

CERTIFICATE OF CITIZENSHIP

TEMPORARY TEXAN

This is to certify that FERDIE J. DEERING has crossed the borders and has entered into the great State of Texas. This document entitles bearer to all legal rights and privileges described herein; provided said entry did not involve swimming or wading.

While enjoying temporary residence in the great State of Texas, the bearer is entitled to talk with a slow drawl and may be referred to or addressed as "TEX". He (or she) will be permitted to wear ten gallon hats, bright colored shirts, loud, hand painted ties, tight fitting britches adorned with copper, brass or silver studs and high heeled boots with spurs that jingle. The wearing of large drug store cap pistols is optional, provided said cap pistols are not concealed and may be affectionately referred to as "Hawg Laigs" or "Shootin' Arns".

Notice is hereby given that it is unlawful to wear britches tucked into high heeled boots unless you are the legal and rightful owner of at least one of the following: a cow, calf, heifer, dogie, steer, bull, ox, horse, colt, jackass, jenny, mule, sheep or any other range stock and said animal must be alive and kickin'. It is also required that a person must own at least one acre of land in order to refer to it as his "Ranch" or "Rancho". Smaller plots of land are designated as "Nesters". Persons owning two acres of land and having on said land two or more of the above mentioned animals may refer to it as "My Spread".

While in the great State of Texas you will without exception, refer to all things, places, objects, etc., as Big, Bigger, Larger, Longer, Higher, Wider, Deeper, Better, etc., than any other or out-of-state thing, place or object. You will, without exception, immediately Sneer, Scoff, Scorn or show contempt by some facial expression to any person or persons referring to anything in Texas in any manner different than the above.

Violations of any of the above will cause this certificate to be revoked.

Given at DALLAS Texas, this 12 day of DECEMBER 1952

Certified by

A duly declared citizen of Texas possessed of authenticity beyond reproach.

