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Amendment Vote Tuesday



READY TO LEAVE — Dee Ann Percifull of Bronte and Jacky Preslar of Robert Lee are shown ready to leave for the Citizenship Seminar they are attending this week at Baylor University, Waco. The two are being sponsored by the Coke County Farm Bureau.

They drove to Coleman where they met a chartered bus which took them the rest of the way to Waco. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cumble of Bronte accompanied the group on the trip. Cumble is area field representative for Farm Bureau.

Golf Tourney This Weekend

The annual Bronte Summer Partnership Golf Tournament will be Saturday and Sunday at the local golf course. A total of 54 holes will be played, with 27 holes

on qualifying rounds Saturday and 27 holes for all flights on Sunday. Half the entries will tee off at 8 a.m. and the other half at 1 p.m. on the Saturday qualifying rounds.

Season Ticket Plans Announced

Some 285 reserve seats for 1969 home football games will go on sale Aug. 18, Supt. C. B. Barbee announced this week. The choice seats will cost \$1.25 per game instead of the general admission price of \$1.00 per game. Persons who had reserve seats last season will have first option on them again this year, until Sept. 5. On that date all the reserved seat section will go on sale to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis.

The reserved section is centered at the 50 yard line and provides the best seats in the stands.

Persons who want to reserve their seats from last year should notify Barbee's office.

The Longhorns will have six home games this year, with only four on the road.

Players Meeting Called

Coach Cecil Toliver has called a meeting for Friday (tonight) at 7:30 p.m. for all boys who plan to come out for football this year. New assistant coach Gerald Sandusky will also be present for the meeting which will be used to make plans for the forthcoming season. Workouts will start Aug. 18, Toliver said.

A big pre-season pep rally and meeting of everyone who is interested in the football and band programs of the school also will be held on Aug. 18 in the Bronte county park. The band will perform and a watermelon feast is planned. The public is invited to attend the gathering.

Prizes will be awarded for the first three places in each flight, with three woods going to first place winners, golf bags to second place, and golf balls to third place winners. A medalist prize will be awarded the team with the most birdies on the first day.

J. W. Caudle, who is helping promote the tournament, said Thursday morning that 21 teams have signed up and he is expecting several more. Teams from San Angelo, Robert Lee, Ballinger, Winters, Kerrville, Sonora and Bronte are expected to be on hand for the contest. Caudle said Sonny Perez, who was a member of the team which took top honors in the Robert Lee tournament, will be here.

"We've had real good interest in this tournament," Caudle said "and have a lot of good teams coming." He added that Clint Low, A. E. Bell Jr. and Dick Cooper have spent a lot of time this week getting the course in top shape for the action this weekend.

DRUG CLAIMS MAY BE FILED ON ANTIBIOTICS

Consumers who have purchased broad spectrum antibiotics during the period 1954-1966 may file claims against five drug companies as part of a suit against the firms for violation of anti-trust laws of the United States. The attorney general of Texas is plaintiff in the suit.

Anyone who wishes to file a claim may pick up a form at the office of County Clerk Mrs. Winnie Waldrop at the courthouse in Robert Lee.

Water Section In This Paper

A special eight page insert is being carried in this week's Enterprise. The special section is promoting passage of Amendment 2, which will be voted on next Tuesday. Amendment 2 would provide financing for implementing the Texas Water Plan, a long range plan for development of Texas water resources.

This special section is being sent to all readers courtesy of L. T. Youngblood, White Auto Store, Hurley Pharmacy, Bronte Hospital, Caperton Chevrolet Co., Sims Food Store, City of Bronte, a Friend and the Bronte Enterprise.

The section tells a complete story about the Texas Water Plan.

First Baptist Revival Meeting Starts Monday

A revival meeting is scheduled for next week at First Baptist Church in Bronte. The special services will begin Monday night and continue through the following Sunday night.

Bobby G. Good, pastor of First Baptist Church at Old Ocean, will do the preaching for the meeting. He is a native of Bronte and well known here, having preached for revivals held in the past. Good is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

Steve Crouch of San Angelo will lead the singing. He is assistant manager of Station KWLW-FM in San Angelo. He has served as music director of Trinity Baptist Church, Tyler; First Baptist Church, West Columbia; and First Baptist Church, Quitman.

Morning services will be held Tuesday through Friday at 10 o'clock, and evening services, Monday through Saturday, will be at 7:30 p.m. Sunday services will be held at regularly scheduled hours, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The Rev. Harry K. Morris, pastor of the church, said everyone in the area has a cordial invitation to attend all the services. "Most all the people of Bronte know Bobby Good and I feel everyone will benefit from his messages," Morris said.



BOBBY G. GOOD

Voters from all over Texas will go to the polls Tuesday, Aug. 5, to cast their ballots for or against nine constitutional amendments. Ballots will have two boxes alongside each proposed amendment and voters should mark an X in the box which indicates the way they want to vote.

The most widely publicized among the nine amendments is No. 2, which would allow the Texas Water Development Board, with the approval of the Legislature, to issue revenue bonds in the amount of \$3½ billion for developing water resources in the state.

Four voting boxes will be set

Absentee Voting Starts Next Week

Absentee voting will begin next week in the county clerk's office on the proposition of creating a hospital district in commissioner precincts two and four of Coke County. The election to create the district will be held Aug. 23. Polling places will be set up at Bronte and Tennyson.

The election was called by the commissioners court following passage of a bill by the Texas Legislature authorizing creation of the district, if approved by voters. Persons eligible to vote in the election are those resident qualified voters who own taxable property in the district and have rendered it for taxation.

The move to create a hospital district was begun earlier this year by persons who are interested in building a nursing home for the area. They felt that a hospital district would be the best vehicle for carrying through with a project of this kind. The need for nursing home facilities is increasing every year and many Coke County residents have been required to move from this area to obtain the care they need. In addition to caring for the needs of local residents, backers of the plan say a nursing home here could serve residents of other areas.

The election will have to pass by simple majority of voters in order for the district to become a reality.

Matthew Caperton will serve as presiding judge and Noah Pruitt as alternate judge for the Bronte box, while Sam Gaston will serve as presiding judge and James Arrott as alternate judge for the Tennyson box.



STEVE CROUCH

up in Coke County, one in each of the commissioner precincts, as follows: Robert Lee with Mrs. Cumble Ivey Jr. as presiding judge and Mrs. Freeman Clark as alternate judge; Bronte with Matthew Caperton as presiding judge and Noah Pruitt Sr. as alternate judge; Green Mountain with Dave King as presiding judge and Glenn Waldrop as alternate judge; Tennyson with Sam Gaston as presiding judge and James Arrott as alternate judge.

Other amendments to be voted on, briefly, are as follows:

No. 1 provides for repeal of obsolete and unnecessary sections of the Constitution.

No. 3 provides for the Legislature to fix salaries of the lieutenant governor, speaker of the house and other members of the legislature and removes the 120 day limit on per diem for regular sessions.

No. 4 provides an exemption from taxation of nonprofit water supply corporations.

No. 5 provides for the establishing of an \$80 million fund as the state's part of payments for the needy aged, blind, disabled and dependent children.

No. 6 provides removal of the constitutional interest rate on bonds issued pursuant to constitutional authority.

No. 7 provides for payments to surviving spouses and minor children of governmental workers who are killed in the performance of their duties.

No. 8 provides for additional loans to students at institutions of higher learning.

No. 9 provides for the Texas Legislature to hold annual sessions.

County to Have New Trapper

Coke County will have a new government trapper at the end of this month. Leroy Elliott, who has been stationed in Coke County for the last 10 years, is retiring and will be replaced by Jim Skinner who came here from Uvalde.

Elliott and his wife will move at the end of this month to their farm at Katempcy. The couple has six married children who live at Snyder, Colorado City, Fort Stockton, Mason and Katempcy. The Elliotts came to Coke from McCullough County.

Elliott was eligible to retire two years ago at age 65, but he said he enjoyed his work so much and was in good health and decided to stay with his job awhile longer.

Skinner and his wife and their two children have arrived in the county and are living in their trailer home at Add Davis' Trailer Park. They have a daughter who is nine years old and a son who is four. Skinner has been a government trapper for the past seven years. He has worked closely with Elliott the past 10 days learning the layout of the area and getting acquainted with the people.

BROWN AT MT. WESLEY

The Rev. Fred H. Brown is at Mount Wesley, Kerrville, this week where he is serving as a counsellor for the 9th and 10th grade assembly, a Methodist encampment.

HERE'S BLACKWELL

By Mrs. Rockey Thompson

Mrs. Martin M. Walters and Karla visited friends and relatives in Midland last weekend. Tanya and Tammie Hambrick, granddaughters of the Walters, returned home with them for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Locklin and sons, Ronnie Dee and Lorri Lee of Denver City spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Johnson and Mary Beth.

Donald, Susan and Mark Shafer, children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shafer, spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ely in Hearne. Mrs. Shafer and David visited Mr. Shafer in Fort Worth. He is employed there.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Harvist last weekend were her children, Miss Ferrel Shafer of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Shafer and Allen of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neely and children of Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Burley Jack Roland and children of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Boyd and children of Leuders were weekend guests of their mother, Mrs. Burley Roland.

Mrs. Artie Walls spent Wednesday through Saturday in Silver with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Mathers and son, Robert, who was home from the service for a few days.

Mrs. Lula Palmer has returned from Oklahoma City where she has been visiting her grandson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Waggoner and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Henderson and children of Denver City spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Daisy Henderson. The Hendersons recently moved to Denver City from Arlington, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sweet returned Friday from Dallas, where he has been hospitalized several weeks. The Sweets will be home until Aug. 4 when he will return to the hospital. He is reported much improved. Guests of the Sweets Sunday were his nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sawyer and sons of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hipp visited Thursday through Sunday in Dallas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Linsley, and children. They also visited in Oklahoma. Their daughter returned with them to visit this week.

Deseri and Charmie Ragsdale of Abilene spent the weekend with their father, Desmond Ragsdale.

Bill Ware and Mrs. Austin Jordan are patients in Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jess Womack last week was her mother, Mrs. Blanche Black of Merkel.

Mrs. Ross Tipps and Mrs. Juanita Rogers of the Methodist Church are attending a school of missions at McMurry College in Abilene this week.

NEWS FROM TENNYSON

By Janet Thomas

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thomas were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McDonald and children of El Paso and Debbie Conner of Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. C. D. Derrick of San Angelo and Denise McClure of Bronte were recent visitors of Mrs. G. H. James.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. James and family went to Six Flags during the weekend.

Weekend visitors in the Louis Baker home were Richard Baker, Will Lenore and Sheryl of Pasadena. Visiting the Bakers Saturday were Ernest Hendricks and Billy Baker of Rowena.

Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Donath of San Angelo had lunch Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baker. Mrs. Baker visited in Blackwell and Sweetwater Friday.

Mrs. Jim Morrow and Becky visited Saturday and Sunday in the home of her parents, the Jack Corleys. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Corley of Bronte visited them Monday.

Mrs. J. P. Arrott made a trip to Roswell, N. M., last Thursday with some of her nieces and nephews. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Arrott, Jim, Tim and Deana of Ballinger, and James Arrott went to Roswell Sunday and Mrs. Arrott returned home with them. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Dee

Farm Bureau Backs Two Amendments

Future irrigation needs for agriculture and drinking water for rural areas are involved in two of the nine proposed constitutional amendments to be voted on in the special election August 5, according to Wayne Arrott of Bronte, president of the Coke County Farm Bureau.

Arrott and Caroline and helped Caroline celebrate her first birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Steubing and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunn of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Dunn of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Dunn over the weekend.

Mrs. Imogene Griffin is enjoying a two weeks vacation in Creed, Colo.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Baker, Lee and Teresa; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Yancy, Wayne, Lu Anne and Sid; Wayne Hegwood; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Keith and Lennie, all of San Angelo; Jack Cook of Miles; Will Lenore of Pasadena. Mrs. Ernest Hendricks visited the Bakers Saturday.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Green were Mr. and Mrs. Heckendorf of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCarty and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Howell of San Angelo.

Tom Green and Bill Green visited in Midland Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Rogers.

Proposed Amendment No. 2 on the ballot would grant the powers and flexibility of operation to the Texas Water Development Board necessary to develop sufficient water resources for present and future economic development of the state. The proposed amendment contains those constitutional changes necessary to implement the Texas Water Plan.

Proposed Amendment No. 4 on the ballot would exempt non-profit water corporations from ad valorem taxation. This would give the many rural water systems that have been set up in recent years the same tax status as municipal water systems.

The Texas Farm Bureau supported both of these proposals in the recent regular 61st session of the Legislature, Arrott said. In regard to Amendment No. 2, the Farm Bureau policy on the matter states that any water plan for Texas must be "equitable" to all sections of the state, he explained.

Both of these water-related propositions are important to agriculture and rural areas, the farm leader asserted.

"Therefore, I am urging all voters of Coke County to go to the polls on August 5 and cast their ballots for both Amendment No. 2 and Amendment No. 4," Arrott said.

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By MRS. FAY C. ROE

The leather look has been transplanted into washable bathing suits. Many leather-look items are new embossed knit nylon fabric in textures such as calfskin, goatskin, lizard and alligator.

Colors are dazzling. Besides brown and bone, swim suits are available in lime, white, olive and pink. Many suits take the Indian effect right down to the water-front with headbands and beads.

If you plan to buy lace for fall, these tips will be of help. 1. Ask if lace is stabilized for shrinkage control. Lace fabrics are under tension in manufacture. Dry-cleaning and steaming in finishing release the fabric causing shrinkage if it hasn't been stabilized. Nonstabilized lace may shrink as much as 10%.

2. Note underarm and side seams in lace clothing. Are they ample in width and well-finished? Shallow seams pull out with strain in wear.

3. Observe buttonholes. Unfinished or machine-stitched buttonholes fray readily.

Why do grocers persist in putting baked goods first in stores? Bread, buns, coffee cake and doughnuts go into the bottom of

the cart and heavier items pile in afterwards.

Supermarket bakery departments carry several brands of baked goods to allow a complete selection. Because driver-salesmen from the various companies stock and service the department, it needs to be located conveniently near the door.

The second reason is a matter of psychology. Shoppers buy impulsively in the bakery department when they've just entered the store and when the cart is nearly empty and the purse is nearly full.

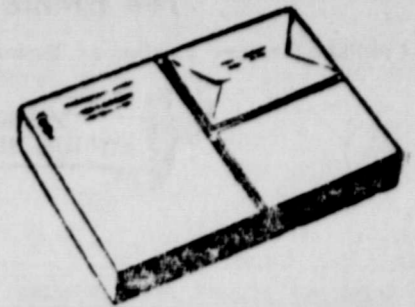
In the bakery department one impulse purchase leads to another somewhere else in the store. For example, a package of hamburger buns naturally leads to the purchase of a pound or two of ground beef—a package of hotdog buns means that hotdogs must also be dropped into the cart when the shopper gets to the meat department.

Senior citizens offer an almost \$45 million market to business today. As the 19 million women and men 65 or more years old increase to 25 million by 1985, purchasing power grows, too. This expresses concern over the psychology of this age market. What will senior citizens want to buy? What will be their wants when the time comes to spend one-fourth of life in retirement?

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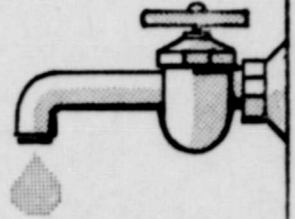
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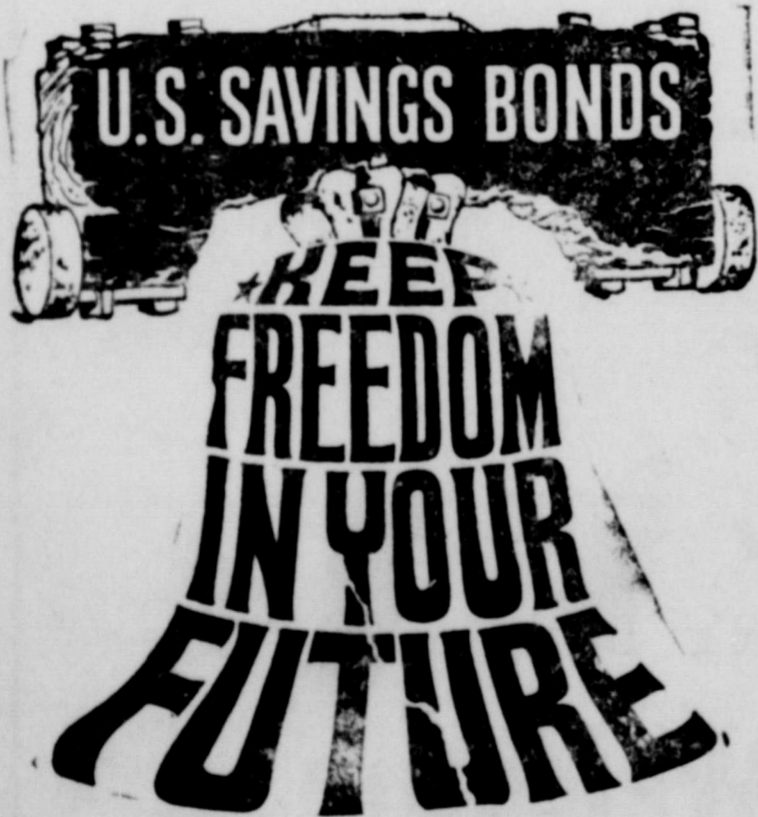
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AUSTIN, Tex. — September 1 is the date suggested by Gov. Preston Smith for the special committee, now investigating auto insurance rates in Texas, to report its recommendations to the governor.

Former Gov. Price Daniel, chairman of the committee, has expressed doubt that the group will be able to make that deadline. But he says "we are going to try."

Lots of insurance industry representatives showed up to listen, chat with reporters, and speculate as to just what was likely to come out of the committee's work.

Governor Smith, in his address to the committee, stressed that the investigation was not a "witch hunt" nor was it an attempt to "punish" the insurance industry. But he also said that unless increases in auto insurance rates were "absolutely essential," they should not be made and if they were absolutely necessary, the people deserved to know why.

Capitol pressrooms were deluged with memoranda and bulletins from various insurance associations, giving background information, stating positions and generally pledging support and assistance to the committee.

First meeting of the committee produced little information, except a show of determination by its seven members to find a way to lower auto insurance rates or to present a "concise and clear explanation" to Texas drivers as to why their rates are going up. And this will take a lot of explaining.

State Board of Insurance has agreed to a 30-day delay in its auto rate decision, usually made on August 1. Board has proposed a minimum rate hike of 11.4 per cent. This increase would apply only to drivers of private passenger cars. Individual rates would fluctuate in keeping with the accident experience record in each area.

EDUCATION — Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System has increased the rate for loans to students from six to seven per cent. This rate applies to all future loans granted under the Hinson-Hazlewood Act.

Board also approved a common calendar for all state supported colleges and universities. Such schools will begin classes the first week in September. Final examinations for the fall semester will end just prior to the Christmas holidays.

OIL DEPLETION — Most Texas government leaders publicly denounced action of the U. S. House Ways and Means Committee that would, if accepted by both houses of Congress and the President, cut the oil depletion allowance from 27.5 per cent to 20 per cent.

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes and Atty. Gen. Martin "deplored" the action. Barnes condemned it, and cited the contributions the oil industry has made and will make to Texas.

Martin charged that it will cut the amount of state taxes coming from the oil industry.

James Wilson, a researcher for the State Comptroller, disagreed. He says more money would come to the state if the depletion allowance was lowered. He figures

oil and gas companies will raise prices to make up the difference and since state taxes are based on the price, the amount of money coming in should increase.

Governor Smith is withholding comment until more action is taken by Congress.

AUGUST 5 BALLOT — Attorney General Martin says that Amendment No. 1 on the August 5 ballot, proposing to remove obsolete provisions from the Texas Constitution, should not be adopted because of the affect it will have on land titles.

He agrees that some of the Constitution's programs are obsolete, but believes that removal

of one section would raise serious questions on the validity of some title to land.

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Mrs. Mike Ellis Brockett

Marla Lou Rees, Mike Ellis Brockett Exchange Vows In Double Ring Ceremony At First Methodist Church

Miss Marla Lou Rees became the bride of Mike Ellis Brockett in a ceremony read Saturday evening in the First United Methodist Church. The double-ring service was performed by the Rev. Wayne N. Stout, Baptist minister.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Richard Wade Rees and the late Mr. Rees. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton W. Brockett of Lubbock are the bridegroom's parents.

Nuptial music was furnished by Mrs. Martin Lee, organist, and Miss Janet Lee, soloist. Church decorations included white gladioli, greenery and candelabra.

Presented in marriage by her brother, Richard W. Rees of Seabrook, the bride wore a formal gown of white peau de soie fashioned in an A line style. The empire bodice, long sleeves, and detachable train were of re-embroidered Alencon lace. A crown of seed pearls held her elbow-length veil of white illusion. Her flowers were white gladioli.

Her attendants wore formal gowns of blue peau de soie also fashioned in A line style with empire waistlines. Matching bow headdresses were attached to short veils of blue illusion. Their flowers were white nosegays.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Bill Liggin of Cordell, Oklahoma. Mrs. Mike Woods of Seabrook and Mrs. Larry Brockett of Lubbock were bridesmaids.

Larry Brockett of Lubbock served his brother as best man. Groomsman were Melvin Brockett of Plano, brother of the bridegroom, and David Merritt of Lubbock.

Ushers were Gerald Parker of Abilene and Ronnie Sims of San Angelo.

A reception followed the wedding in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. The table was laid with a white lace cloth over white. Punch was served with the white wedding cake which was decorated with blue.

In the houseparty for the reception were Mrs. Richard Rees of Seabrook, Mrs. Roy Stout, Mrs.

Doyle Hubbard, Mrs. R. M. Andrews and Mrs. Willie B. Millikin, all of Bronte, and Misses Diann and Pam Harrison of Lubbock. Mrs. Tom Luttrell of Bronte registered the wedding guests.

The bride is a graduate of Bronte High School. She is a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock where she is a December candidate for a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. At Tech, she is a member of Phi Gamma Nu Business Honorary Society, the National Collegiate Association for Secretaries, and has been named to the Dean's Honor List.

Mr. Brockett graduated from Petersburg High School. He attended Lubbock Christian College and is employed by a finance company in Lubbock.

Following a short wedding trip, the couple will live in Lubbock.

Rehearsal Dinner

The bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner Friday night in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

MOVING TO CANADA

Mrs. P. G. Anderson, formerly of Midland, and her children, David, Alan and Amy spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Sanderson, at Blackwell before moving to Calgary, Alberta, Canada where Mr. Anderson has been made production manager for Monsanto Oil Company.

She joined her sister, Mrs. Ernestine Harris and uncle, Henry C. Raney in a birthday celebration in the Sanderson home on July 24. Those attending were: Mrs. Anderson and children, Mrs. Harris and Gary of San Angelo, Jonila and Bobby D. Harris of McMurry College, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blanchard, Brent and Jana, Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby J. Sanderson and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Raney and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sanderson, all of Blackwell.

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BROOKSHIRE BROWSINGS

By Mrs. Herbert Holland

Rev. H. J. Hallford, area missionary of Ballinger, will preach Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Brookshire Baptist Church.

Rev. John Early of San Angelo will preach Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service at Maverick Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bomar Horton were in Abilene Friday on business.

The Herbert Hollands received word Monday of the death of a cousin, Charlie Worick, who died Sunday in Dallas. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Chapel in San Angelo, with burial in Fairmount Cemetery.

Cap Holland was honored Sunday with a birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland. Present were the honoree, Mr. and Mrs. James Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland and Vicki Holland. Others visiting in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Burdine of Big Spring, Tony Holland and Brenda Long of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tounget. Homemade ice cream and birthday cake were served in the afternoon.

Last weekend Mr. and Mrs. Bloomer Fowler and son, Mike, of Campbell visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fowler, Bobby and Billy.

Junior Moore of Odessa visited Thursday and Friday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hoelscher and Gary.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Smith Monday were Mrs. Ouida Arrington and Mrs. Bill Timms of Veribest. The Smith grandson, Mike Saunders of San Angelo visited them Wednesday and Thursday.

Bobby Fowler of San Angelo has been staying at their farm near Maverick this week, irrigating the land. They are sowing it in pasture grasses.

Mrs. Lennie Martin, 79, died last Saturday in a San Angelo nursing home. She lived in the Brookshire community a number of years, but had been in San Angelo since 1967. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris of this community. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Silvertown.

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New Tax Exemptions

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Smith attended funeral services last Thursday in San Angelo for Chester Yoes, 62. He was a brother of Mrs. Smith's brother-in-law, Bethel Yoes of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tounget visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wade in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Beard and children of San Angelo spent the weekend here on their ranch.

Mrs. Ethel Morgan spent Wednesday to Friday last week in San Angelo with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Morgan, and with her sisters. Tony Morgan returned home with her for a few days' visit.

Mrs. Vernise Johnson of Lubbock and Mrs. Dee Foster of Big Spring returned home Wednesday after visiting a few days here with the James Hollands.

L. B. Horton Sr. of San Angelo visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bomar Horton.

Vernie Smith was busy last week having some of his feed baled and hauled.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Owens of Bronte visited Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coleman were hosts to the Jolly 8 Club Friday night. Games of progressive 42 were played. Refreshments of sandwiches, chips, dips, cake squares, nuts, punch and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. Rob Springer, Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland, Mr. and Mrs. George Coleman, Mrs. Cora Busby, Mrs. M. K. Vohan, Mrs. Bert Hester, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. Minerva Roach. The group will meet with Mrs. Busby Aug. 8.

Carla McNamee of Jackson, Miss., has returned home after visiting here with Judy Ogilvy and family.

AT TWIRLING SCHOOL

The four twirlers for the Longhorn Band are attending the annual summer twirling school at S.M.U. in Dallas this week. They are Melissa Lee, Sallie Richards, Susan Cumbie and Brendi Glasscock. The girls were taken to Dallas Sunday by Louis Thornton, band director, who will return for them Friday.

They were also accompanied by Patti Ivey of Robert Lee, who is a twirler for the Steer Band.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Owens of Dallas are parents of a daughter, Terri Jo Anna, born July 18 at the Memorial Hospital in Garland. She weighed six pounds.

Mrs. Owens is the former Antonia Reyes of Bronte. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Reyes Sr. of Bronte and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Owens of Aurora, Mo.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marshall last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marshall, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Dunn, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sceubing, all of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paul Thomason and children of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thomason of Midland. They all attended the Lackey family reunion Sunday in Robert Lee. The late Rev. A. M. Lackey, an uncle of Mrs. Marshall, was a pastor of the newly formed Baptist Church in Bronte about 1896. He and the late Rev. I. M. Cumbie worked together in the church for about 3 years.

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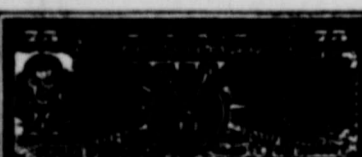
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Gia Le, Vietnam (FHTNC) July 23—Utilitiesman Third Class John E. Chew, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Chew of Blackwell, and husband of the former Miss Deloras D. Reeves of Abilene, is serving in Vietnam with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (MCB) 133.

The battalion's base camp is at Camp Wilkinson, six miles southwest of Hue, ancient imperial city of Vietnam.

On its third Vietnam tour since being recommissioned in 1966, the Seabee battalion will engage in hundreds of construction projects to support U. S. and Allied combat operations throughout the five northernmost provinces of the republic.

MCB 133 was originally commissioned in 1943 and achieved fame in World War II operations such as the invasion of Iwo Jima.

The battalion is homebased at Gulfport, Miss.

RETURNS FROM ENGLAND

Mrs. Bill St. John and sons, Mike, Tod, Kevin and Doyle are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gifford in Christoval. Dr. St. John has been recently transferred to Houston from London, England. He is senior geologist with Esso research with main offices in New York City.

Grand Jury Panel Called for Monday

A grand jury panel has been notified to appear Monday for the August term of 51st District Court with Judge Joe L. Mays presiding. On the grand jury list are Bill Allen, B. A. Boykin, Douglas Ditmore, Frank Hearn, John Conley and Frank Wojtek, all of Robert Lee; Edward Cumble, Joe Rawlings, E. F. Glenn, James W. Allen, Marvin Bryant,

and M. H. Landers, all of Bronte; Ulmer Bird of Sanco; Cooper Chapman of Water Valley; Walter King and Bill Hamilton, both of Blackwell.

Scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., cases on the docket include the following: T. G. Frick, doing business as Friendly Service Station vs. C. L. Martin, suit for debt.

Frank Reff vs. Joch Jordan, suit for possession and debt.

Caperton Chevrolet vs. T. C. Jernigan, suit on account.

Jack Jordan vs. Clement Brothers Company and The Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, suit on account.

Lorene Beard vs. The Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, suit of compensation insurance.

Jewel Smith vs. Dail Smith, suit for divorce.

Don A. Hill vs. Noel G. Hill, suit for divorce and child custody.

R. L. Lohse vs. Colorado River Municipal Water District, suit for title and possession.

Vivian Horn vs. Ben A. Boykin, et ux, suit on account.

W. T. Anderson vs. Fidelity Fire Insurance Company, suit of insurance policy.

Wanda Jean Reeves vs. James William Reeves, suit for divorce and child custody.

Maria E. Soto vs. Gabriel Soto, suit for divorce.

METHODIST BIBLE SCHOOL SCHEDULED NEXT WEEK

A Bible school will be conducted next week at First United Methodist Church in Bronte. The classes will begin Monday and continue through Friday, from 9 to 11 each morning.

The school was originally set for earlier in the summer, but was postponed due to conflicts.

Four groups which will meet each morning and their teachers are: kindergarten, Mrs. Martin Lee and Mrs. Vernon Jackson; primary, Mrs. Fred Brown and Mrs. Jack Geist; juniors, Mrs. James Golson and Miss Michelle Golson; junior high, Rev. Fred Brown.

Refreshments will be served each day.

All children in the community are cordially invited to attend the classes, said the pastor.

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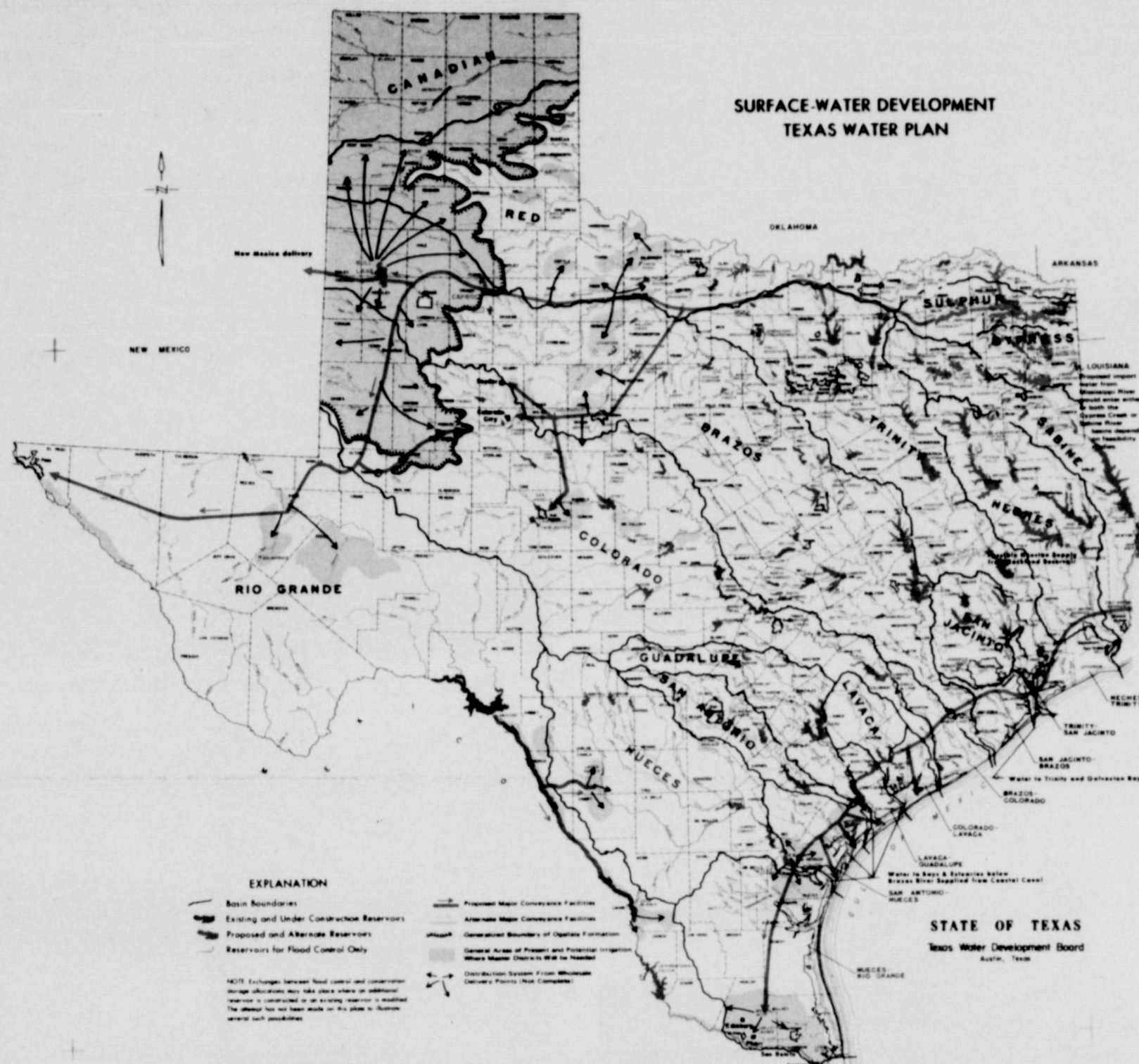
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Texas Water News



Texas' Future Hinges on Water Amendment Ballot August 5

Texas voters will ballot Aug. 5 on a constitutional amendment that would provide the State of Texas the capability to authorize the issuing of \$3.5 billion in water development fund bonds for Texas' share of the \$9 billion Texas Water Plan. Their decision on this first Tuesday in August will chart the course Texas will follow into the next century--a course leading to unprecedented economic growth and prosperity for the entire state, or a path leading to decline and stagnation caused by the lack of adequate water for the state's villages, towns and cities, its industries, and for its irrigated agriculture. The Amendment--Number 2 on the ballot--authorizes an

increase in the Water Development Fund of \$3.5 billion; removal of the 4 per cent interest rate limitation on the Fund's bonds and authorizes the rate to be set by legislative enactment; expands use of the Fund for the development of water resources for the State, both within and without the limits of the state; removes the Dec. 31, 1982 cutoff date for use of the bond funds to assist political subdivisions of the state to develop their water resources; empowers the Water Development Board to contract with federal agencies, other states, foreign countries--such as Canada--and others for the development of water resources and the bonds would not be used for gifts or grants. They would

be repaid--with interest--by the users of water. The Texas Water Plan is based on the concept that all reimbursable costs of water developments would be repaid by those who use the water. Planners from the Texas Water Development Board estimate that Texas, after a full development of its water resources, will have a shortage of 12 to 13 million acre feet annually by 2020. An acre foot is 325,581 gallons. To overcome this anticipated shortage, the Texas Water Plan proposes the importation of some 13 million acre feet of surplus water each year from the lower Mississippi River to meet an estimated requirement of 32 million acre feet for growing

cities, industries, and agriculture. The immense Texas Water Plan proposes the construction of 67 dams and reservoirs--with 33.6 million acre feet of conservation storage and 16.1 acre feet of flood control--at an estimated cost (in 1967 dollars) of \$2.4 billion. Remaining costs would amount to some \$6.5 billion. The Texas Water Plan sketches a massive network of transstate transmission canals spanning north Texas and the Gulf Coast, connecting pipelines, pumping stations, and power plants--possibly nuclear powered. The 500-mile concrete-lined northern canal would begin in the upper Sulphur River basin

of east Texas and extend westward past Lubbock in the High Plains, turn south and west to the Trans Pecos where a pipeline would connect with the canal for movement of municipal and industrial water to El Paso. The Trans-Texas division would carry about 10 million acre feet of water a year for northern and western Texas. In addition to serving the Northeast Texas basins, the cities of Dallas, Fort Worth, Lubbock, San Angelo, Abilene, Odessa, Midland, and other communities, the division, with its offshoot pipelines, would provide irrigation water for north central Texas, the High Plains, and the Trans Pecos

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THE TEXAS WATER PLAN

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Water For Cities and Towns



Water For Industry



Water For Agriculture



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Amendment No. 2

Someone has said—facetiously, yet seriously—“there are 11 million reasons to vote for Constitutional Amendment No. 2 on Aug. 5—the People of Texas.

The Amendment, approved overwhelmingly by the 61st Legislature, broadens the powers of the Texas Water Development Board and the purposes of the Water Development Fund; eliminates the interest limitations (4 per cent) on Texas Water Development Bonds; raises the authorized amount of Texas Water Development Bonds by \$3.5 billion; extends the maturity schedule on Texas Water Development Bonds from 40 to 50 years; eliminates the Dec. 31, 1982 cutoff date for financial assistance by the Board to political subdivisions for the development and improvement of their water supply systems; and empowers the Board to contract with the federal agencies, other states, foreign governments—such as Canada—and others for the development of water resources and facilities.

Voters of Texas will have their say on the proposed amendment to the Constitution on Aug. 5.

Basically, the proposed Amendment would provide the State of Texas with the capability to finance its share of the cost of the Texas Water Plan, estimated to be (in 1967 dollars) \$9 billion. The balance of the costs initially financed by the federal government.

An important aspect of the Texas Water Plan, however, is that the entire projects' cost will ultimately be paid by water users. So the real question is not “Who will pay?” but, rather, “Who will advance the money?”

In this respect the State is performing the function of a banker supplying funds for interim financing. All costs to the State, both principal and interest, will be recovered—although the recovery will be spread over a long period of time.

Before any of the \$3.5 billion in bonds could be issued—they will be issued over a period of 40 to 50 years—two-thirds of the Legislature must give approval. The bond funds will not be used for gifts or grants. Funds provided for the development of water resources must—and will—be repaid the State with interest.

Of the State's estimated \$3.5 billion share of financing, \$2.3 billion is earmarked for development of municipal and industrial water supplies; \$65 million is earmarked for the cost of storage acquisition in reservoirs not a part of the Texas Water System; \$600 million is set aside for future loan programs of the Texas Water Development Board; and \$500 million for contingencies.

Approval of the Amendment on Aug. 5 will give the State the flexibility needed in the full development of the State's water resources for the benefit of the people of Texas.

Water Plans Will Meet State's Needs

Texas is entering a new era in the development of its water resources, an era unequalled in the state's long history.

To meet the water requirements of booming, dynamic Texas and its projected growth of 30.5 million people in the year 2020, the Texas Water Development Board has prepared a \$9 billion master plan for the development of Texas water resources.

Highlighted by far-sighted proposals to transport surplus waters from the Mississippi River and moisture-rich east Texas by giant canals to parched west and south Texas and parts of New Mexico, the Plan represents more than a decade

of intensive study and an expenditure of about \$10 million. Estimated state share of overall project costs (in terms of 1967 dollars) is \$3.5 billion. Federal and local funds would pay for the rest.

The Plan provides for the construction of 67 dams and reservoirs and alternates, huge transmission canals and pipelines, pumping stations, and power facilities for the movement of vast quantities of water annually to water-deficient area—about half of Texas—to meet the needs of towns and cities, industries, and agriculture. Other beneficial water requirements will also be met by the Plan.

Three divisions—the Trans-Texas, Coastal, and Eastern—form a dramatic part of the Texas Water Plan.

The Trans-Texas Division will supply municipal, industrial and agricultural requirements in the Northeast Texas basins, the Dallas-Fort Worth area, the North Central sector, the South Plains, Trans Pecos, El Paso, and eastern New Mexico.

A total of 10.3 million acre feet a year will move through the huge system from an Interstate System and from Northeast Texas across the top of Texas holding reservoirs on the Caprock near Lubbock for distribution to the Plains, Trans Pecos, El Paso and Eastern New Mexico. New Mexico will receive 1.5 million acre feet of out-of-state water while 7.5 million acre feet will be allocated to agriculture along the route served by the Canal. Municipal and industrial users will receive 950,000 acre feet of water to satisfy their requirements.

The Coastal Division will supply some 4.5 million acre feet annual water for municipal and industrial uses, for irrigation, the bays and estuaries and for wildlife refuges from the Sabine River to the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Estimated water requirements west and south of the Brazos River, plus inflows into Galveston Bay but excluding Houston and San Antonio requirements, are 1.8 million acre feet for irrigation, 2.5 million additional acre feet for bays and estuaries, 433,000 acre feet for municipal and industrial supplies, and 60,000 acre feet for fish and wildlife.

Water supplies for Houston can be met by several alternatives, including combinations of supply from the Brazos, Trinity, San Jacinto, and Neches river basins, ground water, and water from the Coastal Canal.

Cuero, Cibola, and Goliad reservoirs, with Cannon reservoir and a pipeline system, part of the Coastal Division, can, through systems operation, supply San Antonio with 220,000 acre feet of water annually to supplement available ground water from the Edwards Aquifer.

The Winter Garden area, southwest of San Antonio, can be served by conveyance of releases out of Amistad Reservoir on the Rio Grande. Water supplied from Amistad to irrigators in these areas will be replaced in the Lower Valley by deliveries through the Coastal Canal.

The Eastern Division of the System includes facilities which will be required to move water imported from out-of-state sources to the Trans-Texas and Coastal divisions.

Subject to the results of feasibility studies, the Board proposes that design and construction begin in the following sequence:

(1) Storage facilities in South-

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AN EDITORIAL: Texas Water Plan a "Must"

— ARLINGTON CITIZEN

TEXANS ON AUGUST 5 will determine the course our state will take into the next century. One course, begun nearly two decades ago and ready for action now, will provide adequate water resources to keep Texas moving ahead with vision and determination. The other leads to stagnation and decline because of an inadequate water supply.

WHAT IS AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO?

Amendment No. 2 authorizes the Texas Water Development Board to issue \$3.5 billion in bonds to finance Texas' share of the cost of the Texas Water Plan. This money is not to be used to provide gifts or grants, but will provide temporary financing which will be repaid by water users. The Amendment also removes the 4 per cent ceiling on Water Development Bonds.

WHAT IS THE TEXAS WATER PLAN?

The objective of the Texas Water Plan is to provide adequate water to maintain the growth and prosperity of Texas into the next century when it is estimated that we will have a population of 30.5 million people. The Plan provides for the full development of our water resources and the importation of surplus water from the lower Mississippi River for distribution to areas with declining water resources.

WHO IS TO PAY FOR THE PLAN?

Cost of the \$9 billion Texas Water Plan - Texas' share is estimated at \$3.5 billion - will be shared by local, state and federal governments, with those who ultimately use the water paying much of the costs of the Plan.

WHY DOES TEXAS NEED A WATER RESOURCE PLAN?

By the end of this century - in just 31 years - Texas will not have enough water to supply its growing cities, its expanding industry, and its irrigated agriculture. To assure an adequate water supply, the state has prepared a plan for the full development, management and use of its water resources - and an imported water supply - to serve Texas to the year 2020 and to assure all Texans water to meet their needs.

WILL THE PLAN PROVIDE ADEQUATE WATER FOR TEXAS?

Yes. With our current major reservoirs (157), the proposed full development of our water resources (67 dams and reservoirs) and an imported supply of water, Texas can meet its water demands to the year 2020.

WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE PLAN?

The people of Texas will benefit from the Texas Water Plan. The Plan provides for meeting all essential and beneficial water requirements throughout the state. The Plan will provide water for domestic and municipal uses, for industry, for agriculture, for recreation, for our bays and estuaries, and for other beneficial purposes. The Texas Water Plan will provide Water for Texas!

Look At It With 2020 Vision

By BILL McCLANAHAN
Dallas News Staff Cartoonist





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Governor, 3 Former Governors Head Blue-Ribbon Panel for Amendment 2

The men who talk Texas, live Texas and epitomize the sterling qualities of Texas leadership are manning the ramparts on behalf of Constitutional Amendment No. 2.

This proposal is expected to reflect the combined influence of the state's finest on election day, August 5. Heading the massive effort to implement the 50-year water program are the four governors whose regimes marked inception of the vast Water Plan and the successive step to make it operational.

In order of service the Chief Executives are Governors Allan Shivers, Price Daniel, John B. Connally and the present Governor, Preston Smith.

Speaking of his predecessors, Governor Smith said,

"I know of none in Texas who have individually or collectively contributed more to the development and conservation of the state's vital water resources than these former governors. Each during his tenure provided the leadership and gave the time and energy to the development of our water resources. Texas has benefitted from their devotion, and future generations of Texas will be the beneficiaries of their vision and leadership."

"The availability of an adequate supply of water has always made the difference between prosperity and want—

between plenty and famine. For these reasons, water has played a major role in the Texas story—has been the essential element in placing a State known for wide open spaces in the position of sustaining the Nation's third largest population by 1985; a high rate of growth in business, industry and finance; and the Nation's third largest agricultural industry.

"Our State's growth projections in these areas nearly defy imagination, and yet experts tell us that these projections and future prosperity cannot be realized unless giant steps are taken now to assure Texas' future water resources.

"The Texas Water Plan was

developed to make maximum use of the available water in our State and to provide for additional out-of-state water as needed. This work has taken place during all of our administrations as Governor of Texas. The plan comes to its first real public test on August 5 when you, the voters of Texas, are being asked to approve Constitutional Amendment No. 2, which will authorize the Texas Water Development Board to sell up to \$3.5 billion in additional bonds over a forty year period, in amounts as needed, and as authorized by a two-third vote of the State Legislature—money that will eventually be repaid by water users.

"We urge you to vote for Constitutional Amendment No. 2 on August 5. It may be the most important vote this generation of Texas will cast."

Chairmen of the Governor's Committee of 500, comprising leaders from all parts of Texas are:

- Attorneys - Joe Kilgore, Austin
- Agri-Business - Harold Hinn, Dallas
- Cities - Steve Matthews, Austin
- Contractors - Jim Richards, Austin
- Coordination - Rep. Bill Clayton, Springlake
- County Officials - W. D. Henson, Dalhart

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Texas Can Rightfully Claim to be 'Land O' Lakes'

Move over, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Texas is hard after your claims to being the "Land O' Lakes."

Texas today has more square miles of inland water than any other state in the Union. And with the mammoth Texas

Water Plan now off the drawing boards and the state policy for the future development of the state's water resources, Texas—

particularly East and Southeast Texas—could well become the nation's water wonderland.

The variety of recreation available in Texas is unsurpassed among the 50 states. Whether vacationists and recreationists want only a few hours of fun, a vacation of several weeks, or permanent retirement, they have an almost endless choice in Texas.

Texas today has 157 major reservoirs constructed or under construction. And these lakes offer abundant opportunities for recreation, be it fishing, water skiing, swimming or just plain loafing along their scenic shores. The Texas Water Plan proposes the construction of 67 major dams and reservoirs, or alternates, during the next 50 years or so to provide water needed by the people of Texas for their cities and towns, their industry, and for their agriculture. These reservoirs will also serve other useful and

beneficial purposes, including recreation.

And the 35 counties that most of East Texas stand to gain immeasurable benefits from the Texas Water Plan. The Plan proposes the construction of 28 dams and reservoirs in this historic and exciting section of Texas in addition to the other facilities needed to provide water for Texans.

The benefits to East Texans—today and in the future—are staggering. Not only does the Plan provide an assured water supply for East Texas villages, towns and cities and the industry that abounds throughout the region, it will provide a more viable economic base which will not be limited because of lack of water.

The Texas Water Plan is based on the premise that there will be no interference with vested rights under existing water permits. The basin of origin provisions of the Texas Water Development Act provides legal basis for protection of intrabasin rights. There is no comparable legal protection in federal law or policies nor in other Texas statutes that provide such protection.

Reasonable intrabasin needs for all beneficial purposes developing within the next ensuing 50-year period will have absolute priority of right over exportation for out-of-basin demands except on a temporary interim basin.

Not only will these reservoirs provide an assured water supply for the future, many other economic benefits will accrue to the region.

During construction of the 28 dams and reservoirs and other facilities proposed by the Texas Water Plan in the region, more than \$2.2 billion will be expended. This will contribute greatly to the economy of East Texas by providing jobs, demands for services, and sale of supplies by merchants and others in the region.

Recreation benefits to the region are expected to exceed \$180 million annually by 2020 after full development of the water resources in East Texas.



Water For Texans

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... WATER PLANS

west Texas and the Coastal Canal from the Lower Rio Grande Valley, building eastward. The Plan calls for construction of the dams and canals to begin in 1975, with delivery of interim supplies of water from these projects scheduled in 1980 into the Coastal Canal.

Construction of the Eastern and Trans-Texas divisions, with their reservoirs and transmission facilities, is scheduled to begin in 1977, with first delivery of water in 1985. It is anticipated that construction of the import system will begin in 1980, with delivery of water coming in 1988.

Water available as surplus from the Northeast Texas basins would move westward first, supplying the requirements of the Dallas-Fort Worth complex as needed, and other West Texas requirements.

As facilities from the Mississippi River are completed, additional water to West Texas, plus the 1.5 million acre feet annually for New Mexico, would be moved through the Trans-Texas Division facilities as rapidly as municipal demands increase and as irrigation distribution systems facilities are constructed to serve the land.

When the Coastal Canal is completed east to the Sabine River, Mississippi River water can be brought directly into the Coastal Division to supplement eastern basin water providing 2020 project requirements in the area supplied by the Coastal Division.

Projects proposed by the Plan include dams and reservoirs to meet local water requirements throughout the state and to provide flood control and other benefits to the area and to the state. Navigation, hurricane protection projects, upstream watershed-protection pro-

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grams, drainage of wetlands, natural salinity alleviation projects, and phreatophyte control projects are included in the Plan.

"No water resource development program on this scale or of this complexity has ever been attempted anywhere," commented Howard B. Boswell, executive director of the Texas Water Development Board.



A Restful Spot



Piney Wood Sentinels

Water Development Not New in Texas, Neither Is Financial Plan

Planning the wise use of water is not new in Texas. Neither is financing the development of the state's water resources although providing funds for water development projects is not as old as the development and wise use of the state's water resources.

Spaniards, in 1680, began the wise use of water resources of the land now called Texas when they began the first irrigation of crops near what is now El Paso. Indians in the area planned the use of their meager water resources long before the Conquistadores invaded the land and settled there. Planning, development, and use of Texas' waters has continued in some manner to the present.

Development of the State's water resources moved slowly during the '30s and '40s with most of the development being done by cities, river authorities, the Crops of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation.

The drought and floods through which Texas passed during 1950-57 gave impetus to planning the conservation and management of Texas' water resources.

The flood waters of the Spring of 1957 had barely receded when the Legislature passed the Water Development Act, establishing the Water Development Board. The people of Texas, recognizing their responsibilities and approved an

amendment to the Constitution which provided \$200 million to aid political subdivisions of the State to develop, conserve, and manage their water resources.

Since that time, cities and towns, river authorities, and water districts in all sections of Texas have received some \$100 million in loans and commitments for the development of their water supply resources. Projects are located from Northeast Texas to the Lower Rio Grande and from the Panhandle to Southeast Texas.

The Texas Water Development Fund and its purposes have had the overwhelming support of Texans. In 1962, the Constitution was again amended and the Water Development Board, in the name of the State of Texas, was authorized to acquire conservation storage space in reservoirs to be constructed on Texas streams. This provided for the optimum development of the limited number of dam and reservoir sites in the State.

Four years later—in 1966—Texans again approved an amendment to the Constitution, this time increasing the \$200 million Water Development Fund to \$400 million and expanding use of the Fund by the Board to construct any system of works necessary for the filtration, treatment, and transportation of water from storage to points of wholesale purchase

and distribution. This new authority assured the State's participation in the full development of its water resources for the benefit of all sections of Texas.

Late in 1957, the Legislature during a called session, passed the Planning Act of 1957, creating the water planning division within the then Board of Water Engineers. This function was transferred to the Water Development Board in 1965 by the Legislature when it charged the Board with the development of a Texas Water Plan for the entire State.

The Board in mid-1966 presented the preliminary Texas Water Plan. After 27 public hearings and a series of public meetings, the Board staff began revision of the Plan to meet objections voiced during the public hearings.

In December 1968, the Texas Water Development Board released the Texas Water Plan, as a flexible guide for the orderly development, conservation, and wise management of the State's water resources to meet the needs of Texas to the year 2020.

The total estimated cost of the Plan based on 1967 construction cost levels is \$9 billion. It is estimated that the State's share of financing will be some \$3.5 billion.

To provide the State's share of the cost, the 61st Legislature authorized an amendment to the Constitution which would authorize the Water Development Board, upon authorization by two-thirds of the membership of the House and the Senate, to issue \$3.5 billion in bonds. These bonds will be issued in increments over a 40 to 50 year period as the need arises and implementation of the Plan progresses.

Officials of the Texas Water Development Board and supporters of the Amendment, Governor Preston Smith's Committee of 500, which includes former Texas governor John Connally, Price Daniel, and Allan Shivers, and Lt. Governor Ben Barnes and Speaker of the House Gus Mutscher, points out that the proposal for the State to provide interim financial assistance to aid development to water supply projects is not a new program, but one that has been effectively used in Texas for a dozen years. It is an expansion of a program that has already been approved three times by the voters of Texas, they explain.

The only difference in Amendment No. 2 and previous amendments is the amount of money and the broader purposes for which the funds can be used.

Heretofore, the Water Development Fund was designed and used to develop the water resources of the State in piecemeal fashion. It is now proposed to achieve full development of our water resources in orderly fashion for the benefit of the State's

Questions and Answers

Q. What is the Texas Water Plan

A. It is a flexible guide to the development, management and use of Texas' water resources and an imported supply to meet the State's water requirements to the year 2020.

Q. Who will benefit from the Plan

A. The people of Texas

Q. Will the Plan provide adequate water for Texas

A. Yes. Estimates indicate that Texas will need 32 million acre feet of water annually by 2020 for cities and towns, for industry, for agriculture, and for all other beneficial uses. The Plan provides for the full development of Texas' water resources and importation from the lower Mississippi River of 12 to 13 million acre feet of water each year to supplement the State's supplies.

Q. What is the cost of the Plan

A. About \$9 billion (in 1967 dollars)

Q. What is Texas' share of the costs

A. \$3.5 billion

Q. Who will pay the costs

A. Those who use the water

Q. Where will Texas get the money to finance its share of the Plan

A. From the sale of Water Development Fund bonds

Q. Will this be tax money

A. No. Although the investment in the construction of the Texas Water Plan will require support from the general revenue fund of the State for meeting bond obligations during the interim period between development of water supplies and development of local water user capacities. General revenue support will be particularly heavy during the 13 years (1978-1991) when it is estimated that an aggregate amount of \$630 million will be required to pay debt service. It must be remembered, however, that the general fund should receive income to repay these advances. Over the life of the Plan, about 50 years, the State will recover all of the expended funds.

Q. Will the bonds be issued at one time

A. No. The bonds will be issued, upon two-thirds approval of the Legislature, over a period of 40 to 50 years.

Q. Is this method of financing water development in Texas a new program

A. No. In 1957, the voters of Texas amended the constitution and established the Texas Water Development Board and the Water Development Fund and authorized \$200 million in Water Development Bonds. In 1966, the voters increased the fund to \$400 million. Since then, some \$100 million has been loaned or committed to political subdivisions of the state for the development of water supply facilities

Q. Is the Fund used to provide gifts or grants

A. No. The funds loaned must be repaid the State with interest.

dwindling water resources and to provide import water from outside of Texas.

The purpose of the Amendment is to provide the State with the financial capability that will be needed to place Texas in a strong position to discuss with the Congress and the federal agencies federal participation in the full development of Texas' water resources and place Texas in a position to have control of the development, management and use of its water resources.

Funds from the sale of bonds will be used to provide the interim financing necessary for payment of \$2.3 billion of construction costs of that part of the Texas Water Plan allocated for municipal and industrial water; \$600 million would be used for carrying on the present program of the Board which provides financial assistance to political subdivisions of the state for development of their water resources; \$65 million would be used by the Board for storage acquisition in reservoirs not associated with the Texas Water System; and \$500 million would be earmarked for contingencies.

The Amendment would also remove the present Dec. 31, 1982 cut-off date for the present program of financial assistance by the Board; it would empower the Board to contract with the federal agencies, other states, and foreign governments—such

as Canada—for the development of water resources and facilities.

Board officials emphasize that the bonds would not be issued at one time, only in increments as needed over a 40 to 50 year period for implementation of the Plan. The bonds and debt service would be repaid from proceeds of sale of water to users. The Water Plan is based on the concept that all reimbursable costs of water development would be repaid, with interest, by users.

Such financing would require support from the general revenue fund of the state for meeting bond obligations during the interim between development of water supplies and development of local user capabilities.

General revenue fund support will be needed most during the 1978-91 period when it is estimated that the general revenue fund will be called upon to advance an aggregate amount of \$630 million to pay debt service.

Beginning in 1992, however, the general fund should receive income to pay future principal and interest costs and start repayment of these advances.

The prestige of the State and its leaders has been placed behind the efforts to provide Texas with a plan—an effective plan—for meeting the State's water requirements into the next century. The decision is now up to the people of Texas.

2020 VISION

FORESIGHT is essential for progress. And a current advertisement of Philco effectively makes that point by saying, "For years, America's been shortsighted about its future water supply. We're helping to give California 2020 vision."

Texans today face the choice between nearsightedness and looking forward to future supplies of the essential element to support people, growing plants and industrial plants—water.

As the advertisement says, "Funny thing about water. There's so much of it around, people have wasted it, polluted it and frittered it away for years. And suddenly, there's water, water everywhere—except where it's needed."

California State Water Project is the subject of that advertisement, and reluctantly Texans must admit that in some ways the Far West has been more foresighted than we have.

But our leaders have come up with a sound, forward-looking Texas Water Plan which is so important for all parts of the state that it has been endorsed by many Texas leaders.

Among those actively engaged in working for the plan to provide water needs in Texas at least until the year 2020 are Gov. Preston Smith, former Governors John Connally, Price Daniel and Allan Shivers, Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes and Speaker Gus Mutscher of the Texas House. There are many others all over the state who know our region and its needs.

Some conservationists who are concerned about ecological changes of environment have voiced opposition. A few have even intimated that Texas—especially West Texas—should not try to grow in population, agribusiness and industrialization. This, we suggest, is myopic.

The News agrees that wildlife, marine life and other assets should be preserved and is confident that the sound leadership involved in the Texas Water Plan will work toward that end without sacrificing the needs of people.

First essential step toward acquiring 2020 vision is approval of Amendment No. 2 on the ballot in the Aug. 5 election. Texans who will be vacationing then should arrange to vote absentee for Amendment 2; those who will be at home should be sure to go to the polls on Aug. 5. (Dallas News)



AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CITIZENS OF TEXAS

The availability of an adequate supply of water has always made the difference between prosperity and want--between plenty and famine. For these reasons, water has played a major role in the Texas story--has been the essential element in placing a State known for wide open spaces in the position of sustaining the Nation's third largest population by 1985; a high rate of growth in business, industry and finance; and the Nation's third largest agricultural industry.

Our State's growth projections in these areas nearly defy imagination, and yet experts tell us that these projections and future prosperity cannot be realized unless giant steps are taken now to assure Texas' future water resources.

The Texas Water Plan was developed to make maximum use of the available water in our State and to provide for additional out-of-state water as needed. This work has taken place during all of our administrations as Governor of Texas. The plan comes to its first real public test on August 5 when you, the voters of Texas, are being asked to approve Constitutional Amendment No. 2, which will authorize the Texas Water Development Board to sell up to \$3.5 billion in additional bonds over a forty year period, in amounts as needed, and as authorized by a two-thirds vote of the State Legislature--money that will eventually be repaid by water users.

We urge you to vote for Constitutional Amendment No. 2 on August 5. It may be the most important vote this generation of Texans will cast.

Sincerely,

Preston Smith Allan Shivers Price Daniel John B. Connally

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... Texas' Future

area. The 418-mile Coastal Canal and the Coastal Division would carry about 4.8 million acre feet annually, plus the amount supplied to metropolitan Houston and San Antonio by subsystems.

Rio Grande waters from Amistad Dam at Del Rio would move to Maverick and Webb counties and to the vegetable-growing Winter Garden area around Carrizo Springs.

As needed 220,000 acre feet of supplemental surface water for San Antonio could be provided from reservoirs in the Guadalupe and San Antonio rivers. Houston could be provided with additional surface water from the Brazos, the San Jacinto, the Trinity and the Neches river basins. The Coastal Canal would supply municipal and industrial water for the Corpus Christi-Kingsville area and irrigation water for the Coastal Bend. The Coastal Division would also provide 2.5 million acre feet of additional fresh water

each year to the valuable bay and estuary system and to wildlife refuges, thus maintaining and enhancing their sports, commercial and aesthetic value to Texas and to the nation. Timing of the developments proposed by the Texas Water Plan is an extremely critical factor, say Water Development Board planners. "Our best estimates indicate that by or before 1990 some of our metropolitan areas---Corpus

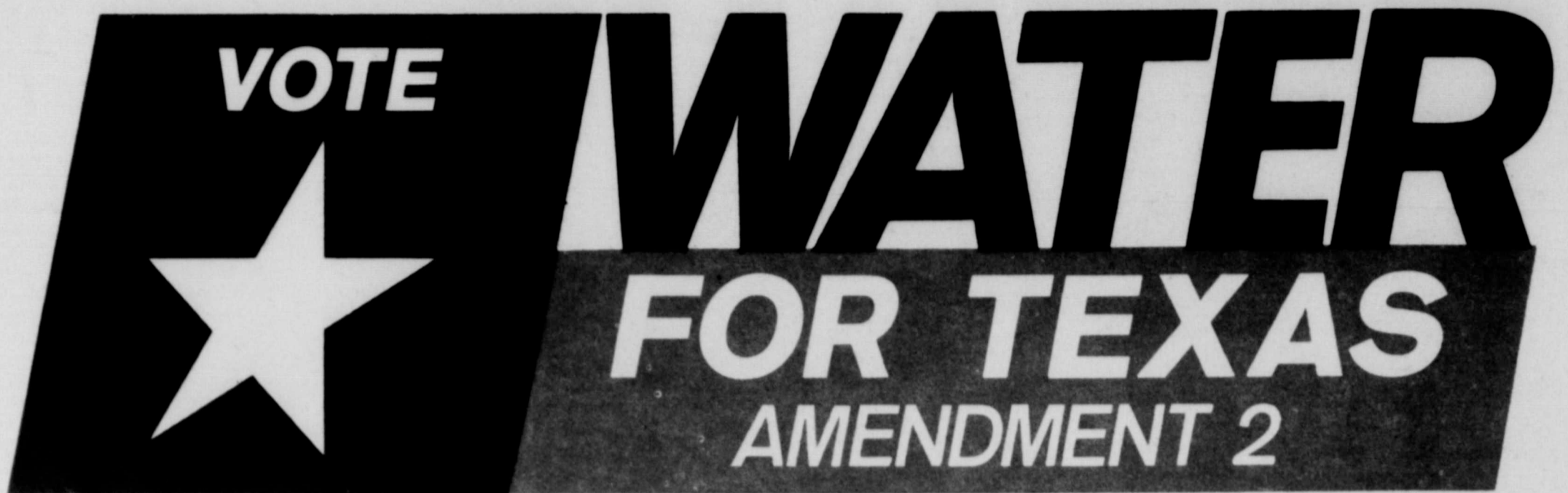
Christi, San Antonio, El Paso--will need supplemental water to meet their growing requirements," said Howard B. Boswell, executive director of the Board. "By 1985 ground water supplying irrigation on the South Plains will have been depleted to the point that agriculture will be increasingly dependent on dry-land farming," Boswell added.

"If this occurs, the entire

state will suffer economic losses in investments, banking, insurance, transportation, markets for agricultural equipment and supplies, and the loss of population," he added. Texans old enough to vote in the Aug. 5 election remember well the drought of the 1950's and what it's like to be without water. Water rationing was the rule in most Texas towns and cities. Lakes dried up. And farmers saw their land crack

from the dry heat and crops die. Pastures dried and died, and ranchers sold their herds.

Texas' water planners hope to ease the plight of Texans, should drought strike again, by the development, conservation and wise use and management of the state's water resources. Supporters of the Plan and Amendment No. 2 are hoping Texans recall the dry, dusty days of 1950-57 on Aug. 5.



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