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Opinion
Group asks voters to nix death penalty

In the wake of several executions in Texas and the nation, a prison-reform group is going grassroots to build support to abolish the death penalty.
The head of that organization, Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants, wants precinct caucuses to approve resolutions opposing the death penalty and said the organization is considering endorsements of political candidates.

Up to now, citizens have been a non-partisan group lobbying the Texas Legislature for what they call a fair shake for Texas prisoners.
But with the court system again permitting capital punishment and with a majority of legislators making no move to stop executions, the group has no alternative but to throw itself at the mercy of the electorate.

Charles Sullivan, the leader, argues that while several public opinion polls may have indicated support for the death penalty, the recent series of executions have produced a backlash.

"At one time, the majority of the people in this country were against the death penalty. Now that we're having executions again, we're

hoping that people think again and go back to their roots by opposing capital punishment.
Both parties Sullivan is going to both major political party caucuses for support, hoping to join with anti-abortion or "pro life" forces among Republicans and to emphasize to Democrats that while row inmates are poor minorities.

President Reagan is an advocate of executions, while all his Democratic challengers apparently are against.
Dallas-based corporation, American Resources, Inc. According to Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, the agreement is tentative and other com-

panies are still looking at the property, 78,000 acres on the Duval County Ranch.
The oil leases were the center of a \$1.7 billion lawsuit the state filed against Mobil for failing to meet drilling requirements and after the oil company turned them over, several Texas politicians have clashed over the estimated revenues to be received on future energy production.

New farm program Two state officials, Gov. Mark White and agriculture commissioner Jim Hightower last week announced a new state program that will provide about \$40 million in this year to help small farmers buy land to begin farming.

Women's caucus The Texas Women's Political Caucus last week endorsed Democrat Lloyd Doggett and Republican Rob Mosbacher for the U.S. Senate party nominations.

Real estate deed transfers Deed, Carl W. Seaholm, Jr. to J. R. Wood Inc., 13.44 acres, J. M. Steiner Survey, 3-7-84.

Deed, Veterans Land Board to Jack Marvin Caffall, 10.75 acres, I & G N RR Co. Survey, 3-30-84.

Deed, Harvey Albers et al to Daniel L. Poentzsch et al, 1 acre, Wm. Hunt League, 3-9-84.

Deed, Herbert J. Ulrich et ux to Harris Ulrich et ux, 0.162 acres, H. Austin Five League Grant, 3-4-84.

Deed, Carl Albert Milents et al to Veterans Land Board, 10 acres, Samuel M. Williams Survey, 3-12-84.

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Deed, Richard Freis to Paul Jurics, Jr. et al, 10.234 acres, Ed Corbit Survey et al, 3-9-84.

Colorado County Courthouse Report

DISTRICT COURT SUITS FILED
Indianapolis Railroad Employees Credit Union vs. Charles H. Dennison; suit-on-note, 3-20-84.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED
Antonio Esquivel Tinoco, 22, Columbus, and Mary Lena Rivera, 30, Columbus; 3-16-84.

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION
A 1971 federal law requires broadcasters to offer discount rates just prior to primary or general elections, but a 1975 Texas law imposed the discount rates year-round. The courts upheld the federal law.

State oil lands The controversial oil and gas leases which the state took back from Mobil Oil Corp. a couple of months ago may be bought by a Dallas-based corporation, American Resources, Inc.

Political ads The Texas law imposing discount rates for political advertising was struck down last week by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Obituary 24 Years Ago Let's Look Back
March 31, 1960 Miss Barbara Krenk is the sweetheart of the Garwood FFA chapter for 1959-60. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Krenk of Nada.

Linus Ford Linus Ford, son of the late Joe and Elizabeth Ford, was born January 20, 1915 in Colorado County. He departed this life March 17, 1984 at 6:30 p.m. Services were held from the Greater Mount Olive Baptist Church of Eagle Lake Rev. Howard Mims, pastor of Wesley Chapel, officiated.

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Veterans of Foreign Wars Meets every third Tues. 8:00 P.M. Eagle Lake Recreation Center Chalkley Melvin Stearns, Club.

Garwood library purchases new books The Garwood Veterans Memorial Library has purchased a number of new books. Many books have arrived and are ready to be checked out and others will be received soon.

Judge Cranek receives award at banquet Judge Lester Cranek received the Arlene McKinstry Special Award at the banquet of the 4-County Council on Alcohol and Drugs in Bastrop, March 17. He was cited for his assistance to the Council and for his determination to improve quality of life for all members of the community.

Oil, Gas Leases Loma Dixon et vir et al to Continental US Exploration, Inc., 125 acres, I & G N RR Co. Survey, 3-8-84. W. E. Belt, Jr. to Acres, P. K. Bartleson Milestone Petroleum, Inc., Lease et al, 12-29-83. Anne Cupit et al to

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Let's talk. Information about your changing telephone service from Paul Johnson, Manager/Community Relations

This month I'd like to break from our usual format to introduce the new president of the company's Texas Division, James R. Adams (pictured below).

Mr. Adams (he prefers to be called Jim) was born and raised in San Antonio. He started with Southwestern Bell in San Antonio in 1965. Jim was named to the top post in Texas in January. This was at the same time Southwestern Bell became an independent company following the divestiture of the Bell System.

As a native Texan recently returned to this state from New Jersey, I'm excited to be back among the vigor and vitality of the Lone Star State.

You know, a lot of people have been asking me, "What is this new, independent Southwestern Bell Telephone?" Well, to begin with, it's still a company that's very much committed to quality service. But it's also a company with employees who have the courage and conviction to make Southwestern Bell Telephone succeed. And it's more, too.

Since I arrived in Texas, I've set a new direction for Southwestern Bell Telephone. My plan identifies a four-point approach to priorities that will help us serve you better.

First, as a company, we're going to remember that our reason for existence is satisfying you — our customers. That means giving you what you want, not what we assume you need.

Our internal measurements of service indicate we're providing good service. But our surveys with customers indicate that, in many cases, you don't always agree that your needs are being met. We must overcome this gap.

In short, only if you are satisfied will we be satisfied. Our financial health My second objective for Southwestern Bell Telephone is financial health — and that's more than financial viability. A tremendous tie exists between companies that are financially healthy and those that satisfy their customers.

In our business, financial health has two very important parts. The first is adequate revenues. Southwestern Bell Telephone generates additional revenues by selling new services. When we get additional revenues by raising telephone rates, it is because that is our last resort, if we are to provide first-class service to you.

The second part of our financial health situation is efficient management. We have a reputation for being a very efficiently managed corporation. The only way for us to continue to assure financial health is to look even more aggressively at expenses, and control those expenses.

Another priority is for all our company to continue to work as a team. All our employees in Texas are working the same team. We all have the common objective of providing customer satisfaction. We have so many competitors outside our business, it's imperative that within our business, we all work together. And we will.

Still another priority is understanding our various "stakeholders." Our customer body, which includes all of you, is made up of numerous publics — residence customers, small businesses, large businesses, consumer groups, senior citizen organizations, legislative advocacy groups, and so forth.

Without question, I believe Southwestern Bell Telephone and its employees have the spirit and commitment to be successful. We will if we fulfill our four priorities — satisfying customers, remaining financially healthy, working as a team and really understanding you, our stakeholders.

You know, when I look back on Southwestern Bell's proud history of service in Texas, I'm amazed at how far we've come. But with our new spirit, I'm even more excited about how far we still can go.

If any of you have questions or comments for Mr. Adams or for me, just let me know: Paul Johnson SW Bell Telephone 2309 Avenue H Bay City, TX 77414 Southwestern Bell Telephone