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## WEATHER

	High	Low	Rain
Feb. 10	73	25	—
Feb. 11	79	33	—
Feb. 12	76	34	—
Feb. 13	77	33	—
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# AVEK \$49 Million Water Bond Vote Set for Tuesday

The largest bond election ever held in Antelope Valley will be decided this Tuesday as thousands of voters ballot on the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency \$49 million bond issue.

Returns will be gathered at the AVEK headquarters at 554 W. Lancaster Blvd. and the public is invited to visit the offices to learn about the outcome of the election.

would be utilized to finance an extensive water treatment and distribution system.

stabilize the underground water table.

AVEK has a contract with the State of California for State Project Water. This water would be sold to individual retailing organizations throughout Antelope Valley.

A Citizens Committee for Water and Jobs has led the campaign for the bond election.

A two-thirds majority vote is considered necessary for passage of the bond issue. The \$49 million bond issue

Proponents of the bond issue contend that the supplemental water system is necessary to provide water for future growth and to

Opponents of the measure have waged a strong campaign, mainly through newspaper advertising, to support their contention that the Valley has sufficient water for many years to come and taxpayers do not need any additional taxes.

## Thieves Hit Quartz Hill Post Office

Thieves sometime between 5:30 p.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. the next morning broke into the Quartz Hill Post Office and carted away the safe containing \$1307.08 in currency and coins, AV Sheriff's Station authorities have reported.

The investigation is being conducted by US Postal officials.

The Quartz Hill postal branch is located at 42103 50th St. W. and Postmistress Louise Bertha Gordon said the fire safe was taken from under the counter in the office. Valued at \$300, it's three feet tall and 18 inches wide.

In addition to the money, the safe contained 185 blank postal money orders and assorted stamps plus miscellaneous business files and papers.

A preliminary investigation indicates the burglars entered the building by prying open the front door.

## Homeowners, Sierra Club To Seek PIA Injunction

An effort to seek an injunction to halt progress on the Palmdale Intercontinental Airport is being pursued in Washington, D. C.

On Tuesday, a complaint for declaratory judgment and injunction against the Palmdale Intercontinental Airport is to be filed in the United States District Court in the District of Columbia.

The complaint will be filed on behalf of the Palmdale Homeowners Association, and the Sierra Club of California.

Named as defendants in the complaint will be John A.

Volpe, secretary of the Department of Transportation, and John A. Shaffer, administrator, Federal Aviation Administration.

The Sierra Club and Homeowners groups will be represented by three Washington D. C. attorneys, members and associates of the Environmental Law Society.

In a brief, filed with the action, it is alleged that Secretary Volpe based his approval of the airport on a 7-page "statement of findings" submitted to him by Defendant Schaffer and that the statement failed to properly consider all environmental aspects.

It is reported that a press conference will be held in conjunction with the filing.

## B-1 Cutback: Little Affect on Work Force

Top North American Rockwell Corp. officials have said that Air Force cutbacks on development of the B-1 supersonic bomber are not serious and should have no serious effect on the planned 1200-man work force expected in the valley by late 1973.

The cutbacks, slashing the initial B-1 flight test program from five aircraft to three, came Thursday to reduce the cost of research and development on the B-1, designed to replace the Boeing B-52 in the late 1970's.

said the cutbacks made by the Air Force were made with full agreement between the government and corporation executives.

The aerospace firm's president Robert Anderson told stockholders at their annual meeting at week's end that the cutbacks reduced the airframe is still right at \$1 billion dollar contract by \$35 million, but it lars.

The contract cutbacks centered in programs, the Air Force said were not necessary for initial flight tests which

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## news in brief

### Quartz Hill County District Backs Bonds

The Board of directors of the Quartz Hill County Water District went on record at its regular meeting Wednesday, Feb. 10, in favor of the bond election supporting the AVEK water project.

The AVEK project is considered essential by the board to provide an adequate and economical supply of water in the near future.

### Moore to Address Contract Cities Unit

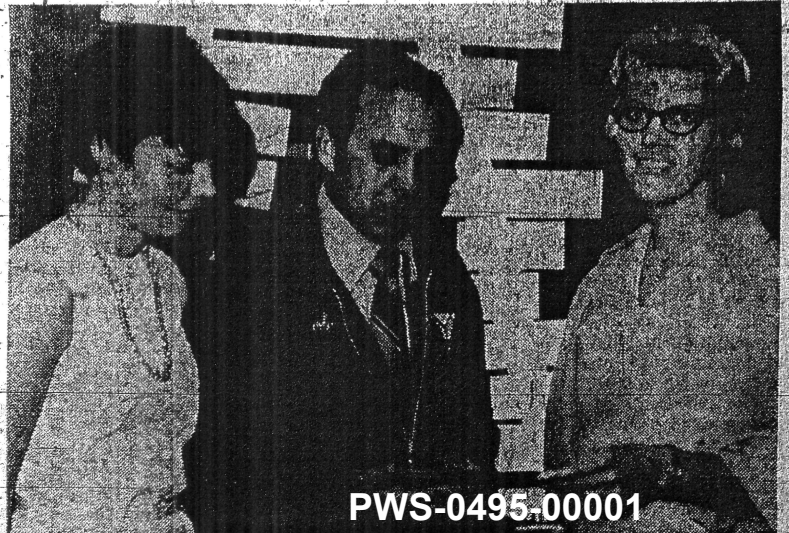
Clifton Moore, general manager of the Los Angeles Department of Airports, will be the guest speaker this Wednesday when the California Contract Cities Association holds its monthly meeting at the Antelope Valley Country Club. Hosting the meeting will be the City of Palmdale.

### Antelope Valley High School Trustees to Meet

Trustees of the Antelope Valley Union High School District are expected to discuss the recent proposal by Narcotics Education and Rehabilitation Center officials to combat drug abuse among students at their regular meeting Wednesday night. The session will be held at the district office, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

### Classroom Problems Before Westside Trustees

The Westside Union School District Board of



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Senator Barry Goldwater. From left are: Neta Chamber first vice president, dinner chairman; Irwood, chamber man-

## Chamber holds dinner

Lancaster Chamber of Commerce president Sam Pention Friday night said that until Lancaster is incorporated, it be up to local civic leaders... and the chamber meet the needs of the community.

Pention's statement came in mid-year chamber report presented during the group's 11-annual dinner meeting, highlighted by the scheduled appearance of Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater. The event took place at Fair Center Hall, Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, Lancaster.

Pention admitted that the number of commerce is not needed to function in place of local government.

"At this point we concede, but I believe we can form a city of Lancaster," he said, "we (the members) pledge to do our best to meet our community's needs."

After during the meeting, annual Woman of the Year and Unsung Hero awards were presented to local civic officials.

Also honored was Bob Hoover, North American Rockwell test pilot and current president of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots. The society is responsible for arranging the scheduled appearance of Col. Edwin Aldrin, a member of the first moon landing mission, at the chamber's installation dinner slated June 18.

A special presentation was given to retiring chamber director Bob Moss, who is leaving the valley for a new assignment with Hughes Aircraft in Montana.

He is scheduled to be master of ceremonies for the session.