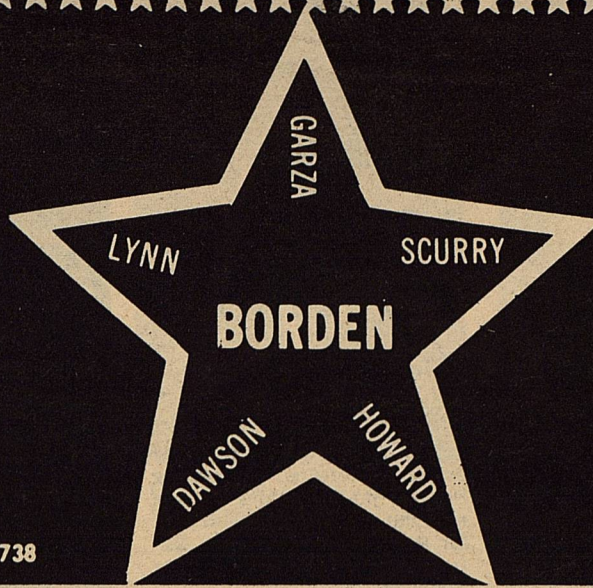


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LAVERNE ODELL AND SON ROY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS ACTIVELY SHOW THEIR CONCERN FOR THE FUTURE OF AGRICULTURE BY POSTING THE ABOVE SIGN ON THEIR PROPERTY.

## Ranchers, Farmers Support Prop 5

Using the phrase "Save Agriculture" as their theme, a large group of Texas farm and ranch land owners have formed a political committee to push for the adoption of Proposition Five in the Constitutional election on November 4th.

Dripping Springs rancher Laverne Odell is campaign chairman of the Committee to Support Proposition Five. The Committee is now seeking the support of all Texas landowners concerned with rising property taxes and of all citizens concerned with saving Texas agriculture.

Proposition Five is the proposed Finance Article of the Texas Constitution. If adopted by the voters on November 4, Proposition Five and the implementing Act, House Bill 135, would require that Texas farm and ranch land be taxed according to how much income it would produce. Under the new law, there would not be restrictions to prevent farmers and ranchers from qualifying as under the existing constitution. According to Odell, if agricultural land continues to be taxed at its speculative value, as most such land is under the present Constitution, most farmers and ranchers will be forced to sell their land to real estate developers who will remove the land from agricultural use. As a result, Odell

fears that "One of these days we'll wake up and not have anything to eat."

A 1966 amendment to Texas present constitution was intended to provide some tax relief to Texas landowners but, states Odell, has failed to do so because of the difficulties involved in qualifying under this amendment and because the present constitution does not spell out how qualified land is to be appraised.

Odell's group has posted 35 signs like the one pictured stating "Save Agriculture, Vote Nov. 4 FOR Proposition 5" throughout portions of Travis and Hays Counties. If further information is required, the group's treasurer, Henry Brooks, may be contacted by phone at area code 512, 478-5621 or by mail, care of Committee to Support Proposition 5, P.O. Box 369, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620.

Laverne Odell encourages all citizens to vote for Proposition 5.

## First Bale

Oscar and Bobby Furlow picked the first bale of cotton to be ginned in O'Donnell.

The bale, ginned at Woolam Gin, is on Display at the 1st Nat'l Bank in O'Donnell. The bale weighed 550 pounds.

## Hance Speaks On Amendment

The big news in Texas until November will continue to center around the proposed Texas Constitution. The proposed document will go to the voters in the form of eight separate propositions on November 4. The adoption of all eight propositions by the voters will result in a completely new constitution. Passage of any one proposition will alter a specific portion of the old constitution. All of you should have received a copy of the proposed constitution in the mail. If you need additional copies, you can get them (in English or Spanish versions) from either my Austin or Lubbock offices. If you need a copy of the present (1876) constitution, my offices will provide those or, for quicker reference, you can find the text of it in any recent Texas Almanac. A good many notable Texans from all points on the political spectrum are hastily taking stands both for and against the various propositions. The "pro" forces are headed by former State Supreme Court Justice Robert Calvert. Other prominent Texans who have spoken out in favor of the new document include Lt. Governor Bill Hobby, Attorney General John Hill, House Speaker Bill Clayton, attorney Leon Jaworski and former Governor John Connally. The "anti" forces are headed by State Senator Peyton McKnight of Tyler and include Senators Bill Moore of Bryan and Walter Mengden of Houston as well as former Governor Preston Smith. Before November 4, the names of many more public figures will be released by both sides. Both sides claim that a vote against their position will mean greater state spending and higher taxes, so it is very important for each of us to read the new document carefully and make our own educated decision on November 4.

### HOTTEST ISSUES:

While most of the debate thus far has been between those for or against all eight of the November 4 propositions, a good deal of interest also seems to be developing around Propositions 2 and 5. The State

Bar has come out in favor of Proposition 2 which is the new Judiciary Article while a number of judges oppose it. Proposition 5, the new Finance Article is receiving support from an interesting variety of sources including several groups of farmers and ranchers as well as Common Cause. Proposition 5 would greatly alter Texas' property tax laws including a provision that agricultural land be taxed at its productive value. One taxpayer organization is posting signs in the Austin area that read, "Save Agriculture-Vote Nov. 4 for Proposition 5." SPEAKING OF TAXPAYER ASSOCIATION

The fledging Texans for Equitable Taxation seems to be off to a good start. We plan to feature this organization, whose main goal is to hold down property taxes throughout Texas, in a future newsletter. Meanwhile, you can contact Knox City superintendent Bill Baker for more information about the group. FORTHCOMING:

Prior to November 4th, we will send out another newsletter presenting both sides of the main issues involved in the various propositions of the new constitution.

## Cowgirls To Be In Lamesa

A huge two day barrel racing event will be highlighted by an awards banquet Saturday night in Lamesa.

The Lamesa Chamber of Commerce and Rodeo Association are helping host the West Texas Barrel Racing Association year end event. The weekend schedule calls for barrel racing events to start at 1 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday with the annual awards banquet set for 8 p.m. Saturday in the Forrest Part Community Center. The Association has approximately 20 members, many of whom live in the Dawson County area.

No admission will be charged although the contests will be closed to association members. Breakaway roping, goat tying and ribbon roping will also be held in conjunction with the barrel racing.

Several thousands of dollars in prizes will be awarded Saturday night.

The association includes mem-

bers throughout the West Texas area from as far east as Stephenville, north to Amarillo and south to San Angelo. Saturday and Sunday's competition will be strong and everyone is invited to attend.

## Knott Co-ed Wins Awards

Kayla Gaskins, 19 of Knott Texas was named cotton division runner-up in the 1975 State 4-H Dress Revue last weekend (Oct. 3-5) in Dallas. She also earned third place in the overall statewide competition.

As cotton runner-up, she received a \$25 bond from the Texas Cottonseed Crushers' Association, and as third place winner in statewide competition, she received a \$50 scholarship from Celanese Fiber Marketing Company.

The Texas Tech University sophomore is a home economics education major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mac Gaskins of Knott.

State 4-H Dress Revue was sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System in conjunction with the State Fair of Texas, with a Dress Revue honor luncheon hosted by McCalls Pattern Company.

For her entry, Miss Gaskins constructed a khaki ensemble featuring a softly sashed jacket over a "whirly" skirt. Top-stitched pockets accented the jacket, and the flared skirt was made with eight gores. The coed wore green suede sandals and hat to compliment the fall-green blouse.

Other Dress Revue winners were Carolyn Lehmann of La Grange, Texas, statewide and wool division winner, Minette Geeslin of Jazton, Texas, statewide runner-up, Revis Cauble of Roby, Texas, cotton division winner, and Wanda Wolbrueck of Austin, wool runner-up.

Statewide finalists included Renee Davis of Marshall, Tex., Vicky Gilliam of Hondo, Tex., Julie Lynn Ludwig of Rosenberg, Texas, Janet Miller of Perrin, Texas, Beryl Shorter of Eagle Lake, Texas., Diane Vierus of Brenham, Texas, JoAnn Wagner of Hereford, Tex., and Annette Weil of Hale Center, Texas.

# Borden School



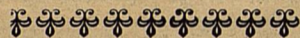
# County News



GAIL FFA SWEETHEART  
1975-76

## Gail FFA News

The Gail FFA Chapter held a meeting on Tuesday, October 7. The Chapter elected Miss Sue Hancock as their 1975-76 Chapter Sweetheart. Sue is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hancock and is a Junior at Borden High. She will represent the Chapter at the Mesa District Sweetheart Contest in Levelland, December 1, at the Mesa District FFA Banquet. The Chapter also made preliminary plans for their annual Fruit Sales which will be conducted on November 1-15.



Sid Westbrook, Gail FFA member, will be exhibiting two barrows and one Registered Santa Gertrudis Heifer at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, this week.

## School Menu

October 20-24, 1975  
MONDAY

Frito Pie  
Tossed Salad  
Creamed Corn  
Plain Cake with Peanut Butter Icing  
Milk

TUESDAY  
Fish Portions  
Ranch Style Beans  
Celery Sticks  
Apple Delight  
Batter Bread  
Milk

WEDNESDAY  
Corn Dogs  
Vegetable Salad  
Peach Half  
Cookie  
Milk

THURSDAY  
Roast Beef and Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Fruit Salad  
Hot Rolls and Butter  
Milk

FRIDAY  
Hamburgers on Bun  
French Fries  
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles  
Brownies  
Milk

## Borden Loses To Dawson

The Borden Coyotes lost to the Dawson Dragons Friday night in the first zone game for both teams. Borden started the scoring fast as Gene Cooley ran the opening kickoff back 70 yard for a 6-0 lead. Dawson came back with 2 first quarter scores to take a 14-6 first quarter lead. In the second quarter, Dawson scored 3 times to Borden's one. Borden score came on a 50 yard pass play from Richard Long to Larry Simer. In the third quarter, Borden scored on an intercepted pass by Gene Cooley. Extra points were made by a run by Larry Simer. In the fourth quarter, Dawson scored 14 points to 8 points for Borden. The scoring play was a 30 yard pass from Joe Zant to Richard Long. Joe Zant passed to Larry Simer for the extra point. The Coyotes play the Loop Longhorns in Gail Friday night in a double header as the Junior High plays Loop in a 5:30 game followed by the varsity game at 8:00 p.m.

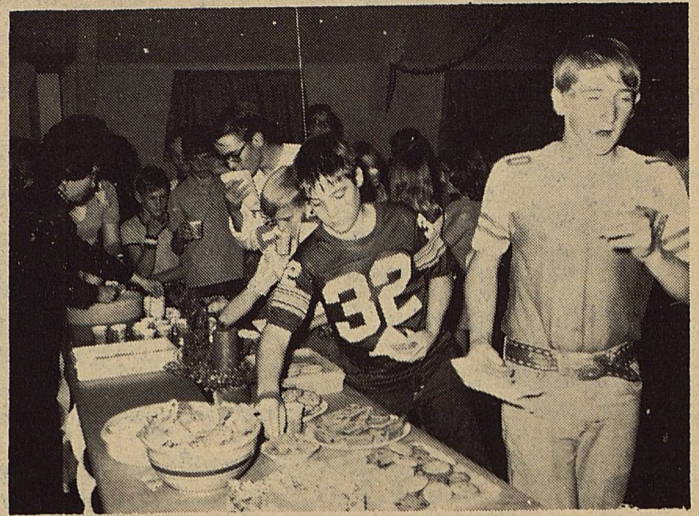
## Jr. High Wins

The Borden Junior High remained undefeated by beating Dawson 40-22. Mark Walker ran the opening kick-off back for the first Borden score. Extra points were made by Craig Peterson.

Blane Dyess passed to Ben Murphy for Borden's second score. The play covered 20 yards. Extra points were not good. Blane Dyess returned a kick-off for a touch down after a Dawson score. Extra points were good on a pass from Dyess to Tim Taylor. Craig Peterson and Blane Dyess scored one more touchdown each on runs and Dyess passed to Mark Walker for the other score.

### GAME TIME CHANGE!!!

The Junior High Game with Loop has been changed to 5:30 p.m.. The High School game will follow at 8:00 p.m.



Junior High students being served at the Junior High after game party.

## Jr. High After Game Party

An After-game party was held in the Sheriff's Posse building Thursday, following the Junior High win over Dawson.

Refreshments were served by the mothers of Junior High girls. Students listened to records, visited, and danced. Then the boys and girls participated in a relay. The boys pulled on a girls dress and pair of high heel shoes while the girls wore mens clothing and a huge pair of boots. They raced to the other end of the Posse building and back. Because of a little hesitation on the part of the boys team, the girls won hands down.

The football boys, pep squad, cheerleaders, and all

who attended the party would like to thank the mothers who helped with the party.

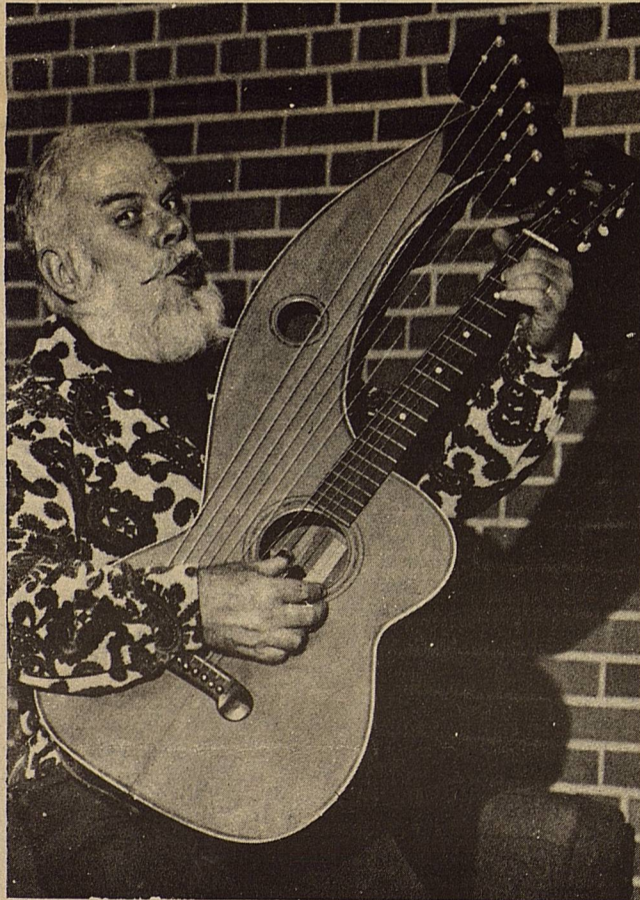
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LINED WINDBREAKER

IF FOUND CONTACT

CARLA JONES

573-7335



NEIL CHRISTIAN

## Assembly Program

Neil Christian, a natural story teller, singer of folklore, and a musician, performed during the assembly program for Borden County students Monday, October 14.

Neil, who has performed on television but prefers a live audience, knows 400 ballads. He sang several humorous songs, ghost stories, songs from all over the world, and other ballads.

The Northern climate harp guitar Neil plays, is 80 years old and weighs 3 1/2 pounds. It was found in an attic in pieces and restored. He also plays a Gibson Harp guitar which weighs 12 pounds and is hollow necked. Only one hundred of these guitars are in existence, two dozen are playable and only a handful are well-tuned.

Neil's program was both entertaining and educational.

## SENIOR Smorgasbord

OCTOBER 17, 1975

Before Loop Game  
4:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
In School Cafeteria

\*\*\*\*\*MENU\*\*\*\*\*

MEATS----ROAST, CHICKEN, HAMBURGER STEAKS,

SPAGHETTI, MEAT CASSEROLES, HAM. (PLEASE

ONLY ONE SERVING)

VEGATABLES----CORN, GREEN BEANS, PINTO BEANS,

RANCH STYLE BEANS, POTATOES, BLACKEYED PEAS,

ENGLISH PEAS, BROCOLLI.

TOSSED SALAD

DESSERT----PIES, CAKES

COFFEE /OR TEA

\$2.00 for Adults

\$1.00 for children under 12

## Beauty



## Pageant

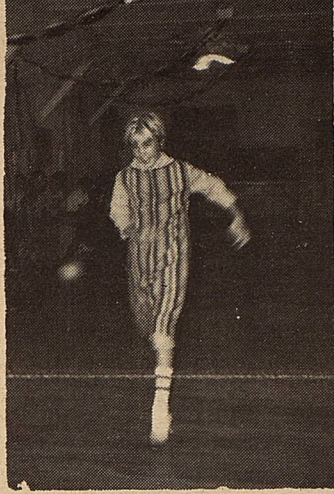
The Borden County High School Beauty Pageant will be held this Thursday, October 16 in the High School auditorium at 7:30.

Philena Farmer will be the Mistress of Ceremonies. Kevva Tucker, last years winner, will crown the "Most Beautiful" girl and present the "Most Handsome" boy a gift. Karen Williams and Glynda Burkett will provide piano music for the event.

Thirty girls will compete in the contest. Judges will be from Brownfield.



Karen Williams running fast for the girls team.



Clay Grose, a great sport runs first for the boys side.



JR. HIGH STUDENTS LOOK ON IN AMAZEMENT AS JYM RINEHART DOES THE "SIT DOWN" DANCE. (STAFF PHOTO)

## Opens Model Apartments

(Lubbock) The Grand Opening of model apartments at John Knox Village of West Texas, the new Affordable Life-Care retirement community at 1717 Norfolk Ave. was announced this week by Lee Thomas, Executive Director of John Knox Village, Lee's Summit, Mo., who is Project Coordinator for the Lubbock facility.

The buildings which comprise the Lubbock retirement community were originally constructed for Texas Tech College dormitories, and are currently owned by Northwestern Insurance Company. The property will be remodeled and managed by Christian Services, Inc., the Lee's Summit-based consulting firm which manages retirement communities across the country.

Upon completion John Knox Village of West Texas will have 275 Units, representing a \$10 million investment, according to Fred Fox, CSI Marketing Director. The first construction phase includes 150

units in studio, one and two-bedroom apartments and a 15-bed Med-Center. Special pre-construction rates for apartment reservations offer \$1,600 to \$5,000 discounts for a limited time, and Exceptional Service Units, offering professional nurses aide attention may now be reserved for as little as \$6,30, Fox said.

The Affordable Life-Care plan on which the Village is based will bring a new concept of retirement living to Western Texas. It is designed to provide years of dignity, independence and enjoyment at a price the average person can afford. It offers lifetime use of an apartment as well as a host of other services, including professional nursing facilities. There is no extra charge for lodging or nursing services when such health care is needed.

Persons who are 55 or older may apply for residency; for couples, only one need be 55. Qualified applicants pay an entrance endowment based on the size of the apartment they select. A small monthly service charge provides every-other-week maid service, weekly flat laundry, complete maintenance of the building and grounds, scheduled free transportation to shopping, entertainment and churches, use of recreational facilities and all utilities except telephone.

Current facilities already include many of the amenities necessary for Life-Care living, including a Class A fire-proof building, Skylight Inn dining room, indoor swimming pool, laundry room on each floor and heat lamps in every bathroom.

Construction will soon begin on a chapel, beauty and barber shops, pool room, craft shops, a music and movie room, library and gift shop. The 15-bed Med-Center will be expanded to 60 beds at a later date.

Dan Kennaley, CSI planning director is supervising remodeling of the facility, and Barbara Dunn is local marketing director. Starting October 4, model apartments will be open to the public from 9 to 6 Mondays through Saturdays, and from 1 to 6 Sundays. Special appointments may be made by calling 77-4305.

The Tutsi, Batutsi and Watusi are the tallest known races in the world, some of whom measure 7 feet 6 inches tall.

## Country

## Cooks

The Country Cooks met on Tuesday, September 30, 1975, at the home of Mrs. Roger Williams for their first meeting.

The adult leaders are Mrs. Roger Williams and Mrs. Brent Murphy.

The officers for the year 1975-76 are as follows: President-Terrie Moreno. Vice-President-Beverly Buchanan.

Secretary-Becky Simer Reporter-Cindy Grose Treasurer-Karen Bond

The next meeting for the Country Cooks will be on October 7, 1975. One group will be cooking butter-scotch brownies and the other group will be cooking Sally lunn bread.



ERNEST KIKER PRESENTING WANDA SMITH THE "FRIEND OF 4-H" AWARD.

## MOVIES ARE THE MOST

### Noret Theatres Movie Menu

#### Lamesa

Movies Phone 872-2750

10-15-21 THE HIDING PLACE

Sky Vue Drive In Phone 872-7004

10-15-18 HAPPY HOOKER—YOUNG

PLAYMATES Rated R

10-19-21 SUMMER SCHOOL TEACHERS—

STUDENT NURSES Rated R

#### Big Spring

Cinema Phone 263-1417

10-15-16 MASTER GUNFIGHTER Rated PG

10-17-21 MANEATER Rated PG

1)-17-18 Late Show MORNING AFTER Rated X

10-17-18 Matinee Only LAS VIBRAS CAMBIAN DE PIEL

#### Snyder

Tiger Drive In Phone 573-7212

10-17-18 GIANT SPIDER INVASION Rated PG

10-19 KALIMAN

Cinema I Phone 573-7519

10-15-21 HIDING PLACE Rated PG

Cinema II Phone 573-7519

10-15-21 HIDING PLACE Rated PG

★★ Bicentennial ★★

# Turkey Shoot

## Gun and Wildcat Show

Sponsored By — Borden County High School Senior Class

### Saturday, Nov. 8, 1975

9:00 A. M. 'TIL DARK 9:00 A. M. 'TIL DARK

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# Jerre's Gottings

Patrick Henry was a better piece writer than I and/or most others who use the privilege these 200 years later. The reason being, probably, was that he held education in high esteem--nor was he bused to the east side of Richmond in order that his mind be muddled in a government school.

"They tell us, sir, that we are weak--unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger? Will it be next year? Will it be when we are totally disarmed and when a...guard shall be stationed in every house?---

Do you feel like you are in a time capsule." When reading those stirring words, I did not think of the political climate of 1775. My time equation was today-1975. Vietnam--SALT--Detente-Helsenki-Crime -Gun Control National police Force  
"--- shall we acquire the means of effectual resistance by lying supinely on our backs, and hugging the delusive phantom of hope, until our enemies shall have bound us hand and foot?---

1975-- Could we resurrect Patrick Henry today, would not he be referring to, - OSHA-EPA Law by Supreme Court edict-Social Security- Economic Planning? He very well could be talking about the dangers of a loose system of justice. Reference could be made to the doing away with capital punishment.

"---Our chains are forged, their clanking may be heard on the plains of Boston!"

1975-Forced busing-Energy Crisis-. The chains of bureaucracy are binding us today more stringently than ever did those of 200 years ago. Yet men like Patrick Henry were willing to sacrifice this all in order to preserve "those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power". They did not lie supinely on their backs-voting themselves pay raises in the midst of economic turmoil. No!

"---There is no retreat, but in submission and slavery!"  
"--- Is life so dear and peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery?" "---as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

Men like Patrick Henry did give us liberty. They didn't

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weasel or crind muttering," I'd rather be a liveTory than dead in glory".

We are not the first generation to be put to the test. But we may be the last. Without men like Patrick Henry to capsule our wars into context and act bravely, we are apt to lose the liberty gained for us 200 years ago.

## Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Clark of Coleman visited Saturday in the H.A. Smith, Junior home.

Ira Huntsucker of New Boston has been visiting in the Jess Murphy home at Lake Thomas.

The members of the Knapp Home Demonstration Club had a joint luncheon at Furr's cafeteria, at Big Spring, Tuesday.

Ruth Weathers visited Friday with Mrs. Julia Warren at Colorado City.

The Alvis Blacks of Brownfield have been vacationing at their Lake Cabin at Lake Thomas.

The R.A. Rambo's visited Wednesday in the George Murry hmme.

Mrs. Robert Warren is visiting with relatives at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. May of Sweetwater were week-end visitors in the H.A. Smith home.

Dr. Don Reddell, Texas A&M University, has been named Engineer of The Year by the Texas section of The American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

Don, a 1955 graduate of Borden High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Reddell of Gail.

Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Porter, Samantha and Kate, Clara, Mark and Suzanne Walker attended the wedding of Becky Stephenson, Mrs. Skeet Porter's grand niece, of Paint Rock, Texas. Returning home with the

Porter's was Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Patton, Mrs. Skeet Porter's brother and sister-in-law, from Ft. Worth. They will spend a few days at the ranch before traveling home.

Oscar and Beulah Telchick have returned from a trip to Arizona, where they attended a 50th wedding anniversary of Ernest and Cleora Tallant, a first cousin of Beulah's. Friday of last week they went to Abilene to visit a granddaughter, La Rhea Minter, a Freshman at A.C.C. and returned Saturday. They also visited Barron Wellborn and family while there. He is a brother of Beulah Telchick.

## Improvement

Mr. Lee F. York of Lubbock is home from the hospital and is improving steadily.

## Supper

The Plains Community Annual Harvest Supper will be in the Plains Community Center Saturday, October 18th at 6:30 P. M.. Please bring a vegetable and salad, or vegetable and dessert, or salad and dessert. The meat and drinks will be furnished by the association.

## WTCC

SNYDER -- Western Texas College will sponsor a women's basketball clinic for area coaches and players on Nov. 1.

In addition to two guest lecturers, there will be a roundtable discussion in which a panel including some of the top coaches in the area will discuss tactics and answer questions from the audience.

Registration will be from 8-10 a.m. in the Health-Physical Education Building at the east end of the campus. Bob Schneider, Canyon High School's outstanding coach, will be the first lecturer, speaking on team defense.

Bob O'Day, assistant professor of Physical Education at WTC, will interpret rules regulating women's basketball. Dr. Sid Simpson, WTC Athletic Director and women's coach

will give a lecture and direct a demonstration on offensive and defensive fundamentals. The Dusters will be used to demonstrate for both O'Day's and Simpson's lectures.

Activities will be concluded with a coaches' banquet in the WTC cafeteria, a short intrasquad scrimmage by the Dusters and ball game between two Class B powerhouses, Bronte and Meadow.

Admission to the clinic is \$6 per coach. This fee includes the banquet. Admission for players will be \$1 each and players may purchase meals in the cafeteria for \$1 per meal. The WTC indoor swimming pool will be open for a free swim from 3-5 p.m.

Reservations for the clinic should be made by Oct. 26 by persons who plan to eat in the cafeteria. Other admissions will be sold at the door. Persons wishing further information may write Simpson at WTC or call his office at 573-8511, extension 284.

SNYDER-- The Western Texas College Rodeo Club will sponsor a series of five jackpot ropings on Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 11 and Nov. 18.

All are to be held in the new livestock barn adjacent to the Scurry County coliseum on the East Highway in Snyder. Books will open at 6:30 p.m. each day with the roping to start at 7:30 p.m. Entry fee will be \$37 for two head.

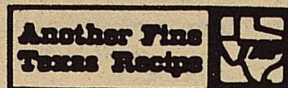
The public is invited to attend and there will be no admission charge.

Persons wishing further information may contact Van Rigby, Rodeo Club sponsor, at WTC by calling 673-8311, ext. 216, mornings or at 573-3863 at nights.

SNYDER-- The Western Texas College Dusters will open their season on Nov. 10 in a game with Angelo State University in San Angelo.

The Homecoming game on Nov. 15 will be the first home contest of the season. It is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the County coliseum with Clarendon College the opponent. The Westerner men's team will be playing Texas State Technical Institute at 8 p.m. on Nov. 15, also in the coliseum.

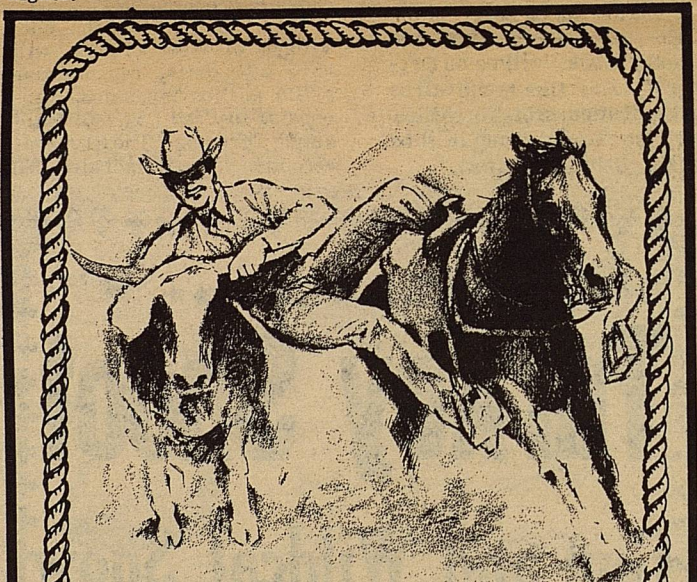
The Dusters, who won the Western Conference championship last year in their first season, will have three returning players. They are Dale Mitchel and Theresa Beal from Coahoma and Marilyn Payton from Lubbock. Dr. Sid Simpson, WTC Athletic Director, is women's coach.



## CRUNCHY PEANUT BARS

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar, packed
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup flour
- 1/4 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 cup chopped salted peanuts

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla; mix well. Add combined flour and baking powder to creamed mixture alternately with milk; mix well. Stir in peanuts. Spread into buttered 8-inch square baking pan. Sprinkle with remaining peanuts. Bake in preheated 325-degree oven for 30 minutes. Cool; cut into squares.



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## DES Debacle

WASHINGTON—The Senate has taken a "let them eat cake" attitude toward American ranchers and consumers.

The Senate has approved a bill that would forbid the use of the chemical additive diethylstilbestrol (DES) as a supplement in cattle feed. Ranchers and consumers will pay dearly if this unwise, uncalled-for bill becomes law. Ranch income will plunge, and consumer prices—especially beef prices—will soar.

DES has two primary uses: as a growth-stimulating hormone intended for feeding or subcutaneous ear implanting in feedlot cattle, and as a "morning after" contraceptive. The controversy over DES stems from its use as an oral contraceptive. DES, when ingested, can cause a rare form of vaginal cancer in the female offspring, and sterility in the male offspring, or women who use it as a contraceptive.

There is no scientific evidence yet, however, to indicate that harm could come to a person who eats DES-fed beef. A small percentage of beef livers in U.S. Department of Agriculture testing have been found to contain up to two parts per billion of DES. But DES has never been found in red meat tissues. There has not been a single report of a harmful effect from eating meat from DES-fed cattle in 20 years of use.

If five per cent of DES-fed cattle livers contained two parts per billion of DES, a person would have to consume five million pounds of liver per year for 50 years in order to equal the intake of DES from a single treatment of the DES oral contraceptive.

Despite this evidence, the Senate bill would ban the use of DES as a cattle feed supplement, but would permit the continued use of the hormone as an oral contraceptive. I find this incredible.

DES feeding saves an average of 81 pounds of feed for each 100 pounds of gain in beef steers. On a yearly basis, the saving is 7.7 billion pounds of feed—an amount roughly equal to the total feed grain purchases being made by the Soviet Union. In terms of corn, the saving is equal to releasing more than 1.5 million acres of corn land for production of other crops. This is an incredible amount of grain to throw away for nothing.

I am as concerned as any person can be about the possible health hazard posed by DES. It is imperative that we find out as much as we can about the possible effects of the hormone. If there is any evidence whatever that DES used as a cattle feed will cause cancer, it should of course be banned. But this drastic step would cost beef producers and consumers millions of dollars in additional costs, so it should not be taken unless and until there is evidence that DES, used as a cattle feed, is harmful. At present, there is no such evidence.

## Legal Notice

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State of Texas  
BID NOTICE

Borden County will offer for sale by seal bid two Army Surplus 6 X 6, 2 1/2 ton trucks, one 1972 GMC 1/2 ton pickup, and one Garden Mark riding lawn mower.

All bids are to be sent to the office of the County Judge, Box 156, Gail, Texas and marked "Bid".

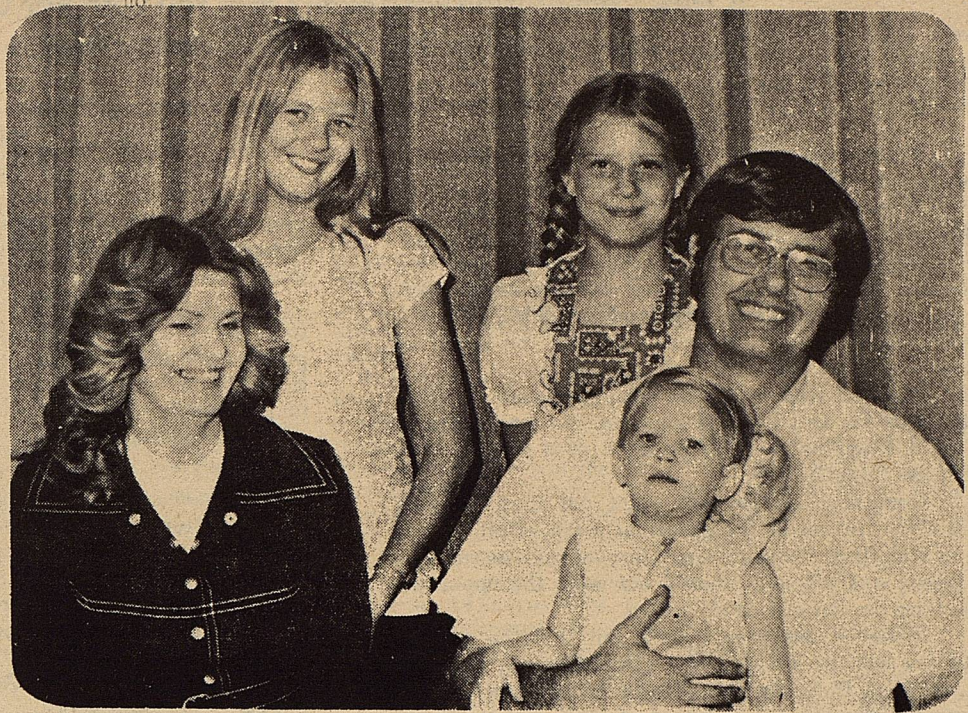
Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., October 28, 1975. One surplus truck is located in Precinct #3 and one in Precinct #4. (Vernon Wolf, Commissioner, Precinct 3 Van York, Commissioner, Precinct 4).

Inquire at County Courthouse concerning pickup and lawn mower.

Borden County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT

/s/ Jim M. Burkett, County Judge, Borden County



**NEW VET**—Dr. Pat Allen, his wife Giny and their children Cynie, Dana and Stephanie, recently moved to Lamesa to open a new animal clinic on South Dallas. The Allen's, though new to Lamesa, have highly praised the friendly people of their new home town.

## Courthouse News

Borden County Commissioners' Court met at 10:00 a.m. on October 19, 1975 with all members present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved, and monthly accounts were examined and approved for payment. Fuel oil bids were opened and Gulf Oil Company was awarded the contract as the best bid. The 1975 tax roll was approved by the Court.

The Court will consider bids for the sale of two Army Surplus trucks, one GMC pickup and one riding lawn mower on October 28, 1975.

The Commissioners' Court set October 28 as the next meeting date because of October 27 being the Veteran's Day holiday.

A \$12,000 Certificate of Deposit was purchased from the First National Bank in Big Spring from Precinct #4 funds, at 5% for 60 days.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

## State Fair

Dallas, Texas—Chuckwagon cooking fans will again have their tastebuds thrilled this year as the Chuckwagon rolls to a halt at the State Fair of Texas.

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With the Chuckwagon comes the Marlboro Western Heritage Museum, this year featuring original paintings and sculpture by four well-known contemporary Western artists: Joe Beeler, Jim Reynolds, Robert Shriver, and Bill Owen—all members of the Cowboy Artists of America.

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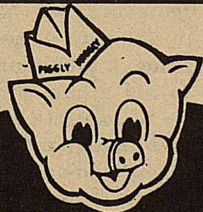
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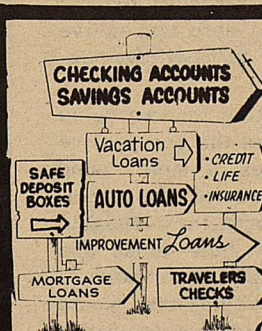
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## A New Constitution For Texas? Will You Vote For Or Against?

(Ed. note: The following article was sent to the Borden Star for publication from The Executive Digest. We encourage any letters or opinions concerning the 8 Constitutional Amendments to be voted on Nov. 4th 1975. The last 6 amendments will be published next week.)

### The Following Analysis Will Help You Decide

When Texas voters go to the polls Tuesday, November 4, 1975, they will have the opportunity to vote on a complete revision of the state's Constitution for the first time in 100 years.

There will be eight separate propositions on the ballot. Each proposal will be voted on separately, and each will be either approved or defeated by a majority of the voters without affecting the approval or rejection of the others.

You will find that there are a multitude of arguments both for and against most of the amendments, and for and against a total revision or a partial revision of the Constitution.

Generally, **proponents** point out that the proposed Constitution is the result of much effort on the part of the first Constitutional Convention to meet in 100 years, and citizens should not miss the opportunity to reap the benefit of its labors.

However, **opponents** point out that the amendments are not the efforts of a Constitutional Convention but that they are the efforts of the Legislature operating under the Constitution of 1876 and its (Legislature) constitutional authority to submit proposed changes to the people for their adoption or rejection.

They argue that this is proof of their position that our present Constitution is a viable document that can be changed when change is required under the orderly amendment process provided in it; that the present Constitution has been amended over 220 times and each time met a specific need at a specific time; that a number of the amendments adopted actually eliminated other amendments or sections of the Constitution and combined them or repealed provisions that were found to be unnecessary by a subsequent set of values.

Although TMA has not taken a position on any of the proposals because of the diversity of the membership, it has prepared the following analysis on each proposal so that you can study the issues and decide how you are going to vote. They are presented in the order that they will appear on the ballot.

Since Article I, the Bill of Rights, is retained as it appears in the current Constitution, it is not listed.

**PROPOSITION NO. 1** is the amendment revising "Article II, Separation of Powers"; "Article III, The Legislature"; and "Article IV, The Executive"; all of which will pass or fail together.

**Article II** restates the Separation of Powers among the three branches of government: Legislative, Executive and Judicial. No change.

**Article III, The Legislature.** While the structure of the Legislature remains the same, new provisions established in this article include:

- **Single-member senatorial, representative and congressional districts** - This approach has been established by recent redistricting legislation, and therefore, this provision endorses what is already fact.

- **Annual "general" sessions of the Legislature** - Voters have turned down this proposal several times in the past two decades.

**Proponents argue that:** the complexities of a modern society and the large amount of expenditures that must be overseen require that the Legislature convene annually to give full consideration to the problems of state government; budgeting of expenditures and estimation of expected revenues would be more accurate and more economical; that the complexities of our society and economy require a more responsive Legislature that would be available to meet the peoples' needs as they arise.

**Opponents argue that:** budgeting for two years (as under our present system) requires the perspective of long-range planning and provides a more sound approach to the utilization of public monies; the annual requests by state agencies to expand their budgets would result in the expenditure of more funds and would not give state officials a trial period in which to correct errors of earlier plans; the Legislature would be meeting too frequently and considering too many problems that should be solved by the people; to require the Legislature to meet every year would increase unnecessary governmental regulation.

- **A salary commission** - The commission would recommend the maximum salaries and per diem allowances for the legislators. It would be composed of nine members who would be appointed by the Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker of the House, Attorney General

and the Chief Justice of Texas, acting together.

The commission would make a recommendation for maximum salaries and allowances for legislators, after which the legislators could enact a salary bill. It would not become effective before the regular session following the next general election.

During the last legislative session, legislators' salaries were raised from \$400 per month to \$600 per month and their per diem allowance was raised from \$12 per day to \$30 per day while the Legislature is in session.

**Proponents argue that:** a salary commission would remove legislative pay from politics; it would put a constructive limitation on salaries; and adequate compensation would encourage better qualified persons to serve in the Legislature.

**Opponents contend that:** politics would not be removed by letting a salary commission appointed by five elected officials whose salaries are set by the Legislature determine the salaries and allowances of legislators; salary and retirement benefits are adequate; to enhance salaries and benefits would increase the likelihood of "professional legislators"; and to remove legislative compensation from the Constitution would take away from the people their last control over their elected representatives.

- **Omitting executive (closed) sessions in the Senate** (as allowed in current Constitution) - **Proponents argue that** executive (closed) sessions should not be permitted in governmental bodies as the public's business should be transacted in public. **Opponents argue that** such sessions are utilized only for the purpose of confirming the Governor's appointees, and to discuss the qualifications of these individuals publicly would give a member of the Senate an unlimited license to assassinate the character of a proposed appointee without any liability for libel or slander.

- **Fifteen-day "veto session"** - **Proponents argue that:** the Legislature should be able to review any action that the Governor has taken to veto legislation which came to him after the close of the legislative session; and these sessions would not be called frivolously because it would require the petition of as many members of the House and the Senate as would be required to override the Governor's veto.

**Opponents argue that:** this is a petty argument of who has the last word; there has to be an end to the legislative process sometime; and if the Legislature felt the matter was important enough to spend the hundreds of thousands of dollars necessary to hold a veto session, it should have acted on the legislation early enough to require the Governor to either sign or veto the bill before the Legislature adjourned.

The latter provision is where Article III, The Legislature, overlaps with Article IV, The Executive. Article III provides for the reduction of the Governor's veto power by permitting 90 representatives and 19 senators to override a Governor's veto instead of the 100 representatives and 21 senators now required.

**Proponents argue that** this makes it easier to override the Governor's veto. **Opponents argue that** the Governor's powers are limited enough, and to reduce the strength of his veto would further weaken his role in the administration of state affairs.

**The proposals in both the Legislative (Article III) and Executive Articles (Article IV) include several innovations:** a regular review of existing state agencies by requiring the extension of their authority every ten years; the requirement that the Legislature consider governmental reorganization bills; authorization for the Legislature to delegate some budget-execution authority to the Governor; a provision for appropriating pre-inaugural funds to aid a new governor coming into office; setting the time of expiration of the terms of all appointees made by the Governor to state agencies to occur during the spring in odd-numbered years; permitting the Governor to designate chairmen of state agencies; granting the Governor some limited removal authority of appointees; and limiting the Governor to two consecutive four-year terms.

**Proponents of these various proposals argue that:** they would provide for a better transition between administrations, a smoother continuity of operation in the Executive Department and a mandatory review of the organization of the state government on a periodic basis; it would eliminate "midnight" appointments by an incumbent governor to state boards and agencies which virtually divest an incoming governor of his appointive-power for another two-year period.

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**Opponents argue that:** the changes are not really changes for the good; the compulsory review of state agencies will not consolidate functions and eliminate duplication, but will fall into a pattern of routine reapproval of these agencies with the danger of their powers being extended because of the Legislature's inability to give proper attention to the "routine" reauthorization legislation for each of the agencies; the budget execution authority is not a grant of power to the Governor but merely an extension of the power of the Legislature and would still leave us without a single administrator; the concentration of all the appointments to the state boards and agencies in a short time span would make it almost impossible for the Governor to consider the applications and qualifications of the many office seekers; the right to designate the chairmen of state agencies would really be no asset as a two-term Governor would be able to achieve this under the existing Constitution; and the Governor's term of office should not be limited so as to allow that a capable leader, who the citizenry wants, can serve longer than two successive terms.

**Overall, proponents of Proposition No. 1 feel that:** it is an improvement in the continuity of state government; it would provide a better delineation of authority; and it would be less wordy and complicated. **Opponents point out that:** there is really no change in the basic structure of state government; if anything, it grants more power to an all-powerful legislative branch while reducing the power of an already weak executive branch.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2** creates a new Article V, The Judiciary, which governs the powers and organization of the state court system.

It proposes to establish a "unified" judicial system. This means that all appellate courts would have both criminal and civil jurisdiction; and that both criminal and civil cases would proceed on appeals from the trial courts of appropriate jurisdiction to a Court of Appeals and then to the Supreme Court.

It provides for the merger of the Court of Criminal Appeals and the Supreme Court. Those judges now serving on the Supreme Court would continue to serve until such time as the attrition by resignation, death or retirement reduces the number of the court to nine justices. Judges of the various courts would still be elected by the people for the same terms they now hold.

**Proponents argue that:** the unified system of all courts having both criminal and civil jurisdiction would give the judges of these courts a better overall perspective and reduce the likelihood of courts being too specialized and cases being determined on minute technicalities instead of their overall merits; the system of administration of courts would greatly expedite the handling of cases and the disposition of overcrowded dockets; and judges could be moved from different areas of the state to help speed up the clearing of dockets.

**Opponents argue that:** the unified judicial system would so diffuse the responsibility of judges that unreasonable results would be obtained; persons not trained and familiar with the intricacies of criminal evidence and the criminal law, itself, should not be trying criminal cases; the administrative system could provide a vehicle for an unscrupulous administration to build up a successor by moving him from district to district, providing him with a great deal of prominence; the administrative control over the various trial courts would tend to reduce the independence of the judiciary; and the proposal writes into the Constitution a three-fourths jury verdict in civil cases; and provides a right of the state to appeal certain criminal acquittals.

**PROPOSITION NO. 3** creates a new Article VI, Voter Qualifications and Elections. It provides that a person who is at least 18 years of age, is not a convicted felon in prison, on parole or probation, or is not mentally incompetent, would be qualified to vote under laws enacted by the Legislature.

**Proponents argue that** this amendment establishes universal suffrage which is basically the requirement of the U. S. Constitution as it is now interpreted. **Opponents point out that** this provision would enable the Legislature to permit convicted felons to have a full restoration of citizenship, including the right to hold elected office, without pardon by the passage of a statute permitting such a person to vote.

LUBBOCK--In its 23-year history, Plains Cotton Cooperative association has implemented several innovative cotton marketing programs for its 20,000 members in Texas and Oklahoma but nothing has excited association patrons as has its TELCOT system.

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About 20 merchant offices will be linked by electronic circuits to the PCCA computer in Lubbock. Each participating merchant office will be equipped with a CRT unit and data printer.

During the marketing season, PCCA will continually receive bids from merchants for cotton lots of various qualities. From these bids, market price for each quality level will be computed.

A gin can call the TELCOT center and obtain the general list of cotton. If a producer wishes to offer his cotton at that "going price" level, his listing will be electronically flashed to the data printers in the merchant offices.

Merchants will study cotton lists offered and will make their bids, within a short period of time, on that cotton offered which meets their requirements. To make a bid, a merchant simply keys his "sealed" bid on his own private CRT unit.

Since each outside unit is on a separate circuit when linked to the PCCA computer, no merchant will know what his

competitor has bid. In the event of a tie bid, the computer will award the cotton to the first bidder at the top price.

A key feature of the bidding system is the participation of PCCA which will bid "in the blind" on the lists of cotton. The computer will award the cotton to the merchant or the association on the basis of price alone.

When a producer's cotton has been sold, the cotton will be invoiced by PCCA in the same manner as in the past. The association will retain the Deferred Payment Program for members who prefer it and the Loan Advance Program option will be maintained and improved.

Merchants will pay a service charge of \$2.50 per bale for each bale purchased--\$1 of the charge will go to the local gins and \$1.50 will go to PCCA to cover costs of the service. The producer will pay the same costs as under PCCA's previous system with no additional charge.

## Election

Pursuant to the Election Proclamation issued by the Governor of Texas, notice is hereby given that a SPECIAL ELECTION will be held on TUESDAY THE FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1975:  
No. 1: at Plains Community Center  
No. 2: at C- R. Porter Re-

sidence  
No. 3: at Gail Courthouse  
No. 4: at Fairview School  
No. 5: at Davis Residence  
No. 6: at Sheriff Posse Building  
Absentee at County Clerk's Office in Gail, Texas,  
in the County of Borden, State of Texas, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting proposed constitutional amendments.

### ANUNCIO DE ELECCION

En conformidad con la Proclamacion de Eleccion e'pedido por el gobernador de Texas, se anuncia que una Eleccion Especial tendra lugar el dia MARTES, 4 DE NOVIEMBRE de 1975:  
en el distrito electoral:  
No. 1: en Plains Community Center  
No. 2: en la residencia C. R. Porter  
No. 3: en Courthouse de Gail  
No. 4: en la escuela Fairview  
No. 5: en la residencia Davis  
No. 6: en el edificio de Sheriff Posse  
en el condado de Borden, Estado de Texas, con el proposito de adoptar or rechaya, las reformas constitucionales propuestas.

Para los que se encuentran asistente, para el dia propuest pueden votar en oficina del County Clerk en Gail, Texas durante las horas normales.

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Cuban Premier Fidel Castro is anxious to normalize trade and diplomatic relations with us, we are told, but he picked a funny way to prove it when he staged an international conference in Havana in September to promote the "liberation" of Puerto Rico from the United States.

Back in March, the World Peace Council, an organization controlled by the Soviet Union, called for a preliminary meeting of Marxist representatives in Cuba to discuss the matter of Puerto Rico.

The delegates to that meeting issued a call for the larger September gathering, all of which was designed to promote one Juan Mari Bras' tiny Puerto Rican Socialist Party.

The "call" was the usual Marxist harangue: "The people of the world must redouble their efforts to defeat in Puerto Rico the promoters of crime in Vietnam, Chile, Palestine and other places, so that the liberation of the Puerto Rican people will signify a new victory in the cause of freedom..."

It is always ironic to see representatives of the Soviet Union joining in denunciations of 'imperialism' by the United States, since the USSR holds the world championship for imperialism.

All this led to the September "international conference on solidarity with Puerto Rico's independence" in Havana. Some 30 delegates attended, including a smattering of U. S. Communist Party functionaries.

The object of their affection, wand of the superheated rhetoric that flowed from the three-day conference, is an "open" movement for Puerto Rican independence that is about as popular there as ants at a picnic. The issue of independence versus continuation of the commonwealth status of the island was put to a vote of its people just eight years ago. Out of more than 700,000 votes cast, fewer than 1 per cent voted for independence.

This, of course, hasn't deterred Mari Bras or the terrorists of the Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional (FALN).

The FALN has claimed it bombed New York's historic Fraunces tavern last January. Five people died in that bombing. According to the FBI, the FALN leadership got its training in sabotage in Cuba. Sounds like the "old" Castro Cuba which routinely exported guerrilla warfare and violence all over the hemisphere.

The fine hand of the Soviet Union in all this mischief isn't hard to see. A Russian actually served as a vice chairman of the Havana conference, and the Soviets' puppet World Peace Council appears to have provided the over-all strategy for the propaganda service. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger took a properly dim view of the proceedings. He said the "meeting in Havana can

only be considered by us as an unfriendly act."

Castro's best-known U.S. fan recently has been Sen. George McGovern. His wife, Eleanor, who visited Cuba with him a few months ago, said of the bearded dictator: "The most impressive thing about Fidel is his mind. The breadth, depth and width of his knowledge is enormous. Fidel knows the specifics of everything."

If that's so, perhaps he can grasp the idea that he can't have things both ways. He can't have normal trade and relations with the United States and, at the same time, be the Western distributor for Soviet Marxism. Indeed, if he wants the former, one of the points we must insist on is that he deny the Soviets base and landing rights on Cuba and that he guarantee in writing that he'll stop training guerrillas for revolutionary export around the Western Hemisphere.

**Appreciation**

The following letter of appreciation was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Clark from their nephew whom they educated. While talking to Mrs. Clark, she related how it really was "better to give than to receive" and how proud they were that Gaylon was able to use his education to such an advantage. He is now district manager of Purolator Security, Inc. in Waco, Texas.

Dear Vivian and Pauline,  
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First of all I would like to say thank you for giving me the opportunity of attending college. My education is one of my prized possessions. It probably would not have gone had it not been for your support. I would still be riding in an armored car, instead of being in the position I now hold.

Most people are not as fortunate as I in having an aunt and uncle as grand as you. I am proud to have you both and have prayed to God thanking Him for the kindness and generosity of heart he has granted you both.

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