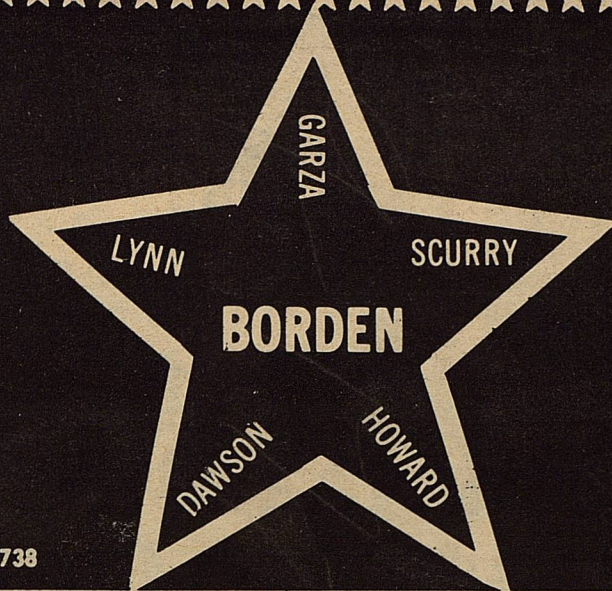


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Constitution Week

Guest Editorials & Opinions

(Ed. note: With the cooperation of Supt. McLeroy and Mrs. Graves we are pleased to publish the following guest editorials and opinions written by students of the Sr. Government class concerning the Constitution of the U.S.)

By Deidre Tucker

Our Constitution is the foundation of our nation. Its vital functions are to provide a strong and stable government. A nation must have a reliable Constitution so it can exist. Thus, a strong base for our government is vitally important.

The laws that are passed each day are based upon our Constitution, and the laws that have previously been passed are in agreement with it. We cannot have laws if we the American people do not live by them. We must respect our laws at the same time for this is an important concept in our government.

Our Constitution is short in length, but it is a great document that covers which is necessary. It contains so much that it is unbelievable our forefathers could foresee so much.

This great document is what we go by. No one can overlook it, for it is great within itself. No man is greater than the law itself, and one is always reminded of this through our Constitution.

Our Constitution is very important to me. It is the basis of our whole government. I think we should always be conscious of this great document, and be especially reminded of it during this week.

By Philena Farmer

When the Constitution was finished, the writers said that they wouldn't know if it was good unless it stood the test of time. Has it?

The Constitution is still in use and is perhaps the best government in the world. It

is the best because of the way that it can be interpreted to fit the times. If it had been written very specifically, by now, we would have had to write at least 20 more. Instead, the writers met the challenge of writing a Constitution that was worthy of anytime or need.

The elastic clause, which states that the courts have the right to pass laws to carry out other laws, is perhaps the most significant sentence in our Constitution. This has enabled the courts to interpret the Constitution to fit the peoples' needs at the time. That time might have been during the Depression when federal banks were established or it could be today, when the need is to bring prices down. If this clause had not been in the Constitution, can you imagine where we would be today? We would still be in the Depression!!

When you start talking about the Constitution, it just wouldn't be right to leave out the Bill of Rights. Without the Bill of Rights the Constitution would have never made it. True, there might not be as many riots or court cases about an individual's rights, but then there really wouldn't be an individual without it. Can you imagine having to put just what the government wanted the people to read in this paper? Or how about everyone having to go to the same church?

If the writers of the Constitution were here today, I think they would agree that the Constitution has stood the test of time.

BY Mary Ledbetter

This next year is the (bicentennial) birthdate of the United States. As we approach this unique time in the U.S., we should examine our use of the Constitution of the United States.

Through the years there have been two forms of interpretation of the constitution. These forms are loose and strict in-

terpretation. Thomas Jefferson believed in strict interpretation. Republicans are usually strict interpreters and Democrats are loose in their interpretations.

Also, the American society has used the Constitutions to protect themselves or to hide behind. There are some amendments that criminals or other citizens use as an escape route for something they have done. Such an amendment is amendment 5 which states a person can not be punished or accused of a crime twice by a grand jury. If a person is found not guilty of a crime and later information is found that could convict him, he is protected by this amendment and thus is free of charge.

We the people of the United States of America should realize what we guaranteed by the Constitution. Also, it should be recognized that there have been several laws and amendments because of the way we have used our Constitutions.

It is deductive reasoning that shows our use of the Constitution. For example, if a person knows the Constitution well, he can find enough loop holes to get himself out of almost any situation.

Now, would you think how we have used the Constitution. Also, are we right in our usage?

Medical Fund Asked

An appeal was made by phone to citizens of Borden County and the surrounding area asking for donations to the Billy Wills Fund. The response to this was most gratifying.

As most of you know, Bill has incurred heavy medical expenses recently. He and Dot are now in Houston where Bill is under-going further treatment and tests.

If you were not contacted and wish to contribute, please send your check payable to The Billy Wills Medical Fund to Sheriff Norman Sneed Box 115 Gail, Texas.



CHAMPION GOATSHOWER

Wins First Place

Michael showed his goat in the pet show Saturday afternoon and received a blue ribbon. Borden County 4-Her's leaders, and Earnest Kiker, C.E.A. say thank-you to Dawson County for allowing us to attend their fair.

Michael Murphy, Pee Wee 4-Her of Borden County had the Grand Champion Goat while his brother Ben Showed the Champion medium wool lamb. Ben also showed a 4th place cross-bred lamb.

Notice

THE BORDEN COUNTY BI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE IS HAVING A CITIZENS MEETING WEDNESDAY SEPT 24 IN THE COUNTY COURT ROOM AT 7:30. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE URGED TO ATTEND.

School Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 15, 1975. After the routine business of minutes and bills, sealed bids were opened for the purpose of purchasing gasoline for school transportation for the 1975-76 school year. The bids were as follows: Gulf oil Company-Lamesa - \$.3425 and Texaco-Midland- \$.4410. The gasoline contract was awarded to Gulf Oil Company of Lamesa.

The following bids were then opened for the purchase of a school car: Fenner-Tubbs of Lubbock-1976 Chrysler Newport \$5158.55; Bob Brock Ford of Big Spring-1976 Ford LTD-\$4669.91; Charles Darwin Ford of Brownfield-1976 Ford LTD \$4695.00; Pollard Ford of Lubbock-1976 Ford LTD \$4995; Davie Jones of Lamesa-1976 Buick LeSabre & Pontiac Catalina \$4893.00; Fenner Tubbs of Lubbock-1976 Plymouth grand Fury Custom \$4723.15; Caprock AMC/Jeep of Lubbock 1976 AMC Matador-\$4401.65; Bob Brown of Lamesa-1976 Olds Delta \$5050.00; Fred Barrington Chevrolet of Lamesa-1976 Chevy Caprice - \$5129.31; Snyder Motor Company of Snyder-1976 Pontiac Catalina \$4916.29; Wilson Motors of Snyder - 1976 Ford LTD \$5149.37

The motion carried unanimously to accept the low bid from Bob Brock Ford of Big Spring.

The Superintendent gave a year-to-date financial report as well as a report on attendance. There are 71 students in high school and 155 in elementary school making the total attendance 226.

Mrs. Glenn Swann was appointed Lunchroom Manager in the place of Mrs. Opal Smith who relinquished her duties as manager due to the illness of her mother.

The Board issued a directive to send out bid invitations for a 16-horse power, 50" cutting blade riding mower.

The board approved the purchase of a tennis machine for use in the tennis program.

Superintendent McLeroy reported that legislation mandated that schools maintain workmens compensation for auxiliary personnel. The motion carried to purchase workmens compensation from the Texas Association of School Boards Coop due to their lower premium rates for schools.

The convention for superintendents and board members will be held on September 27, 28, and 29 at San Antonio. All Board members were urged to attend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Borden School



County Jr. High News Wins



BORDEN COYOTES- Back Row; Asst. Coach Kountz, Bob McLeroy, Joe Zant, Tommy Pateron, Creighton Taylor, Richard Long, Tim Smith, Matt Farmer, Gene Cooley and Coach Dyess. Center; Larry Simer, Tony Benavidez, Jim Buchanan, Darin Tucker, Patrick Toombs, Ben Thompson, and Eurdist Rinehart. Front Row; Barney Cockrum, Sid Westbrook, Marlon Vaughn, Perry Smith, Ty Zant, and Richard Smith

Coyotes Win Over Eagles

The Borden Coyotes proved that rain and cold didn't bother them when it comes to playing football. The Coyotes beat the Southland Eagles 42-0 in the season opener for the Coyotes. The Coyotes will face a very fast team in Gail Friday when they meet the Smyer Bobcats. Smyer is the defending district champion and has another good team. They are led by speedsters, Danny Gholson and Randy Bain.

The Coyote defense was outstanding in the Southland contest. Ty Zant intercepted four passes and had a total return yardage of 107 yards. Richard Long intercepted one pass and returned it for a touchdown. Patrick Toombs blocked a Southland punt and Jim Buchanan

recovered to set up another Borden score.

The Borden offense was able to put some points on the board but it is still not as strong as the defense. The offensive team has shown great improvement the last 2 weeks and should be a good team if improvement continues. Joe Zant, the Coyote Quarterback passed 11 times completing 4 for 66 yards and one touchdown. The touchdown pass was to Gene Cooley for 26 yards. Richard Long scored three touchdowns covering 2, 1 and 38 yards. Joe Zant scored one touchdown on a 2 yard

run. Two point conversions were passes from Joe Zant to Larry Simer, Matt Farmer and Tim Smith.



Win Coyotes



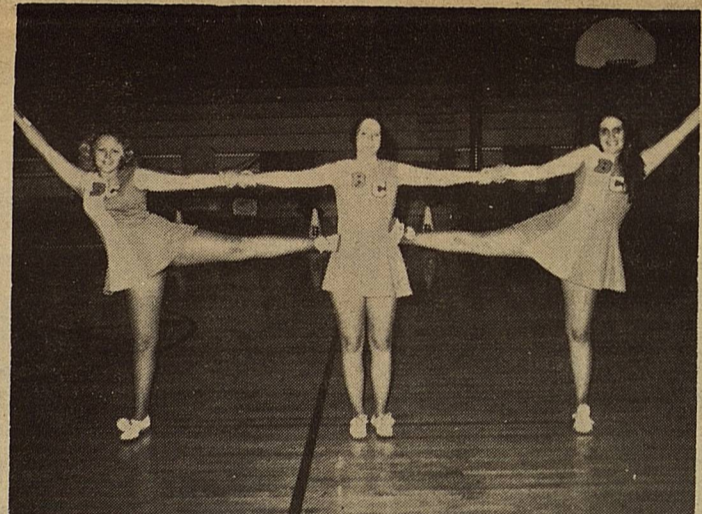
HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS Left to Right: KEVVA TUCKER, SUE HANCOCK, KRISTY SMITH, DEIDRE TUCKER, and LISA MCLEROY.

The Borden Junior High won the opening game of the season against Klondike by a score of 16-6. The Borden Junior High defense started the scoring by trapping the Klondike Quarterback in the end zone for a safety. Travis Rinehart and Bart McMeans trapped the Quarterback.

Craig Peterson scored the first Borden Touchdown on a 7 yard run. Blane Dyess hit Mark Walker on a 20 yard pass for the second touchdown. Dyess hit Walker for the conversion. The next Juhior High game is with Grady September 25 at Grady.

Pee Wees Victorious

The Borden Pee Wee football team won over Klondike 6-2 in a scrimmage at the half of the Junior High game between Borden and Klondike. Darrell Green broke for a 65 yard touchdown to give Borden the win. Outstanding on defense were ricky Ricky Smith and Jym Rinehart.



HIGH SCHOOL TWIRLERS- Left to Right; TWILA TELCHICK MARTHA ANDERSON and DENISE CURRY.

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F. H. A. Meets

The first F.H.A. Meeting took place in the High School Auditorium on September 2, 1975. The new officers were installed and the new members were initiated. The meeting opened with the creed followed by purposes repeated by the new officers. The officers stated their duties belonging to their respected offices. Plans were made for their projects for the year. Refreshments were served by Deidre Tucker, Lesa Hensley, and Lupe Vidal. The meeting was closed with the F.H.A. Prayer Song lead by the Recreation Leader, Bica Baeza and Pianist, Donelle Jones.

New officers for F.H.A. for the 1975-76 school year are as follows:

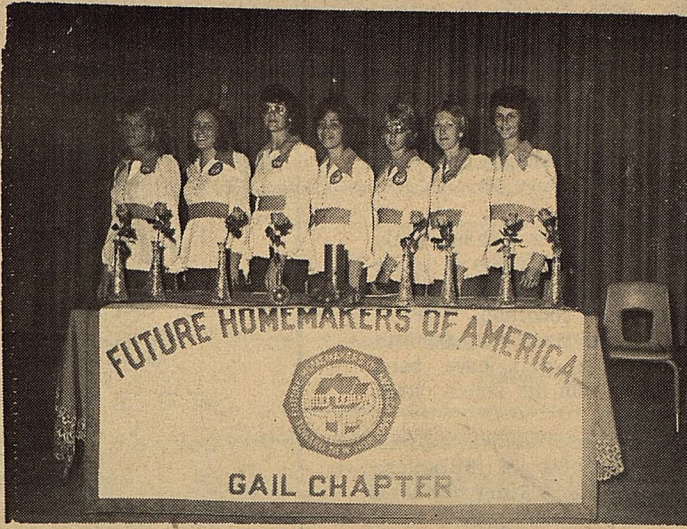
President-Deidre Tucker
1st Vice-Pres.-Debbie Herring
2nd, Vice-Pres.-Mary Ledbetter.

Recreation Leader and Reporter-Bica Baeza

Sec. Tres.-Cindy Beaver
Historian-Wanda Johnson
Pianist-Donelle Jones
Club Parents-Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Tucker

New members this year are Lisa McLeroy, Penny Thompson Julie Buchanan

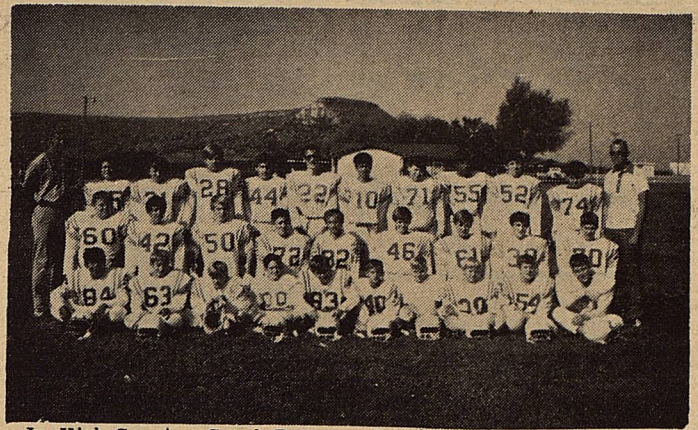
Cheri Cockrum, Dina Wallace, Rhesa Wolf, and Debra Compton.



F H A OFFICERS- DEIDRE TUCKER, Pres., DEBBIE HERRING, 1st Vice-Pres., MARY LEDBETTER, 2nd, Vice- Pres., BICA BAEZA, Rec. Leader 7 Reporter, WANDA JOHNSON, Historian, CINDY BEAVER, Sect. -Treas. and DONELLE JONES, Pianist



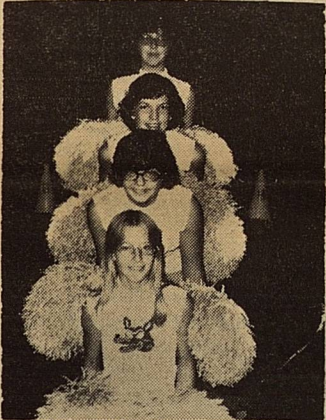
JR. HIGH TWILERS- KAY COPELAND, JANA EDWARDS, and KAY BOND



Jr. High Coyotes. Coach Dyess on Left and Asst. Coach Kountz Bryn Bradshaw, Ben Murphy, Craig Peterson, Bart McMeans Mark Walker, Blane Dyess, Gary Pickard, Rueben Vidal, Troyce Wolf, Dany Holmes, J.W. Pickard, Tim Taylor, Travis Rinehart, Clay Grose, Brad Smith, Keil Williams, Michael Vaughn, Scot Long, Van York, Alfonso Benavidez, Billy Allred, Jym Rinehart, Cole Herring, Mike Peterson, Rickie Smith, Ty Wills, Darrell Green, Jim Renick and Chip Smith



JR. HIGH DRUMMERS- HEATHER MCPHAUL, DEBRA KOUNTZ and BECKY MILLER



JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS: Back- Glynda Burkett, Talley Griffin, Karen Williams and Gina McLeroy.

School Menu

- MONDAY
Enchiladas with Chili
Tossed Salad
Buttered Corn
Pink Applesauce
Milk
- TUESDAY
Pizza
Tossed Salad
Pork and Beans
Plain Cake with Peanutbutter Icing
Milk
- WEDNESDAY
Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Peas with Cream Sauce
Hot Rolls and Butter
Jello
Milk
- THURSDAY
Vegetable Beef Stew
Toasted Cheese Sandwiches
Fruit Salad
Cookies
Milk
- FRIDAY
Hamburger Pie
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Fruit Cocktail Cake
Milk

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Movies

9-17-20-WHAT'S UP DOC with Barbara Streisand-Rated G

9-21-23-BLAZING SADDLES-Western comedy-Rated R Sky Vue Drive In

9-17-20-MANDINGO-100 RIFLES-Rated R

9-21-23 SEVENTEEN & ANXIOUS-SIXTEEN-Rated R

Big Spring Cinema

9-17-18-DROWNING POOL with Paul Newman-Rated PG

9-21-23-NIGHT THEY ROBBED BIG BERTHA-Rated R

9-19-20-Late Show-LOVE IN HOT PANTS-Rated X

9-20-21-Matinee only-SOY CHICANO Y MEXICANO-Rated G

Snyder

Tiger Drive In

9-19-20-THE McCULLOUGHES-PICKUP ON 101-Rated PG

9-21-SIMON BLANCO Spanish film-Rated G

Cinema I

9-17-23-AMERICAN GRAFITTI-Rated PG

Cinema II

9-17-18-DROWNING POOL with Paul Newman-Rated PG

9-19-23-WALKING TALL PART II-Rated PG

Jerre's Gottings

It occurs to me that one of the main reasons for the Revolutionary War was taxation. The Pilgrims left England seeking religious freedom along with relief from the burdens of taxes without representation. Once settled in the New World, they found they could worship as they pleased with very little harassment. But the more organized they became, the more they began to trade with their mother country, the more taxes they again found themselves paying.

The pot simmered for several years before reaching the boiling point. But once the Colonists decided that they were no better off than their ancestors, they revolted. They too were fed up with taxation with no representation. There was nothing fair about filling King George's coffers without having any say so in the expenditure of those funds.

Mind you, all taxes paid in those days were out of pocket. The levy on tea, coffee, any imported goods, was added to the price of the item-paid at the time of delivery. Any tax on land or property was payed out of your pocket or your sock-wherever you kept your money. There was no income tax, therefore, no withholding tax. It was not the government's responsibility to care for the indigent, handicapped, the elderly, or the leeches, therefore, there was no Social Security. It was the individual's personal decision whether he did nor did not purchase insurance to provide for disaster and/or old age, therefore, insurance premiums were not held out from pay checks.

When a man received his wages or toted up his profits from his own business, he then sat down and socked away money to be used for any taxes or premiums due. How easy it was to realize the chunk used for taxes-he held his entire wages in his hand-could see it-could realize what it would buy. Yet, he himself had to set aside for taxes, insurance, etc. No one did it for

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him. Yet he revolted.

Wonder how long it would take the taxpayer to revolt today should he have to pay out of pocket each and every tax and premium that is withheld? In my estimation, the Revolutionary War would be made to look like a minor skirmish. I would like to at least try going back to the individual responsibility- or irresponsibility-routine. Let's try taking home the full amount of our wages, minus NO deductions. Take it home, look at it, bank it, squander it-whatever you want. But come taxpaying time, if you squandered your wages, you'd be in trouble. Or come sickness or old age and you haven't bought any insurance, you will be in trouble. But it will be entirely up to you-your fault or your judiciousness. The government will have nothing to do with it. The judicious will find they can buy cheaper insurance than that provided by the government. They will find they can invest their savings to earn enough in interest with which to pay taxes. The greedy will find that those big pay checks don't go as far as they should. But that too will be their responsibility. It is not the government's duty to withhold any money which they have not earned. The sooner we learn this and demand a stop to all moneys being withheld from our paychecks, the sooner a tax revolt of greater magnitude than 1775 is apt to occur.

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Locals

Mrs. Mary Helen Chapman is visiting with relatives in Austin.

Mrs. Mollie Hart is visiting with her sister and friends in Oklahoma.

Alan Smith is with his Uncle Alvis Lockhart who is in the Methodist Hospital at Lubbock, for a heart condition.

Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Barrett of Phoenix, Ariz. have been visiting with his sister Ruth Weathers.

Mrs. Going of Stillwater, Okl. has been visiting with her brother and family the Carl Tefertillers.

John Ed Ezell of Lubbock is visiting with his grandparents the Jack Ezell's and the H.A. Smith, Jr.

Ruth Weathers has recently been visiting with friends at Colorado City and Big Spring.

Mrs. Paul Gordon visited Wednesday with her parents, the Erda Lewis of Big Spring.

Completes Beauty Course

Carolyn Davis completed the beauty course she had been taking at the Academy of Hair design. It took her 11 months and 2 days (21600 Miles). She drives 90 miles a day. She went to Austin to take her state board examination on September 9. She received her license on September 12. Carolyn will be working at the College Park Beauty Salon in Big Spring.

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Books close 6 p.m., Saturday, September 13th
Entry fees have to be at P. O. Box 310, Post, Texas by midnight September 20th.

BARREL RACE STARTING at 10 a.m.

SATURDAY MORNING

\$35.00 GRA Open Approved Girl's Barrel Race —
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Top ten finalists run Sunday, October 5th, 2 p.m.

Books open 8 a.m. Friday, September 12th.
Books close 6 p.m. Saturday, September 13th.

Phone entries accepted at (806) 629-4226 or mail to P.O. Box 310, Post, Texas 79356.

Entry fees have to be at P.O. Box 310, Post, Texas by midnight September 20th.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

ADMISSION: \$3.00 minimum donation Saturday, October 4; \$3.00 minimum donation Sunday, October 5. (Includes both roping and art exhibit)

Barbeque: Outdoor pit cooked barbeque served at the ranch both days at noon.
(For \$2.50 per plate minimum donation)

Dance: Dance Saturday night, October 4th in Post at the Post Stampede Rodeo Grounds Dance Slab with Red Stegall

Airports: Commercial flights into Lubbock Regional Airport. Airports at Snyder and Post. Post Airport: two miles east of Post, 3500' paved runway, bearing 17-35, Elevation 2540'. Runway lighted 'til midnight. Telephone. No fuel. Tie-downs available.

Additional information: Write O. S. Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit, Box 310, Post, Texas 79356. Telephone Post Chamber of Commerce 806/495-3461.

* Weather *

WEATHER AT THE COUNTY SEAT!
By K. T. Reddell.

		MAX	MIN	RAIN
MONDAY	9-8	87	60	0
TUESDAY	9-9	88	66	0
WEDNESDAY	9-10	90	65	0
THURSDAY	9-11	93	66	0
FRIDAY	9-12	79	46	2.95
SATURDAY	9-13	53	46	.55
SUNDAY	9-14	60	50	.30

Horse Show

An Open Youth and Adult Halter and Performance Show will be held in conjunction with the Howard County Fair on Saturday, September 20, 1975 beginning at 10:00 A.M. Registration for all events will take place on the grounds beginning at 8:00 A.M. Entry blanks are available in the County Fair Office or they may be obtained through Ruth Mitchel, Coahoma, Texas and Skipper Driver, Box 1107, Big Spring, Texas, or the County Extension office. Entry fees for the halter and performance classes are set at \$5.00 per event. Adult halter classes will include registered and non-registered mares, geldings and stallions: Registered yearlings, 2-3-4 yrs & older and non-registered yearlings & those over 14 hands. All performance classes will include Barrel racing, Pole Bending, Reining and Western Pleasure. Performance classes will begin at approximately 1:30 P.M.: will be divided as to age groups (13 and under; 14-18 & adult) and will be run consecutively. The Youth halter classes are broken down to Registered Mares & Geldings 5 yrs & older and 4 yrs & under as well as Non registered Mares and Geldings, 14 hands and under & over 14 hands NO STALLIONS ARE ALLOWED IN THE YOUTH DIVISION.

Awards for Grand Champions in each division will receive a leather halter while the first place winners in the performance classes will receive silver trays. Ribbons will be awarded through sixth place. In the evening Jackpot Barrel race will be held beginning at 7:30. This event is open to everyone, not only girls. The entry fee for the Open Barrel race is \$20.00 of which \$15.00 will be divided as prize money plus an additional \$50.00. There will be two Novice Barrel races for those horses that have won less than a given amount of money. A \$50.00 Novice race for those horses who have earned less than \$150.00. The entry fee for both of these Novice races will be \$8.00 of which \$5.00 will be jackpotted with no added money. This division of races will prevent the beginner from having to run barrels against the professional giving everyone an equal opportunity.

Bicentennial Happening

September 26-29 and October 2-5 the Lubbock Theatre Centre will perform "Showboat" as the opening of their Bicentennial season. "Showboat" by Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II is the first American musical to successfully combine music, lyrics, and dialogue in a single story line. Performance times are at 8:15 p.m. The entire season will be good. If you wish season tickets, which is always a saving, please call the Lubbock Theatre Centre (744-3681).

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Screwworms In County

Livestock owners should be on the lookout for screwworms. The first case of screwworms was reported last week in Borden County. The case of screwworms were located on Roger Coates place.

Precautions should be taken to avoid the outbreak.

All screwworm cases should be reported. Bottles for samples can be picked up at the County Agents office.

Gun Safety Program

Bobby Ferguson, Game Warden for Borden County, will be teaching a gun safety program after school on September 22, 23, and 24. All youth 12 and over will receive a gun safety certificate and a patch.

This certificate will allow the bearer to purchase a hunting license and hunt out of state. One dollar will be charged for safety guide, certificate, and patch.

All youth are invited to attend the meeting.

Boll Weevil Control

Farmers interested in boll weevil control are invited to attend a question and answer session at the Fluvanna Community Center, Thursday, September 18, at 8:00 P.M. Guest speaker will be Mr. Roy Moritz, director of the High Plains Diapause Boll Weevil Control Program. Mr. Moritz is an authority on the boll weevil and its movement in this area.

Texas Leads

Texas boasts more farmland owners than any other state in the nation, according to an economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Of the 3.3 million farmland owners in the United States, Texas has 267,000 of them followed by Iowa and Illinois," points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga.

Texas also leads the nation in the number of nonfarm land owners, or landlords who lease their land to others, with 87,500 in this category.

"About three out of four farmland owners in the U.S. are active farmers," notes the Texas A&M University System specialist. "Some 28 per cent of all farmers are non-farm landlords."

According to Hayenga, the average amount of land owned by all U.S. landowners, both active and non-active in farming, totals 320 acres, but the Texas average is much higher at 584 acres. Nationally, non-active operators have more acreage on the average than the active farmers.

"Size of land holdings varies over different parts of the country," says the economist.

"In the East, most landowners own less than 180 acres while landlords in the West have larger holdings in terms of value and acreage."

The distribution of ownership among landlords also varies considerably, depending on the type of farming enterprise and land tenure pattern in the particular area, says Hayenga.

There were 398 million acres of farmland rented in 1969, adds the economist. Fifty-nine per cent of this land was cash rented and 30 per cent was rented under share agreements.

Rent received in 1969 averaged \$6 per acre in Texas compared to \$16 for the nation.

Officers Re-Elected

The officers and executive committee members of Plains Cotton Cooperative Association have been re-elected to new one-year terms by the PCCA Board of Directors.

L.C. Unfred of New Home, Tex., heads the Lubbock-based organization as president and R.D. McCallister of Slaton, Tex., is vice-president. Dan Davis of Lubbock is the executive vice-president and general manager.

Ted Aten of Post, Tex., was elected to the executive committee filling a vacancy.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who helped us last Thursday when our barn burned. Everyone worked so hard and we really do appreciate your efforts.

/s/
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Obituary

J.M. CROSS

Jefferson M. Cross, 80, died September 8 in a Big Spring hospital. He was a retired Howard County farmer.

Services were held September 10 in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel, with the Rev. W. Randell Ball, First Assembly of God, and the Rev. Collins Moore Jr., Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park.

Survivors include two sons, M.D. Cross and C.O. Cross both of Big Spring; five grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild; four sisters, Mrs. Minnie McCorkle, Dallas, Mrs. Eula McCorkle, Cash, Mrs. Mozelle Biard, Whitney, and Mrs. Evie Lane, California.

Mr. Cross was married April 18, 1913 in Cash, Texas, to Miss Nona Bell Alexander. They moved to Howard County in 1915. He farmed in the Center Point Community until he retired in 1949. His wife preceded him in death November 8, 1970.

Legal Notice

To the unknown owners or claimants of an interest in the land herein described and the unknown heirs and descendants of John Clinton Blakey, Clint Barbara Blackard Williams, Carolyn Estine Blakey and James Edward Blakey, Defendants in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:

You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear, by filing a written answer to the plaintiffs' petition, before the 132nd District Court of Borden County, Texas, at the courthouse of said County in the City of Gail, Borden County, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of Monday, the 20 day of October, 1975, and answer the petition of John Clinton Blakey, individually and as next friend for Clinton Scott Blakey and John David Blakey, minors, Clint Barbara Blackard Williams, individually and as next friend for Elizabeth Jane Williams and Charlotte Lynne Williams, minors, Carolyn Estine Blakey, James Edward Blakey, Estine D. Blakey and Ophelia D. Blackard, Plaintiffs, in cause number 729, styled John Clinton Blakey, et al vs. The Unknown Heirs and Descendants of John Clinton Blakey, et al, in which the above named persons are Plaintiffs and the unknown owners or claimants of interests in the land herein described and the unknown heirs and descendants of John Clinton Blakey, Clint Barbara Blackard Williams, Carolyn Estine Blakey and James Edward Blakey are Defendants, which petition was filed in said court on the 2 day of September, 1975, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

This is a suit for the appointment of a receiver under Article 2320c of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas to lease for the production of oil, gas and other minerals, or any of them, the contingent future interests created by the Will of Hattie Dorward, deceased, in the descendants of Clint Barbara Blackard Will-

iams, John Clinton Blakey, Carolyn Estine Blakey and James Edward Blakey in the following described lands in Borden County, Texas, to-wit: All of Sections Ten (10), Eleven (11), Twelve (12) and Thirteen (13) in Block Thirty-two (32), Township 5 North, T. & P. Ry. Co. Survey, Borden County, Texas.


The number of acres involved is 2,560, more or less, and the contingent interest of the descendants of Clint Barbara Blackard Williams is an undivided one-fortieth (1/40) interest in and to all of the oil royalty, gas royalty and royalty in casinghead gas, gasoline and royalty in other minerals in and under and that may be produced and mined from the aforesaid Sections 10, 11 and 12, together with an undivided one-fourth interest in the leasing rights to all of said oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under Sections 10, 11 and 12, and an undivided one-eighth (1/8) interest in the oil royalty, gas royalty, royalty in casinghead gas, gasoline and royalty in other minerals in, on and under and that may be produced and mined from the aforesaid Section 13 plus an undivided one-fourth interest in the leasing rights covering three-fourths of the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under the above described Section 13. The respective descendants of John Clinton Blakey, Carolyn Estine Blakey and James Edward Blakey each have a like interest in the royalties and leasing rights in the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under said sections of land.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 2nd day of September, A.D. 1975.

Given under my hand and the seal of the 132nd District Court of Borden County, Texas, at the office of the District Clerk of Borden County, Texas, in Gail, Texas, this 2nd day of September, 1975.

/s/ Doris T. Rudd
Clerk of the 132nd District Court of Borden County, Texas

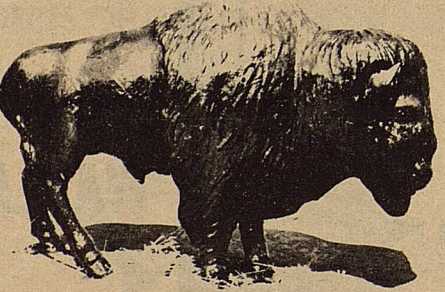


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THE REAGAN COLUMN

Turn around an old U.S. history course maxim that "trade follows the flag" and you have a hint of the government's strategy for normalizing relations with Cuba.

Last week the State Department announced that Latin American subsidiaries of U.S. companies may now obtain licenses to sell to Cuba "in countries where local law or policy favors trade with Cuba." In effect, this means indirect trade in those Western Hemisphere nations which have begun trading with Cuba since the recent lifting of the OAS (Organization of American States) blanket ban.

The State Department took pains to minimize any diplomatic significance in the new policy. Since it is only one step removed from resumption of direct trade, however, one doesn't need much imagination to believe that a modest amount of indirect trade will make the American people so accustomed to the idea that full trade won't be far off.

Presidential Press Secretary Ron Nessen said of the move, "There is no advantage that we can see in a permanent antagonism between the United States and Cuba." Sen. George McGovern, D-S.D., who has been tub-thumping for normalization for months, said the U.S. sanctions against Cuban trade have been a "self-defeating mistake."

Others of the Washington establishment have been talking in the same vein.

What is missing is any official or even off-the-cuff declaration from our leaders that trade and diplomatic relations won't be resumed unless minimum U. S. requirements are met.

If such requirements have been established, no one is talking about them. In fact, the State Department keeps as low a profile as possible on the matter, not wanting to stir passions among Cuban ex-patriots in the United States or risk a barrage of criticism from conservatives.

The absence of any talk about the need for a quid pro quo in order to normalize relations with Cuba suggests either that the State Department is afraid to

insist on one or is keeping secret its plans to get one. Critics of detente in State's misguided tiptoe diplomacy over the Panama Canal are fearful it's the former.

There is plenty of ground for quid pro quo negotiating with Castro. One item should be an agreement by Cuba to deny landing and refueling rights to Soviet aircraft. This last spring, Soviet warplanes refueled in Cuba during the worldwide Soviet naval maneuver "Okean 75." They then proceeded to make simulated attack runs off our East Coast.

Other U.S. objectives in quid pro quo bargaining could include denials by Cuba of naval base rights to the Soviets; reaffirmation of U.S. naval base rights at Guantanamo; compensation to Americans for property seized by Castro; free movement between the two nations; written guarantees by Castro that he won't attempt to export his revolutionary tactics to other Western Hemisphere nations; and restoration of human rights and freedoms in Cuba, including religious freedom.

There hasn't been a single election in Castro's "paradise" since he came to power. That's a point worth talking about, too.

Recent conciliatory gestures by Castro, including the return of \$2 million ransom money he had impounded in connection with a U.S. airliner hijacking, indicates that he is ready to talk turkey with the United States. Since we can accomplish both humanitarian and national objectives in the process, it's time for the Washington establishment to lift its Cuban dialogue above the level of that advertising slogan, "Since we're neighbors, let's be friends."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (S.J.R. No. 11) SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 1975

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the separation of powers, legislative and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article II, Separation of Powers, is amended to:

Provide that the powers of government of the State of Texas are divided among three distinct branches: legislative, executive, and judicial. Except as otherwise authorized by the constitution, members of one

branch may not exercise any power properly attached to either of the others.

Article III, The Legislature, is amended to:

Continue the present structure of the legislature consisting of a senate with 31 members and a house of representatives with 150 members. The present organization and procedure of the legislature are continued except that the provision allowing closed executive sessions of the senate is omitted. Provisions on the conflict of interest of members of the legislature are continued, as is the governor's power to veto bills or line items in appropriation bills. The article provides for single-member senatorial, representative, and congressional districts. A compensation commission is created to recommend the compensation and allowances to be received by members of the legislature. The legislative compensation, set by law, may not exceed this recommendation and does not take effect until after an intervening general election. The article provides for annual sessions of 140 days in odd-numbered years and 90 days in even-numbered years, and a veto session of 15 days upon request of three-fifths of the membership of each house. The legislature may meet in organizational sessions prior to the convening of the legislature in regular sessions.

Article IV, The Executive, is amended to:

Continue the present status of the governor and all other statewide officers, and include the commissioner of agriculture as an executive department officer. The governor is limited to two consecutive terms. The governor is authorized to designate chairmen of state boards, and to remove gubernatorial appointees to state agencies for cause unless the removal is vetoed by the senate. The article mandates the legislature to provide a new governor-elect an appropriation so the governor-elect may organize an office prior to inauguration, and permits the legislature to grant powers of fiscal control to the governor. All governmental agencies, with several exceptions, have a life of not more than ten years unless extended by the legislature, and, at the regular session held in odd-numbered years, the governor shall submit to the legislature a report on the organization and efficiency of the executive branch.

The wording of the proposed constitutional

amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the SEPARATION OF POWERS, LEGISLATIVE, AND EXECUTIVE PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective January 1, 1976, except Article III, Section 5, which becomes effective January 1, 1981.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article V, The Judiciary is amended to:

Establish a unified judicial system consisting of the supreme court, court of appeals, district courts, and circuit courts. Existing county courts and county judges are continued until otherwise provided by law. All judges (except municipal judges), district attorneys and district clerks must be elected by the people. The supreme court and the court of criminal appeals are merged into a single court of last resort, and this supreme court is authorized to provide for efficient administration of the judicial system and to balance case loads. Individual rights for a trial by jury and appeal by the accused are continued. The state is granted the right to appeal in criminal cases in limited circumstances, and the legislature is permitted to establish methods of appeal to the courts from decisions of state agencies.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the JUDICIARY PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective September 1, 1976.

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the voting and election provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article VI, Voter Qualifications and Elections, is amended to:

Provide for registration and qualifications for voting including voter residency requirements to be established by law. A citizen of the United States who is at least 18 years of age and who meets the registration and residence requirements provided by law is a qualified voter unless the person has been convicted of a felony and for that felony is in-

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carcerated, on parole, or on probation, or unless the person is mentally incompetent as determined by a court. Voting by the people in all elections must be by secret ballot, and the legislature shall provide by law for residence, registration, and absentee voting

requirements, for the administration of elections, and for the protection of the electoral process. The general election for state and county officers is to be held in even-numbered years on a date prescribed by law.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the VOTING AND ELECTION PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective September 1, 1976.

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article VII, Education, is amended to:

Provide that the Permanent and Available School Funds and the county public school funds are continued for the support of the free public schools. The State Board of Education is retained and the Permanent and Available University Funds are continued for the benefit of The University of Texas and Texas A&M Systems. A new Higher Education Fund for Texas is established for the benefit of colleges and universities outside The University of Texas and Texas A&M Systems. The state ad valorem tax of ten cents on \$100 valuation is continued as the source of revenue for the Fund. The ten cent higher education tax may be changed by law within the ten cent maximum. The legislature may allocate by law a portion of the Higher Education Fund to certain state vocational and technical institutes. The article provides that the public education system must furnish each individual an equal educational opportunity, but a school district may provide local enrichment of educational programs exceeding the level provided by the state consistent with general law. Authority to issue Permanent University Bonds is continued but the bonds may not exceed 30% of the Permanent University Fund.

The wording of the

proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the EDUCATION PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective September 1, 1976, except Article VII, Section 9, which becomes effective January 1, 1979.

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article VIII, Finance, is amended to:

Provide that state taxes may be levied and collected only by general law and to prohibit any state ad valorem tax on real property or tangible personal property except the ten cent tax provided for in Article VII and a tax of two cents on the \$100 assessed valuation to provide funds for the State Building Fund. Provides that all real property and tangible personal property must be taxed equally and uniformly in proportion to market value. Existing exemptions from ad valorem taxation are continued. The present dedication of motor fuel taxes for highway purposes and the Available School Fund is retained. The "pay-as-you-go" principle for the operation of state government is retained. The legislature shall establish separate formulas for appraising land to promote the preservation of open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes and may establish separate formulas for appraising land to promote the preservation of forest land devoted to timber production. The \$3000 exemption from state ad valorem taxation for residential homesteads is continued and the legislature by law may increase this amount. A separate \$3000 exemption from ad valorem taxation by political subdivisions is provided for the residential homestead of persons at least 65 years of age and the political subdivision may increase this amount. The legislature by law may exempt from ad valorem taxation certain property owned by veterans' organizations, non-profit water corporations, and persons in need because of age or disability, and economic circumstance. The legislature may also exempt property to preserve historical, cultural or natural history resources. Taxpayers are provided a new method of correcting inequitable tax assess-

ments by paying ad valorem taxes under protest and suing for a refund in a district court. State debt may be authorized by law only if approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature and submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the state voting on the question. Public funds and public credit may be used only for public purposes and no public funds or public credit may be used to influence the election of a public officer. The article prohibits a retail sales tax on agricultural machinery or parts, fertilizer, feeds or seeds, prescription drugs or medicine, or food, except food sold by restaurants for immediate consumption. An assessment voted by marine food or agricultural producers on their product sales is not a tax if provision is made for the individual producer to receive a refund of the assessment when the producer does not desire to be assessed.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the FINANCE PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective on September 1, 1976, except Article VIII, Section 2, Subsections (b) and (c), which becomes effective January 1, 1978, and Article VIII, Section 6, Subsection(c), which becomes

effective January 1, 1979.

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article IX, Local Government, is amended to:

Provide that the counties of the state are those that exist on the date of adoption of the local government article and that county boundaries may be changed if approved by a majority of the qualified voters in each affected county who vote on the question. Counties may be merged or county seats relocated if approved by two-thirds of the qualified voters in each affected county who vote on the question. The present elected constitutional county offices are retained and four year terms of office are provided. The voters of a county may create additional offices, eliminate offices, or combine the duties and functions of offices. The voters may also grant ordinance making power to the governing body of the county. Cities and towns

having more than 1,500 inhabitants may become home-rule cities. Tax limitations are established for operating purposes for cities and counties and the legislature is required to fix debt limits for cities, towns, counties, and school and community junior college districts.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective on September 1, 1976.

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution. Article X, General Provisions, is amended to:

Provide the basic requirements relating to public officeholders such as the official oath and residency requirements. The provision defining the separate and community property of spouses is retained, and the protection of a homestead from forced sale is continued. The legislature is required to protect certain personal property from forced sale. Current wages for personal service are not subject to garnishment. A private corporation may not be chartered except under general law, and no bank may engage in business at more than one place in this state. The legislature must provide for the regulation of bank holding companies. The present system of local-option elections for the prohibition or sale of alcoholic beverages is continued. The legislature is required to prohibit lotteries and gift enterprises but may permit certain bingo games and raffles. The presently existing provisions for retirement benefits of teachers and other public employees are modified to allow the state to contribute more than 10%. A policy that the quality of the environment of the State of Texas is to be protected is established, and the legislature is required to implement and enforce this policy. No state funds may be used to remove surface water from the river basin of origin if the surface water is necessary to supply the reasonably foreseeable water requirements of the basin for the ensuing 50 years, unless the removal of water is sufficiently replaced to the point of removal from outside the

state or is on a temporary, interim basis. The seaward beaches of the Gulf of Mexico and coastal submerged lands belonging to the state are held by the state in perpetual trust for the people, and subject to reasonable limitations prescribed by law, the public has the free and unrestricted right of use and benefit of the beaches. The provision is continued that, except as otherwise provided by law, a rate of interest in excess of ten percent a year is usurious, and that if a contract does not specify a rate of interest, the rate under the contract may not exceed six percent a year. Discrimination against handicapped persons is prohibited, and a goal of the state is established to provide every resident access to adequate, comprehensive health care.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment revising the GENERAL PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective September 1, 1976.

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

Revising the mode of amending provisions of the Texas Constitution. The proposed article will be the last article of the constitution. If only Proposition No. 8 is adopted, the article will replace Article XVII of the present constitution. If other propositions are adopted, the article will be appropriately renumbered to remain the last article of the constitution. If all propositions are adopted, the article will be Article XI. Article XVII, Mode of Amending the Constitution of the State, is amended to:

Establish a procedure for constitutional amendments requiring a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature and majority approval by the voters. The calling of a limited or unlimited constitutional convention with voter approval is provided. The question of whether to call a constitutional convention must be submitted to the people every 30 years.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

The constitutional amendment revising the MODE OF AMENDING PROVISIONS of the Texas Constitution."

If adopted by the voters, will become effective September 1, 1976.