

## Candidates Speak Out At Wednesday Forum



Forum Participants

The "Meet Your Candidates" forum sponsored by the chamber of commerce Wednesday night gave local candidates the chance to give their views on several issues. Meeting the public were (top photo left to right) Jerry John Reyna, Sallie Strain, and

Johnny Gamez, and (bottom photo left to right) B.F. Cain, Rumaldo Garcia, David Ruland, Jeryl Baker, and Rev. Bob Huffaker. Baker and Huffaker presented views on the bingo option election. (Brand Photos)



## Reagan Rejects Freeze Of Nuclear Armaments

WASHINGTON (AP) - Declaring that the Soviet Union has "a definite margin of superiority," President Reagan last night rejected an immediate freeze of U.S. and Soviet nuclear missiles.

Reagan told a nationally televised news conference such a proposal, now pending in Congress, would be dangerous to the United States and would remove any incentive for the Soviet Union to negotiate substantial cut-backs in superpower nuclear arsenals.

Reagan instead gave his support to another proposal calling for a freeze only after the United States has closed the gap in weapons areas where the administration says the Soviets have an edge.

"We cannot afford to repeat past mistakes," Reagan said in apparent reference to agreements with the Soviets that he and other critics claim forfeited advantages to the Kremlin.

He invited the Soviet Union "to join with us now, to substantially reduce nuclear weapons and make an important breakthrough for lasting peace on earth."

At present, he said, the Soviet Union "does have a definite margin of superiority, enough so that there is risk and there is what I have called several times a window of vulnerability."

The resolution rejected by Reagan is sponsored in the Senate by Mark Hatfield, a senior Republican from Oregon, and Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass. It is supported primarily by liberals and has

24 Senate signatures. The rival resolution that drew his backing already has a majority of the Senate. It is being pushed mostly by such defense-minded senators as John Warner, R-Va., and Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash.

"This is an important move in the right direction," Reagan said of the Warner-Jackson resolution. He cited its call for major, verifiable reductions in U.S. and Soviet nuclear weapons to equal force levels.

"These points are elements of a truly effective arms control agreement, elements which are consistent with the views of this administration," he said. Jackson said afterward that he appreciated that "the president has indicated his support of the general thrust of the resolution."

Senate Democratic leader Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, who has signed both resolutions, said "it is discouraging that after 15 months in office the president is still unable to provide any specifics about his intentions with regard to arms control. I hope that his statement tonight is a first step along a path of meaningful and expeditious negotiations."

Hatfield said he was "terribly disappointed" by the president's statement and "didn't really hear much new."

Former Secretary of State Edmund S. Muskie said the fact Reagan held a press conference to discuss the issue "was a victory for the freeze movement." Criticizing Reagan's stand, Muskie said

"those who expected and (See FREEZE, Page 2)

## HHS Student Named Finalist

Hereford High School senior Paula Alexander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alexander, 602 E. Fourth, is one of 1,000 outstanding young American scholars named as a finalist in the 1982 Presidential Scholars Program.

Miss Alexander has been awarded a certificate by the President's Commission on Presidential Scholars, and is one of the few students from among three million graduating seniors to be selected.

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Finalists who become Presidential Scholars will be invited to Washington, D.C., where they will be honored by their elected representatives, by educators, and by others in public life. Selection is based on numerous factors in addition to academic excellence; for example, achievement in the visual and performing arts and creative writing; demonstrated leadership ability; contribu-

By BOB NIGH  
Managing Editor

A sparse crowd, including students from a HHS government class, was on hand at the Community Center Wednesday night to hear comments from political candidates and a proponent and opponent to the county option bingo question which will be decided in Saturday's election.

The "Meet Your Candidates" forum was the third such program sponsored by the Legislative Affairs Committee of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, and was moderated by Justice of the Peace O.K. Neal, himself an unopposed candidate for re-election in the upcoming May primary.

Two incumbent candidates declined the invitation to attend the forum, and another was serving on a jury, but six hopefuls did make a showing as well as bingo question proponent Jeryl Baker and bingo foe Rev. Bob Huffaker.

Incumbent Precinct 2

County Commissioner Austin Rose and current Place 4 City Commissioner Emory Brownlow declined to appear at the forum, while incumbent school board member Bobby Griego was tied up with jury duty.

Those candidates making an appearance included County Clerk B.F. Cain and his opponent David Ruland; incumbent school board member Sallie Strain and HISD board hopeful Johnny Gamez, Rose's opponent, Jerry John Reyna; and Brownlow's opponent, Rumaldo Garcia.

The forum provided each candidate or speaker a chance to make an opening statement, and then included a session to allow the candidates to field questions read by Neal.

The forum was taped by Hereford Cablevision Co., and will be replayed at 7 p.m. tonight and again at the same time Friday on Cable Channel 6.

Speaking for the bingo

question was Jeryl Baker, a member of the Hereford Lions Club which uses a bingo booth at its annual carnival. Baker supported the bingo issue because it provides a fund-raising opportunity for civic organizations, church groups, veteran's groups, and King's Manor, and because it is used as a "social activity" by many persons.

He reported that of the 47 bingo option elections held in the state thus far 44 have been passed. "What really made up my mind on this is

how the law reads," Baker said. "It says that once the local option is passed that organizations must still have a license to conduct bingo. In addition, they are also limited to prizes awarded, and the proceeds must go to charity."

Rev. Huffaker, pastor of the Hereford Church of the Nazarene, said he is against the legalizing of bingo for "the principle which is involved." He feels that bingo "is contrary to the teachings of Christ ... in my study of

God's word and his teachings never once have I found where he suggested or even hinted that anyone ever try to gain at someone else's loss."

Huffaker also opposed the question because he felt that it "would open the door to other types of gambling." "And, all of us know what gambling does to families and homes ... it's more addictive than alcohol," he concluded.

Mrs. Strain may have opened a few eyes is her introductory remarks. "I feel that in the next two or three years there will be a lot of attention focused on the school district," she said. "Because of declining enrollment and the erosion of our tax base there are going to be some drastic changes in our school system."

"As the school board is making the decisions they are facing in the next two or three years they are going to find themselves not the most popular members of the community because anytime you make changes you're going to make someone unhappy," she added.

Gamez said that he is running for a school board seat because "I feel that I can contribute a little bit, and help communicate better with the parents."

Garcia, opposing Brownlow for a city commission position, said he "feels very strongly about the communi-

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## Polling Place Changes Noted

County Clerk B. F. Cain sends a reminder that Saturday's Bingo Option election is county-wide, and that all polling places will be open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

A new voting precinct was formed this year, and Cain is hoping that the new precinct will not add too much confusion to the election.

The new precinct, Precinct 12, is for persons who live west of Beach St. Those voters will cast ballots at La Plata Junior High.

Persons living east of Beach St. to Sunset Drive are in voting precinct 11, and will vote at Northwest Elementary School.

Due to the recent redistricting some county residents will be voting in different

places than in the past. Cain said that all voters should check the back of their coral colored registration card to see what precinct they vote in.

Following is a list of voting precincts, and the location of the voting box for each:

1. Bull Barn
2. Commissioners' Court room.
3. Frank Zinser residence.
4. Sims Community House.
5. Community Center.
6. Ford School.
7. Dawn Community House.
8. Walcott School.
9. Bippus Community House.
10. Wildorado Church.
11. Northwest Elementary School.
12. La Plata Jr. High.

## Reagan Undergoes Tests

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Reagan will undergo tests today at the National Naval Medical Center in suburban Bethesda, Md., because of a "slight discomfort" in his urinary tract in recent weeks, a White House official said today.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said the discomfort had occurred a few weeks ago but had "cleared up after a few days on its own."

He said Reagan, who held a nationally broadcast news conference Wednesday night, was not experiencing any pain today. Reagan celebrated his 71st birthday on Feb. 6.

In 1967, while he was governor of California, Reagan underwent surgery to remove calcium deposits in his urinary tract.

Reagan planned to fly to the hospital in Bethesda by

helicopter in early afternoon and return to the White House later in the day. White House officials said a statement would then be issued by Dr. Daniel Ruge, the White House physician.

"We will tell you everything we know," Speakes promised.

The presidential spokesman said the tests

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## Insurance Grace Period Expires

AUSTIN -- The 90-day Department of Public Safety (DPS) warning period for the new mandatory liability insurance law expired at midnight Wednesday. At that time state troopers began issuing citations to drivers who fail to show proof of insurance when such information is requested.

The law, which became effective Jan. 1, 1982, requires all drivers to carry minimum liability coverage for bodily

injury of \$10,000 per person (\$20,000 for two or more persons) and property damage of \$5,000.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, said the law is encouraging more drivers to obtain the required coverage.

"DPS figures show that during 1981, approximately 73 percent of drivers involved in reportable accidents had the insurance," Adams pointed out. "That number increased

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Mayor Proclaims 'Dowell Day'

With some of his friends looking on, Mayor Bartley Dowell signs a proclamation which declares April 1, 1982 as "Bartley Dowell Day" in Hereford. The proclamation followed an announcement by The Brand that Dowell

was the most photographed man in the city, barely nosing out Jim Bullard, hospital administrator. (This photo and outline, of course, is our April Fool's joke for today!)







# 'South Pacific' Featured At Dinner Theatre

Brightening the stage in the spotlights this spring at Amarillo's Country Squire Dinner Theatre, back under the leadership of Peter Fox

Jr. as president and executive producer, will be the all-family favorite musical "South Pacific." With a longer than usual

schedule of shows, March 31 through May 23, the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical again will bring to audiences the dear-to-the-heart sounds

of such songs as "Some Enchanted Evening," "There Is Nothing Like A Dame" and "I'm in Love With A Wonderful Guy."

"South Pacific," set during World War II on an island Pacific naval base, is a dramatic blend of love and comedy.

The musical features an outstanding all-star cast. Playing Nellie will be Alex Winslow, who has appeared on theatre stages across the country and is a familiar face from her numerous television

commercials.

Len Williams has the role of Emile. This marks Williams' first appearance at Country Squire, but he has appeared in both musicals and straight-dramatic productions on a variety of stages.

Nancy Shelton, who was on stage with Don Ameche in Country Squire's "Girl in the Freudian Slip," plays Bloody Mary.

"South Pacific" will be presented Monday through Saturday evenings.

## Spring Concert Tickets On Sale

Tickets are on sale for the April 15 Annual Spring Concert of the Hereford High, Stanton and La Plata bands and orchestras.

Tickets are \$2 and are available from any high school band or orchestra student, or by contacting Betty Willson at 364-1464.

Door prize drawings will be made for Walkman II, a five-inch Quasar TV-AM-FM radio, cassette player and earphones, all from Stan Knox TV and Music; a 10-speed bike from Western Auto and a \$50 gift certificate from The Sports Stop.

## Youth Rally

### Set Tomorrow

The First United Pentecostal Church, Ave. H and La Fayette, will be holding a youth rally on Friday night, beginning at 8 p.m. Scheduled for the evening are special music, skits, and preaching. Everyone is invited.

The Rev. Warren McKibben is pastor of the church.



## Newly Elected Officers

Members of TOPS No. 576 met recently to elect and install new officers: From left are leader, Sue Rogers; secretary, Nila Chambliss; treasurer, Novella

Hewitt; and reporter, Winnie Anderson. Not pictured is co-leader, Kate Lupton. (Brand Photo by Sandy Pankey)



## Cancer Month Proclaimed

Mayor Bartley Dowell signs a proclamation declaring April to be American Cancer Control Month in Hereford. Looking on are Jim Bullard, left, Deaf Smith County Hospital Administrator, and Dr. A.T. Mims, president of the Deaf Smith County unit of the

American Cancer Society. Bullard is the general campaign chairman this year. A house-to-house drive is set for Monday, April 19, with the campaign goal set at \$16,000. (Brand Photo by Sandy Pankey)

## Officers Installed At Meeting

Members of TOPS No. 576 met Tuesday morning at the Community Center for their regularly scheduled meeting. During the session, Alice Koenig was voted "Miss Inspiration" and Trini Longoria was recognized as "Best Loser" at the final March meeting.

Serving as new officers will be leader, Sue Rogers; co-leader, Kate Lupton; secretary, Nila Chambliss; treasurer, Novella Hewitt; and reporter, Winnie Anderson.

Club members participated in the Health Fair Tuesday at the Community Center.

## At Wits End

BY ERMA BOMBECK

Sometimes it seems like the whole country is at odds with one another. We can't agree on anything anymore. There was a time when all you had to do to get a standing ovation was to mention God, motherhood and flag and hot cocoa before bedtime, and an audience would rise to its feet at once.

In recent times, I have seen speakers booed for advocating peace, clean air and children.

There are no more one-size-fits-all conversations. I can't stand rejection, especially when I'm eating, and it's getting tougher and tougher to attend a dinner party and get a topic on which everyone agrees.

I've kept a file of safe topics. They're all here. You're welcome to them.

"TV is a cultural wasteland!" No one will say anything good about television in public. Count on it. Despite the fact that 150 million people watch an average of 42 hours of television a week, no one will defend it... even the couple who skip dessert to get home in time to watch "Dallas."

"Don't you feel sorry for Brooke Shields?" Never has compassion been put to such a strain, but no one, trust me, no one will risk being labeled a green-eyed monster. I have seen telethons put together to buy Brooke Shields a childhood.

"There's something wrong with a country that can put a man on the moon, but can't save the Asian Jocular from becoming extinct."

You've never seen outrage until you make this statement, despite the fact that there is no such animal as the Asian Jocular. Everyone wants to save something.

"The trouble with kids these days is they get too much." Kids are a cheap shot, but they're home in bed, so what the heck. You can blame them for pollution, the devaluation of the peso, mudslides in California, the inefficiency of the post office and the atrocities in El Salvador. Not one person will disagree.

"I simply won't pay \$1.35 for a head of lettuce." This statement is usually made by a woman who hates lettuce anyway, but it always arouses an entire room to complain about the economy and reminisce about when cars "with everything" sold for \$135.

"Have a good day" used to be pretty safe, but the other night when I said it a man leered, "What kind of crack is that? It's easy for you to say. You're working!"

Scratch "Have a good day."



Michaelmas Day, September 29, is celebrated in parts of Pennsylvania with a bountiful goose dinner "for luck." Legend has it that if you eat goose on Michaelmas day, you won't want for money all year.

## Ann Landers

### Someone Goofed



DEAR ANN LANDERS: During the last two weeks of December I was waiting for my Christmas bonus. On Dec. 20 a gorgeous crystal vase arrived. The card inside said, "Merry Christmas." The signature was that of one of my bosses. I was pleased but thought surely the bonus would arrive at any moment. None came.

Three weeks later I received a bill for \$200 for the crystal vase. I was flabbergasted, but paid it. I work all week, leaving my child with a baby-sitter, so I can help my husband with the bills. I can't begin to tell you what I could have done with that \$200.

How can I be sure something like this doesn't happen next year? - P.B. In Manhattan

DEAR MANHATTAN: P.B. must have been an abbreviation for Peanut Brain. I find it hard to believe that a woman old enough to hold a job would pay \$200 for a vase she didn't order and not raise a single question with the store that sent it out.

The boss meant it to be a gift. Any other conclusion is unthinkable. Write a letter or go see the manager of the credit department at once. You have \$200 coming. If the man who sent the vase knew you had been billed, he probably would die of embarrassment. Someone in the store goofed.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I'm a woman in my late 20s, married five years to my second husband. We have no children, both work and have a comfortable marriage in every area except sex.

I feel no fire for him. He has been very patient, even when I "jokingly" suggest he take a mistress. He says, "That's not what marriage is for."

I have slept with so many men I have lost count. As I look back, I know fully well that none of these men really turned me on. I am just now realizing the reason I have been with so many men is because I was trying to deny my sexual attraction to women.

I have never had an affair with a woman,

and there is no one around I am interested in at the moment. But am I being fair to my husband by remaining in this marriage? He deserves better than what I give him in bed.

I really am fond of him and we get along well. What should I do? - Mixed-up In Dallas

DEAR MIXED: If you are in your late 20s, twice married and have never gone the other way, your bisexual urges cannot be very strong.

I strongly recommend counseling. You would be foolish to end this marriage without making every effort to straighten out your head. Look in the phone book under "mental health" if you can't afford private counseling.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I was sickened by that woman who described the way her husband mentally abused her children all through their growing-up years by calling them "idiots, fat slob, worthless," etc. Small wonder they had no self-esteem.

My question: What was she doing while all the belittling was going on? A mother who stands by and permits her husband to destroy the egos of his children should accept some responsibility for what happens. Comment please. - Clearwater, Fla.

DEAR FLA.: The man was unquestionably a bully, and his wife was scared to death to open up her mouth.

This, however, does not justify her inability to stand up to him; it simply explains it.



The first native-born American composer was Francis Hopkinson, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.



The oldest known song written in English is a ballad called Judas. A manuscript of this survives from the 13th century.

## NOTICE

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Community Center

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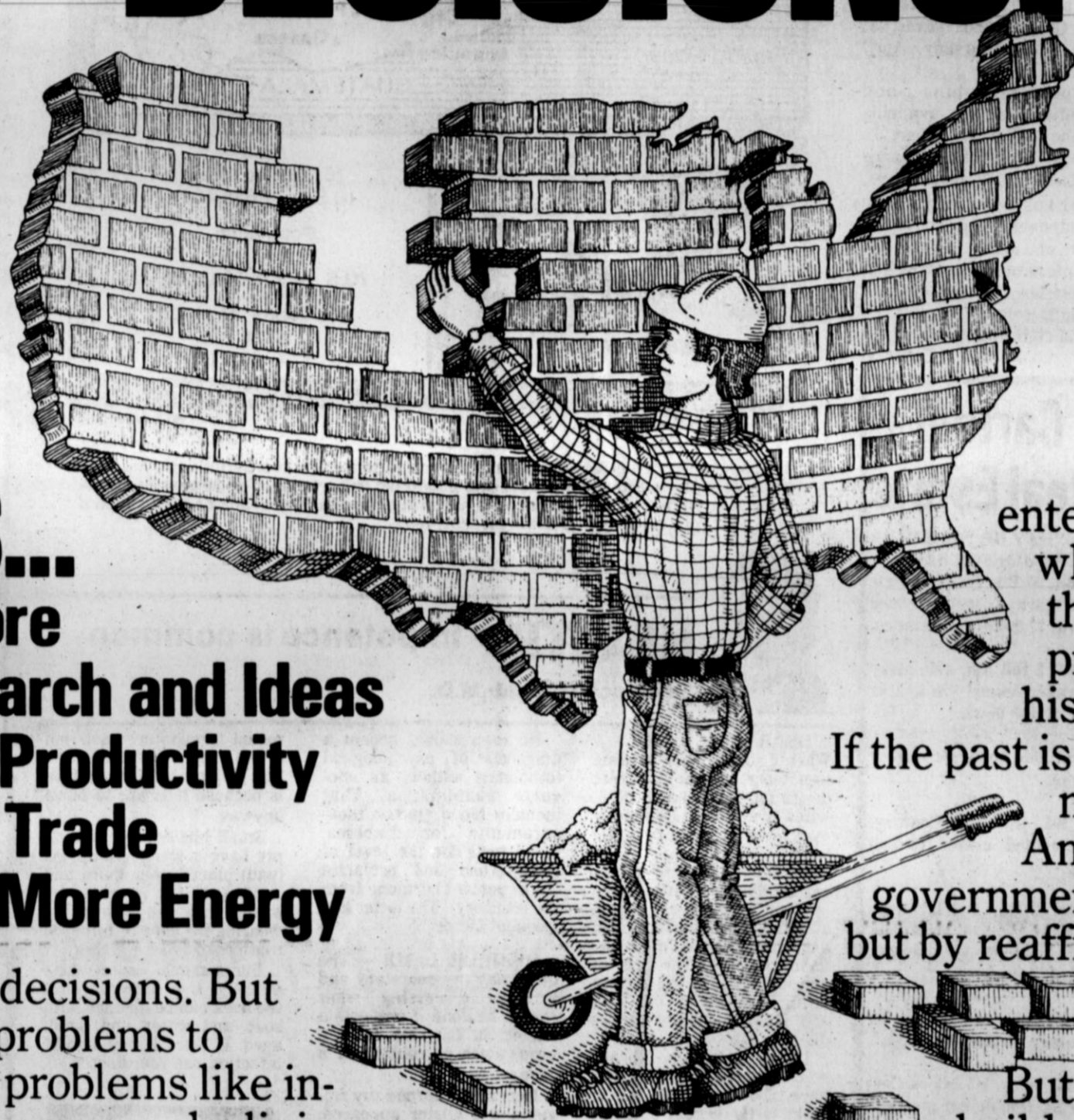








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enterprise economy which has produced the greatest economic prosperity in man's history.

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