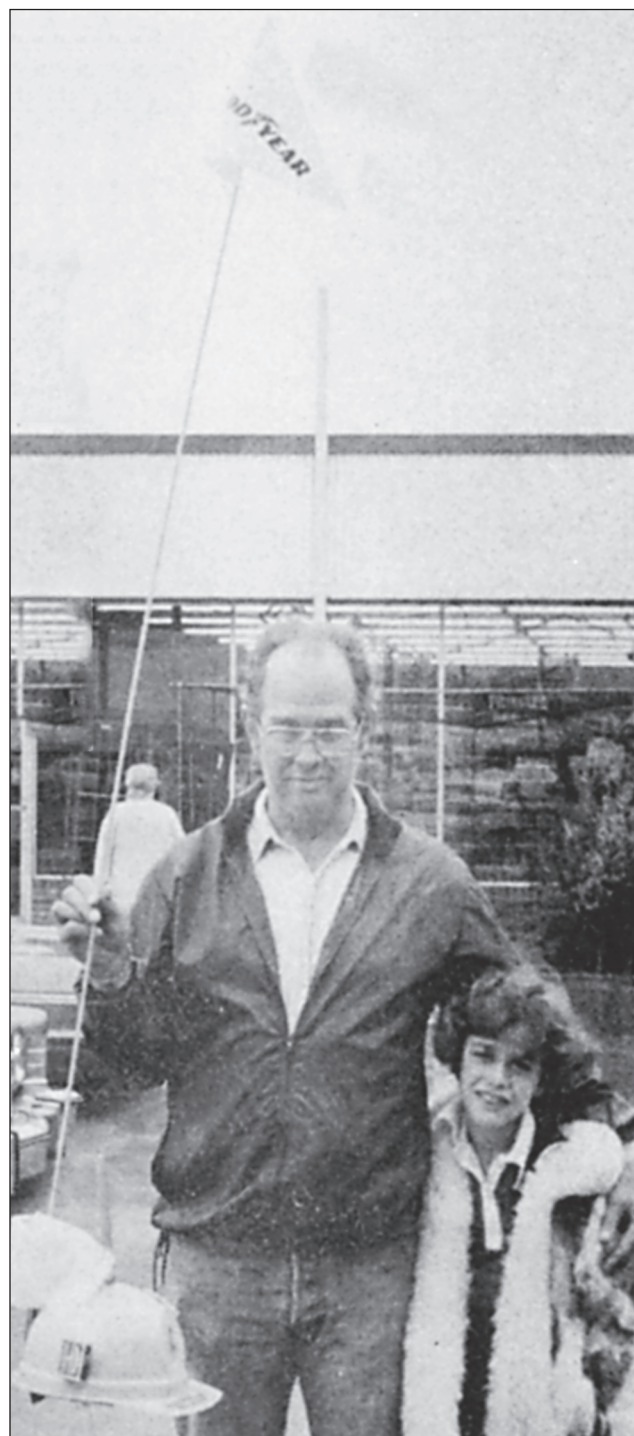


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From Liberty Gazette and Big Thicket Gazette, Thursday, December 16, 1976 –
SURVIVAL KIT FOR WAYWARD HUNTERS

Hubert Herndon, Dayton lumber wholesaler, was presented with this headgear by friends in the lumber business in Beaumont after he became lost on a hunting trip last week near San Saba.

Hubert was disoriented among the gullies and ravines of the rugged countryside and was caught by nightfall. After a while gunshots and light signals brought all the lost sheep together again, including a couple of strangers. But not without some rough kidding.

About 15 friends in Beaumont threw a surprise party in a darkened room lighted by the candle on the hat.

As you can tell, the hardhat has everything for the stray – a candle for lighting the way after dark, a bicycle rider's pennant for daytime spotting in the ravines, tissue for leaving signals on bushes (or any other need), matches and food items for sustenance. What more could you ask?

With it goes the rank and title of "Trail Blazer Herndon."

Hubert's cute little daughter, Eva, thinks the whole thing is weird.



From Texas Illustrated, 1979 –

At left are Mrs. Rosie Lee Smith and daughter Dorothy Smith sometime in the 1940s. At right is Wiley Smith Sr., outfitted in the photographer's idea of a cowboy around the turn of the century in Calvert, Texas. Mr. Smith, father of Dorothy, at left and sons, Archie, Roy and Wiley Jr. founded Smith Jewelry in 1898. It has operated continuously for 81 years since then. It is now owned and operated by Archie D. Smith in Dayton.

Mrs. Wiley Smith Sr. (Rosie Lee née Gibson) was born in Dayton in 1897. She and Dorothy, now Mrs. Ralph Boudinot, both reside in Houston today.

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