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## Mounties take Dragons 19-0

Play Blanket Next

Pep Rally Friday, 4 p.m.

The twelfth ranked Santa Anna Mountaineers put on a show Friday night as they sidetracked the Bangs Dragons by a 19-0 count, bettering last year's 17-0 victory. The Black Magic seemed to work to perfection as the Mounties jumped to a 13-0 first quarter lead before putting the game on ice in the third quarter.

Santa Anna marched 65 yards in nine plays after receiving the opening kickoff with Ramon "Bebe" Vasquez, Craig Duquette and Shelby Tuttle handling the infantry chores. Tuttle, a 181 pound Senior halfback, punched in the TD from the one yard line with 8:57 left in the first quarter. Vasquez converted the P.A.T. to push the score to 7-0.

Bangs had little success after Vasquez kicked off and elected to punt. Duquette knifed in to block the kick. Vasquez scooped up the ball on the 34 yard line and ran it back to the 10, where the Mountain Men set up shop. The tough running Vasquez ripped into the end zone three plays later. The P.A.T. was blocked by the Dragons' Rick Gravel. With 5:12 re-

maining in Quarter Number One, the Mountaineers owned a 13-0 lead.

The second quarter saw the Black Magic fade as the Mountaineers seemed to be their own worst enemy. The offense moved the ball almost at will, only to be stymied by costly penalties, fumbles and incomplete passes.

Quarterback Russell Williams had time to pass and exhibited a strong arm but went 0 for 3 in the first half.

Shelby Tuttle stuck in a final TD midway through the third quarter to close out the scoring as Bangs halfback Rick Gravel managed to block his second P.A.T. attempt of the night.

Bebe Vasquez and Craig Duquette looked strong in ripping off huge chunks of yardage. Duquette chipped in an interception from his safety spot as did Williams. Tuttle, a 1984 All West Texas pick as a linebacker, had an outstanding night as did the entire offensive and defensive line.

Statistically, the Mounties racked up 19 First Downs to 6 for the Dragons. They also dominated the rushing, picking up 270 yards on the ground while limiting Bangs to 23. The defensive unit, in fact, held the Dragons to a net of zero yards rushing in the second half. The air attack of Santa Anna managed only 12 yards on one completion while Bangs was 10 of 19 for 100 yards. Bangs gave up the ball three times while the Mounties coughed it up only one time. Penalties were 4 for 40 yards for Bangs and 3 for 25 yards for the Mounties.

Bangs managed to get off two punts for a 39 1/2 yard average, not including the blocked kick. Santa Anna did not punt.

Coach Galen Privett was pleased with the over all performance of his team Friday night but stated that there was still some work to do.

This Friday the Mounties will travel to Blanket to face a team coming off an 18-6 win over Abilene Christian. Kickoff is scheduled for 8:00 p.m.



Here the Mountaineer football team is pictured just as they get ready to run through the Victory Line at the start of the game with Bangs this past week.

## City Council Meeting Held Council to Update Accounting

At 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, Mayor Joe Guerrero called the meeting to order with all council members present except for councilman Garland Morgan.

The minutes of last months meetings were read by City Secretary Vicki Wristen and were approved.

It was discussed that the tax rate will go up 3 percent on this year's taxes. This had been discussed in a called meeting on August 21, 1985, and the tax rate will show on the tax bills going out in October.

Scott Patterson came before the council to discuss liability insurance. He made a bid of \$14,882.68 with an additional \$10,000 bid for general liability insurance for the city. Patterson stated that insurance companies are not accepting municipalities any longer as the cities and towns had a high risk factor. He stated that Dallas was self-insured, and was not covered by an insurance company; and most West Texas towns are not covered at all, and are posting signs as such. The insurance bid was discussed, and motion was

made and seconded to accept the bid with all in favor.

Danny Kellar came before the board about the CCTC taking over the TV-Cable service. Mr. Kellar stated that the majority of his board approved taking over the system. Mr. Kellar asked that the city try to solve differences with the existing CA-TV system before the CCTC would take over. The CCTC would not make any moves until all business with Brownwood TV-Cable is cut off. The Coop cannot serve where there is an existing TV-Cable service.

Mr. Gerald Brister came before the board making a request to make Jefferson St. one way for at least one or two blocks past the school during school hours, 8-5, five days a week. It was stated that action had been approved on this two years ago with no action taken as yet. Motion was made and seconded to build an all-weather road to run from Jefferson and Lee Streets at the end of Section 8 of the Housing Authority.

The sealed bids on the one lot were opened, one from Mr. Rex Turney for \$505.00 and one from Mark and Marcia Turney for \$756.00. The bid from Mark and Marcia Turney was accepted with all in favor. Old Business discussed was irrigation pipe that had been rented from Mr. Earl Simmons. It was thought that two lengths of pipe had not yet been returned. Other business was manholes in the allies. Some were uncovered and partially uncovered,

and was thought to be dangerous. It was voted that measures should be taken to get the manholes properly covered.

At 9:30 the council went into Executive Session. After returning to open session it was discussed about setting a date with Collier Watson, Accountant, to go over the books and get them up to date. The date was set for Monday, Sept. 9, 1985.

Accounts Payable was discussed and agreement was made to pay as usual. The council then adjourned.

A special called session of the City Council on Monday night was called to order by Mayor Joe Guerrero with all council members present except Stanley Hartman.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear a proposal from Collier Watson of Brownwood, for updating the accounting for the city. The council accepted Watson's proposal for bringing all books to a current status and setting up an updated accounting system.

Watson will be working closely with City Secretary Vickie Wristen in setting up the new system which will allow the city a more accurate accounting of all books.

In other discussions the council reaffirmed their plans to repair and better maintain streets surrounding the city schools.

Mayor Guerrero also noted that Santa Fe Railroad had given the city the asphalt to help with repairs around the railroad crossings.

## Back to School Carnival Saturday

The Santa Anna Back-to-School Carnival is here again. It will be starting at 7 p.m. Saturday, September 14, at the Civic Center (old armory).

Sponsored by the scouting youth groups of Santa Anna-Boy Scout Troop 230 and Campfire Girls Bluebird and Adventurers-other groups participating are: Band Boosters, Athletic Booster Club, Jr. High Cheerleaders, ESA, Eastern

Star, Ladies Softball Association and Sacred Heart Group.

There will be lots of fun and entertainment to be had and good food, too. The Adventurer group will be providing Bar-B-Que sandwiches, chips and tea, and the Sacred Heart Group will be serving Mexican food.

There will be new and "old favorites," carnival games and booths to entertain you the children. Don't miss this fun night for the whole family and help support our town's youth groups.

## School Enrollment Listed

Enrollment at the Santa Anna schools during the first week is close to that of last year's with a total of 411 students enrolled; 109 students in high school and 302 in elementary school.

The 1984-85 year ended with 422 students enrolled. For the 1985-86 year there are 19 seniors, 20 juniors,

24 sophomores, and 46 freshmen enrolled.

In the elementary school there are 31 students in kindergarten; 28 in first grade; 32 in second; 41 in third; 36 in fourth; 38 in fifth; 28 in sixth; 26 in seventh; and 42 in eighth grade.

There are two sections of kindergarten, first, second, third, fourth, and fifth grade classes with two sections of 8th grade classes also.



Approximately 235 people attended services at the First United Methodist Church to celebrate 100 years of service to God and community. Many were attired in fashion's of earlier times. Here Carol Kingsbery is very dapper in his father's wedding suit.

## Baptists to Observe Anniversary

The Santa Anna First Baptist Church will observe its 105th anniversary on Sunday, October 13, with special activities planned to celebrate the occasion.

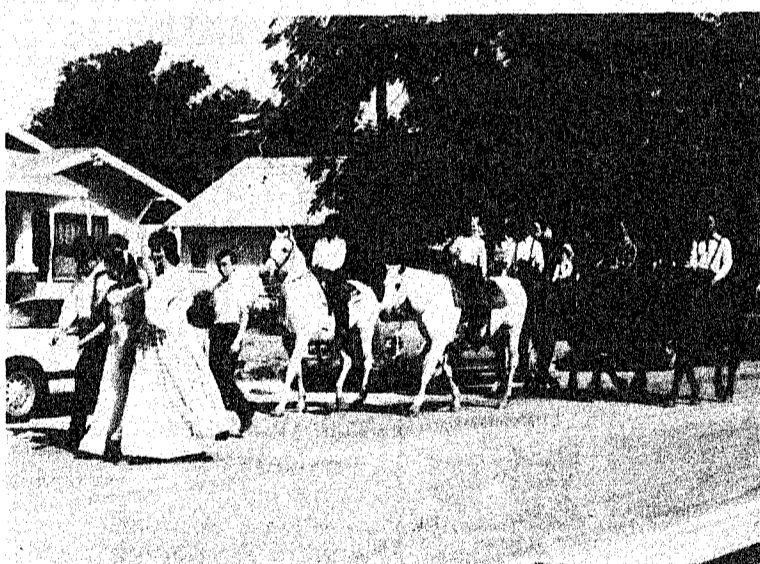
The Rev. John Stanislaw, pastor, is planning the program, and music will be planned by a committee composed of interim music director Patrick Hosch, Ray Barnett, Marty Donham and Delma Blair.

Former pastors and members are being invited to the day's events that will include the morning worship service at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at the Christian Life Center. Those on the meal committee are William Brown, Bessie McDonald, Vernon Rowe and Oma Dean Horner.

Serving on the publicity committee are Barbara Kingsbery, Danna Turner, and Laura Thornton. Other committees are to be named this week to complete the plans for the event.

The anniversary will be held the same weekend as the Santa Anna school homecoming, so many out of town people are expected to be in the community at that time.

First Baptist Church was organized on Sunday, October 12, 1880, when the town was located in the gap of the mountains.



Prior to the worship service on Sunday, many of the Methodist congregation paraded from the armory to the Church, all wearing fashions of 100 years ago. The parade was led by Bishop John Russell riding in a buckboard.

## Santa Anna Homecoming

The Class of 1935 and other classes from years ending in "5" will be special guests at the 1985 Santa Anna Ex-Student Homecoming planned

here October 11 and 12. A reunion is planned by the Class of '35, as well as others in the special group.

At a meeting of the executive board of the Ex-Student Association on Sunday afternoon, committee

assignments were discussed and final plans made for the annual event.

Linda Horner Simmons, a graduate of the Class of 1965, was chosen Coming Home Queen. Mrs. Simmons is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Horner and now residing at Howe, where she is a kindergarten teacher. Her husband, Pete Simmons, is superintendent of the schools. Both formerly taught in Santa Anna.

Nominees for Ex-Student of the Year were also discussed, with the honoree to be named soon.

Events on the schedule include the Homecoming parade on Friday afternoon, October 11, and the football game with Eden on Friday evening.

Halftime activities will include the presentation of the Homecoming Queen from high school classed, and the Ex-Student queen and honoree.

Registration and a coffee will open the events on Saturday, and a business meeting and program will be held prior to the noon meal.

Visitation and class reunions will be held during the afternoon, and a dance that night will conclude the events.

All former students and teachers are urged to attend the homecoming next month.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12  
SA vs Irlon County JV  
Here 6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13  
Pep Rally, 4:00 p.m. Gym  
SA vs Blanket  
There 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14  
Back-to-School Carnival, 7 p.m. at armory

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15  
Church  
MYF, 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16  
Hashanah

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17  
Lions Club, noon  
Booster Club, 8:00 p.m.

## Baptist Association

The regular meeting of the Coleman County Baptist Association will be held Tuesday, September 17, at Primera Iglesia Bautista in Coleman.

The meeting begins with the W.M.U. and Executive Board at 6:00 p.m. The evening meal begins at 6:30 p.m.

The program begins at 7:15 p.m. The program is on Sunday School Emphasis. Rober Hammonds is in charge of the program.

The public is invited to attend.

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## Fire Department Fight Grass Fire

Last Tuesday the Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Department was called to a grass fire at the River Bend Ranch at Whon, Texas. The fire was a very bad one according to Fireman Freddie Dodson. The Fire Department had two trucks at the fire along with one truck from the Coleman Fire Department. A ranch worker also brought a catapillar out to help get the fire under control. Mr. Dodson stated that the brush was so bad in that area and being close to the river, they needed the help of the bull dozer. After about two hours of fighting the fire it was brought under control.

The fire had been started by welders in a dry pasture while working on fence.

The Fire Department would like to once again caution burning trash, brush, etc. while the area is still so dry.

## FBC Event SS Workers to be honored

A special dinner and program is planned at First Baptist Church Saturday evening, September 14, to honor teachers and workers in the Sunday School departments. The catered meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by a program.

The Rev. Burlie Taylor, pastor of Cross Plains First Baptist Church, will be speaker.

Ray Barnett, Sunday School Superintendent, is in charge of the event, and all Sunday School workers and their spouses are urged to attend.

## DEATHS

### Jo Kelly Caldwell, infant

Graveside services for Jo Kelly Caldwell, infant daughter of William Greg and Vicki Jo (Neff) Caldwell of Crane were held Thursday, August 29 at 10 a.m. at Crane County Cemetery with the Rev. Jimmy Hester officiating.

Jo Kelly was born Tuesday, August 27, 1985 and died the same day, August 27, 1985 in Women's and Children's Hospital in Odessa.

Survivors include her parents; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Neff of Coleman and Mrs. Lula Harrison of Nowata, Oklahoma; great-grandfather, Lee Clanton of Houston; aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Neff of Santa Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Taylor of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. John Ed Caldwell of Crane and Steve Caldwell of Nowata, Oklahoma.

Interment was in the Crane County Cemetery under the direction of Richard W. Box Funeral Home.

## Welcome Subscribers

Allyn Gill, San Marcos  
Hilburn Henderson, Santa Anna  
J. H. Martin, Santa Anna  
John Gregg, Coleman  
Jan Morris, Coleman  
W. D. Garrett, Santa Anna  
G. E. Morgan, Santa Anna  
Janice Cozart, Santa Anna  
Ruby Howard, Santa Anna  
James Ford, Santa Anna  
Roy Smith, Austin  
Richard Horner, Santa Anna  
Annetta Bailey, Santa Anna  
Doris Griffin, Santa Anna  
James Pelton, Santa Anna  
R. A. Lucksinger, Austin  
Camille Wallace, Fort Worth  
Grady James, Fort Worth  
Velma Hinkle, Waco  
James Spillman, Santa Anna  
Dr. V. A. Kelley, Waco  
Letha Martin, Santa Anna  
Cecil Ellis, Santa Anna  
M.E. Campbell, Fort Worth  
Mrs. C.R. Lowe, Santa Anna  
Elvis Cozart, Round Rock

## Birthdays Anniversaries

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12  
Caleb Boyet

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13  
Rod Musick

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14  
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buse

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15  
Jerry Myers  
Chris Bryce

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16  
Ruth Ann Wise

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17  
Devin Cook  
Clarence Gilbert  
Danna Turner

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18  
Jean Findley  
James Smith  
Jean Cupps

Would you like your name to be published on your birthday? If so, please be sure to let us know when it is. Next week we will publish the names of those having birthdays between September 19 through September 25.

### Gertrude Farmer

BALLINGER—Gertrude Maureen Farmer, 81, of Ballinger, died at 10:27 p.m. Saturday at Ballinger Nursing Center. Services were at 10 a.m. Monday at Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

The Rev. Winford Gore, pastor of First Christian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

Born October 8, 1903, in Santa Anna, she married Fred L. Farmer October 31, 1919, in Ballinger. He died May 20, 1967. She was a member of a Baptist church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Jarvis (Jean) Jones of Ballinger; two sons, Bob and Jack, both of Ballinger; one stepson, Foy Farmer of Ballinger; one sister, Mrs. Bobbie Guthrie of Santa Anna; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Neuman Smith, Bobby Bryan, Bill Boggess, Elliot Kemp, Allen Cole and Robert Virden.

A large and concerned number attended Mrs. Gertrude Farmer's last rights in Ballinger. She was from a big and industrious family from many years ago, and sincere sympathy is extended to her last remaining sister, Bobbie Wilson Guthrie. Those attending her service from Santa Anna were Mr. and Mrs. Verne Russell, Mrs. Ruby Howard, Mrs. Sylvia Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Guthrie, Lewis Miles, Lera Guthrie, Sharon Guthrie and Mrs. Jim Spillman.

## Rutherford Reunion

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Ebb and Jenny Rutherford met at the Jim Rutherford home for their annual reunion over Labor Day.

Those attending this year and enjoying the visiting and fellowship were: John, Joan and Graham Rutherford of Fort Worth; Fan, Earl Jr., Matt and Nicolle McGee of Brook; Tony and Wade Rehm of Rockwood; Wayne, Mary, Kyndall, Kurt and Tony Esslinger of Kerrville; Bobbie, Kelly, and Kristy Rovicheaux of Fort Worth.

Also Jeff and Greg Smith of Richardson; Larry, Randy, Todd and Mark Rutherford of Brownwood; Bob, E.J. Margot and Megan of Santa Anna; Gay, Tim and Tony Abernathy of Whon; Dan, Jimmie Gail, Dusty, Amber and Cody Slate of Brownwood; Jennifer Rutherford and Cindy Cozart of San Angelo and Jetta Rutherford of Santa Anna and the hosts, Jim and Claudia Rutherford.

## Motorcycle-Car Accident Results In Leg Severed

A Brownwood man, Andy S. Malett, 26, lost a leg in a motorcycle-vehicle collision in a Santa Anna Friday, August 30, reports Bill Allen, Santa Anna Chief of Police who investigated the accident assisted by Highway Patrolman and Sheriff's office personnel.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Highway 67 and 283 in Santa Anna. Malett was riding the motorcycle. He is currently in Humana Hospital, Abilene where his condition is described as stable.

Driver of the vehicle was Joe A. Salazar of Santa Anna. He has been charged with failure to stop and render aid and for not having liability insurance.

The motorcycle was heavily damaged, while there was small damage to the vehicle, and Salazar was not injured.

## Band Boosters Meet

The 1985-86 Band Boosters Club met on Tuesday, September 3 at the Band Hall. New officers were elected to serve for the year and they were: President—Jo Ann Buse; Vice-President—Ruby Fleeman; Secretary-Treasurer—Teresa Absher; Reporter-Publicity—Patti Musick; Membership Chairman—Pat Wright; and Uniform Chairman—Marcie Holt.

The noon meal on Saturday for the Homecoming weekend was discussed and Judy Hartman was elected chairman.

## Moore Reunion

The children of the late Sam and Nola Moore held their reunion at the Flagship REunion Hall on Lake Brownwood August 24 and 25, 1985.

Children present were Velda and Buck Mills, Pete and Iona Moore, Edd and Ozella Moore, Odell and Re Box, Mrs. Doug Moore, Edd and Ruby Hartman, R. D. and Doris Penny and Wayne and Helen Hawthorne.

Most of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren were present also. There were 93 attending.

## Eubank receives Degree

Accepts Position with Conoco



DON EUBANK

The Band Boosters would like to welcome the new band director this year, Lonnie Baker, and would like to support him and the band students on a successful year.

A membership drive is on for the Band Boosters with a cost of \$2.00 per person or \$3.00 per couple. All band parents and others interested in supporting the band are encouraged to join and attend the meetings of the Club. The Band Boosters meet on the first Tuesday of each month, with the next meeting being on October 1, 1985.

Family and friends enjoyed lots of good food, fellowship, picture taking, swimming and singing.

There were kin from Santa Anna, Houston, Odessa, Brady, Crane, San Angelo, Benbrook, Oklahoma, Hurst, BAngs, Tomball, San Antonio, Giddings, Robert Lee, Spring, Olton, New Braunfels, Ozona, Sonora, Hamshire, Austin, and Abilene.

The reunion will be held next year on July 27, 28, and 29, 1986 at Lake Shore Lodge on Brownwood Lake.

Don Eubank, a 1979 graduate of Santa Anna High School and a 1983 graduate of Abilene Christian University with a bachelor of science degree in engineering geology, graduated on August 17 from A&M University with ceremonies at the G. Raleigh White Coliseum. Eubank was one of approximately 1800 graduating at the end of the summer semester of classes. He received a bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering and has accepted a position with Conoco, a division of DuPont, in Midland.

Don is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Eubank and grandson of Mrs. Ozro Eubank and Mrs. Cecil Stovall of Bangs.

## Smith-Harris Reunion

Labor Day Sunday is Family Reunion time for the Smith and Harris families and this one was especially well attended. The five daughters of Henry (H.M. Sr.) and Maude (Harris) Smith have continued what their Mother began more than 20 years ago when she invited her family to meet her at the Coleman Park for a reunion. It is not for this coming together, the family members might go for years without seeing each other.

The families always feel so honored when aunts and cousins come too, and this year Aunt Blanche Harris of Santa Anna came to be with the group much to their delight. With her were Bill and Louise Smedley of Brownwood, who furnished her transportation. Louise was the daughter of "Rep" and Alma Harris and the cousins of the Smith daughters. From Abilene came Noble and Bette Harris with son, D. J. Harris, another brother of Maude, and her cousin Sadie Adamson, also of Abilene.

On the Smith side they welcomed Carl Alexander, son of Henry Smith's sister, Hattie Alexander, with his wife Frances, a daughter and husband with two little boys came for the first time, and were so welcome. Carl has been a regular for several years.

Lila Belle and Bob (R. O.) White came from Odessa, bringing with them their only child, Anna Maude (Ann) and husband, Lewis Jordan, who teaches music at the University of New Mexico at Alamogordo and they brought their two little granddaughters, Carol and Deborah Miller, daughters of their youngest child, Diane and Bill Miller also of Alamogordo. The Jordan's sons, Terry, his wife Darlene and baby Jennifer were present from Midland, while Dawn and John

Sanders, the eldest daughter came from their home in Ft. Worth. The group sang "Happy Birthday" to Carol and Deborah since their birthdays came on September the 2nd and 3rd—their ages are 4 and 3.

Lorena and Noah Stacy of Rankin, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary recently were there and four of their five sons were present with their families. They were Kenneth and Phyllis Stacy of Graham with their two daughters, Calera and Kim with her husband, Jimmy Nance Jr.; Don Stacy and wife, Ann and son Billy from Midland; Roy L. Stacy and his two young daughters, Tiffani and Melody of Dallas; and Mike and Penny Stacy with two children, Danny and Jamie, also from Midland.

Alice and R. I. (Bob) White of Ft. Worth were both present and probably had the largest number of family present. Their daughter Virginia and Gen Ray Griffin, from Killeen had four of their six daughters there. They were Gayle Gonzales and her 3 daughters, Amanda, Sarah, and Katie; Beth Strickland and her two children, Ashley Rae and Haley Michael; Joan and Leo Day of Spur with their two children, Cassie Jean and Scott; and Dana Tucker with her two children, Gene Rhea and Amy Haven. Alice, Beth and Dana live at Killeen. Alice and Bob's son, Bobby and wife Elizabeth and their 4-year old daughter, Angelo were there from Bedford.

Beulah and D.L. Thigpen from Graham were pleasantly surprised to have their son, Durwood and Anita of New Orleans arrive at 10 a.m. after driving from Austin, 400 miles away. They had started their trip to Texas on Saturday to surprise everyone. Peggy and Jim Strickland and one son, Jay, came from Levelland where Jim is head Librarian at South Plains Junior College. The family was especially glad to see Jay for he had been diagnosed as having Leukemia during the term at the University of Texas at Arlington, where he was a junior. But prayers have caused a miracle

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The Santa Anna Funeral Home now has a large selection of monuments on display and offer our help to you as you consider the kind of memorial you need. We invite any questions you may have.

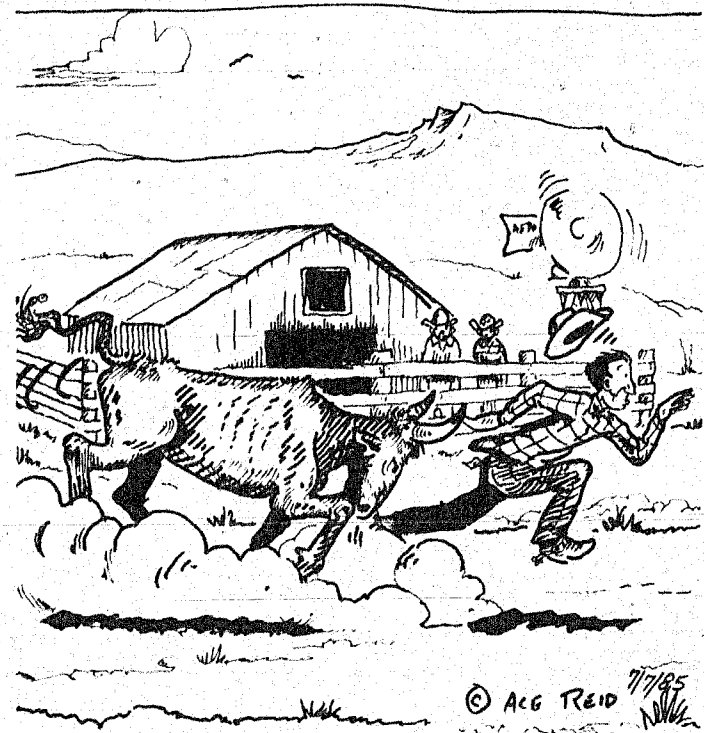
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# The Stockard Opera House

By Leona Bruce

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** They Came In Peace by Leona Bruce will not run this week, so that we may run Mrs. Bruce's story on the Stockard Opera House.

They Came In Peace will return next week in the paper. Thank You.

The first two-story rock building in the town of Santa Anna was planned and financed by L. V. Stockard; he was the first Santa Fe agent, probably coming as the railroad was nearing the town. The dozens of men and teams worked all daylight hours, grading, smoothing and leveling the right-of-way; crossties and rails were laid, the crews seeming to race with the carpenters who put up little store buildings along the future Main Street. Stockard's first office was in a boxcar where the depot would be.

Already there was a two-story hotel diagonally across the Main Street from the lot which he had bought as an investment. A British family named Harvey operated the hotel—a fabulous place for the frontier, with two tall stories, porches with wooden-lace rails upstairs and down, and wide halls. Stockard's wife and young baby soon came, and the family lived, or rather, boarded, as the term was used, at the hotel. The Harveys had a daughter and son-in-law, the W. B. Meltons, who assisted with the duties there, along with servants.

The coming of the Santa Fe was eagerly, not to say frantically, anticipated. Every day hacks, buggies, saddle-horses and covered wagons arrived at the town-site; some men wanted work, some wanted homes or stores built as soon as possible, some planned to buy farmland. Henry Brown told his own story to Beatrice Grady Gay, the area's second historian. He was chairman of a committee to draw up a Local Option (no liquor) petition, and said that there were only sixteen men in the town, all of whom signed. They were Willis Brooks and his two sons, Frank and Lewis; his son-in-law, Lewis Taylor. Then there were John Parker, Duke Jackson, W. C. and Mack Kilgore, W. C. and Tom Crosby, H. H. Brown, J. D. Simpson, Dr. J. P. Mathews, Sam H. Phillips, Calvin Holmes and C. M. Grady.

Lumber for building was hauled in by wagon, but good stone was right at hand; the caprock of the two hills which would shelter the town on the north was excellent material, soft enough when freshly uncovered for even amateur masons to chisel into blocks of the proper size. It was necessary for the town to be moved a little westward from the original part in "The Gap," as the settlement had been called. The terrain sloped up from valleys to east and west, and the depot and siding would be on level ground. Springs were many around the foot of the hills; one of these J. D. Simpson sold to the McGonagills who sold it to W. M. Wallace. Three Hunter brothers, all from Trickham, came with plans to open stores, Lennie a grocery, Charlie a drug store and Willie, who later moved farther west, another business. L. L. Shield had his stock of general merchandise hauled from Trickham to a new little structure facing Main Street. The Brannans opened a meat market on Main, while they lived in a tent to the north; when a hard windstorm blew down the tent, Mrs. Brannan was in despair that the mirror on her dresser was broken. Seven years had luck.

A man named Meek had a small flock of sheep which he watered at a spring a mile east of town in a valley. John H. Austin from Missouri bought him out and built a home there. Austin was a prosperous man; his wife and baby daughter, Gertie, were Catholic in the predominantly Baptist-Methodist town. There were at least two wagon yards, the motels of that day, at which arriving travelers could camp, get horse-feed and water, and if desired, sleep in the enclosure near their teams.

Housing could not be finished fast enough for the new settlers. The sounds of hammer and saw and chisel went on as long as there was daylight. North and south of Main Street, dwellings of lumber, hauled in on wagons, and white canvas tents burgeoned like sprouting plants, the most desirable sites being near the mountains where the springs were.

The day when the first small engine of the Santa Fe whistled into Santa Anna drawing real Santa Fe passenger cars must have been one of jubilation. The future was here! This was in March 1886, with Spring beginning, and hopes flourishing. For a time this was the end of the line, though construction was going on to the west. Mrs. O. H. Overall in her memoirs tells of this. The Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Company gave contracts separately for each mile of track; this meant that perhaps one hundred men, many of their camping families, with scrapers and plows and around a thousand horses and mules, were encamped for each contractor. These people cut the trees and brush for fuel, trespassed on lands owned along the way, shot the deer and often the cattle, and left the trash of their camps when they finished. But they did patronize the new little stores with their ready money, and business was good.

To the dismay of the county seat, Coleman, the railroad turned southwest after it scaled the rise to the west of Santa Anna, and was plowed and scraped toward Valera. The Coleman citizenry after complaints, raising of money and perhaps some political activity, achieved the short line from what became the Junction, and the Santa Fe trains were in that town by the next year. For years all trains puffed into Coleman, backed onto a Y, turned around and went back to the Junction to turn west toward Valera, Ballinger and points where the rights of way were completed.

Stockard's new store building was the pride of the town. The front was to the north, on Main Street, as we have said, and probably the first merchant to rent the lower story was W. R. Kelley, whose wife was a sister of Caleb Grady. Like many of the newcomers to Central Texas, this had been a prosperous and cultured family before the Civil War, and were bringing their precious heirloom furniture and their culture and ideals to the open land. Anyone with adequate financing and careful management could succeed in business, and the affable Kelley made friend of all his customers. The big company sign which he had painted on the ornate facade of the building is still in use as the structure has been restored. All the Kelley sons learned merchandising there as they grew up; they were Dennis, Vergil, Otho and Ross and the only daughter was Thelma.

The second floor was called the Stockard Opera House, and it for a time was the cultural center of the town. Here were gatherings of all educational groups; there were town meetings, political and church functions, piano and violin recitals, and plays staged by young people to benefit one cause or another. The

teachers of "expression" had their nervous pupils try the histrionics of The Boy Stood On The Burning Deck or Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. A town band was organized, and anyone who could play or wished to play in it was welcome; their concerts here were popular though sometimes deafening.

Before many years, the noted Chautauqua was contracted to spend a week here, with speakers or musicians each night. Some of these were elaborate occasions, with all the young women in formals, which were called evening dresses, and the young men suited accordingly. Year after year these were anticipated with pleasure and were much respected.

After the school had commodious auditoriums, the space in the Opera House was divided into rooms or offices. At one time a Mrs. Relston had a "rooming house," no meals being served, and it was also once a Doctor's office, and Mrs. J. F. Goen was his office nurse.

One day, about 1924, Mrs. Hardy Blue drove her car down the street, her son John beside her, past the Intersection. A man named Robbins was crossing the street, jaywalking as everyone did, and not noticing that a boy with a rifle was aiming at anyone below. Robbins perhaps did not even know the boy, whose family lived in Santa Anna. But the boy aimed at Robbin's back, fired, and Robbins fell dead in the street.

Several types of businesses were in the lower floor of the Opera House from time to time. A drygoods store, the name of the operator now forgotten, sold fine cottons, laces, cloth-of-gold and delicate silks; he had shoes for all the family, ladies' and men's hats, sturdy denims and ginghams and "cotton checks," a coarse dark cloth much used for girls' dresses. J. M. Riley's drug store was a popular place for medicines and for its soda fountain and clever wrought-iron tables and chairs. Here another attraction was the pleasant young son, Jim, who later learned pharmaceuticals at the University of Texas and returned to Santa Anna to live. Another druggist in the building later was named Walker, who had a son named Cecil, who also became a pharmacist.

After the Meltons bought the hotel from her parents, it was truly in its heyday. Behind the large front area was a long ell toward the north, with porches on east and west sides. Farmers and gardeners brought their wares for Mrs. Melton's lavish table to the east porch. The west side enclosed a lawn where ice cream parties were given, and in the ell was a big underground cistern for rainwater, the water system for the hotel. The Melton's children were Ben and Harvey and Isabel; she was nicknamed Top, and her friendly ways made her one of the most popular girls in town.

The windows of the place had no screens, and at night the millions of mosquitoes flew out of the cistern and into the rooms for sustenance; this was thought to be inevitable. The original charges are not remembered, but after 1900 a long sign over the lower porch read, "Room and Board, \$1.00 per day."

The drummers of shoes and suits and fabrics, whose companies paid their expenses, did not object to the high charges, and after visiting the merchants with their showings would eat a bountiful meal at Mrs. Melton's table and sit on the front porch, feet propped on the rail, smoking and at peace with the world.

Stockard had built an imposing home a few blocks south of the depot where they reared their family. Leroy and Willett had five sisters, May, Undine, Cora, and twins, Maud and Mildred. He went into banking, was president of the National Bank in Santa Anna, and educated the children at their choice of colleges. The sad ending to his life came when he was walking across the railroad track near the depot, where he had gone many thousand times, and was struck by a train and killed.

The house has been kept in the Stockard family, and is now (1985) being restored to its first dignity and to modern amenity. The Opera House, also, has a new life; it has been refurbished and opened as a pioneer-type restaurant with the honest and tasty foods which the early settlers knew. Both are part of the Texas heritage. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bertoni, owners of the building, are sincere in preserving and enhancing the early-day atmosphere.

In not only the Sesquicentennial Year, but all the time, we who are Texans should be proud of what we have and what we are. Many millions of worthy people throughout the world would give all they have if they could own Texas citizenship, a treasure we seldom even remember. And it has been created by those who faced the future with courage and trust, building highways and railroads, town and cities, keeping the peace and erecting such structures as the Stockard Opera House, the Academy of Freedom at Brownwood, find old courthouses and homes; it will be preserved by people who appreciate our past and protect it and give it honor.

## School Lunch Menu

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**  
Meatball with Mushroom Gravy, Cream Potatoes, English Peas, Chocolate Pudding, Milk, Hot Rolls

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**  
Nacho's with Peppers, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Brownies, Cornbread, Milk

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**  
Taco Casserole, Buttered Corn, Spanish Rice, Fruit Cup and Crackers, Milk

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
Steak Fingers with Brown Gravy, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Jello with Fruit, Hot Rolls, Milk

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**  
Charbroil Burgers, Salad with Pickles & Onions, Tator Totts with Catsup, Ice Cream, Milk

## Town Talk

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rendon have just returned from a trip to Raven Cliff, West Virginia where they spent two weeks visiting with their daughter and family, Mary and Jim Spivey and Joshua. They also visited in Cleveland, Tennessee, and other locations on sightseeing tours.

Dr. V. A. Kelley of Waco was sent a clipping from the Los Angeles Times concerning the story of the LIFE magazine received by Mrs. C. D. Bruce 16 years late. He sent the clipping to the S. A. News to share the far-reaching impact of the story.

Several visitors were in town this week for the celebration of the Methodist Church 100th Anniversary. Bobby Cheaney of Austin took this occasion to be with his mother. Harper Hunter and Lin Cash of Dallas were visitors of Mrs. Archie Hunter. Betty Ruth Henderson and Mae Blue had visits from Mr. and Mrs. Harold White of Midland and Wilmette Spencer of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ogle of Lubbock took this opportunity to attend the church's celebration and visit with the Gus Morgans. Ethel Williams had occasion to visit in the Morgan home this week and found two interesting and interested people, even with Gus's handicap, he wanted to talk of Haley's comet and the many ball games they can keep up with over T.V.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crews were vacationing at Hords Creek this past week with their camper trailer. They spoke of renewing friendship with campers they had met at other times. Their daughter, Dixie Aylor from San Angelo was a Sunday visitor in their home. Her visit was planned to coincide with the Methodist Church Birthday celebration.

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## RANGER PARK INN

By Annie Mae Brimer

### LIVING CENTER

O. C. Barker received visits from Lucille Balke, Iris Cobern, Aberline Graham, and Inez Lowe. Mr. Barker, Lucille Balke and Abertine Graham attended a singing in Brownwood Sunday afternoon.

Thelma and Lucas Whitehead visitors were Arris and Pat Whitehead, Maxie and Barbara Whitehead, Minnie King, Lanita (King) Whiteley, Warren and Robbie Canady and Neaoma Dawson.

Edna Wells visitors were Bozie and John Wells, and Jo Ann Hale. Vista Cox has moved to the living center. Her visitors were Claudine Brown, Louise Gordon, Sarah Bomar, and Carl and Sarah Stewart.

We are happy Minnie Greer is back in the living center. Her visitors were Nealita Ellis and Echsah Brooks

Minnie Greer and Edna Wells attended services at First Baptist Church Sunday. They visited Mrs. Raymond Cullins in Bangs Monday.

### NURSING HOME

The residents were so happy to listen to the Melody Makers sing for an hour Tuesday afternoon. Those singing were Doris Aderholt, Jim Boyles, Wanda Wallace, Allene Needham, Lorene Wynn, Virgie Wood, Dell Funderburg, Frank and Ruth Baxter.

Bro. and Mrs. P. A. Lindley, Mrs. Nolen, Mrs. Keeney and Geneva Marton sang for thirty minutes Tuesday evening.

The residents were so happy to eat all the watermelon they wanted Wednesday afternoon. Our thanks and appreciation is expressed to Herman and Edna Estes for making this treat possible.

We appreciate the popcorn Chester and Ora Belle McDaniel brought for Jay to pop next week. Thanks to you two.

The residents enjoyed popcorn Friday afternoon that Jay McCoy popped while they watched the movie "Eisenstadt: Germany."

It is wonderful to have Bill James make his home with us. Mrs. Guadalupe Reyes is making her home with us for a while also. It is a joy to include you in our family.

The Sunday service was attended by a large number of residents. We appreciate Bro. and Mrs. P. A. Lindley and Mrs. Keeney for coming each second Sunday afternoon and holding the service for us.

Bro. Mike Weigand, Bro. Dan Moffett, and Bro. Steve Ramsdell visited the home and conducted devotionals.

We sure appreciate the nice clothes Ronnie McCarrell of Buda, Texas shared with us. We are so grateful to his thoughtfulness. A lot of people will benefit from them.

Mr. and Mrs. John May have moved to Coleman. We sure enjoyed your being with us. We miss you Mr. and Mrs. May.

Mrs. Nola Hopper joined the elite group of great-grandparents with the birth of her first great-

grandchild, Tiffany Ann Migdot. She was born August 15 at 8:24 p.m. California time. She weighed 7 lbs.-11½ oz. and was 20 inches long. She is the daughter of Kim and Wendy Migdot who live in Pomona, California. Tiffany is the first grandchild of J. D. and Georgia Hughes of Santa Anna, Texas. Nola is anxious for Christmas to come as plans are for Tiffany and new parents to visit with grandparents and great-grandmother.

Everybody enjoyed the 42 party Monday afternoon. There were players at four tables. We appreciate Wilmothe Russell, Lora Russell, Eula McCary and Ruth Shirley helping with this program.

Guadalupe Reyes visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Soles.

Millard Thomason received visits from Lucile Smith, Margaret Bowman, and Bessie Pallett.

Ora Caldwell received visits from Jean and Charles Caldwell, Edna Estes, Suzy Smith, Connie Garza, Kenneth and Krista Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Estes and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Caldwell.

Nora Jones visitors were Harvay Jones, Wanda Hood, Gene and Floretta Jones.

Roberta rider visited her mother, Studie Wilkins.

Frances Tucker visitors were Archie Tucker and Margie Webb.

Sarah Bomar and Linda Childress visitors were Walter Bedell, Vista Cox and Louise Gordon.

Nell and Major Mulanax visitors were Doris Aderholt and Kenneth Mulanax.

Bessie Thomas visitors were Sylvia Herring, Laverne Simmons, Billie Ray and Bob Diaz, Penny Garrett and Nina Lewis.

Beulah Hyden visitors were Myrtle Hyden, Trisha Hyden, Jackie, Robert, Jermia and Kyra Row, S. D. Conner and John Cross.

Mabel Burrage visitors were Blanche Harris, Lula Jo and Chet Halcombe, Imo Herring, Etheleen Stewart, Bro. Dan Moffett, Bessie Pallett, Viona West, Lucile Smith, Dorothy Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford.

Jim Daniel visitors were Rev. Steve Ramsdell, Vernon Rowe, Cullen Perry of Brownwood, Mrs. Harold White of Midland, Mrs. Wilnetta Spencer of Abilene and W. D. Scarborough.

Leah Luschen visits her mother Johnnie Rae.

Nyla Simmons and Ursulla Shelley visitors were Tex and Terry Jennings of Ft. Worth, Oscar D. Williams, Joe Williams and Roseann Barton.

Bill James visitors were Bill Popnoe and Ralph Stubblefield.

Ollie Estes visitors were Verno and Ellen Estes, Kenneth and Krista Estes, Kenny and Judy Estes, Suzy and Bill Smith, Kevin Smith, Dale and Lou Shamblin, Andy and Connie Garza, Fletcher Overton, Herman and Edna Estes.

Julian Kelley visited John Hunter. Pearl Etheridge visitors were Ruby Howard, Lora Russell, Ruth Shirley, Eula McCary, Verna and Wilmoth Russell.

Jay McCoy received visits from Billie Lorene Hipp, Billie Rae Diaz, Bubb Barton.

Ovie Jenkins' visitors were Claris Billings, Floyd and Kelsie Jenkins, and Wilma White.

Joe Childers visitors were Hallie Hartley, Mildred Hartgrove, G. W. Childers and Blanton Childers.

Dona Estes visitors were Bruce Estes, Betty Day, Louise McClellan, James and Cindy Estes.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McDaniel visited his sister, Lou Lyn Dunn.

Mildred Strothers visitors were Bessie Pallett, Artie Mae Crump, Essye Ashford and Erin Day.

## Mrs. Welch Celebrates 100th Birthday

Mrs. James Copeland (Mattie) Welch celebrated her 100th birthday August 30th in her home at La Mesa, California. Attending the party were Mrs. Welch's three surviving children, Chloe Brisbin, with her husband, Charlie; Leonard and his wife, Virginia and Dorothy Lent. Also many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews and nieces. Several friends and neighbors dropped by during the day.

Mrs. Welch has many relatives, friends and former neighbors living in and around Santa Anna and Coleman. Mr. and Mrs. Welch lived for many years on their farm which was located on the north side of the West Santa Anna mountain.

Marie Hill received visits from Vernon and Francis Rowe, Faye Whitley and Bessie Pallett.

Opal Maples visitors were David Wayne and Michell Thompson, Essie Wisener, Ervin Short, Billie Simons, and Betty Akins.

Annie Barrington visitors were Nell Hunt, Gwen, Anna Marie and Lonzo Bahana and Ila Todd.

Maude McCarrell received visits from Garland McCarrell, Ronnie McCarrell and Edmond McCarrell.

Pearl White received visits from Junior and Wilma White, Wanda and Jerry Steffy.

Jane Hawkins visitors were Barbara and Walter Moore.

Sylvia Herring and Temple R. Fiveash visited their mother, Addie West.

## Class Reunion Planned

The Santa Anna High School graduating class of 1935 is planning a reunion on Saturday, October 12, in conjunction with the Ex-Student Homecoming. Local class members are making arrangements for the get-together to be held at the Christian Life Center of First Baptist Church following the noon meal.

Of the 63 graduates in 1935, 50 are still living, and about half that number have responded to the invitation and plan to be present. The only member for whom an address

was not available is Mozelle Moss. The Class of 1935 is the largest class to graduate from Santa Anna High School.

Agnes Hays Chamberlain of San Antonio, the home room teacher and class sponsor, has sent greetings for the group, but will not be able to attend the reunion.

Class members are being asked to meet the morning of October 12 to sit in a group at the program at the high school, and will sit in a group for the luncheon at noon.

## Pathfinder Club Attends Camp

The Santa Anna Roadrunners Pathfinder Club recently returned from a week-long National Camporee at Camp Hale, Colorado, located between Leadville and Vail. Pathfinder Clubs from the U.S., Canada, and several foreign countries attended the event, enjoying a variety of activities provided in the beautiful valley surrounded by majestic Colorado peaks. The Roadrunners wish to thank the people of the community for supporting them in their fruit sales, garage sale, etc. so that they could attend this historic event.

One of the outstanding events for Santa Anna was the hosting of a young Pathfinder Club from Brazil, and on two days Santa Anna hosted a 15-year-old boy, Marcos Cardoso dos Santos. He spoke only Portuguese, and we spoke only English with a few words of Spanish; but we managed to communicate very well. Among other things, we learned that there were no marshmallows in Brazil (we provided him with some to take home) and that only very wealthy people ate watermelon. He joined us on the day that we toured the Leadville mining district,

another outstanding event enjoyed by the Roadrunners.

Local Pathfinders and staff attending were Darla Dodgen, Bryon Dowdy, Cindy Juarez, Erica, Anna, and Kathy Pearce, Nathan, Patsy, Stephanie, and Tammi Starr. Steve and Rebecca Burton, now of Mena, Arkansas also joined the Santa Anna group.

The Santa Anna Pathfinder Club is sponsored by the S.D.A. Church and is open to any boy or girl between the ages of nine and fifteen. It is a program very similar to scouting with an emphasis on Christian living and community service. This year we will be working on honors in stamp collecting, sheep husbandry, rock collecting, arts and crafts (various areas), and camping and outdoor living. There are many other areas in which a young person may work, depending upon his interest. Patsy Starr is the director of the local club and will be able to answer any questions from anyone interested. Meetings for the year will be beginning about the middle of September, and anyone may contact Mrs. Starr at 348-3887 for information.

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Sep. 13	Blanket	8:00	T
Sep. 20	Rising Star	8:00	T
Sep. 27	Str'l'g Cty—	7:30	H
Oct. 4	Miles —	7:30	T
Oct. 11	Eden —	7:30	H
Oct. 18	Iron Cty—	7:30	T
Oct. 25	Robert Lee—	7:30	H
Nov. 1	Bronte—	7:30	H
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**Legal Notice**

The Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Dept. is now accepting bids on a 1988 GMC Van. May be seen at City Hall by contacting any of the firemen.  
The Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Dept. reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept bids most advantageous to the Fire Dept.  
Bids must be sealed and delivered to the Santa Anna Vol. Fire Dept. no later than 5 p.m. on September 15, 1985. Send bids to Santa Anna Vol. Fire Dept., Box 711, Santa Anna, Texas 76878. S-26443-36-37

**Card of Thanks**

We want to thank all of our friends and relatives for making our 50th wedding anniversary so happy.  
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## Fannie's Funnies By Fannie Gilbert

Little Zack had just eaten all the grapes off the stem of a small cluster when his dad came in and asked, "Hey, what do you have their?" "It's a grape holder," he answered.

Mama: "how can a young woman keep her youth?" "Don't introduce him to other girls."

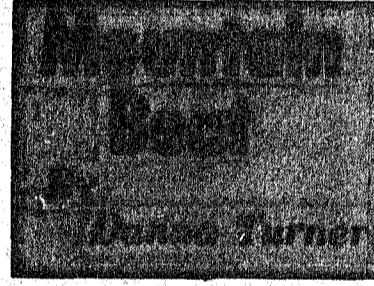
Some people are like knees. They run around a lot without getting anywhere at all.

"How do you keep your children out of the cookie jar?" "I lock the pantry door and hide the key under a cake of soap in the bathroom."

Just as we finally get it together, the next generation comes along to tell us we got it all backward.

The little boy who was sent to the store and could never remember what he went for, finally grew up to be a congressman.

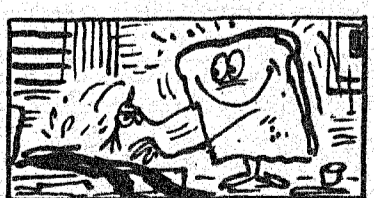
It's got to happen one day, shortly after blast-off. "Hello, Mission Control, this is Apollo 17. There is a man here with a gun and he wants to go to Jupiter."



Just another reminder reminding everyone to buckle up. The Buckle Up or Seatbelt Law went into effect on Sunday, September 1. If we would all remember to take the few seconds it takes to buckle our seat belts, it will soon become an automatic habit when we get into our cars. For one, we have broken the "Law" several times, not on purpose, it is just that I am not used to buckling up.

We had a good little shower last Friday morning, but temperatures soon climbed when the rain stopped. We sure could use some more rain.

Once again I would like to take this time to tell everyone that the News staff is still learning to do their pictures. The editor is having a hard time taking good pictures, then when I get one decent enough to use, I then have to develop them for the paper, which is a job in itself. And of course I am still learning about developing and making pictures, so please bear with me and us at the News office.



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Retirement is a lot like being on vacation, except that you don't have to lug all that film.

There's one thing to be said about this modern "music." You can't tell the difference when the record finally wears out.

## Martha Group Meets

by Mrs. John Hunter  
The Martha Group of the First United Methodist Church Women met in the home of Mrs. Willard Cheaney, Monday, September 9, at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Ethel Williams, chairperson, conducted the business session, assisted by Grace Short and Zuma Jones, with Earline Scott reading the scripture.

Mrs. Cheaney, hostess, served a refreshment plate. Mmes. Zuma Jones, Ethel Williams, Lucile Smith, Earline Scott, Gladys Hunter, Grace Short, Ora Hunter and Mrs. Mae Blue.

## The Agonies of Allergies

By Kathy Pearce

As the autumn winds change direction and pick up speed, they can carry pollen from plants many miles away and contribute to very irritating allergies for your pet. Be on the lookout for certain symptoms so you can help your animal. Sneezing, coughing, and gagging are some of the primary signs of pollen-type allergies. Often tonsillitis will develop from offending materials which are inhaled by the animal. Uncontrollable itching is another symptom. If your dog starts licking

or chewing its feet or scratching incessantly, its body may be reacting to irritants. On a dog with light colored fur, the hair on its feet and thighs may turn orange from the animals saliva. Medication from your veterinarian can be a great help to control itching.

Watery, itchy eyes may also result from pollen allergy. As the dog rubs its face on the rug or grass or scratches at its eyes with its forepaws, he may cause ulcers to form and even end up blind from the resulting damage to the eye. This is a symptom that requires immediate veterinary attention.

There will be a pink and blue shower honoring Josie Rendon (Mrs. John Rendon) on Sunday, August 15

from 2 p.m. til 4 p.m. at the home of Betty Rolfe, 102 S. 6th.

All friends and relatives are invited.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 1985

### PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Sections 1 and 2 of House Joint Resolution 6 propose a constitutional amendment that would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to issue an additional \$980 million of Texas Water Development bonds.

The additional bonds to be issued will be dedicated for deposit in the Texas Water Development Fund, with \$190 million of those bond proceeds to be used for water supply loans and facilities acquisition and with \$400 million of those bond proceeds to be used for state participation in the acquisition and development of facilities for storage, transmission, transportation, and treatment of water and wastewater. Of the remaining bonds authorized, \$190 million will be dedicated for use in water quality enhancement projects, and \$200 million will be dedicated exclusively for flood control projects.

The amendment would also allow the legislature to provide for the creation, administration, and implementation of a bond insurance program to which the state pledges up to \$250 million of its general credit to insure payment of the principal of and interest on bonds or other obligations issued by political subdivisions of the state for water conservation, water development, water quality enhancement, flood control, drainage, recharge, chloride control or desalinization. Unless authorized to continue by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house of the Legislature, the bond insurance program will expire on the sixth anniversary of the date on which this section becomes a part of the constitution. Bond insurance issued before expiration of the program will not be affected by such expiration.

The amendment would authorize the legislature to create and appropriate money to special funds in the state treasury to make grants, loans, and other financial assistance available to governmental entities for certain enumerated water planning purposes. Also, the legislature would be permitted to extend the benefits of constitutionally approved water projects to nonprofit water supply corporations.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the issuance of an additional \$980 million of Texas Water Development Bonds, to create special water funds for water conservation, water development, water quality enhancement, flood control, drainage, subsidence control, recharge, chloride control, agricultural soil and water conservation, and desalinization, to authorize a bond insurance program, and to clarify the purposes for which Texas Water Development Bonds may be issued."

### PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Section 3 of House Joint Resolution 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas Water Development Board to issue and sell Texas agricultural water conservation bonds in an

amount not to exceed \$200 million, if authorized to do so by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house of the legislature. The Texas agricultural water conservation bonds would be general obligations of the State of Texas, and would be paid from the first money coming into the state treasury in each fiscal year. The amendment would allow Texas agricultural water conservation bonds to be issued and sold only for four years after the date on which this Act becomes a part of the constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance and sale of \$200 million of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds."

### PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 54 proposes a constitutional amendment that would permit the legislature to authorize a city or town to spend public funds and levy assessments for the relocation or replacement of water laterals on private property if such relocation or replacement is done in conjunction with or immediately following the relocation or replacement of water mains serving the property. Any legislative enactment permitting the expenditure of funds for such purposes would authorize the city or town to fix a lien on the property, with the owners' consent, for the cost of relocating or replacing the water laterals, and would provide that such cost shall be assessed against the property, with repayment by the property owner to be amortized over a period not to exceed five years at the rate of interest set by law. Such liens could not be enforced until after five years from the date the liens were affixed.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to enact laws permitting a city or town to spend public funds and levy assessments for the relocation or replacement of water laterals on private property."

### PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the use of the proceeds from the sale of permanent school fund land to acquire other land for the permanent school fund. Currently, the constitution requires that proceeds from the sale of such land be invested in certain bonds and other securities.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing proceeds from the sale of land dedicated to the permanent school fund to be used to acquire other land for that fund."

### PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 89 proposes a constitutional amendment that would enable the legislature to regulate the provision of health care by hospital districts by determining

the services the district must provide, by setting requirements a resident must meet in order to qualify for services, and by determining any other relevant provisions necessary for providing health care to residents.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to regulate the provision of health care by hospital districts."

### PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would enable the State of Texas to enter into an agreement with another state to confine inmates from the state of Texas in penal or correctional facilities of the other state.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to permit state prisoners to be placed in penal facilities of another state pursuant to an interstate agreement."

### PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 27 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the commissioners court of Chambers County to divide Chambers County into not less than two and not more than six justice precincts. Under current constitutional law, Chambers County may be divided into not less than two and not more than five justice precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing Chambers County to be divided into two to six precincts."

### PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 9 proposes a constitutional amendment that would grant an additional \$500 million in bonding authority to the Veterans' Land Board for the veterans' housing assistance program. Under the current constitution, the Veterans' Land Board is authorized by Article III, Section 49-b-1 to issue and sell not more than \$800 million in bonds, \$500 million of which may be used for the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund. This amendment would increase that authorization to permit the issuance and sale of up to \$1.3 billion in bonds, \$1 billion of which would be used for the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund. In addition, the amendment would remove the current definition of "veteran" from the constitution and permit the legislature to redefine "veteran" as the changing times and circumstances require.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing \$500 million in additional bonding authority for the veterans' housing assistance program and changing the definition of those veterans eligible to participate in the veterans' land program by authorizing the legislature by law to define an eligible veteran for the purposes of those programs."

### PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 72 proposes a constitutional amendment that would permit the legislature either to enact a statute or to attach a rider to the General Ap-

propriations Act to require prior approval of the expenditure or emergency transfer of any funds appropriated by the legislature to state governmental agencies.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to protect public funds by authorizing prior approval of expenditure or emergency transfer of state appropriations."

### PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 19 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds, the proceeds of which would be deposited in a fund to be known as the farm and ranch finance program fund. The fund would be administered by the Veterans' Land Board and would be used to make loans and provide other financial assistance for the purchase of farm and ranch land. The amount of bonds outstanding at any one time would be limited to \$500 million. The principal and interest that becomes due on such bonds in each fiscal year would be paid from amounts remaining in the interest and sinking fund at the close of the prior fiscal year, with the balance due to be appropriated from treasury revenues in the fiscal year when such amounts become due.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to provide financing assistance for the purchase of farm and ranch land."

### PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would define indictments and informations as instruments charging a person with the commission of an offense, and would delete certain technical requirements as to the form of writs and processes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to the manner in which a person is charged with a criminal offense and to certain requirements applicable to state writs and processes."

### PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would grant the Texas Supreme Court and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals jurisdiction to answer questions of state law certified from federal appellate courts. In addition, the two courts would promulgate rules of procedure relating to the review of those questions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment granting the Supreme Court of Texas and the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas jurisdiction to answer questions of state law certified from a federal appellate court."

### PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 14 proposes a constitutional amendment that would create a board with responsibility for the reapportionment of judicial districts, subject to legislative approval. The amendment would provide for the continued power of the legislature to provide for judicial reapportionment, and would provide that reapportionment

will be the responsibility of the Legislative Redistricting Board if the Judicial Districts Board fails to make a timely reapportionment. The amendment would provide for the creation of judicial districts smaller than a county in counties where the creation of such districts has been approved by the voters at a general election. The amendment would provide for more than one judge for a judicial district. The amendment would rename supreme judicial districts as courts of appeals districts. The amendment would provide that the jurisdiction and terms of court of district and county courts may be as provided by law. The amendment would provide for the jurisdiction of justice courts, which may have additional jurisdiction as provided by law. The amendment would provide for rules of judicial administration and civil procedure to be promulgated by the Supreme Court, and would provide that the legislature may delegate additional rule making power to the Supreme Court or to the Court of Criminal Appeals. The amendment would provide that courts and judges in existence at the time of its adoption remain in existence until otherwise provided by law.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing for the reapportionment of the judicial districts of the state by the Judicial Districts Board or by the Legislative Redistricting Board, and providing for the administration and jurisdiction of constitutional courts."

### PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 27 proposes a constitutional amendment that would abolish the office of County Treasurer in Andrews County and transfer the powers and duties of that office to the County Auditor. The amendment would also abolish the office of County Treasurer in El Paso County if, at the statewide election at which this amendment is submitted to the voters, a majority of the voters who vote in El Paso County favor the amendment. The functions of the office of El Paso County Treasurer will be performed by a person employed or designated by the El Paso County Commissioners Court. The amendment also provides for the abolition of the office of County Surveyor in Denton, Randall, Collin, Dallas, El Paso, and Henderson Counties upon approval of such abolition by a majority of the voters who vote on the question at an election called by the commissioners court of the county. If the office of County Surveyor is abolished in any county, the commissioners court may employ or contract with any qualified person to perform the duties of the office.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to provide for:

- (1) the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Andrews County and El Paso County;
- (2) the abolition of the office of county surveyor in Collin, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Henderson, and Randall Counties."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el día 5 de noviembre de 1985. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/852/9602 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 19887, Austin, Texas 78711.

