

School bells mark the end of summer

Monday morning there were some happy, relieved Moms and then there were the teary-eyed, "trying to be brave" ones who were sending their babies off to school for the first time. Such was the scene at the Eldorado schools this week as another school year got under way.

Eldorado's schools show a first day enrollment of 678 for Kindergarten through the twelfth grade. Kindergarten through the sixth grade showed an enrollment of 420 with the seventh grade through twelfth having 258 students enrolled. The 2nd grad is the largest of the

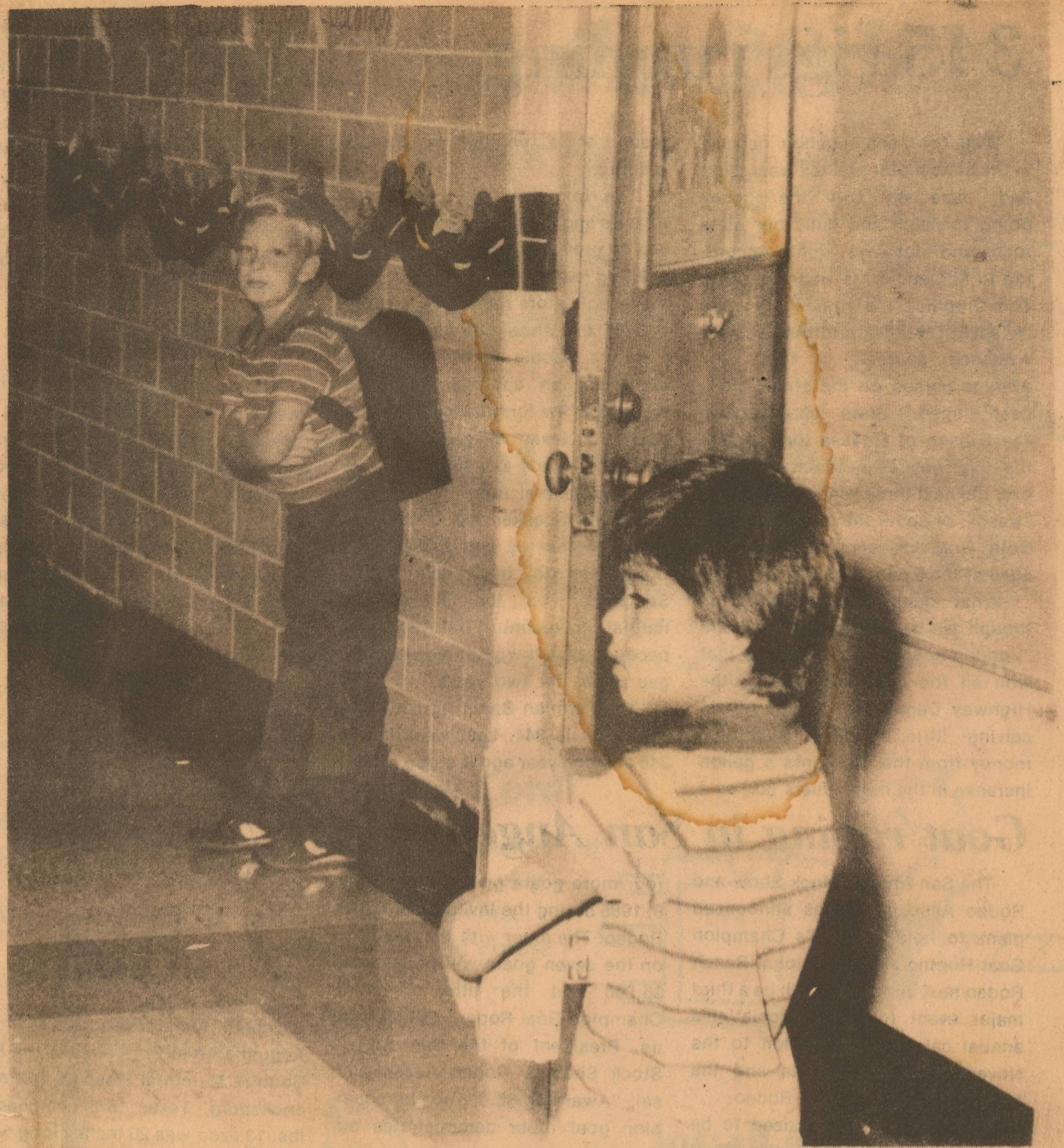
elementary school with 74 students and the sixth grade is the smallest. The ninth grade class is the smallest in the high school. According to school officials, the first days of school have been running very smoothly.

There will be a number of changes in Texas schools' operations as a result of the education reform bill (House Bill 72). Students and teachers will have a shorter school year in 1984-85 since the number of classroom days required has been dropped from 180 to 175. But students will not be allowed to

miss many classes. Only five days of unexcused absence during a semester will be allowed.

House Bill 72 also provides that students will be suspended from extra curricular activities if they have a grade below 70 in any academic class.

Although there are changes to be dealt with, the Eldorado school system appears to be handling all of them very competently and efficiently and if the first few days are any indication this should be another rewarding school year for students as well as the teachers.



Anxieties disappeared Monday morning for these youngsters once they got settled in their new classrooms as the first day of school in Eldorado got under way.

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City Council ok's rate increases

In a special meeting Tuesday, August 21st, the City Council of Eldorado voted to raise the water, sewer and trash rates. The new rates, as opposed to the old ones, are as follows:

Water - \$4.00 minimum up to 3,000 gallons, was \$4.00; \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons thereafter, was \$7.50. Sewer - \$5.50 per house, was \$4.50; \$6.50 on businesses, was \$5.50; heavy users \$7.00, was \$6.00. Trash - \$6.50 per house, was \$5.50; \$15.00 on businesses (minimum), was \$11.00 and outside city limits users will be charged an additional \$1.00 to water and \$1.00 to trash plus the service charge has been increased to \$7.50.

The Council also reviewed the contract documents concerning the construction of the sewer treatment plant. Due to a missing signature the Council did not execute the contract but will wait until the signature has been procured, which should be on Friday according to Jack Anglin of Anglin Construction who is doing the plant construction. Anglin was, however, given the go ahead to start moving in equipment and to start any work not requiring the temporary bypass. The hearing on the bypass is scheduled for September 6th in Austin. Bill Foster of Freese & Nichols engineering firm, will represent the city at the hearing and told the Council he did not foresee any

problems obtaining the needed permit. City Secretary Carolyn Mayo was instructed to contact Joe Christian to meet with Anglin to discuss access, sludge dump site and road work for the borrow pit. Producers Gas is to stake the high pressure pipeline in the Railroad Right of Way in the area also.

The Council heard from Hal Whitten, current City Superintendent, concerning a letter received from the Department of Health's recent inspection of the city's water system. The letter called for more chlorination, metering at each well, another certified operator, elevated storage, fencing around well locations and an anti-siphoning valve at the county loading rack. The letter will be referred to Clay Long, newly hired City Superintendent who will assume his duties officially September 1st.

Specifications concerning advertised bids on Well #6 were discussed by the Council and Superintendent Whitten. Whitten reported that several of the bidders felt that 4" drop pipe or larger would be required for the work. Whitten was instructed to contact all the bidders to amend the specifications to 4" or larger. The bid opening is scheduled for September 11th.

Whitten requested the Council's approval of the ratio setting at the airport well of 5 to 4. He reported

that the two wells were sucking air and felt that this ratio would be adequate for the time being. The airport well will be set up on a relay system.

Concerning a bid for the advertised pick-up bed, the Council reviewed a bid submitted by Fred Igo but took no action. The Council voted to purchase a digger trailer for Juan Arispe to use to replace the one currently being used by the city which belongs to Arispe. The City Fathers looked into the purchase of a headache rack and toolbox being used on city vehicles which belong to Pilo Arispe. Mr. Arispe is to present a price quote to the Council. The Council voted that the expenditure should not exceed \$100 for both items.

Mr. Foster presented a pay estimate from Pinetree Utilities for materials on hand for the C.D.B.G. project. It was also discussed that a sub-contractor be used for trenching. The Council gave its approval to the July 1 - 31 pay estimates to Pinetree, if Marvin McAngus approved it. A draw from H.U.D. will be made.

The Council also discussed matters regarding policy for mobile homes and discussed the allowance of credit to the County for the water tap at the arena. No meter will be set for the present time.

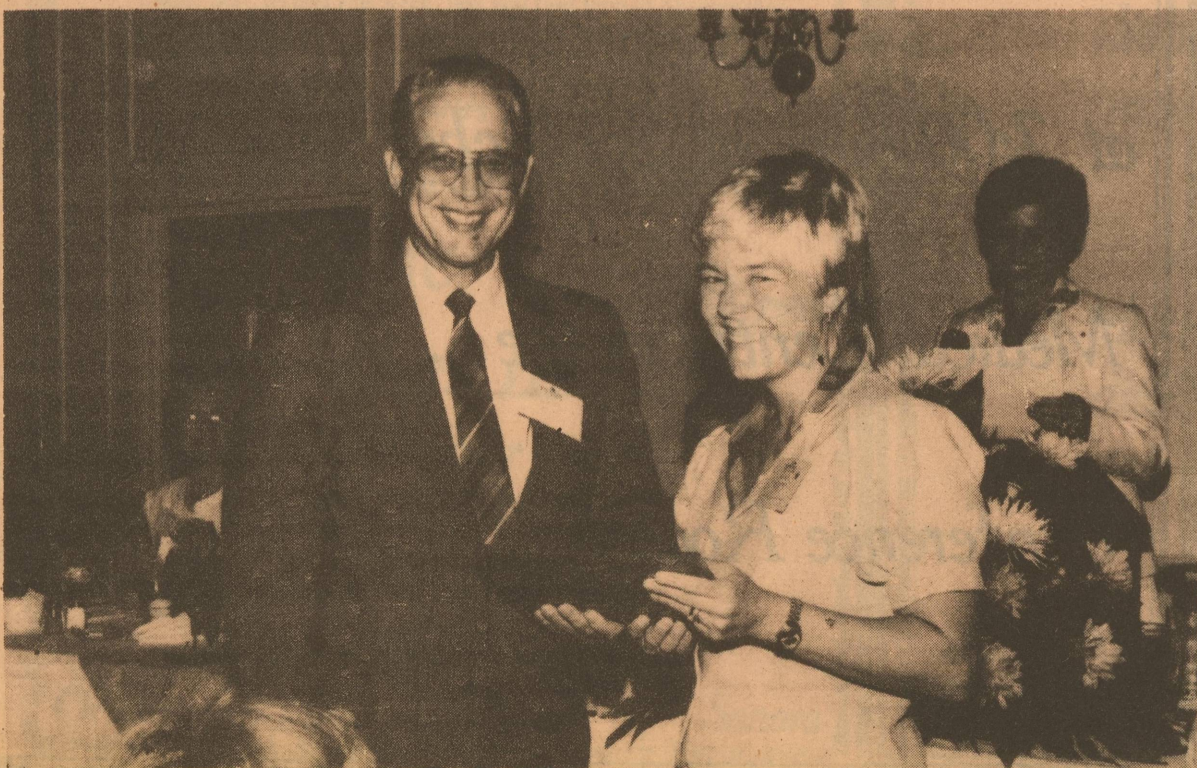
After completing all items on their agenda, the Council then adjourned.

Nancy Lester receives award

Schleicher County Extension Agent, Nancy Lester received the Sheep and Goat Award given by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association at the annual meeting of

the Texas Association of Extension Home Economists in Wichita Falls, August 3rd. Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, Director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, presented the

award to Mrs. Lester for her extensive educational programs on preparing lamb dishes and sewing with wool. She was earlier honored at the TSGRA annual meeting held in Uvalde.



Helmets honored

Bobby Helmets, local rancher, was recently selected by the Texas Girls Coaches Association to receive the 1984 Honor Coach Award. This award is given yearly by the Association to an individual for outstanding service to the association and for contributions to girls' athletics in Texas.

Helmets coached at Eldorado High School from 1968 to 1980. His girls track teams won eight district and two regional championships. In 1973 his track team won the State Championship; and his 1974 and

1975 teams were runner-up State Champions. The 1974 880 relay team was undefeated for the entire season - posting the third fastest time in the nation and winning the state relay. At least one girl participated in the state meet each of the ten years from 1970 until 1980.

Coach Helmets also served several terms as regional director of the Texas High School Girls Coaches Association and was the program director for the 1976 summer clinic.

The award was presented during the 1984 summer clinic in Fort Worth.



The "E Center" gets the final touches this week as it's lawn is hydro-mulched.

First board meeting of school year

The Schleicher County Independent School District's Board of Trustees met last Monday night in a two-fold meeting. The first meeting was to hear the budget for the upcoming year, which was heard and approved by the Board. They then moved on to their regular monthly meeting in which the tax rate for 1984-85 was set at 72 cents per \$100 assessment. Sixty-six cents of this tax goes toward maintenance and operation and the remaining six cents goes toward interest and sinking.

Board members voted to take a harder look at the refurbishing of the press box at the football field. Architect Gary Donaldson presented a letter to the board with his findings concerning the costs to have it re-vamped and the cost was considerably higher than the board expected. No action was taken at this time by the board.

Griffin Oil Co. of Eldorado was awarded the school district's gasoline contract for 1984-85 with a bid of

91.1 cents for regular and 94.1 cents for no-lead.

Board members voted to amend the budget to reflect expenditures as of August 31, 1984. The cafeteria's budget was also amended.

Superintendent Guy Whitaker reported to the board and visitors that Chapter II funds were being used by the school to purchase computers.

Since House Bill 72 curtails the number of extra curricular activities students may be absent to attend, Mr. Fred Igo, Ag teacher was present for the meeting. He was advised by the board to use his own discretion as to how many stock shows and related activities he would attend this school year.

Another mandate of House Bill 72 is to offer tutorial services at least twice a week. Any student showing a failing grade after the first reporting period in math, language and arts, social studies or science will be tutored.

The board voted that Superintendent Whitaker and Principals

Richard McC Carson, high school and Weldon Moore, elementary head the career ladder committee. This committee will in turn select two classroom teachers to serve on the committee. There will be a committee in each building with the central office having review authority. The committee will then select teachers to receive the \$1500 or \$2000 award based upon their level of experience and education.

The 1984-85 Elementary and High School Student Handbooks were presented and approved by the board.

Personnel salaries not effected by the recent state raise were discussed but the board took no action on the matter.

The board approved the transfer of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Scott McGregor for them to attend Eldorado schools.

The need for a maintenance supervisor was also discussed by the board and it was agreed upon to compile a job description and then to advertise for applicants.

Maintenance bills were then paid by the board and the meeting adjourned.

E Center to hold Open House

The Eldorado Early Education Center at the corner of Brooks and West Ave., Eldorado's newest and largest day-care, pre-school facility will hold it's Open House, Sunday, August 26th from 2:00 p.m. till 4:30 p.m.

The newly constructed modern, facility encompasses 2700 sq. ft. and features a food center and two major play areas. A 11,000 sq. ft. fenced in playground with playground equipment is also featured for the children's enjoyment and exercise. The center will provide two snacks and lunch daily for the children.

EEE will accommodate sixty-eight children from the ages of 18 months to 5 years. Drop-ins and school children up to the age of 11 are also welcomed. The center is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. till 6:00 p.m.

Not only does EEE provide a place for children to play but it also provides a daily curriculum to help in the development of the pre-schoolers' learning skills.

Owners of the Eldorado Early Education Center are Mr. and Mrs. Steve Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Whitten and Mr. Mrs. De Lux. Sherry Lux serves as administrator of the center which meets all state requirements. The center will employ five to six people.

The public is invited to attend the Open House to get a first hand view of EEE's child care facilities.

345 rigs running

Well, the 5 cent a gallon increase in the state motor fuel tax wasn't too bad, especially with the money going to patch and build our state roads and highways, right? According to Midland State Representative Tom Craddock, the whole thing was a "sham". Craddock told the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, "I think the average person on the street...has been duped." State representative Jay Gibson of Odessa told us that the Highway Department funding, over the next three years, would be a "wash", or about the same as now! Both Craddock and Gibson voted against the 5 cent a gallon increase.

What happened? It looks as though we have a case of real life "Voodoo economics". It seems that when all the dust had settled, the Highway Department would be receiving little, if any, additional money from the five cents a gallon increase in the motor fuels tax, a

result of a change in formula funding.

The tax was sold to the legislature and the people of Texas as a way to provide extra money to repair existing roads and highways. If what these legislators say is true, then we believe the state officials involved owe the people of Texas an explanation, an apology and a re-working of the formula to assure that additional taxes will go directly to fixing our roads and highways, not into the general fund.

House Speaker Tip O'Neill has indicated that he wants the Rules Committee to hold hearings in September on the Tauke-Sharp natural gas reconrol bill. If the bill becomes law, it would freeze natural gas prices for two years.

The Permian Basin rig count for this week is 344. Last week it was 345 and one year ago it stood at 256.

Goat roping in San Angelo

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association has announced plans to hold a World's Champion Goat Roping and Invitational Ranch Rodeo next June. This will be a third major event for the Association's annual calendar in addition to the November Roping Fiesta and the March Stock Show and Rodeo.

Major Goat ropings used to be held frequently around the West Texas area and Stock Show officials, after much research and planning, have found a lot of enthusiasm for the event.

A preliminary elimination three go-round jackpot goat roping will be held on Friday, June 7, 1985. The twelve top finalists will each rope

four more goats on Saturday, June 8, 1985 during the Invitational Ranch Rodeo. The roper with the best time on the seven goats will be awarded \$5,000 and the title of World Champion Goat Roper. Bill McManus, President of the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Association said, "Awarding \$5,000 to the champion goat roper demonstrates our commitment in making this a major event for West Texas."

Entry fee for the event will be \$100 and only the first 100 entries will be accepted. Ropers desiring to compete can send a self addressed stamped envelope to the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Association, P.O. Box 2450, San Angelo, Texas, 76902, for entry information.

Maya services held

Graveside services were held Monday, August 20, 1984 at 1 p.m. in the Eldorado Cemetery for Moises R. Maya, 70, of Eldorado. Mr. Maya died Friday, August 17th in San Antonio. Services were under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Bro. Rudy Arrellano of Junction officiated at the service.

Mr. Maya was born June 29, 1914 in Waco and was married to Gumesinda C. Barerro in Eldorado in 1941. He was a retired monument maker and was in the Navy during World War II. The United States flag was presented to the family by a

U.S. Navy representative at the services.

Survivors include his wife of Detroit, six sons: Aresto, Moises, Jr., Manuel, Efran and Joe Maya, all of Detroit, Michigan and Richard Maya of Montana; three daughters: Mary Galinda of Sonora, Lupe Ferrara of Detroit, and Estalla Maya of Lubbock; one brother, Frank Maya of Detroit, Michigan; two sisters: Ramona Villegas of Chicago, Illinois and Catrarina Aguilar of Abilene, Texas; thirty-three grandchildren and four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Kristina's one

Kristina Jean Prater celebrated her first birthday Saturday, August 18th at the city park. Her parents, grandparents and several friends were there to honor her, along with her brother Sammy Jay. Party favors were given and a good time was had by all.

4-H to meet

The 4-H Club will hold its first meeting for this school year on Tuesday, August 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Building. Anyone interested in participating in any of the 4-H activities this year needs to come to this meeting to sign up.

Students are asked to please bring their parents with them. There will be games and other activities planned.

It's a boy!

It's a First!

For the Wagoners

Granny Wagoner's first great grand daughter.

Damon & Nancy's first grand-daughter.

Charlie & Mona's first daughter.

Boy's first sister.

Elizabeth Hoerster was born Monday August 13th at 2:11 a.m. at the Hill Country Memorial Hospital in Fredericksburg, Texas. She weighed 8 lbs. 13 ozs., was 20 inches long with a little head covered with dark hair.

Elizabeth was also welcomed home at Mason by Gramma Jane and Grampa Franklin Hoerster and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

It's a girl!

Mr. and Mrs. Jed Edmiston are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Whitney Dyan. She was born August 10th at 12:41 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs. 14 1/2 oz. and was 19 3/4 inches long. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Sudduth of San Angelo and JoAnn Edmiston of San Antonio.

Carr services held

Vertis Allene Carr, 71, of Eldorado died Sunday, August 19, 1984 in San Angelo. Funeral services were held Tuesday August 21, 1984 at the First Christian Church with Dale Lipsett, Pastor officiating. Burial was in the Eldorado Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Mrs. Carr was born March 13, 1913 in Equality, Alabama. She moved to Quitman, Texas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Reed, in 1926. She attended schools in Alabama and Quitman. She was married to Herbert Murray in 1949 in Corpus Christi. He preceded her in death in 1962. She later attended beauty college in Corpus Christi and was a beautician. During World War II she was employed in Dallas at Murray's Defense Plant. In 1965 she married Bernard E. Carr in Eldorado. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Corpus Christi.

Survivors include her husband, two sisters: Jewel Van Dusen of Eldorado and Eva Satour of Tucson, Arizona; three brothers, George Reed and Donald Reed of Ft. Worth and Harold Reed of Benbrook.

Nephews served as pallbearers.

Help needed at the Eagles' Point

The Adult Council of the teen center, "Eagles' Point" held a work day Monday, August 20th at the center on Main St. Several Junior and Senior High students arrived at 7:00 p.m. to help on the remodeling and cleaning of the building.

The Council wishes to acknowledge these students for their hard work and more students are needed to help on scheduled work days which will be every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Those interested in working will need to wear old work clothes and tennis shoes.

The Eagles' Point needs the students' help as it is for their enjoyment. Membership forms are available at the Center. Membership is \$2.00 per year.

Anyone interested in making donations of services, equipment, or money, please contact Carolyn Whitten at 853-2879, Rita Reeves at 853-3178 or sent to Eagles' Point, Box 493, Eldorado, Texas 76936.

The Grand Opening is scheduled for September 21, 1984 after the football game.

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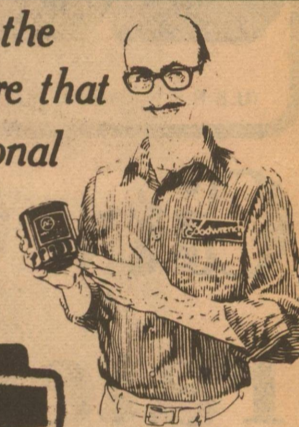
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A public hearing to vote on the tax rate

will be held on August 23, 1984

at 7:00 p.m. at Schleicher County

Medical Center in the

Conference Room.

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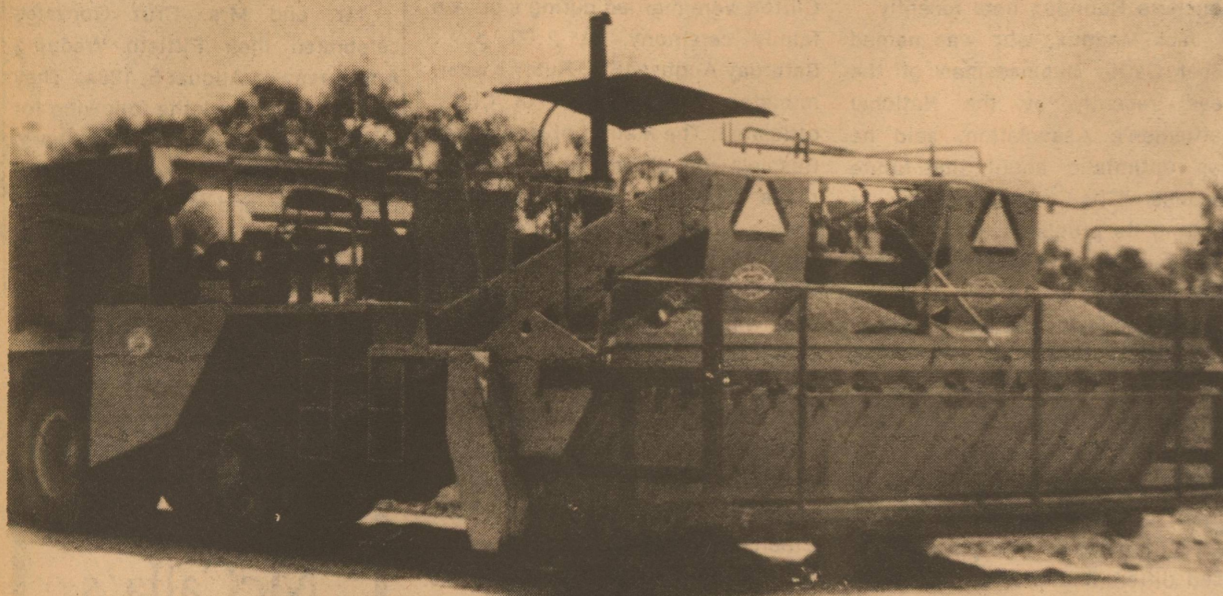
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Fun Day set for Saturday September 8th



The county crews put the final touches on a four mile stretch of paving on Jackson Road. Approximately 20 miles have been paved this year by the county's crews.

Think you have to be a cowboy or a member of 4-H to enter the Schleicher County 4-H Western Fun Day? Nope, you sure don't. There will be something for everyone at the Fun Day, Saturday, September 8th. The day's events will begin at 9:00 a.m. You don't even have to be able to ride a horse to participate.

Entry fee for the four years and under through nineteen years age group is \$2.00 per event per person and for the 20 - 30 years and "Over the Hill Gang" the fee will be \$3.00 per event with "Winner Take All".

Some of the events will include: Staked Goat Hair Pulling, Boot Scramble, Flag Race, Goat Milking, Baloon Stick Horse Race, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Goat Tying, Calf Riding, Breakaway Roping, Team Roping and more.

Entry blanks can be obtained at Jerry Swift's office between 9:00

a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and they must be turned in by Friday, September 7th at 5:00 p.m.

For more information call Jerry Swift at 853-2610, Abbie McCormick 853-3206 or Alana Dakan 853-2416.

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Good Neighbors meet

The Good Neighbor Club met Monday, August 20th in the Memorial Building for their regular meeting.

The fifteen members in attendance participated in the making of lambs and place favors under the guidance of Mrs. Engeda Parmer, Mrs. Connie Parmer and Mrs. Clydia Prossie from San Angelo. The three instructors helped the members make the place favors for the upcoming State Meeting which will be held in San Angelo September 18th. Also helping were Mrs. Otis Deal and Mrs. Lula Mae Alexander of the Reynolds Community.

Cokes were served afterwards to the members and guests.

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McDonald reunion

Etta Ruth Dannheim and Ola Mae McDonald attend a McDonald reunion in Harper, Texas, Sunday, August 12th at the Recreation Center. Approximately 200 relatives attended. Each family was presented and a videotape was used to record the event and was shown later that afternoon.

They had a covered dish lunch at noon.

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Consumers win

Attorney General Jim Mattox announced this week that checks totalling \$10.2 million are being mailed to 2,000 Texas consumers, most of them elderly, in the settlement of a consumer lawsuit against Academy Life Insurance Co.

About 85 percent of the checks, totalling between \$8.5 and \$9 million, were mailed to 1,650 Texas citizens Monday, August 13. The remainder are expected to be mailed in upcoming weeks.

It is the largest amount of consumer restitution in Texas history and brings to an all-time high the amount of money collected in consumer judgements.

Mattox said restitution in the Academy Life case brings to \$20,888,805 the amount of restitution and civil penalties that have been collected by his Consumer Protection division since Mattox took office in January 1983.

Under the Mattox administration, \$4,047,385 has been returned to consumers through mediation, \$16,409,070 has been returned to consumers in court-ordered restitution, and \$432,350 in civil penalties has been collected for the State of Texas.

The total amount collected in consumer cases since Mattox took office is \$20,888,805, an all-time record in Texas.

Mattox obtained another \$40 million in air travel services as indirect restitution for consumers throughout the United States in a case involving Continental Airlines.

Before Mattox took office, the total recovered by the Consumer Protection Division was \$21,874,325, barely more than what Mattox has recovered in less than two years.

Mattox obtained an agreed final judgement against Academy Life in May, based upon an investigation into marketing practices used throughout Texas for a life insurance policy known as the Estate Conservation Plan (ECP-95). Mattox noted that Academy Life sells a number of other insurance policies and that the consumer case involved only the ECP-95 plan.

Mattox filed suit against the company and Dallas insurance agent, Jack Milton Amason, over marketing practices used, mainly by Amason's employees, to sell the ECP-95. The ECP-95 plan was marketed throughout Texas, mainly to elderly citizens in more rural parts of the state.

In the settlement agreement, consumers were given the option of receiving a full refund, plus interest, or keeping the life insurance policies in effect. Mattox noted that 98 percent of consumers chose to discontinue their policies and receive refunds.

Mattox obtained another \$40 million in interest pay-

ments was made in July to approximately 800 persons who had already cancelled their policies.

"The \$10.2 million in refunds even exceeds our estimates of restitution at the time this lawsuit was settled," Mattox said. "This case has turned out to be the biggest consumer case in our history."

Mattox also obtained \$125,000 in civil penalties, \$25,000 in attorneys fees and \$25,000 in investigative costs in the Academy Life case.

Assistant Attorneys General William O. Goodman of the Consumer Protection Division and Edna Ramon of the Insurance, Banking and Securities Division prosecuted the Academy Life case for Mattox.

The refund program was administered by Garcia, Morrison and Co., an Austin CPA firm, and state district Judge-elect Joe Dibrell.

PUBLIC NOTICE

AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc., has filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) a proposal to reduce intrastate, interLATA long distance revenues to offset proposed increases in specialized service rates for private line, WATS, 800, OCC facilities and directory assistance services. The proposed tariff restructure will not result in any increases in the overall revenues of the Company. The proposed effective date for the tariffs is September 20, 1984. All customers and classes of customers will be affected by this filing.

The restructure in the basic long distance service (MTS) results in an overall decrease in the revenues received by the Company from such service of approximately \$100 million. While this proposed restructure results in an overall decrease in revenue, certain MTS rates are proposed to be increased to more nearly recover the access charges approved by the PUC for such service.

AT&T Communications has also filed restructured tariffs designed to more closely recover access costs for private line, DATAPHONE* Digital Service (DDS), OCC facilities, WATS, 800 and directory assistance services. These restructured tariffs result in an approximate overall revenue increase of approximately \$100 million from increases in its WATS, 800, DDS, OCC facilities and private line rates, and institution of a charge for directory assistance.

The result of these proposed tariff changes and the restructure of our service offerings is to more nearly recover access costs from those services for which such access costs are incurred.

This proposed restructure results in no increase in overall revenue to AT&T Communications and is not a major rate change as that term is defined in Section 43(b) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act.

A complete copy of all tariffs and rate schedules is on file with the Texas Public Utility Commission at Austin, Texas. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene or participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.



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More named to Sesquicentennial city and counties

With a year and a half still to go until the big celebration in 1986, statewide planning for the Sesquicentennial is approaching a fever pitch -- a fact 74 newly-sanctioned Texas Independence Committees and Counties would be happy to attest to! The 74 local planning committees for the Sesquicentennial received the official title from the Sesquicentennial Commission in Austin last week, bringing the total number of officially sanctioned local planning committees to 347.

This figure represents almost three-quarters of the population of Texas, involving more than 500 Texas communities.

The seventy-four new Texas Independence Communities and Counties earned the title after many months of hard work and decision-making, culminating in the submission of their master plans to the Commission for approval at its August 8th quarterly meeting. Each committee's master plan was required to meet several criteria, including a committee roster reflecting a cross section of the community, written resolutions from the county judge and commissioners' court or mayor and city council, and a detailed description of the city's or county's planned events and activities for the celebration.

As Texas Independence Communities and Counties, the organizations are afforded several privileges. Among these are the right to use the Sesquicentennial logo on printed materials and to award its use on other products of the committee's choosing, the opportunity to sell and profit from official Sesquicentennial commemorative products, and -- most importantly -- the right to have their major, dated events published in the Official Guide to Sesquicentennial

Events and Activities, to be printed and distributed worldwide in 1985.

The special events and activities the 74 committees have planned to honor Texas in 1986 are as colorful and diverse as the communities and counties that will carry them out. Cowboy and old-timer homecomings and celebrations, ethnic festivals, parades, historical pageants, erection of markers and statues, and beautification of downtown areas are some of the highlights. A common thread runs through each master plan: the pride each committee feels for its own area, and a desire to showcase its local best in 1986.

The new Texas Independence Communities and Counties are: Angelina County, Atascosa County, Bandera County, Bronte, Castro County, Colleyville, Crawford, Crosbyton, Culberson County, Dalhart/Dallam County, Donley County, Donna, Ennis, Eustace, Falls County, Farmers Branch, Fort Bend County, Georgetown, Gonzales County, Groves, Hansford County, Hardin County, Hearne, Henderson County, Hewitt, Hockley County, Houston - Harris County, Iowa Park, Jones County, Karnes County, Kaufman, Kendeall County, Kimble County, Knox County, La Feria, Leon Valley, Liberty, Luling, Mart, Mills County, Midland - Midland County, McAllen, Moore County, Morgan's Point, Navarro County, Normanna, Northcrest, Ochiltree County, Pecos County, Polk County, Port Arthur, Rancho Viejo, Richmond, Riesel, Robert Lee, Rosenberg, Round Top, San Augustine County, San Felipe, San Juan, Seminole, Schertz, Shamrock, Sterling County, Teague, Terrell, Tuleta, Upton County, Vega, Webster, White Settlement, Wortham, Yoakum, Zapata County.

Maddux speaks on ranching

Good management is the effective use of resources to accomplish the most important objectives in your ranch business, an award-winning cattleman from Wauneta,

Jeanne Redwine graduates

Jeanne Redwine was one of twenty-one students to graduate and receive her diploma Friday, August 17th from Howard College Vocational Nursing Program, San Angelo Campus. She also completed one year of R. N. at A.S.U. and plans to continue her education in nursing. Jeanne is a 1982 graduate of Eldorado High School.

Terry Goins graduates

Two hundred and thirty-seven Texas State Technical Institute students received associate degrees, diplomas and certificates at the school's semi-annual graduation ceremonies on Friday, August 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Auditorium. Chip Staniswals, State Representative, was commencement speaker.

Terry Goins received an Associate Degree in Boot and Shoe Operations. He is the son of D.E. Goins of Eldorado, Texas.

Chili Cook-off in Del Rio

The Budweiser Distributors of Del Rio will sponsor the Budweiser Muscular Dystrophy Chili Cook-off on September 2, 1984.

The Labor Day Week-end event will take place at the Elks Grounds in Del Rio. The Chili Cook-off is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at 7:00 p.m.

All benefits will go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Fewer die in Irion County

Births and deaths just about equalled out last year in Loving County.

Loving was one of 25 counties in which no births took place; however one birth occurred elsewhere to a Loving County resident. Loving and Irion Counties each had only one death within its boundaries, but another Loving resident died outside the county. Irion had 10 deaths among its residents.

Each of the 254 counties in Texas had at least one death and one birth among its residents. Some of the births and deaths took place in adjoining counties or elsewhere, perhaps because of the lack of hospitals in the counties of residence, reports the Texas Department of Health's Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Things may be picking up in Loving County, however, since six marriage licenses were issued there and only one divorce decree was granted in the county. A baby boom may be on the way.

Other Texas counties reporting no births within the county last year were Armstrong, Briscoe, Coke, Delta, Donley, Glasscock, Jack, Jeff Davis, Kenedy, Kent, LaSalle, Lips-

comb, McMullen, Mason, Motley, Oldham, Rains, Roberts, Sherman, Somervell, Terrell, Throckmorton and Zapata.

Nebraska, told ranchers taking part in the 4th Annual International Ranchers Roundup here recently. Jack Maddux, who was named "Beef Cattle Businessman of the Year" recently by the National Cattlemen's Association, said he was optimistic about the future because "The cattle industry is meeting its problems head-on."

Some of the economic and management lessons that those ranchers surviving the boom-bust of the 1920's and the 2930's developed and used quite successfully may be coming back, Maddux said, and might be appropriate today.

"Many of the management techniques used today would be old-hat to good managers of the past. They used different terms than strategic planning, management by objective, cash flow budgeting and holistic ranch management, but today's concepts are essentially the same as those used by successful ranchers for generations," Maddux said.

Planning can be a simple, straight-forward and ongoing process that fits any size of ranch operation, Maddux said, and those who fail to take advantage of it are missing a good thing.

"Good planning is a disciplinarian that brings an operation face to face with unpleasant facts that we sometimes ignore. Some of us fail to prioritize, and scatter our resources on a little of everything," Maddux told the ranchers.

He believes that the planning process provides a better way for ranch management or family members to reach agreement periodically on six basic phases of the planning process.

These basics, he said, are where you are at present, where you want to go, how you want to get there, when you wish to arrive, who is going to "drive", and how much the trip will cost.

Maddux and his family own and operate an integrated cattle business (cow/calf, stocker and feeding operation) in southwest Nebraska.


Doyle and Clifton vows

Bessie Doyle and William H. Clifton were married during a private family ceremony, at 2:00 p.m., Saturday August 18th. Rusty Kwast, minister of the Church of Christ officiated. The Matron of Honor was Bessie's daughter, Burnell Etheredge, of Dallas. Jimmy Doyle, the bride's oldest son served as Best Man.

Other family guests attending the wedding were the groom's sister, Mrs. Alice Webb and Mrs. Itha Mae Williams of San Angelo, and Mrs. Geneva Minnick and Margaret Brunson of Bronte. Also attending were Jerry, Heavia, Jonana and Will Doyle of Coahoma, Bill Etheredge of Dallas, Jack Etheredge and Billy Hampton of Lubbock, Mike Doyle, Jimmy Dan, Diana and Mikel Doyle, all of San Angelo.

After a wedding trip to Arkansas, the couple will make their hom in Eldorado.

Thank You



Mr. and Mrs. Cruz Gonzales celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on August 5, 1984. They would like to thank the following for all the lovely gifts: their brothers, nieces, nephews, granddaughters, Casa Arispe and all their friends. Thank you all, Mr. and Mrs. Cruz Gonzales

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Sutton County Days this week-end

If you're looking for an exciting time this week-end, then you don't have to go far. Sutton County Days, August 23, 24, 25th will be in full swing. Rodeo performances will highlight the three day affair. Bad Company Rodeo Company will be producing the shows. The company owned by Mack Altizer, son of world champion calf and steer roper, Jim Bob Altizer of Del Rio, is in its third year of Professional Rodeo Cowboy Assn. Mack, a Sonora resident is the youngest stock contractor in the PRCA.

Following the rodeo performances, dances will be held on the slab. Thursday will feature Bob Blandford and the Rodeo Men Band, Friday, Texas Gold Band and Saturday will feature, well-known artist, Dotsi.

A parade will be held Friday evening at 5:00 p.m. The parade will feature Senator Bill Sims, Miss Sutton County - Lea Ann Sims, the twelve queen contestants, various dignitaries, bands, old cars and new, and much more. Following the parade there will be a barbeque at 6:00 p.m. at the 4-H barn with live musical entertainment.

Miss Sutton County and the queen contestants will be presented Friday evening during the rodeo performance.

Saturday morning will kick off early at 8:00 a.m. with the Fun Run, which will begin at the courthouse lawn. All area runners are welcome to participate. Eldorado runners "ran away" with most of the honors last year.

The Welcome and raising of the flag will take place at 9:30 a.m. with Mayor Bill Gosney giving the welcome address. The Little Mister and Miss contest will begin at 9:00 a.m. as will the Old Timers Reunion registration. Wilma Friend will host the old Timers this year. Good entertainment is planned with Clayton Friend, Superintendent of Veribest Schools being the master of ceremonies for this reunion.

Also entertaining the Old Timers Reunion will be the Menard Music Men, a barbershop quartet; Mrs. David Griffin will play the Autoharp and Jeanette Cerrinceone will sing.

The Arts and Crafts show will be located on the courthouse lawn as will Food Booths with lots of goodies for sale.

In the afternoon the Texas Tumbleweeds, a gymnastics group will perform. The finalists in the queen contest will be announced at 3:00 p.m. after which the new Miss Sutton County will be crowned.

John Willis in town the 20th

John Willis, representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his September visit to Eldorado. He will be at the County Courthouse on Thursday, September 20th between 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

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

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

This will enable the Social Security Administration to process your claim quicker. If you have any questions about any aspect of your claim, call the office for clarification. Remember, don't delay, mail today.

Bullfights at Acuna

Bullfights have returned to Ciudad Acuna. The Bullfights will take place September 2, 1984, over the Labor Day Weekend. The event will be held at the new La Macarena plaza del toros in Braulio Fernandez Parque on the south bank of the Rio Grande in Ciudad Acuna, Mexico at 6:00 p.m. Texas time.

Featured will be Miguel Cepeda of Mexico City as one of the matadores. He is known as "El Breco" around the world of bull fighting. Also featured will be Jose Antonio Garcia of Saltillo. Mr. Garcia's fights will be on horseback, while Mr. Cepeda will face the bulls with his cape and sword.

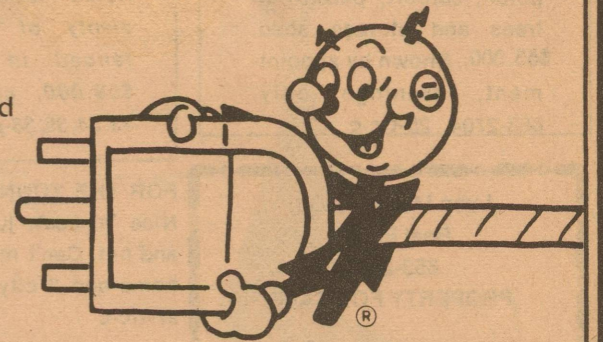
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Reddy's Safety Reminders:

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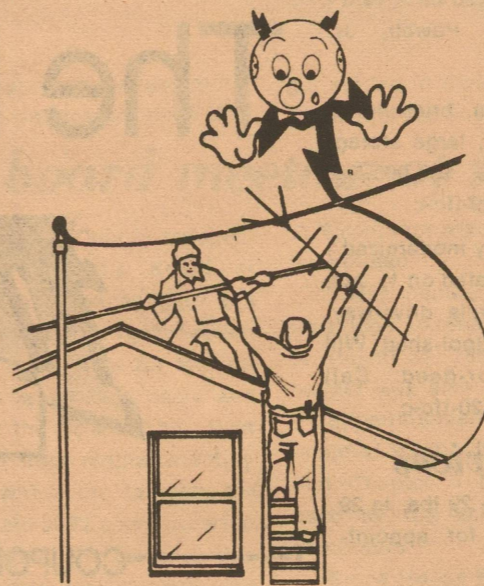
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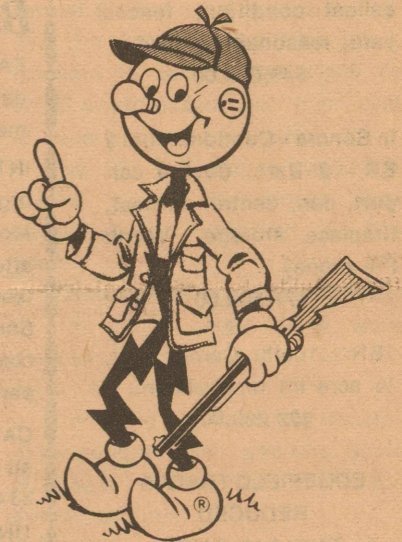
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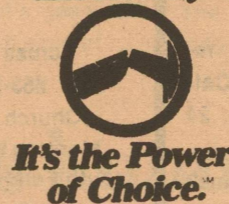


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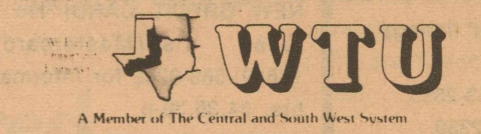
Also remember not to shoot at power lines or the insulators that hold them. The severed line could cause a serious electricity outage and the downed line itself could be very dangerous.



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Lettuce & Tomato Salad
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Rice Krispie Cookies

Thursday August 30th
Fried Chicken & Gravy
Creamed Potatoes
English Peas
Carrot, Pineapple, Raisin Salad
Apricot Cobbler

Tuesday August 28th
Beef Tacos with Cheese
Pinto Beans

Wednesday August 29th
Hot Dogs with Chili
Corn Chips
Stuffed Celery (Cheese)
Pork & Beans

Friday August 31st
Sandwiches - Tuna, Chicken Salad,
Ham Salad, Pimento Cheese &
Peanut Butter
French Fries
Fruit Cup
Ice Cream

Breakfast

Monday August 27th
Applesauce
Bran Muffins

Tuesday August 28th
Grape Juice
Hot Oatmeal-Toast

Wednesday August 29th
Pineapple Juice
Hot Biscuits-Bacon-Jelly

Thursday August 30th
Banana
Choice of Cereal

Friday August 31st
Pears
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Reports from Washington

A Uniquely American Event — The National Convention

Television viewers, radio listeners, and newspaper readers this week are being treated to the third quadrennial spectacular of the summer of 1984. Earlier we followed the Democratic Convention in San Francisco, last week the Summer Olympics ended in Los Angeles, and this week, the Republicans have gathered in our own state of Texas, in Dallas.

Although perhaps not as competitive as this year's Olympics, our national conventions are important events for every American citizen. Since they began in the 1830s, national conventions have progressively increased citizen participation in building political parties and in choosing presidential and vice presidential candidates.

How America chooses national candidates has changed drastically over our nation's history. In the early 1800s small caucuses of like-minded members of Congress nominated candidates in private, closed meetings. In 1812, for example, 83 Democratic-Republicans renominated President James Madison as their candidate while 70 Federalists met secretly in New York City to choose DeWitt Clinton as their standard-bearer.

As our nation increased in size, diversity, and democratic experience, the closed caucus came under increasing pressure for reform. The new convention system gave the mass of party members greater opportunity to influence platforms and choose candidates. Delegates were selected informally and participation was usually open to anyone willing to take the time to travel to the convention city.

As the two-party system became entrenched in an increasingly diverse society, conventions also became arenas to resolve party conflicts and voice diverse opinions. This further encouraged the growth of the conventions and resulted in increasingly interesting intra-party confrontations. In the 1880 Republican Convention, for example, an Illinois delegation supporting former President Ulysses Grant was replaced by anti-Grant forces. It then took the convention 36 ballots to select dark horse James Garfield, who was subsequently elected our twentieth president.

This year, nearly 10,000 delegates and alternates have been selected to attend the two national conventions. And through the media, you will be privileged — in our free and open society — to observe much that occurs.

As a delegate from our own state of Texas, I anticipate this to be a week filled with debate and discussion of the options available to the American people.

I hope that, during this week, you will find time to observe this uniquely American event — the political convention — in action. Together, in the freest, most open society in the world, we gather to debate our country's direction — and future.

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