

TAXPAYERS IN the city and school
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their recent statements of re-
evaluation of their real and personal evaluation of their real and personal
property, and to contact the taxing property, and to contact the taxing
officials if they have any questions. officials it they have and and city are
In fact, the school a hosting a series of pre-hearing dates
this coming week starting Monday, during which residents are invited appear and ask questions.
In seeking to equalize the tax basis or everyone, real and personal property has been re-evaluated on a
basis of 100 per cent. In the past, the taxes were figured based on a percentage of the actual valuation.
Due to the immense size of the re-valuation process, school and city officials recognize that errors in been made, and they want all residents to appear at the scheduled

ONCE AGAIN WE tip our hat to the Friona Volunteer Fire Department, for a tremendous job in staging the
city's annual July 4th fireworks
display. 10th annual Community Fireworks Display, put on a show that did not
have to rank second to anyone's
fireworks. And they accomplished the chore in spite of a south breeze
that really tested the firemen and that really tested the firemen and
their ability to adequately propel the According to the best estimates we have been abie to come up with, the
crowd watching the fireworks was
he largest of any of the previous he largest of any of the previous
nine displays. This means that over
5,000 residents of the area came to riona for the display.
The other events, particularly the Friona Noon LLoss Club's barbecue
unch, were also well attended. A spokesman for the club estimated
that between 850 and 1,000 persons that between 850 and 1,000 persons
were served in the event at the We sincerely believe that he big fireworks display helps to a large xtent to keep people in town for the
oliday, and thereby helps the holiday, and thereby helps the
attendance and participation in the This is why we were mystified by he recent Chamber of Commerce decision to drop sponsorship of the
fireworks. It appears to us that the fireworks. are the key to the success
fireworks
of the entire holiday slate of
activities.
Some people have made light of
the fact that so much money is spent Se fact that so much money is spent "goes up in smoke" in less than an hour.
But we submit the fact that it But we submit the fact that it
draws the largest crowds to watch any single event in the city all year long as overwhelming evidence that he publle wants a fireworks display.
And. just like we believe there hould be a Santa Claus appear ocally each year around Christ-nas-time, we feel that our local
citizens are deserving of their own ifreworks display each year. One local businessman suggested hhat the annual event might be
funded through the United Fund, and thereby save making an annual rive for donations. We think this is an excellent idea, and we plan to
follow through on the suggestion.

Council To Consider Gas Issue The Friona City Council will meet Monday night at 8 p.m. at City Hall On the agenda wil be a report and
recommendations from Bill McMorries on the water surge problem. New business will include discusCompany's intent to request a gas rate increase. Gale Warren will then report on the status of Southwestern of a rate increase. The council will also review Ordinance No.
small animals.

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WORK CONTINUES...Workmen shown as they were drilling under
Highway 60 , making preparations for a stop inght at Maln Street and

Highway $\mathbf{6 0}$ in Friona. The footings
for the light standards also were lor the Hight standards also were Council are concerned about fair


## Pioneer

Asks For Increase

Pioneer Natural Gas Company has notified the city officials on its
West Texas System that the Company is applying for an increase
in its base rate for gas service within in its base rate for gas service within
the cities on its West Texas distribution system. In his letter to the cities, K.B.
Watson, Company President said Watson, Company President said,
As you are probably aware As you are probably a ware,
Pioneerr's last base rate increase
became effective became effective during. the year
l970, based on recommendations of 1970, based on recommendations of the Company and a committee of
city representatives." Watson went
on to say, "Since that time, in spite on to say, "Since that time, in spite
of the increased cost of gas to the consumer, the Company's rate o
return has decreased substantially due to many factors and an increase
in the base rate is now essential."

Watson pointed out that the gas over the past several years ha
come about by the "cost-of-ga adjustment, an adjustment that is
designed to pass the increased cosi designed to pass the increased cos
of gas in the field directly through to the consumer." "Pioneer does not retain any of the increased cost of gas and does, in fact, fail to recove
much of the increase because much of the increase because of
several cost items not recovered in
隹 the cost-of-gas adjustment," Watson
said. Company officials have pointed out on numerous occasions in the past that the costo-oc-gas adjustment
has been the assurace that Pioner has been the assurance that Pioneer
Natural Gas Company has been able Naturaintain an adequate gas supply to protect the interest of the
customers it serves and to enable customers it serves and to enable
the Company to continue to serve the growth of its service area.
Pioneer has not specified the new
rates needed in this initial request rates needed in this initial request to
the cities and said it would supplement the application. TThe
Company has retained the services of H. Zinder and Associates, Inc. utility consultants, to assist in the study currently being made to of the deficiency in the gas service Watson told the city officials that a studies made by the utility consultants indicates the current value of the properties used to serve the West Texas Distribution System
to be in excess of $\$ 178$ million in addition to the value of properties used to serve irrigation and other ural customers.
The rate increase request will be discussed by the Friona City Counci
at their regular monthly meeting Monday night at 8 p.m

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TREET WORK....Friona's Main
Street recelved a resurfacing this
week. The lob was an extension of
he resurfacing job which has been Farm Road 2397.

## STATE FARMERS

## Ten Friona FFA Boys Eye Degrees

Ten members of the Friona
Future Farmers of America will
attend the Fiftieth FFA Convention attend the Fiftieth FFA Conventio
in San Antonio July 12-14 Superintendent and Mrs. Tom
Jarboe, Principal and Mrs. Ray. Jarboe, Principal and Mrs. Ray-
mond CCok, and FFA teachers
Benny Pry, mond Cook, and FFA tea
Benny Pryor and Paul J. Smith
their wives will also attend Benny Pryor and Paul S. Sm.
their wives will also attend.
Voting delegates will be Voting delegates will be Park
Weatherly and John Ingram. Other Weatherly and John Ingram. Other
members who members who are attending are
Mark Gammon, Gary Schueler
Phillip Yeazey, Phillip Veazey, Stephen Miller,
Ricky Taylor, Chris Wyly, Ky Ricky Taylor, Chris. Wyly,
Graham and Farron Young. All members will be ewarde
Lone Star Farmers degrees Lone Star Farmers degrees.
Representatives of more than 920 chapters from throughout the state will attend the three-day meeting.
Besides the awarding of adyanced Besides the awarding of advanced degrees, scholarships and awards to
outstanding members of the convention will take place.
Reagan Brown, Commissioner of
Agriculture will speak on Wedness Agriculture will speak on Wednes-
day afternoon.
Pational FFA President Ken Johnson from Nacogdoches. Texas will address
On Friday morning former National President Bobby Tuckers
will address the convention. During
by both entities at this time that this Will be the maximum tax rate."
He said the aim of both in He said the aim of both in the
reevaluation effort was not to reevaluation effort was not to
generate more revenue, but to equalize. The budgets for both the comparable to last year's. Mayor B. K. Buske said the city is
making an effort to hoid the line on making an effort to hold the line on
budgets and Board President Floyd budgets and Board President floy Reeve said che school is also. will meet Friday, July 14, in the cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with
any property owners who feel their any property owners who feel their
taxes are not equal, Jarboe said. The officials urge all taxpayers to go before the re-valuation repre-
sentatives in the pre-hearings before meeting with the Board of City Manager Jake Outland said
the city had not reevaluated the city had not reevaluated
property since 1949. Superintendent property since 1949. Superinten
Jarboe said the school district

## Accident Claims City Resident

Services were held Monday for
Robert L. Jackson, 46. He died July in an accident at Friona Feed Yards. Jackson was born March 2, 1932 in
Evergreen, Texas. He married Evergreen, Texas. He married
Dorothy Coleman Dec. 19, 1948 in
Navasota, Texas A 22 -year resident of Friona, he was employed at Friona Feed Yard
Officiating at the services a Calvary Baptist Church were Rev Burial followed at Friona Cemetery
with Parsons-Ellis handling arwith Parsons-Ellis handling ar He is survived by his wife, Johnny Jackson of Amarillo and
Mrs. Robert Mayberry of Canyon; Mrs. Robert Mayberry of Canyon.
two sons. Robert of Canyon ond Ricky of Friona ; his father, Alber Jackson of Cleveland, Texas; four
sisters; three brothers, Jay Roy of sisters; three brothers, Jay Roy of
Cleveland, James of Friona, Archie of St. Louis, Mo. and one grandchild. Pallbearers were Charlie Brady
Bennie Shelby, Joe Jackson Jes Bennie Shelby, Joe Jackson, Jesse
Caruthers, Larry Waiker, Freddie Waiker, James Brady and Rober ames Jackson

## Temperatures

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his term of office he visited 35 states election of a state president from ten
and eight foreign countries and eight foreign countries. nominees who have been selected by $\begin{aligned} & \text { Among the business matters to be members in the ten areas of the } \\ & \text { transacted at the convention will be }\end{aligned}$


## Friona Flashbacks

......from the files of The Friona Star


wrote it as a gag. The way I heard it
you ask a friend if he knows what
they call a thing that has one eye, you ask a friend if he knows what
they call a thing that has one eye.
one horn, flies and eats people. And one horn, flies and eats people. And
the answer is: A one-eyed,
one-horned, flying people-eater ., the answer is: A one-eyed,
one-horned, flying people-ater
Plans have been completed for a Youth revival which will bee
conducted at the First Baptist Church from July 7 through July 13 .
Paulin and Jerry Bernard will
direct the evival direct the revival and will be
assisted by the youth of the local


15 YEARS AGO-JULY 4, 1963
Construction began Tuesday on a \$5,000 food market in Friona,
being buill by Taylor Construction
Compary of Friona, and to be Cempaty of Friona, and to be
Comerated by Joe Johnson.
Op Funeral services for Mrs. Ola
Sheets. former Friona resident, will
be held at the Sixth Street Church of Sheets, or ther Friona resident, will
be held at the Sixth Street Church of
Christ Friday at $2: 30$ p.m.

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10 YEARS AGO-JUNE 27, 1968 A group of 15 residents of Chile
were guests of Deaf Smith County
Electric Cooperative for tours of the area last week, studying rural
electrification in the area.
The Friona Star was awarded the

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## SALUTING



FRIONA FEED YaRD....Members of the Major League Friona Feed Yard teamm, are, front row from left, Bart Rudy Bermea, Ernelile Castaneda and Brian Lane. Back row Trom left, Larry Fallwell, Danny Auburg, Wade Davenport, Meiton and Larry Johnston.


CREDIT UNION....Members of the T-Ball League Credit Union team are, front row from left, Lesilie Taylor, Shayn
Pope, Ken Murphy, Joel Jass and Jason Vaughn. Back row Pope, Kent, Coach Edward Castillo, Penni Stowers, Bert Riethmayer, John Jarecki, Albert Trevino, Rodney Ortil and
Coach Sam Perez.


PARMER COUNTY IMPLEMENT....This team of the Minor League consisted of Michael Griffin, Todd Young, Gilbert
Davila, Eddie Serratt, Lance Vinhaus, Eddle Raymond, and Dichael Davila. Back row, Tracy Carthel, Ruben Villanueva, Peter Malouf, Nell Shipp, Johny Spencer, Shawn Wikle and
Malcom Carthel and Jeff Peak, coaches. team are Juan Gontales, Romberto Davila, Tadd Prosser
Steven Smith, Kip Frye, Cody Scott and Jeff Sharrock, Back row, Ronnie Melton, Chardle Morgan, Merk Murphy, Kevin
Brogden, Toby Smith and Coach Bill Scott.


Horn-CLAYTON AGENCY....Members of this Seaior League
team are Boyd Stokes, Bruce Ramos, Vonya Tongate, Rudy Ortizperlo Castillo and Doug Moyer. Back row, Coach David Cooper, Kenny Kennedy, Jmmy Pena, Joe Ortil, Rudy
Mendoza, Tony Rlos, Mike Nelll and Coach Don Ready.

## TASTY CREAM

Sylvia \& Lee Gibson
FRIONA CQNSUMERS

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## IIONA LITTLE LEAGUERS


s of the Minor League's BJB's are, front row
revino, Johnny Trevino, Sam Solitr, Donny ey and Alex Hernandez., Back row from left,
onty Muetier, Shayne Hand, Darrel Aubur, . In the bick is coach Billy Etheredge.


RING....Members of this Minor League team
Sammy Anctra, Amy Blankenship, Patches Sammy Anctra, Amy Blankenshlp, Patehes
Trevino, Ewin Parvin, Shawn Taylor and
n. Back row, coach, Don Gatiln, Jeff Dixon, Brown, Angel Ramios, Steve Gatiln and Brent


R PARK.... Players of this Senlor League tean mero, Joe Kyle Reeve, Jesse Hernandex, Mark
rk Tucker; and Andy Alexander. Back row, David ler Mata, Joef Howard, Bruce Patterson, Tro
ind the coaches, Gale Warren and Frank Salz.


PIGGLY WIGGLY'S team in the T-Ball League is shown above. In the front row, left to right, are Bobby Mora, John
Stephens, Bruce Wikle, Mickey Pena and Wade Nuttall In the Stephens, Bruce Wikle, Mickey Pena and Wade Nuttall. In the
back are Raymond George, Matt Brogden, Kevin Frye, Reese back are Raymond George, Matt Brogden, Kevin Frye, Reese
Hand and Rachel McMurrey. Coaches are David George
(back), and Jack Hamli (not present).


FRIONA STAR....Members of this Major League team are
Ricky Pearson, Ben Neelley, Thomas Merritt, Ross Reden, Rleky Pearson, Ben Neelley, Thomas Merritt, Ross Roden,
Craig Pearson, Pete Castaneda, Bill Caudill, Reese Fleming, Eloy Cabaillero, Gerald Kothmann, Frankle Perez, Brad.
Powell, Coach-Ray Dean Fleming and asslstant Jerry Powell, Coach-Ray Dean Fleming and assistant-Jerr
Harrelson.


H-PRO....Thls Minor League team was coached by BIII
Weatherly. Players are: front row, left to right,
AAron Weatherley, Troy Finley, Mitchell Glbson, Daniel Aaron Weatherley, Troy Finley, Mitchell Gibson, Danie
Ramerez, Louls Madrid and Vletor Granado. Back row, Mark Ramerex, Louis Madrld and Vletor Granado. Back row, Mark
Hamill, Lonnle Phillps, Andy Sandoval, Maria Silva, Trey
Parr and Beallo Anir Parr and Basillo Ancira.


CATTLE TOWN....Members of Cattie Town in the Senier League are front row from left, Ricky Mercado, Robert Garza,
Anthony Brady, Ricky Roden and Kirk Wright. On the back Anthony Brady, Ricky Roden and Kirk Wright. On the beck
row from left, Coach Ted Tucker, Mike Deaton, Cari Jackson, row from left, Coach Ted Tucker, Mike Deaton, Cari Jackson,
Nelson Jackson, Martin Mercado and Coach Joa M. Roden.


REEVE CHEVROLET....Members of this Major League team are, front row, left to right, Michael Raymond, Brad Moyer
Daniel Perex, Charlie Veazey, Brian Jones and Frank Castillo Back row, left to right, Robert Alexander, coanch, Rodney
Allen, Rene Bermea, Jeff Lundy, Fred Mata, Michael Reeve, Kemal Tongate and Fred Florei, coach.


TASTY CREAM....These team members of the T-Ball League are Gregg Koeizer, Damian Romero, Shane Guest, Rosa
Syivia, Lewis Dunham, Jeff Procter and Donna Gatlin. Back
 Michael Mayfield and coach, Rodney Dunham.

Team Photos by Stanley Ellis

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Services Held Here
For Gunshot Victim
Services were held Friday
for Jesus Rodriguen, 4. He
died of a self-inflicted Cor Jesus Rodriguet, 44. He $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rodriguez was born in } \\ & \text { Browfield July 20, 1933. He } \\ & \text { died of a self-inflicted } \\ & \text { had lived in the Friona area }\end{aligned}$ Parmer Coundy July 5 in the


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1938. The receptiton Is belng hosted
by their children, Charies and Luann
 Houegh of Friona, Patriec and of Austinn
Texas and grandchlidren, Dorls Hough of Friona, Patricia of Austin,
Texas and grandchlldren, Doris and
Davidd Hough of Friona Texas and grandchlildren,
David Hough of Friona.


## Roxanne Witherspoon Weds

## Gary Earl Tubb In Houston

For the last several years the School Board and City Council have discussed the necessity of revaluing all property within our city and district. Our water table is being rapidly depleted, but in some areas of the district the amount of water available for pumping is almost nonexistant. We also realize that values of most homes and businesses have not been updated in a number of years. To achieve desirable taxing equity, some system better than than the programs developed in 1949 and 1959 had to be developed and after many hours of vigorous discussion the board and council contracted with Mr. J. W. McMorries, reputable tax consultant from Hereford, to reevaluate our entire district and city.

It is our desire that all citizens who have property within the confines of the city and school study their new valuation and then attend the pre-hearing to be
held July 10, 11, 12, 13, at Friona High School. This program has been a colossa city and school study their new valuation and then attend the pre-hearing to be
held July 10, 11, 12, 13, at Friona High School. This program has been a colossal task and therefore the chance of error is certainly a possibility. Again, let us urge each citizen to attend these hearings.

The Friona School System has always endeavored to deliver the best possible education for the least amount of tax dollars and we shall continue to do so in the future, realizing that education is a commodity everyone deserves. The City has held the line on taxes since 1973, while providing a maximum amount of service at a minimum cost. Our desire is fair, equal, and just values.

Sincerely,

Floyd S. Reeve
President, Friona ISD
B.K. Buske

Mayor City Of Friona


Witherspoon of Delta, Colorado; Mr and Mrs. Roy Norris and daughter,
Beth of Garland, Texas; Dr. and Mrs. R.L. Lembke of Wichita, Kansas; and Mr. and Mrs. Clyd
Whitchurch of Wichita, Kansas.
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