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Public Notice

At the request of the Office of the General Counsel of the Public Utility Commission, the Commission has established Docket No. 5113 to inquire into pressing issues involving the entire telephone industry in Texas. Docket No. 5113 will deal with many issues resulting from the impending divestiture of American Telephone and Telegraph Company and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Some of those issues include establishing the service areas of Southwestern Bell after divestiture and assessing the impact on other telephone companies in Texas of current settlement arrangements between Southwestern Bell and those companies. Additionally, Docket No. 5113 will deal with the issues arising from the Federal Communications Commission's

Final Order in Docket 78-72 (the Access Charge Docket) as they impact all telephone companies. It is anticipated that Docket No. 5113 will be evidentiary in nature. RATES FOR SOUTHWESTERN BELL MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION IN OR AS A RESULT OF THIS PROCEEDING. Interested parties seeking further information or desiring to participate in Docket No. 5113 are advised to write to Rhonda Colbert Ryan, Secretary and Director of Hearings, Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757 or telephone other western Bell after divestiture and assessing the impact on other telephone companies in Texas of current settlement arrangements between Southwestern Bell and those companies. Additionally, Docket No. 5113 will deal with the issues arising from the Federal Communications Commission's



Southwestern Bell

Opinion

Credit card rates now among lowest in U.S.

Texas lawmakers made quick work of the special session called by Gov. Mark White.

In four days, the legislature re-enacted the Texas Employment Commission, passed legislation needed to avoid a federal quarantine of Texas cattle, created a human rights commission, mandated the installation of smoke detectors in all hotels and motels, and appropriated funds totaling more than \$15 million for several purposes.

However, the biggest surprise of the special session may have been the successful power play pulled off by the black and hispanic legislators.

The minority lawmakers succeeded in getting White to add the creation of a human rights commission, and workers compensation for farm workers, to the call of the special session in exchange for their votes on the brucellosis and TEC bills.

The minorities did not have enough votes to block passage of either bill, but they did have the votes to prevent those measures



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
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from going into immediate effect.

According to Austin Rep. Gonzalo Barrientos, chairman of the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, putting the brucellosis and TEC legislation into immediate effect was important enough to the governor and others to make the trade off possible.

Unfortunately for the minorities, the farm workers bill ran into immediate problems when a compromise worked out by Sens. Hector Uribe of Brownsville, Bill Sarapian of Amarillo and others fell apart because of technical problems.

Those problems could not be overcome, but minorities expressed confidence the bill can be corrected in time for a special session expected later this year on the

subject of teachers salaries.

Meanwhile, the minority lawmakers did win the victory they had hoped for on the human rights commission.

The new agency will investigate job discrimination complaints. Currently, such investigations are the responsibility of the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, but some black and hispanic lawmakers feel the EEOC has no teeth.

Credit cards
Interest rates on bank credit cards were going down in July under new legislation that became effective July 1.

The new law, passed during the regular legislative session, will make Texas interest rates

among the lowest in the nation for bank credit cards.

"If you hold a Texas-based credit card, your rates should drop from as high as 21 percent in June to 16.69 percent after July 1," said Mesquite Sen. Ted Lyon, one of the sponsors of the credit card bill.

The lower rates take effect on the first new billing date after July 1. That means if your next billing date is July 15, the lower rates will become effective starting July 16.

Phone rates
While interest rates are going to be coming down, telephone rates apparently are not to see a massive hike.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. has requested a \$1.7 billion rate hike from the Public Utility Commission, which will more than triple most basic monthly local phone rates. The proposed rate hike began drawing criticism almost from the moment it was filed.

Carol Barger of the Consumers Union called the proposed increase outrageous, exorbitant and extravagant.

Texas Municipal League attorney Don Butler added that there is no doubt the rate hike proposal is designed to prod the PUC in the direction of approving local measured service.

Local measured service—which means telephone customers would pay for local calls on the same basis they now pay for long distance calls—is a concept Southwestern Bell has been pushing for several years.

But Bell has complained in the past that local rates have not come anywhere near paying the actual cost of providing local service, while long distance rates subsidized local service.

Now that the federal courts have forced Southwestern Bell to divest itself of its local telephone subsidiaries, Southwestern Bell no longer will have long distance revenues to offset, on the company's officials contend.

AT&T will keep all long distance service after the divestiture becomes effective January 1, 1984. Southwestern Bell has

not requested local measured service in the present rate case, but they are quick to point out that it is the only alternative to basic monthly rates of between \$30 and \$40 just to have a phone in your home, whether you use it or not.

However, TML and the consumer groups are not the only ones who are not convinced the Bell rate request is justified. PUC chairman Al Erwin already has put Bell on notice that it will have to justify every penny of its request. There will be no assumption that any part of the request is needed, Erwin said.

Mattox probe
Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox has joined the list of state officials in the dog house over campaign or financial disclosure violations.

Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle is investigating loans Mattox made to his attorney general campaign in 1982. Earlier this year, House Speaker Gib Lewis paid an \$800 fine for failure to disclose all of his financial holdings, and Earle filed charges against himself for failing to file disclosure forms.

Colorado County Courthouse Report

REAL ESTATE DEED TRANSFER

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Grub control improves animals

Each year between mid June and the end of August, Colorado County livestock producers can effectively control costly grubs by applying livestock insecticides. Grub control can be achieved with a variety of systemic treatments which includes sprays, dips, pour-ons, spot-ons, and feed mixes. However, insecticide impregnated ear tags being used for biting fly control do not control cattle grubs.

During late fall and winter, grubs appear on the backs of livestock. It's too late to begin control measures then since most of the damage already has been done.

In addition to controlling cattle grubs, an insecticide used now also will provide contact control of horn flies for two to three weeks. This makes the overall cost of the treatment favorable.

Insecticides suggested for grub control include coumaphos (CO-Ral), phosmet (Prolate), trichlorfon (Nuguvon), fampur (warbox) and fenthion (Tiguvon). Read and follow directions on the insecticide label before treatment.

Cattle that are sick or under stress should not be treated. Dosage is determined by body

weight of the animal. The cattle grub is the larval stage of the heel fly. The adult fly has no mouth parts, so it causes no pain to the cattle. However, it frightens cattle, making them difficult to manage. Animals often seek relief by standing in shade or shallow water.

The life cycle begins when the heel fly lays its eggs on an animal. Egg larvae start in the first warm days of mid February and stops by mid June. The eggs, glued hairs, hatch within a few days, and larvae (worms) enter the skin at hair follicles. The immature stages then migrate through the animal's body for six to eight months and reappear in the animal's back in the fall and winter, forming knot-like marbles or cysts.

Cattle grub losses are displayed in a variety of ways. Besides damaging meat and hindering their feeding activity, they reduce beef cattle gains and lower milk production throughout the year. Profit losses are estimated to cost Texas cattle producers \$8 million to \$10 million each year on an individual animal basis of \$15-\$20 per head.

Daughter born to Schneiders

Leon and Sandy Schneider of Garwood are happy to announce the arrival of their third child, a daughter, Stacy Ann. The little lady made her debut Monday night, June 27 at 11:27 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Stacy Ann tipped the scales at 6 pounds and 13 ounces and measured 20 inches from tip to toe. Proud big brothers welcoming their sister

home are Brent, age 4 1/2 and Justin, age 2 1/2. Stacy's proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tate of Eagle Lake and Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Schneider of Garwood. Maternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Buck Perry of Altair and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tate of Eagle Lake and paternal great-grandparent Charles Schneider, Sr.

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Local group tours Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Woodruff of Taiton escorted their children Katy, Benny Paul, Terri and Jodi, along with Mrs. Ben Woodruff and David Fuchs, also of Taiton, Mrs. Lawrence Berger of Garwood, Mark Cox of New Gulf, and Johanna Kubens of Nada, on a vacation trip to Hawaii.

The group visited the Punchbowl Crater, a national monument honoring all American men and women who died during World War II. Also featured there is the "Garden of the Missing," which pays tribute to all persons missing in action during World War II. This, plus a cruise through Pearl Harbor, tours through pineapple farms, and scenic drives across the whole island of Oahu were some of the highlights of the big island.

After four days on Oahu, the entire group headed for the island of Maui for three days. There they