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Sutton County News Briefs

Sonora vs Eldorado tickets on sale

According to Sonora High School principal Jack Asbill, tickets to the Eldorado vs. Sonora game Friday night have been made available for pre-sale through the high school office. Persons wishing to save time Friday night may purchase tickets in advance by seeing Cynthia Keel at the principal's office at SHS from 8 a.m. until 12 noon on Thursday and Friday.

Troop 256 to meet

The Junior Troop #256 will hold their first meeting Monday, September 24 at the Girl Scout Hut. Meetings will be each Monday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Any girl, grades four through six, wishing to join should attend this organizational meeting.

Registration dues are \$3. Parents are also encouraged to attend if possible.

Absentee Voting Begins

According to Erma Lee Turner, Sutton County Clerk, absentee voting will begin for the November 6 general election on Wednesday, October 17 in the county clerk's office during regular business hours.

Friday, November 2 will be the last day for absentee voting.

Friday, September 7 was the first day for voters to apply for an absentee ballot by mail. Those who will need to send in the ballot by mail include college students, anyone in military service, or anyone out on a special assignment and still claiming Sutton County residency.

Applications may be picked up by a relative or friend at the Sutton County Clerk's office or at the county clerk's office in any Texas county. They may be mailed back to Erma Lee Turner, county clerk, P.O. Box 481, Sonora, Texas 76950.

Ms. Turner added that October 7 is the last day for registration of voters wanting to vote in the November 6 election. You must register by that time in order to vote November 6.

Golf Tourney October 21

Any Golf Club member interested in participating in the club championship should turn in a 36 hole score total by October 14.

The tournament date is Sunday, October 21 with a \$5 entry fee.

For more information contact the Pro Shop.

Winter Show slated

Crockett County Arts and Crafts Guild will be having its First Annual Winter Show November 10th, at the Crockett County 4-H barn from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For applications for booths please write to Patsy Hester, Box 3177, Ozona Texas 76943. These must be returned to Mrs. Hester with fees by October 17.

ERS registration begins

The Sutton County Emergency Response System is currently beginning a program registration for the first 25 subscribers.

Anyone interested in obtaining information or registering in the Emergency Response System Program should contact Marlene Evans at 387-2110 or KVRN radio station at 387-3553.

Legion post being organized

A new American Legion post is being organized in Sonora by Jessie Kring Jr., 405 E. Second, Judge Herman Moore at his office, Sam Perez at his barber shop or Joe Garcia at Chavarria Grocery.

Favila Wins Contest

Randy Favila, last week's Devil's River News Football Contest's third place winner, moved up to first place this week with only one miss on his entry form and two points off the tie breaker. Favila obtained his form from Hershel's Foodway and will be the recipient of \$15 from the DRN.

Second place this week was a tie between Willene Garlitz and Kara Sue Garlitz, both with one miss and seven points away from the tie breaker total of 40 in the Dallas Cowboy game of the week.

Each of these winners will receive \$5, splitting the second prize money of \$10.

Winning third place this week was Don Garlitz who also only missed one guess in the contest but was 11 points away from the tie breaker total. He will receive \$5 in third place prize money.

All winners' entry forms were obtained from Hershel's Foodway.

The Stanton and Coahoma game ended in a tie, so that game was not counted in judging the entries.

Be sure that you get your entry form from one of the participating sponsors and return it to the Devil's River News office by 5 p.m. Fridays.

Sponsors include Sutton County National Bank, Hershel's Foodway, Food Center, Kerbow Furniture, Sutton County Steakhouse, The Ritz Theatre, Spain's Inc., Perry's, and P.M. Office Supplies.

Fifty entries were turned in this week to the news office.

Broncos Do It Again!

BY CHARLIE ADAMS

The Sonora Broncos and the Junction Eagles ran neck-and-neck at the racetrack stadium for the first half but the Broncos finished strongly down the home stretch for a 23-0 victory over the Junction Eagles.

The Eagles put up a stiff defense and a seemingly emotionally flat Bronco team made for a back and forth first half with neither team able to cross the goal line. It was the Broncos that seemed to regroup and shift gears for a big second half largely due to the fine receiving efforts of Esau Ramirez. Ramirez scored on the Broncos fourth offensive play of the half on the 31 yard reception from quarterback Scott Miller. Miller booted the PAT for a 7-0 Bronco lead. The Broncos stopped the Eagles on the ensuing possession and forced a punt. The Broncos again used the Miller to Ramirez combination for a 21 yard touchdown. The PAT by Miller was wide right and the Broncos had a 13-0 lead going into the fourth quarter. The Broncos scored on their next possession as Scott Miller booted a 47 yard

fieldgoal to up the lead to 16-0.

The Broncos forced an Eagle fumble and took over for their final scoring drive. The biggest play was a 31 yard pass reception. It was Ramirez who got the score as he ran it in from the one yardline. Miller booted the PAT for a 23-0 score. Miller attempted a 33 yard fieldgoal but was wide to the right. The Bronco defense was excellent as Junction crossed midfield only once the entire second half.

The leading rusher for the Broncos was Joe Mike Noriega with 43 yards on 11 carries.

John David Martinez got 15 yards on 5 tries, Scott Miller 12 yards on 4 attempts, Steve Love 6 yards on 3 tries, Esau Ramirez 5 yards on 3 carries and Doug Martin 6 yards on 1 try. The combined total was 65 yards on 27 carries.

The passing was considerably better as the Broncos completed 9 of 19 without any interceptions. Scott Miller was 8 of 14 for 151 yards and Doug Martin was 1 of 5 for 5 yards. The leading receiver was Esau Ramirez

with 5 catches for 115 yards, Ricky Mesa had 2 for 36, and Lee Castro 1 for 5 yards.

Elsewhere around district 6-AAA Crane (0-2) lost to Reagon County 0-6, Ballinger (2-0) beat Abilene Wylie 16-7, Colorado City (2-0) beat Seminole 41-10, Coahoma (0-1-1) and Stanton tied 14-14, Ozona (1-1) beat Eden 21-14.

This week the Broncos travel 21 miles north up highway 277 to play old arch rival Eldorado. The Eagles are 2-0 with wins over Rankin 28-0 and Iraan 27-14. The Eagles feel they are fielding one of their better teams in years. They have good size and great overall team quickness. Their biggest offensive threat is receiver Victor Gutierrez who is 6'3" and possesses excellent speed. He is capable of the big play at any time. He also plays defensive safety and will be the main force in trying to stop a very effective Bronco passing game.

It should be a great game between two very good teams, so be in Eldorado Friday at 8:00 p.m. backing the Broncos to victory number three!!!

Students Stand Together Against Drunk Driving

by Elizabeth Allen

"It is an ill wind that blows no good." A car and alcohol - a bad mix - may have begun a good thing in Sonora. The accident was minor, but the young people of Sonora decided that it was a dangerous example of what is happening everywhere.

Sunday night a group of Sonora High School students gathered at the home of fellow student Jari Burkes. The goal was to make people more conscious of the dangers of drinking and driving, and to organize a program called SADD, (Students Against Drunk Driving).

SADD began two years ago in Marlboro, Massachusetts by a teacher from Wayland High School after two of his students were killed in a car accident.

SADD involves a mutual agreement between parent and child, in which the child agrees to call the parent for advice or transportation if he or his companions have been drinking. The parent agrees to provide transportation for the child at any hour, with no hassle and no questions asked at that time.

Interestingly, the parent also agrees "to seek safe, sober transportation home" if he has been drinking or his companion has been drinking. This eliminates the one-sided attitude many families have that drinking and driving affects only the children.

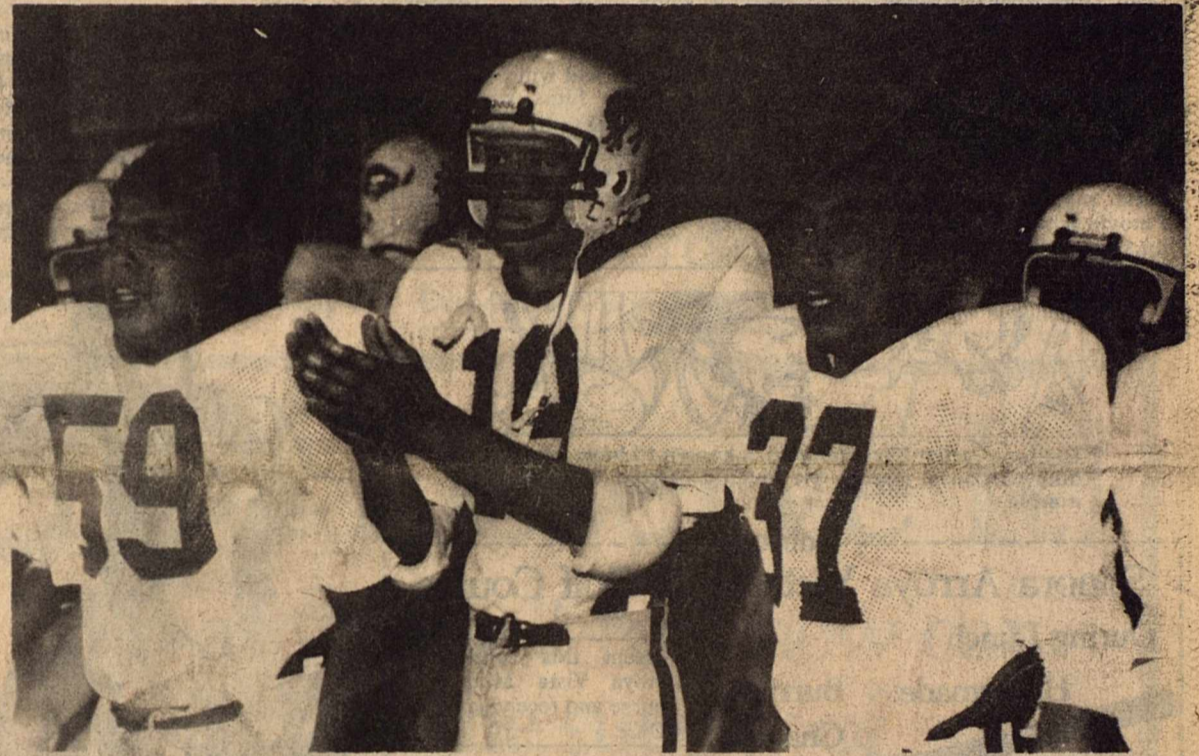
Another program that works well is the student driving program, in which a young person who is unable to get sober transportation may call a number and be picked up and driven home by another student. This lets people know that they do not need to drive drunk, and it is not necessary to face the sometimes prickly situation of dealing with parents.

The student program, which as yet has not been decided upon as a course of action is supported by the adult community as well. Strong supporters include Linda Burkes, Jinx Taylor, David Griffin, Jack Asbill, and Sandra Cooper.

Says Jari Burkes, "Officer House was very helpful too. He was very nice and very understanding." All the young people involved echoed their appreciation of Officer House's cooperation.

Jari Burkes went on to say that the idea of SADD was still on the drawing board as yet, but she hopes it will continue to grow. "It takes guts to keep it up!" she said.

For a free information kit, write SADD, Contract for Life, Corbin Palza, Marlboro, Mass. 01752.



GO FOR IT!! - Mark Gamez, Mike McBride, and Edward Mata, although not in the game at the time of the taking of this picture were intently watching the performance of their fellow athletes during the Broncos

23 - 0 win over the Junction Eagles last Friday night. The Broncos are gearing up for a match with their old archrivals the Eldorado Eagles this Friday in Eldorado. Let's go out and support our Boys!! (Don Jones Photo)

SISD sets tax rate

By Carol Jones

The tax rate for the Sonora Independent School District was set by the board of trustees Tuesday night at a total of \$.7475 per hundred dollar evaluation. Local Maintenance tax was set at \$.5436 and Interest and Sinking tax at \$.2039 to reach the total of \$.7475.

The motion was made by Scott Shurley and seconded by Rosemary Mathews, and carried unanimously.

Don Wooten reported to the board that 98.43 percent of the current taxes had been collected during the 1983-84 school year and that 22.6 percent of the delinquent taxes was also brought in. He added that any delinquent taxes not paid would be taken to court last Thursday, September 13 for collection.

In other action, the board heard a report from the high school principal, Jack Asbill, regarding the passage of House Bill 72 requiring the district to provide tutorial services to any student in the district who fails a course (receiving a grade less than 70) for any six-weeks grading period.

The service will be on a voluntary basis, meaning that no student will be forced to attend the sessions. Kindergarten through second grade will have sessions offered twice each week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, held by the home room teacher for a 45 minute period after school.

[See SISD Page 13]

Olenick and Van Hoozer honored on anniversary

Two men, Louis Olenick and Mark A. VanHoozer, with the Maintenance Section of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (DHT) located in Sonora, were honored on the anniversary of the beginning of their DHT careers. They were presented Certificates of Service and Lapel Emblems at a safety meeting held September 6.

Mr. Olenick who received a 20 year award started his DHT career in the Sutton/Schleicher Counties and has experience in almost every job in highway maintenance. He has worked as a laborer, equipment operator (truck, front-end loader and bulldozer), a sign man, welder, equipment repair, plus several years as Assistant Foreman and Crew Chief. In 1976 he was made Maintenance Construction Supervisor for the Maintenance Office in Sonora where he first began his

career. Mr. VanHoozer was presented a five year certificate. He began his DHT career as a Maintenance Technician I doing general maintenance work, sign maintenance, welding, then learned to operate heavy equipment. He now has the job classification of Maintenance Technician II and is a skilled maintainer and performs his work in a satisfactory manner.

Assistant District Engineer William P. Harrington of San Angelo made the presentations which were accompanied by letters of congratulations from District Engineer D.R. Watson also of San Angelo. Both men thanked Mr. Olenick and Mr. VanHoozer for their long and dedicated years with the Department and "hoped their continued service would be pleasant and productive."

Court settles controversy

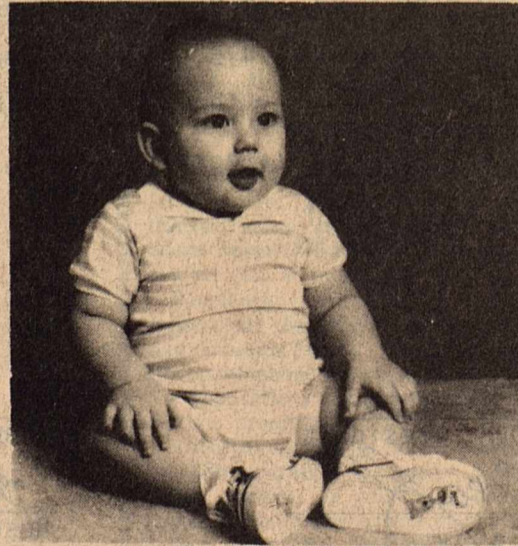
by Becky Collins

The Sutton County Commissioners Court decided during regular session Monday, September 9, to designate one insurance company to the exclusion of all others in payroll deduction for County employee's cancer insurance coverage.

The move came after much controversy and difficulty in the payroll department of the County offices. County

Auditor Charles Graves commented, "It is essential that the Court designate one company at this time so as not to upset employees or make a clerical error that will cost the employees valuable coverage if cancer is diagnosed."

Three companies, American Family Life, American Public Life, and Transport Life, currently offer cancer (Please see Commissioners p.10)



LOCAL BABY WINS PAGEANT

The annual Texas Sunburst USA baby pageant was held Saturday, September 15 at the San Angelo Holiday Inn. The winner in the under one-year division was Blake Howard Westlake of Sonora, crowned Baby King of San Angelo. He was sponsored by Halr by Shelly, Photo Ranch, Hurry-Up, Rogers Drive In Groceries and Gibsons. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Westlake. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Faher of Holiday, Florida and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Westlake of Sodus, Michigan. As the winner of the pageant, Blake received a trophy and his entry fee of \$200 paid to compete in the state finals pageant to be held May 24 at the Harvey House in Plano. The winner of that pageant will go to the National competition to be held in Atlantic City. Blake and his parents would like to thank all of the sponsors for their support. "We could not have done it without you," Carolyn Westlake stated. [Contributed Photo]

Community Calendar

September 20
Thursday

Golf Scramble-Members \$3, Non-Members \$8

September 21
Friday

Bronco Varsity vs. Eldorado Eagles in Eldorado at 8:00

September 24
Monday

Girl Scout Troop #256 holds first meeting at 3:30. Girls grades four through six should attend. Dues are \$3.



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"Shines"
by Adam

Movies re-scheduled at The Ritz Theatre

The Ritz Theatre has been undergoing a lot of questioning lately from local movie fans who want to know what has happened to the films scheduled for showing at the local theatre.

According to Ritz manager David Watts, these unavoidable changes in movie scheduling are due to the films being held over for extended

play in some other city. Two of those films scheduled for showing at the local theatre *Ghostbusters* and *The Karate Kid* will be shown as soon as the films are made available to the Ritz by the movie booking service.

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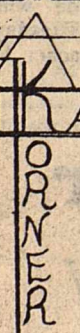
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TWIN OAKS MOTEL HONORED AS BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

The Twin Oaks Motel was honored by the Sonora

Chamber of Commerce last week as the business of the month for September, 1984. Owned and operated by Laxmi and Naranji Patel, the motel features 57 modern units with a swimming pool. (Staff Photo - KKN)

Business of the month named

The Chamber of Commerce recognized Twin Oaks Motel as the business of the month for September.

The Twin Oaks Motel is located on U.S. Highway 290 West, and was purchased by the Patels in January 1981. Mr. and Mrs. Patel came to Sonora from Hamilton, Texas where he owned and operated a motel there.

Laxmi and Naranji Patel and their two children came to the

United States from England, where they had lived for a number of years, both being born in India, not too far away from Bombay, before going to England to live. Their son and daughter, Nelish and Pretti, both attend school in Sonora.

The motel consist of 57 modern units, wall to wall carpet, tiled tub and shower combination, refrigerated air, electric heat and cable TV, also room phones and a swimming

pool.

The Patels employ three maids, a laundry attendant and part-time desk clerk. They also work in the office, overseeing the entire complex.

The Patels purchased the motel from John Barrows and Greta Smith. Greta and her son had operated the motel for many years.

Present for the event were: Mr. and Mrs. Patel, A.W. Bishop, Roberta James, Edith James, Shirley Overstreet, Dora Arevalo, Rose Dehoyas, Lydia Rojas, and Corina Hernandez.

Our congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Patel and Twin Oaks Motel. We are glad to have you as part of the community.



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Serving as class officers for the Senior Class this year will be Abel Sanchez - President, Ruben Garza - Vice-president, Anita Balch - Secretary, and Debbie Bible - Treasurer.

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Mrs. Randy Wuest, nee Joana Phillips

Mrs. Arnaldo Acosta, nee Martha Gonzales-San Angelo

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SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION

We, the duly-elected members of the Board of Trustees of the Sonora Independent School District, located in and encompassing Sutton County, Texas, do hereby resolve to levy a tax rate on \$100 valuation at 100% assessment for this district at \$0.5436 for Local Maintenance and \$0.2039 for Interest and Sinking, for a total tax rate of \$0.7475, to be assessed and collected by the Sutton County Tax Appraisal District for the purpose of maintenance and payment of bonds.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the following vote this the 11th day of September, 1984.

FOR:

John W. Fields
John W. Fields, DVM, President

Carl Teaff
Carl Teaff

Salome S. Perez
Salome Perez

Kenneth V. Cayce
Kenneth V. Cayce, Secretary

Rosemary S. Mathews
Rosemary Mathews

Scott Shurley
Scott Shurley

AGAINST: NONE

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Jimmy Condra

The highly flavored spice known as *mace* is actually the covering of the nutmeg. It is usually sold ground and is often used to flavor fruit pies.



MRS. RANDY DALE WUEST

Phillips, Wuest exchange vows

Joana May Phillips became the bride of Randy Dale Wuest in a ceremony held in the First United Methodist Church of Sonora Saturday, September 8.

Reverend Kenneth Doyle of Sonora officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, Mr. Tommy Phillips of Big Lake, the bride carried a bouquet of apricot tiger lilies, white orchids, and lace streamers. Her dress was traditional white lace.

Serving as the Matron of Honor was Karen Pruitt of Big Lake, cousin of the bride.

Gary Wuest of Jourdanton was honored as his brother's best man.

Serving as Maids of Honor were Vera LaBedelle of Sonora, and Stephanie Maddux of Big Lake, cousin of the bride. Groomsmen for the ceremony included Michael Wuest, of Fredricksburg and David Wuest of Seguin, brothers of the groom.

Straunna Spurgin of Big Lake a cousin of the bride served as the flower girl, while Dustin Wuest of Seguin, the groom's nephew, served as the ring bearer. Scott Wuest of Fredricksburg served as the Bible Carrier. He is also a nephew of the groom.

A reception followed the ceremony in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church. Betty Garza served as the Guest Registrar while Elsie Spurgin Rebecca Doyle, and Shirley Stevens served cake and punch.

Following a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will make their home here in Sonora where Mr. Wuest is employed by Windsor Gas as a pumper and Mrs. Wuest is the manager of the local Dairy Queen.

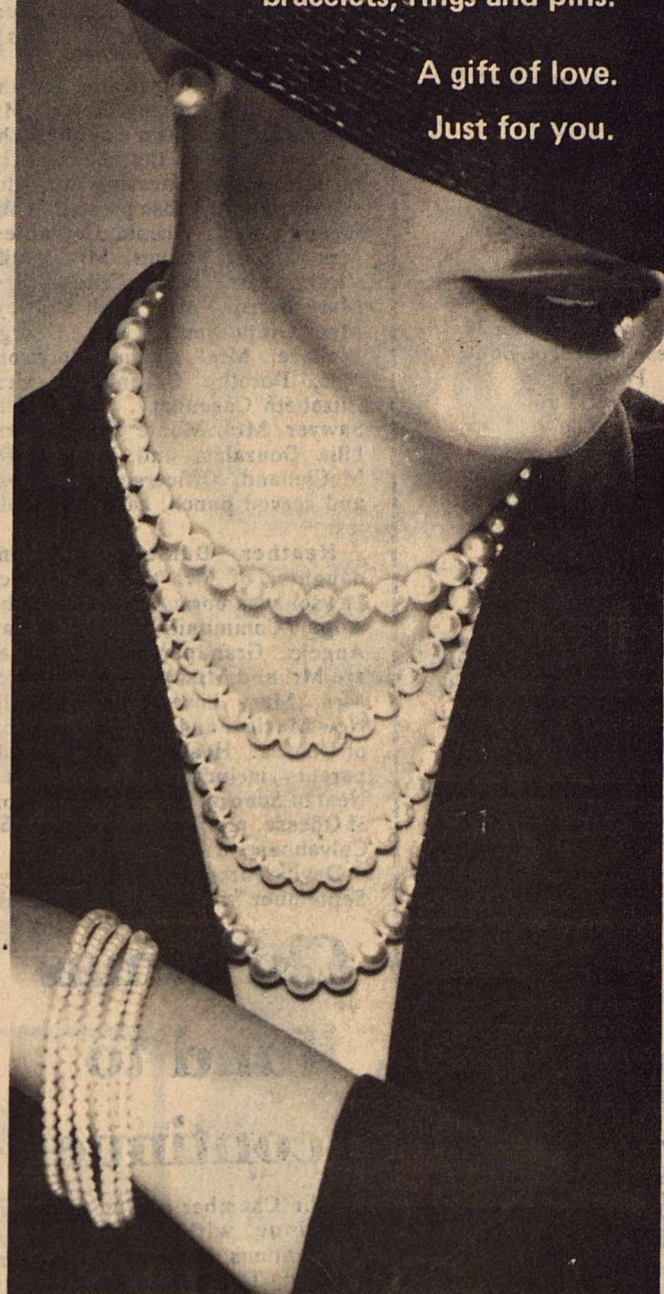
A rehearsal brunch was given by the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mr Oliver Wuest, for the wedding party, family, and close friends of the couple.

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SHS students win

donations at blood drive

A total of 85 persons showed up at the Kappa Gamma ESA-sponsored blood draw at the First National Bank last Wednesday, the largest draw ever held in Sonora.

Janice Gomez and Patsy Perez were the two winners of \$50 drawings donated by Nelda Mayfield. Janice and Patsy were only two of the 29 students who

were counted at the drive. eighteen of those high school students gave blood while eleven of them were deferred due to illness, etc.

The blood drive was held to replenish blood reserves for the United Blood Services, and was held under the supervision of Assistant Donor Supervisor Karen Michaels.

Kappa Gamma would like to extend a special thanks to Nancy Tittle who organized the student drive, Government teacher Stan Anderson, the Sonora High School Student Council, and all of the students of Sonora High School for their assistance in giving the gift of life.

Kappa Gamma would also like to thank Boy Scout Troop #19 for work done during the draw, and First National Bank for the use of their facilities. Refreshments for the donors in the draw were provided by Johnnie Hodges, Nancy Short, Foodway, The Jug, Lady Love, and Kappa Gamma members, as well as Boy Scout Troop #19.

A very special thanks goes to all of the donors who took the time to come out for the draw and for being big enough to care.

E.M.S. Report

AMBULANCE RUNS

8-23 Unit 100 responds to call at county jail.

8-23 Unit 100 stands by at rodeo.

8-24 Unit 100 responds to sick call at J&V trailer park.

8-24 Unit 100 stands by at rodeo.

8-25 Unit 100 stands by at rodeo.

8-26 Unit 100 transferred patient to San Angelo.

8-28 Unit 100 responds to sick call on I-10 M.M. 430.

9-4 Unit 100 transferred patient to San Angelo.

9-4 Unit 101 transferred patient to San Angelo.

9-5 Unit 100 responds to sick call at residence.

9-5 Unit 100 transferred patient to San Angelo.

9-6 Unit 100 stands by at football game.

9-6 Unit 100 carries player from football field to Hudspeh.

9-6 Unit 100 transferred patient to San Angelo.

9-7 Unit 100 stands by at football game.

9-10 Unit 100 transferred patient to Kerrville.

Band Boosters to meet

Band Boosters met Monday night, Sept. 10, with Bill Laxton, Co-President presiding. The Annual Ice Cream Social was discussed.

The Ice Cream Social will be Tuesday evening October 2, 1984.

Band calendars were also discussed. Mr. Asbill, High School Principal, was introduced and some of the changes were discussed, due to Senate Bill 72.

The members present enjoyed coffee and cookies while they watched the video of the half time performance of the Mighty Bronco Band.

The next scheduled meeting is October 8, 1984, be sure and mark your calendar.

SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS & NOTES

John Willis, representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his September visit to Sonora. He will be at the County Courthouse on Thursday, September 20th between 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

People who file for Social Security retirement, disability, survivor, or Supplemental Security Income benefits by telephone are urged to return the applications and requested documents promptly.

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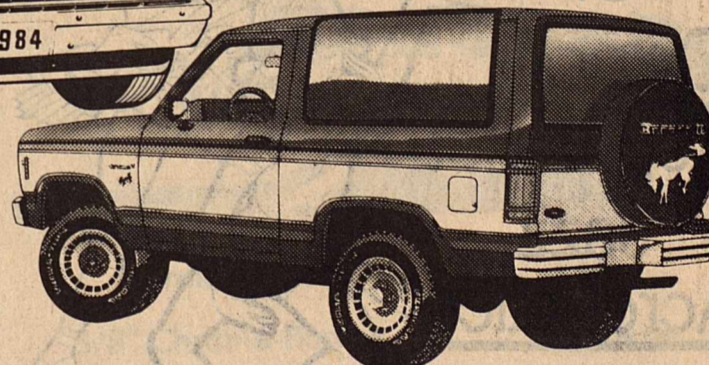
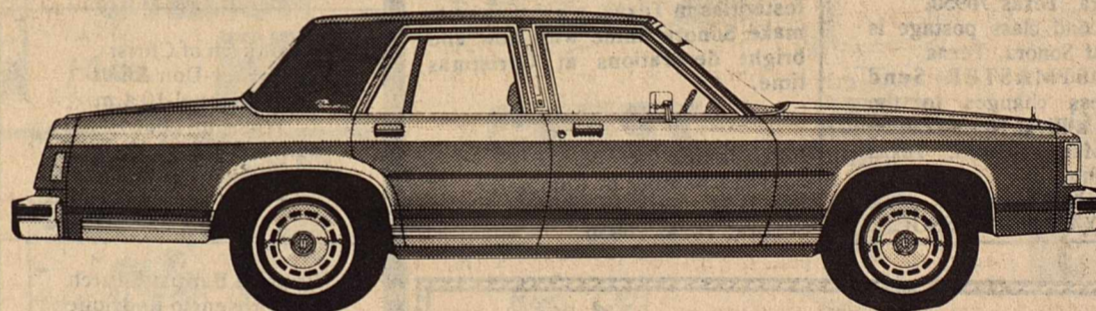


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Tuesday, September 25
 Grape Juice
 Cheese Toast
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Wednesday, September 26
 Orange Juice
 Pancakes/Syrup
 Milk
Thursday, September 27
 Grape Juice
 Cereal
 Milk
Friday, September 28
 Orange Juice
 Sausage
 Biscuits/Jelly
 Milk
LUNCH
Monday, September 24
 Western Beef on Bun
 Potato Salad
 Fruit Cup
 Jello
 Milk
Tuesday, September 25
 Chicken Salad
 Sliced Peaches
 Tossed Salad
 Sliced Bread
 Donut
 Milk
Wednesday, September 26
 Chicken Fried Steak
 Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
 Spinach & Cheese Casserole
 Hot Rolls
 Chocolate Cake
 Milk
Thursday, September 27
 Italian Spaghetti
 Green Beans
 Buttered Corn
 Hot Rolls
 Apple Half
 Milk
Friday, September 28
 Hamburger
 French Fries
 Lettuce/Pickles
 Ice Cream
 Milk

Around Town

BY HAZEL MCCLELLAND

The Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary met September 10 at the Commercial Restaurant. Mrs. Vicenta Cervantes, President, presided. Officers for the new year are Vicenta Cervantes - President, Ruth Shurley - Vice - president, Metha Trainer - Secretary and Treasurer, Vivian Crites - Recording Secretary, Guila Vicars - Auditor, and Mrs. Hattie B. Epps - Parliamentarian.

The new administrator for the hospital and nursing home, Mr. Terry McNutt, was a visitor and he made a report on the needs of the hospital and the nursing home for the Auxiliary. Those present at the meeting were Vicenta Cervantes, Mrs. Metha Trainer, Mrs. Guila Vicars, Mrs. W.O. Crites, Mrs. Mary Barrow, Mrs. Ruth Shurley, Mrs. Greta Smith, Mrs. George Wallace, Mrs. Carrie Morrison, Mrs. Dorothy Cusenbary, Mrs. Elizabeth Cusenbary, Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, Mrs. Monte Yantis, Mrs. Lilia Gonzales, and Mrs. Hazel McClelland. Officers were hostess and served punch, cake and cookies.

Heather Danielle Lawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lawson was born August 24 in the Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. Grandparents of Heather are Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace, Mrs. Mary Lawson of Roswell, New Mexico, and Mr. Don Lawson of Odessa. Heather's great-grandparents include Mrs. Ada Mae Neal of Sonora, Mrs. Susie Lawson of Odessa, and Rev. and Mrs. J.S. Culvahouse of Kermit, Texas.

Davis Parks was born Friday, September 7 in Austin, son of Clair

Langford Parks and Steve Parks of Austin.

Davis is the grandson of Mrs. Nina Langford and the late Davis Clinton Langford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Parker were in San Angelo Thursday.

Mrs. Gwen Wardlaw and Hazel McClelland were in San Angelo Wednesday.

Mrs. Guila Vicars spent the weekend in Del Rio with her sister in law, Mrs. Mae Lowrey, who has had surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wallace and family of Hereford, Texas visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace over the weekend.

Mrs. Vestal Askew, Mrs. Guila Vicars, Mrs. Rip Ward, and Mrs. Glen Fisher were in San Angelo Thursday for the Gabriel Style Show.

Royce Regeon is in Clayton General Hospital in Athens, Georgia. He is the son-in-law of Cash and Nancy Taylor. Blanche Lavon Regeon is their daughter.

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Skye Alexandra born Sept. 5

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Joe (Rudd) Berger are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Skye Alexandra, on September 5.

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Mrs. Carroll Christie of Sonora, Mrs. Helen Strieber, and Mrs. Lucille Knowlton of Monrovia, California are her great-grandmothers.

Christmas fund to continue

The Chamber of Commerce will continue with the Christmas Decorations Fund as an on-going project. The Sutton County Days decorations project, the Honda ATC, was a very nice success, bringing in a total of \$1,090.00 after all expenses had been paid on the Honda.

Also, the following sponsors donated the percent earned on the Queens Contest to this fund. Spain's Department Store, \$22.30, Downtown Lions Club, \$65.60 and Sutton County National Bank, \$126.40. Donations from Chaparral Motors, \$25.00 and First National Bank, \$100.00.

At the present time there is a balance of \$2,549.30 in the decorations account. Hopefully, some new decorations can be purchased this year and a continuing program work out.

The enthusiasm and contributions of the community have been tremendous in this project, and without a doubt, the Christmas lights will shine bright in Sonora.

The 1986 Sesquicentennial will be a year of celebrations and festivities in Texas, a great time to make Sonora Shine with new and bright decorations at Christmas time.

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'Ducking Out or Hanging In?'

BY REV. DAVID GRIFFIN
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"But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare, and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish away from the presence of the LORD." **Jonah 1:3

Imagine for a moment that we are in the early 19th century. Already New York City is a place that could benefit from a revival; a city in need of repentance. In response, God tells a preacher named Ben Jonah to go preach in New York. Instead, Ben gets on a slow boat to California—going as far in the opposite direction as prudence seems to allow.

This is basically what Jonah of the Bible did in response to God's call. From the beginning to the end of the Book of Jonah, the prophet is in rebellion against the will of God.

Verse three pictures his vain attempt to escape God's presence by getting as far as possible from the boundaries of Palestine. Even Jonah's eventual proclamation in Nineveh, (probably the shortest sermon on record), was an effort to prove God wrong and hopefully hurry the demise of Nineveh. Finally, the book closes on an angry and bitter Jonah. Nineveh has not been overthrown as he had prophesied; the hated people of that city have repented and so has God, sparing a people with a long history of cruelty and bloody aggression. So deep is Jonah's bitterness that in the end he would rather die than live. "Therefore now, O LORD, take my life from me, I beseech thee... And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?" **Jonah 4:3-4

From the beginning to the end, rebellion.

Yet through all of his rebellion, Jonah sees himself as basically

obedient. As the storm rages around his ship, he affirms his faith, "I fear the LORD..." Afterward, "Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish..." The prophet's false piety and pride finally drive him to pray that he might die rather than live in the same world with the Ninevites, the Assyrians who had ravaged Israel. No amount of masquerading, however, can mask Jonah's refusal to do what was most needed: repent.

Unfortunately, Jonah is still in us as we continue attempts to flee from God's presence; too often we are willing to go to California and do anything so long as we do not have to go to New York and be obedient. Fortunately, our book is not closed; the people who have 'ducked out' can repent and begin 'hanging in'. Through grace our masquerades can end and we can live before Him in obedient faith.

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Governor proclaims farm and ranch week

Special emphasis is needed to bring down deaths and serious injuries which occur in the unique environment of farms and ranches across Texas and the Nation, says Dr. Gary S. Nelson, safety specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and vice president for agriculture, Texas Safety Association.

Governor Mark White has issued a proclamation declaring Sept. 16-22 as Farm and Ranch Safety Week in Texas. A statewide campaign to inform rural residents about accident prevention will be sponsored by the Texas Safety Association, Texas Agricultural Extension Service of the Texas A&M University system, Texas Farm Bureau, Future Farmers and Future Homemakers, and the Young Farmers of Texas.

"The rural work environment is unique in a number of ways," Nelson points out. "Each unit has its own hazard potential based on the type of heavy machinery used, topographical features and ground cover. In addition, the independent farmer or rancher does not have the benefit of structured safety training and safety guidelines that are present in the urban corporate environment."

Agriculture has the highest level of general stress among U.S. occupations, according to medical experts. That stressful environment includes uncertain weather conditions, disease and pest control, and fluctuating economic conditions, notes Nelson. In this stressful environment the farmer and rancher operates a variety of sophisticated machinery with moving parts. Stressful conditions that divert an operator's attention away from such machinery can contribute to tragic accidents.

"Individual farmers and ranchers can make a conscious effort to manage for safety and health for themselves and for their labor force, which often includes their families," emphasizes Nelson. "With the educational materials and expertise available from various rural-oriented organizations, they can develop safety procedures and management to fit their own particular operations."

"While resources for safety are available, it is up to the individual farmer and rancher to tap those resources for the safety and productivity of his own operations," Nelson notes.

Cattle market could give cattlemen a strong boost

A strong feeder cattle market this fall could brighten the livestock picture and give U.S. cattlemen a much-needed boost.

"A number of factors point toward a much better fall market for feeders," points out Dr. Ed Uvacek, economist in livestock marketing with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A and M University System. "We should see prices for 600 to 700 pound feeder cattle move above fed cattle prices. That could result in \$80 to \$90 feeder calf prices—a bullish signal to most cattlemen."

Uvacek says the following factors will likely bolster the feeder cattle market:

The January 1 cattle inventory report showed 1 percent fewer beef cows and 2 percent fewer beef replacement heifers than a year ago, resulting in a 2 percent smaller calf crop for 1984.

The PIK grain program and drought drove feed prices upward last year, thus boosting corn plantings this year. A large corn crop could lead to lower feed prices this fall and winter and cheaper feeding costs.

Severe winter snows in the north and drought conditions in the south, particularly in Texas, have caused early marketings of feeder calves this year. The result should be light supplies coming to market in the more traditional feeder purchasing season this fall.

Continued economic gains suggests that the demand for fed beef will be healthier as fall approaches, and particularly on into 1985. That should stimulate additional interest in feeding cattle this winter.

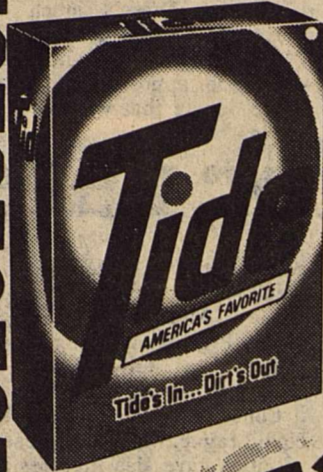
Reduced fed beef production this fall and winter is expected from the lower number of cattle on feed. This should allow fed cattle prices and feedlot profits to improve this fall, substantially helping the demand for feeder cattle.

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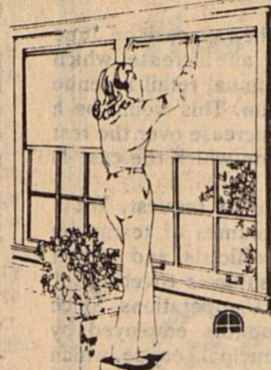
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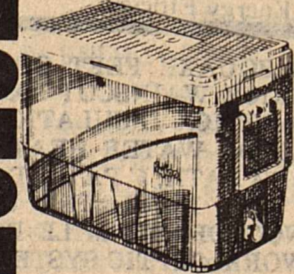
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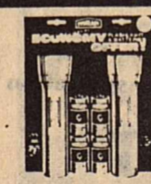
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Sometimes it seems as if the government has been trying to drown us all in a sea of red tape, regulations and paperwork. And until recently, that was pretty close to true.

Between 1970 and 1981, the Federal Register listing of all government rules, regulations and fiat grew from 20,000 to 87,000 pages a year.

I became so concerned about this trend that seven years ago I had the Joint Economic Committee study the costs of federal regulations and the paperwork that they create. The committee found that complying with and enforcing all these rules costs the U.S. economy more than \$100 billion a year—and that was back in 1978.

My subsequent proposals for making federal regulations more cost-effective were incorporated into a Presidential Order to cut government red tape.

That order overlooked dozens of independent federal agencies, so I introduced legislation to rein them in. Again, my ideas were adopted by the President as the core of regulatory review mechanism for the Office of Management and Budget.

In 1980, Congress passed the Paperwork Reduction Act, which established within the Office of Management and Budget a center for spotting duplication and cutting unnecessary demands for information.

A goal was set of reducing federal paperwork by 25 percent by

the end of 1983. OMB reports that it actually made a 32 percent cut. Evidence of that effort can be seen in the Federal Register, which dropped from 87,000 pages to 57,700 pages in two years.

The reduction will save Americans some 477 million hours of paperwork this year. The Internal Revenue Service alone estimates that taxpayers have to provide 17 percent less information on their tax forms now than they did in 1980.

This is all encouraging progress, but the paperwork burden remains too heavy. There's much more streamlining to be done.

I am co-sponsoring and actively working for approval of legislation in the Senate that will keep alive

our efforts at government paperwork reduction and make sure all agencies do their part.

The bill extends our paperwork reduction program for another four years and sets a goal for reducing the paperwork burden by five percent each year. It cracks down on agencies that have been trying to win exemptions from paperwork reduction requirements, and takes other steps to help the program be more effective.

If these goals are met, Americans could be saved from nearly 500 million hours of federal paperwork in their business and their homes each year by 1988.

By keeping at it, maybe we can get the burden of government regulation and red tape down to a manageable load.



U.S. Army recruiter to be visiting Sonora

San Angelo Army Staff Sergeant Joseph F. McGough has returned to his home area to recruit men and women for careers in the U.S. Army.

S.Sg. McGough, a graduate of Tivy High School in Kerrville, also attended high school in Sonora.

"SSG McGough is well qualified to counsel young people about their careers in the military," stated his station commander, Sergeant First Class Robert C. Crawford of San Angelo. "He was graduated from both the engineer advanced individual training course at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and the military police school and military police investigator course, prior to completing the recruiting school. He served with the 720th MP Battalion at Ft.

Hood, Texas, the 42nd MP Group (Customs) in Bad Kreuznach, Germany, the 259th MP Company at White Sands Missile Range, NM, Army Recruiting Command at Dannville, IL, San Marcos and Austin Texas," he added.

S.Sg McGough will be visiting Sonora on a regular basis and will be actively recruiting young men and women interested in pursuing a career in the Army.

McGough and his wife, the former Catherine Herber, have two children, Douglas, born in Wiesbaden, Germany, and Sherry, born in El Paso.

McGough will cover the southern part of Tom Green, Sutton, Schleicher, Irion and Reagan Counties.

WTU prepares for rate hearing

After months of preparation, which included providing several thick volumes of written testimony and answering hundreds of questions from intervenors, West Texas Utilities Co. representatives went to Austin Monday, September 17, for a formal retail rate hearing before the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

WTU filed the rate case on June 8, asking for an increase which would boost annual retail revenue by \$30.8 million. This would be a 12.4 percent increase over the test year revenue on which the case is based.

In support of its request, WTU filed seven volumes of testimony by company officials and expert witnesses on subjects covering all aspects of WTU's operations. Since the filing, auditors employed by the Texas Municipal League, which is intervening in behalf of several cities, have dug into WTU files to check data, while requests for information have come from all intervenors as well as from PUG staff. In bulk, the written requests for information are three volumes thicker than WTU's original filing.

Response to WTU's rate request has been varied. Of the 82 incorporated towns in the service area, 36 denied the increase, 19 suspended the case, while 6 denied the increase and joined 21 towns which had previously ceded jurisdiction over rates to the PUG.

Denying the increase were Alpine, Anson, Aspermont, Balmorhea, Ballinger, Benjamin, Big Lake, Blackwell, Bronte, Buffalo

Gap, Clarendon, Clyde, Cross Plains, Crowell, Dodson, Hamlin, Haskell, Hawley, Iraan, Jayton, Knox City, Lawn, Lueders, Memphis, Merkel, O'Brien, Putnam, Rankin, Rochester, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Sonora, Sterling City, Suscola, Tye and Woodson. WTU appealed each of these cases to the PUC.

Suspending rates were Abilene, Baird, Childress, Cisco, Eden, Estelline, Impact, Junction, Melvin, Menar, Munday, Paducah, Quanah, Spur, Stamford, Throckmorton, Vernon, Wellington, and Winters. Ceding jurisdiction were Marfa, Miles, Quitaque, Rising Star, Turkey, and Valentine.

Towns which had already ceded jurisdiction are Albany, Chilli-

cothe, Dickens, Eldorado, Goree, Hedley, Lakeview, Matador, McCamey, Mertzon, Moran, Paint Rock, Presido, Roaring Springs, Robert Lee, Roby, Rotan, Rule, Shamrock, Trent, and Weinert.

Consultants for the Texas Municipal League, which is representing 13 cities have also filed testimony with the PUC recommending that instead of receiving a \$30.8 million increase in revenue WTU should cut its request by \$9.1 million. Although this appeared to suggest a rate reduction, WTU officials pointed out that the cities actually are recommending an increase in base rates, but suggesting that the Company's fuel cost estimates are too high.

Even after lowering the return

on equity from the 17 percent sought by the Company to 15.5 percent and reducing Construction Work in Progress from 100 percent to 40 percent, the cities consultants still recommend a \$7.8 million in base rates. This amount, WTU officials said, is "in the right direction, though inadequate to see the Company through its current construction program."

As for the fuel costs are underestimated, the rates will be set higher during the following year. If the estimates are too high, any over-charge for fuel must be refunded by the Company with interest.

The utility company and the PUC are expected to be in hearings throughout the week.

Folk tale musical set

"Peter and the Wolf," a Russian folk tale set to music by Sergei Prokofiev, will be performed by David Syrotiak's National Marionette Theatre on Sunday, Sept. 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the Grand Opera House in downtown Uvalde. The 55-minute musical production is sponsored by the Uvalde Arts Council.

The National Marionette Theatre, based in Hartford, Connecticut, has won numerous awards, including a Citation for Excellence in the field of adult puppetry from the Union International de la Marionette. The group tours coast to coast each season and will tour in Yugoslavia, France, and England during the coming season.

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HOLD THAT LINE!!!
The Sonora Bronco Junior Varsity offense held steady in their battle with the Junction Eagles last Thursday evening. The game ended in a tie score of 12-12. (Don Jones Photo)

Sonora JV ties with Junction

The Sonora Junior Varsity fought long and hard but due to some very large miscues had to settle for a 12-12 tie with the Junction Eagle JV.

The Eagles scored first as they completed a fourth down pass for an 8 yard touchdown. The extra point attempt failed. The Broncos took the ball and drove inside the Junction 10 yard line only to fumble the ball away. The defense held Junction and defensive-end Sammy Galindo blocked the punt and the Broncos Billy Collins covered it on the 5 yard line. Sammy Mata scored the touchdown. The Broncos went for two points and seemed apparently to take an 8-6 lead but the play failed as the ball bounced off the Broncos receiver's chest, incomplete. This was just one of many dropped passes by the Broncos. Junction scored again in the third quarter to

take a 12-6 lead. The extra point attempt failed. The Broncos finally scored on a 4 yard run by Shannon Rushing with 2:22 left in the game. To tie the score at 12-12. The extra

point kick was blocked and the game ended in a tie. The JV will be open their first game against the Iraan JV in Iraan at 6:30 on Thursday.

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Antique Show set for Sept. 22-23

Plans are in full swing now for the third Annual Antique Show at the Uvalde Civic Center on Saturday and Sunday, September

22nd and 23rd. The Uvalde Animal Shelter sponsors the show each year which brings over 30 dealers of fine antiques and country collectibles from across Texas.

The show will run Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 12 noon to 6 p.m. in the Civic Center on East Main St. According to Laura Hicks, chairman, the fine quality of previous shows will be maintained as no reproductions and no English imports later than 1940 will be allowed. Dealers will offer their best oak furniture,

quilts, glassware, jewelry, decorative folk art, Texana, country furnishings, trunks, linens, primitives and more.

Tickets are \$1.50 for both days and include a door prize drawing for a prized collectible as well as admission. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Uvalde Animal

Shelter, Rexall Drug Store, the Kincaid Hotel, the Uvalde Chamber of Commerce, and Lori's.

A concession stand will offer coffee, cokes, chips, homemade sandwiches, pies, cakes, cookies and brownies.

For more information contact the Uvalde Animal Shelter at (512) 278-1407.

Central and South Texas goes into third year drought

Central and south Texas is going into the third year of a severe drought and landowners are faced with decisions of how to manage their wildlife species.

Wildlife, especially large mammals like white-tailed deer, should be managed with the same principles applied to domestic livestock. When forage gets short, landowners reduce their domestic livestock numbers. Deer should be treated the same as domestic livestock, their numbers should be reduced. The only feasible way to reduce deer numbers is to harvest them by hunting.

A heavy harvest of deer early in the hunting season is desirable and necessary for several reasons. First, the deer will be in the best body condition early in the season and suitable for the dinner table. Second, deer harvested early will reduce the foraging pressure on the range plants, providing forage further into the winter months. Third, an early heavy harvest of a deer herd will reduce the severity of an impending die-off due to malnutrition.

Landowners that stop hunting or curtail the harvest of deer during severe droughts increase the per-

centage of die-offs due to starvation and malnutrition. During droughts the best policy is "Business as Usual" as far as deer hunting is concerned.

Turkey and quail population are effected by reduced reproduction during droughts. Hot and dry conditions during breeding seasons will severely restrict the reproduc-

tion of ground nesting birds, however, even small remnant populations have the ability to bounce back with excellent reproduction when conditions become favorable during a breeding season.

Supplemental feeding of wildlife on a large scale is not feasible from an economic standpoint. Also,

wildlife will not adapt quickly to supplemental feeds during emergency periods.

While heavy harvests early in the hunting season will not preclude a die-off later in the winter, it will reduce the severity of a die-off and provide a better carry over to the next spring.

In early days, shoes showed the rank or wealth of the wearer. High rank was shown by long, pointed toes and different kinds of decoration.



Wilma Friend, Chairman of the Old Timers Reunion for Sutton County Days Celebration this year, presented a Guest Book to the Chamber of Commerce. This book will be kept in the chamber office and will be a permanent record for the "Old Timers Reunion" in years to come.

Already, eighty-seven signatures are in the book for the celebration this year, also, a list of names and addresses of people for next year's invitations.

This is a lovely gift from Wilma, a permanent record of old friends and family who come back to Sonora each year to visit and enjoy the hospitality of the Sutton County Days Celebration.



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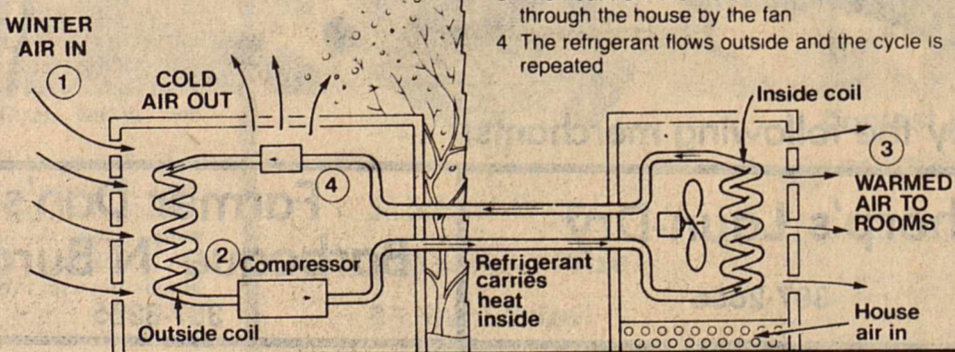
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Superintendent speaks on inequities of HB 72

The following is a letter to Governor Mark White from the Sonora Independent School District Board of Trustees.
Dear Governor White:

Your statement to the public, as published in this morning's San Angelo Standard Times, indicates--nay, plainly says--that you consider any coach or public school administrator in the entire state who dares to disagree with you, the

state legislators, and H. Ross Perot to be a menace to public progress at the very least, and a serious threat to the future of the young people of this state at the most.

Honorable Governor, I have made public school administration my life's work, and in defense of the public schools of this state, I feel I must speak out. Incidentally, I have never been involved in coaching.

You, from your own statements to the media, apparently have no concept of the day-to-day problems involved in running even a small school system. From your ivory tower in Austin, things no doubt look much simpler than they really are. Your philosophy of management, obviously based on the 'Do this because I say so' theory, may work in dealing with state government, but we are talking about the effect of HB 72 on the everyday lives of millions of young people who will elect our future governors and legislators. Your reference to 'turning out a more productive product' smacks of manufacturing robots rather than well-rounded, educated young people who will not only be an asset to society, but will enjoy doing whatever they decide to do with their lives.

While most educators support the 'back to basics' movement as a sound move in the right direction, they also know that a good, solid citizen will need more than readin', writin', and 'rithmetic to get the most out of his future life. He also needs the ability to function socially with co-workers, family and friends. And nothing promotes a feeling of belonging, of being a socially acceptable 'one of the crowd' more than participation in

extra-curricular activities in the formative years.

HB 72 mandates that this is not to be. In order to participate in band, choir, athletics, or whatever, a student will have to be passing all subjects with a grade of 70 or better. While this will have little effect on those youngsters who are good students in all academic areas, it will have a devastating effect on the good, all-round person who happens to be especially weak in any area. Ideally, no student would ever fail any subject, even for one grading period, but ideal situations are not a part of normal, everyday living.

Frankly, Governor, your public statement that, in your experience, coaches win more football games with smart players than with dumb ones, was lacking in both sound judgment and compassion. Conversely, it has been my experience that there are many times when a 'dumb' football player is an outstanding athlete. Also, his subjects so he will be able to continue as a 'part of the team'. I find it difficult, if not impossible, to believe that in case of his failure to pass with a 70 average any given subject, his consequent inability to take part in any extra-curricular activity, including sports, will improve his general attitude toward the public school system. He is much more likely to become that anathema to modern educators, the high school dropout.

As to the financial effects of the 'equalization' effort of HB 72, in our district we lost \$319,000 in state funding, while the mandated teacher raises, certainly long overdue, cost us \$336,000. This amounts to a net loss for the year of

\$655,000 over previous years, which is no way to run a business. More cost and less funding is promised us for the next three years. All of this has resulted in an unavoidable tax increase of 8 per cent, which will allow us to survive this school year. Who knows what will happen next year?

Certainly the theory of 'equalization' of educational opportunities for all the young people of our state cannot be argued with. I doubt there's a parent or educator in the entire State of Texas who really thinks that any one segment of the school population deserves a better basic education than any other. But as the legislature enacted HB 72, penalizing sparsely populated districts with a traditally low tax rate in order to provide more funding for the populous, poorer school districts, we are wooing socialism in our state, with the increasingly impossible tax burden and loss of local control that socialism implies.

In summation, the good long-range effect of HB 72 insofar as improved public education for our young people is far out-weighed by the far-reaching financial and

academic inequities built into the too-hastily enacted legislation. Thirty days is not much time to allow sufficient thought and care in revamping the entire public education system, a system that has worked well for many years. Major upheavals in any system do not, historically, always mean improvement. Sometimes they have resulted merely in the creation of chaos, confusion, and ineffectiveness.

Respectfully yours,
James Bible, superintendent
Sonora Independent School District

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JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Serving as class officers for the Junior class this year will be Jim Cooper - President, Sidonna Ridgeway - Vice-president, Leslie Webster - Secretary, and Bonnie Jackson - Treasurer.



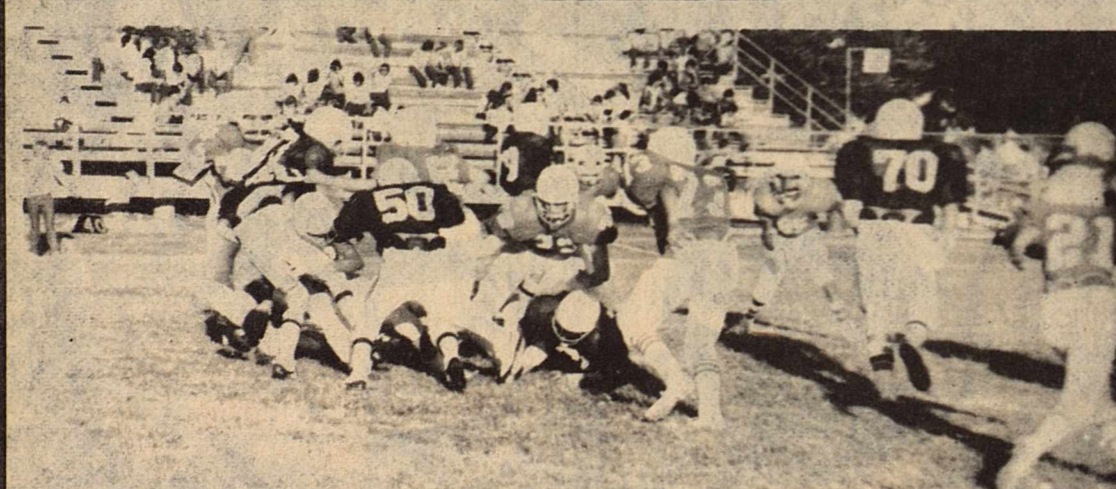
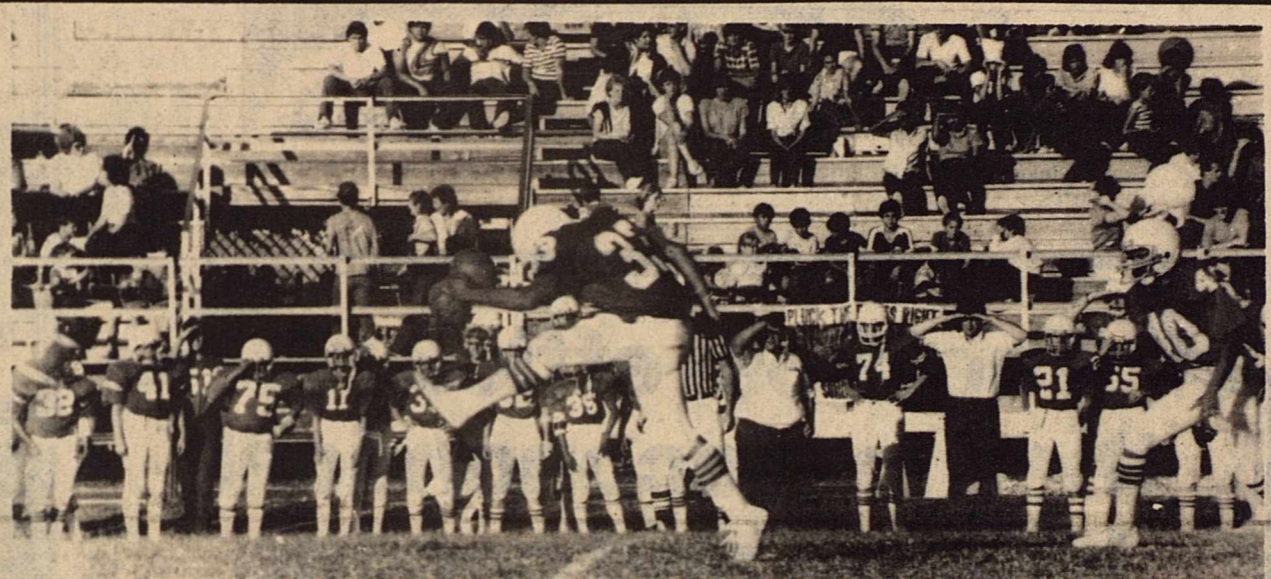
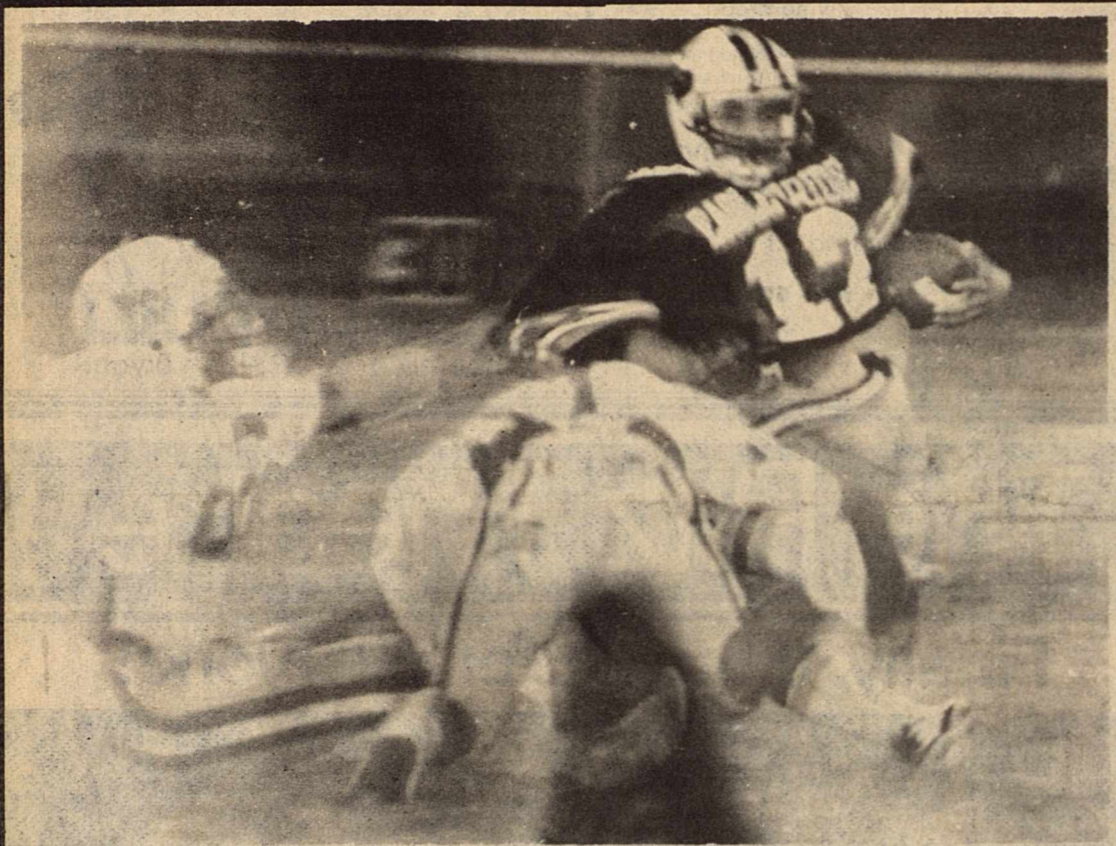
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First Annual Rattlesnake Squadron Ball to be held

The "First Annual Rattlesnake Squadron Ball" will be held at the last remaining big hangar at Pyote Air Force Base in Pyote.

The Rattlesnake Squadron, West Texas Wing, Confederate Air Force will pledge all net proceeds to help attain the goals of the Confederate Air Force, one of which is "to preserve in flying condition a complete collection of combat aircraft which were flown by all military services of the United States during WWII."

The Rattlesnake Squadron Ball

will take place from 2100-0100 hours, Saturday, September 29, at the biggest dance floor in West Texas inside the freshly decorated last remaining bomber hangar at the Rattlesnake Bomber Base. All ticket holders will be seated at tables inside the hangar.

There will be no tickets sold at the door.

World War II decorations and World War II aircraft static display along with alot of loving care will make this a truly memorable evening. Special work now under

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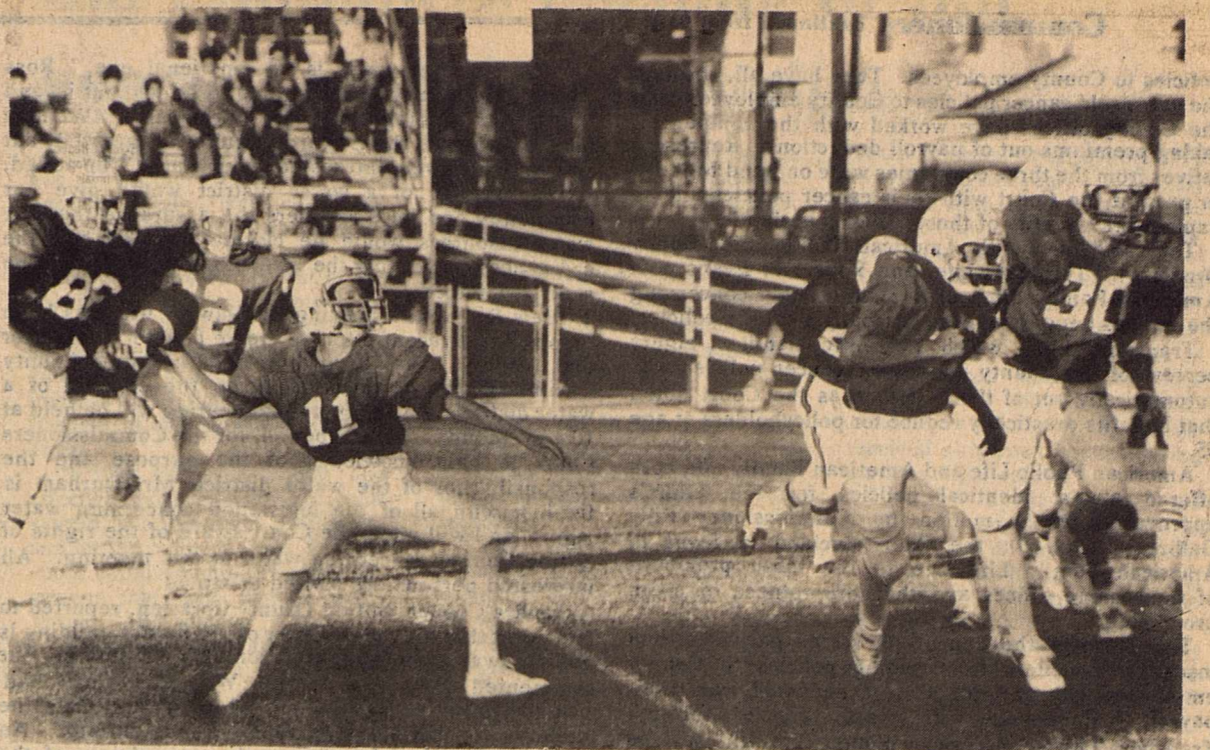
Your comfort and pleasure will be served both inside around the dance floor and outside, where security will be provided and a huge lighted parking area is adjacent to the hangar itself.

Motel and hotel reservations need to be made at several nearby cities and towns, and "leave the driving to us" bus service to and from the dance can be obtained from various originating points.

The "Party Music of the South-west" will be provided by the Mal Fitch orchestra of the Fairmount Hotel in Dallas, playing all your favorite 40's sounds. This wonderful band is made up of 12 pieces plus their female vocalist, and they will play all evening long the big band era style music. Much entertainment with special contests and prizes are being developed by Col. Patsy Edwards, Confederate Air Force, the leader of the West Texas Wing USO Troupe.

Ticket price is \$50 per couple with reserved tables available at an extra charge. Remember, this is a donation to the Rattlesnake Squadron, Confederate Air Force, and is tax deductible.

Again, no tickets for sale at the door! If you might wish to join in this special "First Annual Rattlesnake Squadron Ball", contact Col. Ed Havins-Rattlesnake Squadron Leader-telephone: (915)336-5293 or Col. Pete McDaniel-Finance Officer, Rattlesnake Squadron-telephone: (915)943-2501.



WHAT AN ARM!!! - The Bronco eighth grade quarterback goes back for a pass through the middle during last week's battle with the Junction Eagles. The Bronco eighth grade team lost the game, but gained the appreciation of local fans as they played their hearts out for us. (Don Jones Photo)

VFW endorses Gramm in U.S. Senate race

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Political Action Committee today endorsed Congressman Phil Gramm in his race for the U.S. Senate, calling him, "a proven friend of American Veterans and a champion of a strong, Free America."

Former VFW National Commander Ted Connell, a member of the VFW-PAC Board of Directors, from Killeen, praised Gramm for his work on the Budget Committee and on the Veterans' Committee "in assuring the nation kept faith with those who defended the country in time of war."

"Phil Gramm understands Veterans' programs. He went to college on the GI Bill. His mother draws a widow's pension and his father died in a Veterans' hospital. He more than any other member of Congress has seen that Veterans have been treated fairly during years of tough budget decisions," Connell said.

Connell noted that in the race for the U.S. Senate, there was a clear cut choice on issues that were important to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. "Phil Gramm believes in a strong defense. Lloyd Doggett opposes every major element of our effort to strengthen national defense. Phil Gramm and the VFW supported the President's decision to send troops into Grenada to liberate our medical students and put all the dictators in the world on notice that American citizens are to be respected. Lloyd Doggett called that action unnecessary aggression and gunboat diplomacy."

Gramm said, "I am grateful to have the endorsement of the VFW-PAC and I pledge to continue as I have in the past to support a strong defense and to assure that the nation remembers those who have served in time of war and who have sacrificed to preserve our freedom."

Junior High Colts tie 6-6 with the Junction Eagles

BY CHRISTI SPAIN AND TAMMIE ADAMS

On September 13, the Sonora Junior High Colts played the Junction Eagles.

This was the first game of the season and we were very excited.

The Seventh Grade game was first at 5 p.m. The first and only touchdown scored by Sonora was by Manuel Martinez.

The score ended in a tie, 6-6. The Eighth Grade game started

directly after that which was about 6:30 p.m.

The two touchdowns were scored by Dido Garcia and Efrain Castillo. The game ended with a score of 16-22 in favor of Junction.

Letter to the Editor

This is a delayed "Thank you" to the Sonora fire fighters for saving our motor home from a total loss.

On Sunday, May 7 of this year, our motor home had a fire in the engine compartment while we were at the gas pumps of the Exxon Service Station in Sonora.

Although we used the two extinguishers from our coach, the service station's was used and a customer had an extinguisher, we were unable to stop the fire and my wife and I, as well as the other people at the station could only stand and watch the fire consume our mobile home; we were helpless there was no water available and the fire continued to burn; however

Lonnie Holmes at the Sand and Gravel Company across the street had called the fire department and they arrived in time to put out the fire.

Because they responded as quickly as they did and were very efficient at their jobs, our motor home is now being repaired and soon my wife and I will be traveling again.

Again, thank you and your fire fighters. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Loyd and Lovina Gularte
1190 Monticello Road
Napa, Ca. 94558

Offshore oil lease money offered to states

Officials from seven states met in Austin recently to discuss the federal government's offer to the states on offshore oil lease money.

Interior Secretary William Clark proposed that Alabama, Alaska, California, Mississippi and Florida, get one-sixth of bonus revenues from federal oil and gas leases on tracts within three miles of state boundaries on the Outer Continental Shelf. Louisiana and Texas, didn't receive the offer because they have sued the Interior Department over the split.

Four governors who attended the meeting said the one-sixth amount was too small and have called for a meeting with Clark within two weeks.

In 1978, Congress passed a law requiring a split of revenues from sites adjacent to state tracts, on the ground that the oil pools often overlapped the boundary. Congress said only that the split should be "fair and equitable" and did not specify a division.

The Permian Basin rig count for this week is 330. Last week 332 and one year ago 286.

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4. Be sure and put your name and list the location where you obtained your entry blank. Entries not filled out completely will be disqualified.
5. The tie breaker picked each week will be the total points you think will be scored in the Dallas Cowboy game of the week.
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policies to County employees. They have all, through the years sold cancer policies to County employees, and the County offices have worked with the companies, taking premiums out of payroll deductions. Representatives from the three companies were on hand Monday to present the Court with their cancer policies and to explain the benefits of those policies in depth.

Tom Anderson with American Public Life, Bobby Brown with Transport Life, and Robert P. Evans with American Family Life, all went into detail concerning the various benefits of each company's cancer policies.

Transport Life, which currently handles eighty percent of the County employees cancer policies was automatically out of the ballgame as the Court noted that benefits drastically reduce for policyholders at age 65.

American Public Life and American Family Life both offered almost identical policies for the Court's approval. On a motion by Commissioner Billy Galbreath (Pct. 3), the Court decided in favor of American Family Life due to the close proximity of their home offices and their promptness of claim processing.

This move by the Court will, for all purposes, ban insurance solicitors from selling policies to County employees with premiums to be deducted from their payroll. Employees with cancer policies through Transport Life or American Public Life will still be covered under their present policies, but all premiums must be paid by bank draft, as they will not be deducted through the payroll offices.

Local rancher and businessman Joe David Ross, approached the Court to urge them to form a Sutton County Water District as a means of controlling the use of water from the Edwards Aquifer, the water table from which all of Sutton County is provided with water.

"The issue of water is an emotional one," Ross noted. "Tell someone he is going to be without it, and that person is going to get very emotional." "We may take the water in the Edwards Aquifer for granted, but San Antonio is very interested in our water," he added.

The creation of a water district would give our community and local ranchers the assurance that our water resources would be closely guarded and the ordinances concerning the means of disposal would be strictly enforced.

Drew Durham, a Sterling City lawyer who has been involved in a recent effort to create a water district for that county, has been selected by the County Commissioners to advise them on the creation of a water district. An informational hearing will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, September 24, for the Commissioners Court to gain knowledge of the purpose and the responsibilities of the water district. Mr. Durham is familiar with all of the legislation concerning water rights, and will make the Court aware of the rights of Sutton County concerning water at this meeting. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Sandra Cooper, Sutton County librarian, reported to the Court that the rock exterior of the library building is falling away from the foundation of the building. She commented that the Sonora Women's Club had originally wanted to have an addition built onto the building to provide more room for the library. An architect they had hired to make an estimate of the work discovered that the exterior walls seemed to be bulging outward, and falling away from the exterior of the building. The Commissioners decided to have one of the contractors currently working on the County's building program to go by the library building to make an estimate of the re-rocking of that building.

A report from County Auditor Charles Graves on the

building program noted that the building program was proceeding on schedule. The restrooms at the community park have reached completion with all but one of the plumbing fixtures now installed. The ambulance port was 3-4 days from completion, and the construction of the new Sutton County Courthouse Annex was proceeding on schedule.

Don Wootan Chief Appraiser with the Tax Appraisal District reported to the Court that 98 percent of all taxes due had been collected by that office. District Judge Brock Jones held delinquent tax hearings on September 13 for all taxpayers still owing taxes.

The Court has set their next regular meeting as the date for an Intergovernmental Contract hearing with the Sonora City Council.

Commissioner Miguel Villanueva (Pct. 1) noted that the water and sewer grant through the Texas Community Development Program was progressing. He will keep the Court informed of the progression of funding that will provide water and sewer service to the Sinaloa and Loma Alta communities.

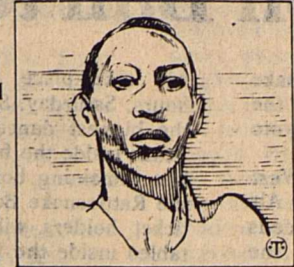
Assistant County Attorney Betsy Johnson requested from the Court additional funding to cover the cost of videotaping DWI offenders.

Ms. Johnson noted that the tapes were essential for prosecution and the cost of the tapes to the County would be minimal. The tapes will cost the County \$4 to \$6 per person, while the County will collect an estimated \$300 for first time offenders in DWI cases. The County Attorney prosecutes approximately 350 DWI cases annually.

In other business, the Court approved reports from the various offices of the County government, including the Justice of the Peace, and the Sheriff's Office.

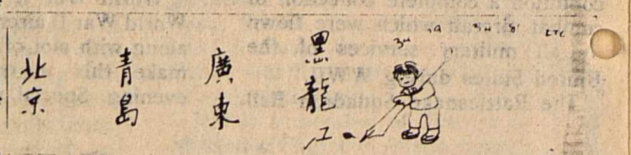
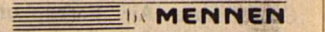


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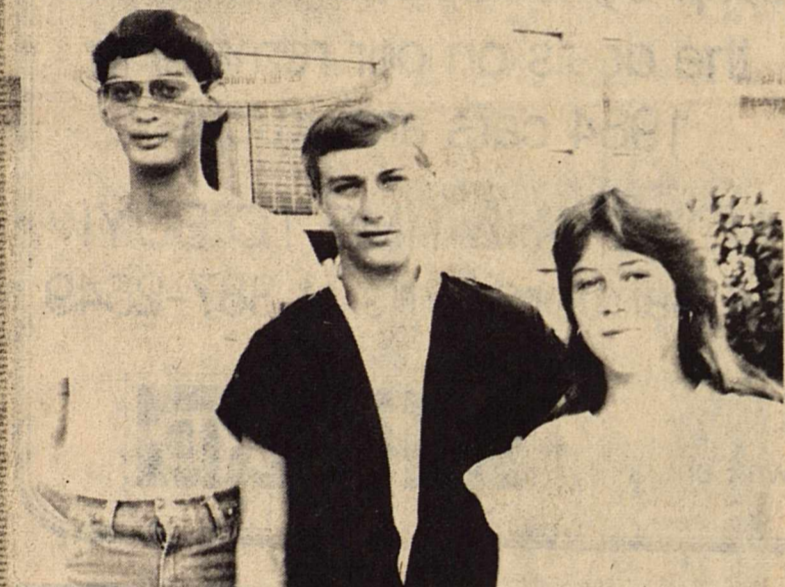


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FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

The Freshman class of Sonora High School recently elected Alex Duenes as their class President for the 1984-85 school year. Delma Chavez was selected as Vice-president, Precia Miller was elected Secretary, and Cindy Sosa was named Treasurer in the elections.



SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

Mickey Sharp was selected as the President of the Sophomore class recently at Sonora High School. Shaumarie Scoggins was elected Vice-president, and Javier Flores was elected Secretary-Treasurer.



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- 2 tablespoons hoisin sauce or ketchup
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil (optional)
- 4 scallions, finely minced
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed

2 1-1/4 inch thick porterhouse steaks (about 1-1/2 pounds each)

In a large bowl combine marinade ingredients using only the juice from the pineapple. Reserve the pineapple slices for a garnish. Place steak in a large baking dish. Pour marinade over steak and marinate at least 3 hours, or overnight in the refrigerator, turning at least once. Reserve marinade. Prepare charcoal or outdoor gas grill. Place steaks on grill and cook 5-6 minutes per side for rare, 7-8 minutes for medium and 9-10 minutes for well done. While steaks are barbecuing pour reserved marinade into a small saucepan. Cook over medium heat allowing sauce to come to a boil. Lower heat and simmer for 10 minutes. Remove steaks from grill. Spoon some sauce over meat and garnish with pineapple slices. Pass remaining sauce. Makes 4-6 servings.

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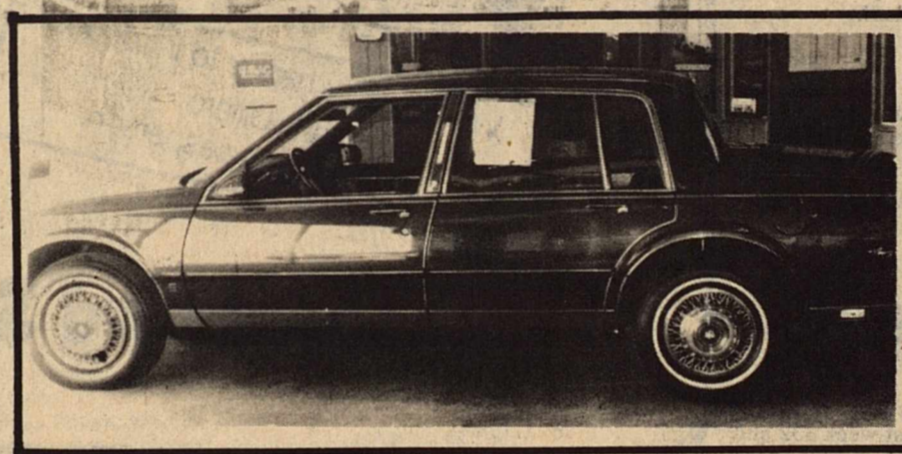


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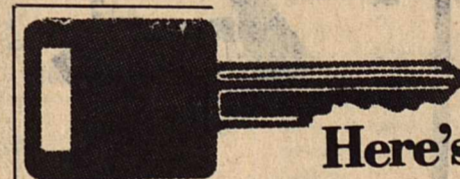
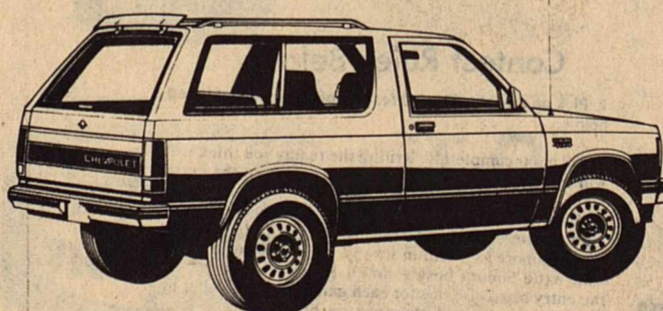
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Hill announces opening of fall general election campaign

John Hill, the Democratic nominee for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, announced the opening of his fall general election campaign recently.

Hill, who won 82 percent of the vote in the Democratic primary last spring, said he would dedicate his six-year term of office as Chief Justice to "leading an effort to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our judicial system in Texas."

"I want to be a strong and effective spokesman for the court system, for the legal profession, and for the public in order to bring about improvements in our judicial system that will benefit every Texan," Hill said.

"Litigation today takes too long and costs too much. Bigger and bigger backlogs of cases are building up in our state's courts. We

must modernize and speed up the court system and take advantage of new technology that will make this goal possible."

Hill said he will work to foster closer cooperation and understanding between the judicial, legislative and executive branches of state government to streamline the court system and make it more efficient.

The 60-year-old Democratic candidate also emphasized that the ethics and abilities of the state's judges and lawyers must be above reproach.

"The critical determinant of justice is the quality of the judges elected," Hill noted, adding that he will "work to enhance public confidence in the competence, integrity, and performance of judges and lawyers."

Hill, who served two terms as

Texas Attorney General from 1973 to 1978, and two years as Secretary of State from 1966 to 1968, has practiced law for 37 years. He is a senior partner in the law firm of Hughes and Hill, which maintains offices in Dallas and Austin.

A member of the Texas Judicial Council, Hill is also a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and has received numerous honors during his long legal career.

He grew up in Kilgore and graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1947. He was a Navy lieutenant during World War II, serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific.

Hill is a member of Tarrytown Methodist Church in Austin, where he and his wife, Bitsy, make their home.



SURPRISED MOTHER SHOWERED WITH GIFTS "Welcome to the World, Krista". The children at the S.E.E. Center surprised Mona and baby Krista. Simpler with a baby shower recently. The guest of honor, Krista, was a delight to all of the children at the S.E.E. Center. (Staff Photo--KKN)

Tom Loeffler Reports from Washington

It has always been my view that Congress should set an example for the American people. We should conduct the people's business in an open manner. We should be fairer to others as individuals.

In other words, our actions in Washington should be above reproach and should inspire the confidence of the American people. I regret to say that in the 98th Congress, especially in the House of Representatives, actions have been taken that are by no means designed to inspire confidence.

We have seen the majority, under the leadership of the speaker, be unfair in terms of committee assignments and ratios so that proportional representation between the two parties was not permitted. We have seen the records of House proceedings altered. We have seen important legislation "bottled up" in committee.

For these and other reasons, I believe proposals embodied in House Resolution 518, known as the Sunshine Resolution, deserve swift, careful consideration.

This resolution contains important innovations. It would require that the Congressional Record accurately reflect the actual proceedings of the House. It would eliminate the major editing which is done frequently after speeches are made. It would eliminate material not actually presented on the Floor, which frequently has no relation to Congressional business, and which in 1983 cost the taxpayers \$483 per printed page.

Furthermore, a more accurate portrayal of Congressional proceedings would be attained by frequent, visual, wide-angle coverage of the entire House Chamber on a uniform basis. At present, the Speaker controls the TV cameras that beam all proceedings to the American people. This form of censorship should be ended.

The secrecy which surrounds a very important procedural tool called a discharge petition should cease. These petitions are a means used to try to move legislation directly to the House Floor when a committee chairman stalls it in committee. Recent examples of legislation held hostage are the Balanced Budget Amendment and School Prayer Amendment. At present, the names of members who

sign such a petition are not available to a public which certainly has the right to know - not only where Members of Congress stand on the vital issues of the day - but what members are willing to stand up to committee chairmen who refuse to respond to the will of the people.

Another proposal would end proxy voting in committees and subcommittees. This is a procedure where absent members give their right to vote to another committee member. Voting by proxy is not allowed on the House Floor and this should be extended to the committees and subcommittees because it is in these forums where many crucial votes take place.

Compiling oversight agendas should be required. Such a procedure would force Congress to better follow actions of agencies and departments of the federal government to assure that the will of Congress is being upheld. Frequently, these governmental entities have been known to set their own agendas, rather than to follow Congressional mandates.

These much-needed reforms would better protect the rights and responsibilities of all members of Congress - and they would better assure that the taxpayers' dollars are more responsibly spent in the conduct of the public's business.

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