

# THE ARIZONA WALK

## Jerry Pollock

### Governor For A Better Arizona



Jerry Pollock - Governor For A Better Arizona

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## Jerry Pollock Walking Candidate Runs For Governor

Jerry Pollock, Candidate for Governor is walking Arizona. Leaving the state capitol at Phoenix on December 20, Jerry has walked over 650 miles between Phoenix, the Mexican Border at Douglas, and Tucson. Before returning to Maricopa County, Pollock will walk over 1000 miles through more than seventy towns and nearly all of Arizona's fourteen counties. "It's a long walk", said Jerry. "much of it is over those long lonely stretches of mountain, desert or highway familiar to any Arizonan. But when I get into a town- and am able to meet the people- to hear their problems- to see first hand how a better Government would help them- to stay with them in their homes night after night- then I am convinced that there is really no better way for a person to prepare for public office."

There are surprises on the walk. On the first day he hiked down McDowell Boulevard wondering how he would find time to buy a "decent pair of shoes", Jerry walked into a Kinney shoe store to browse. Soon the proprietor had donated a pair of shoes. On Christmas Eve in Guadalupe, as he walked door to door introducing himself, Jerry wandered into the middle of one family's huge tamale dinner. The hostess wouldn't let him leave until he promised to return next year.

Jerry Pollock's walk has taken him through Scottsdale, Guadalupe to Chandler and Casa Grande, to Superior, Globe, Pima, Thatcher, Douglas, Sierra Vista, Tucson and dozens of towns in between.

On a typical day Jerry begins walking at 8:00 in the morning and walks until about 5 or 6 in the afternoon. He usually travels about 20 miles. Each evening he walks into a new town where he eats with the townspeople or a family, meets

with various groups in the town and then sleeps in the home of a family that night. When he walks into a town Jerry is greeted by a delegation of citizens, usually the mayor, city council & town leaders who walk the final mile with Jerry into their own town.

On the walk, Jerry has seen and heard first hand the problems which most politicians only read and talk about.

Eloy "we have 8,000 people living in Eloy and only one doctor"

Riverside "we need a road in our town. When it rains we can't even go to work."

Florece Prison Guards "we don't understand why the Governor cannot see that a 105% turnover in personnel in this prison in 9 months means that there is something terribly wrong."

Hayden Winkelman "some days the air is so filthy in our town that I don't even want to send my children to school."

San Carlos "we can't get medical care And our State is the only state in the country with out Medicare."

Jerry has walked through some of Arizona's roughest territory the desert, steep, mountainous roads- in temperatures ranging as low as 20 degrees. For most of the first six hundred miles Jerry was accompanied by his twelve year old son Mike.



Pollock meeting people in Tempe

Talking about his walk at the end of the first six hundred miles in Tucson recently, Pollock mused, "When I was working my way through law school at the University of Arizona, I worked on the railroad- traveling with the trains all over Arizona. I never realized then that I would be walking the state someday as candidate for Governor. But even then I knew that I loved the beauty of Arizona- and that I would never be able to leave it."

## 2nd TIME IN U.S. HISTORY

# Jerry Pollock Challenges Governor Williams in Historic Election

In a statewide address, carried on television throughout Arizona, Jerry Pollock, 40 year old Phoenix attorney and 25 year resident of Arizona, announced his candidacy for governor against three term



incumbent Jack Williams. Pollock's announcement marked only the second time in United State history a governor will be forced to stand for reelection without completing his full elected term of office. The upcoming special election and Pollock's candidacy are backed by more than 165,000 signatures of Arizona voters.

"Arizona needs a leader", proclaimed Pollock. "Those Arizonans who work, those who are poor, those who care about Arizona's deteriorating environment- those who fear that our schools are becoming centers for political indoctrination rather than places for children to learn and grow, those who are sick and do not have the benefit of a medicare program- those who must seek medical care from hospitals whose costs are among the highest in the United States, those who earn wages which on the average are in the bottom 10% of the country- those of us who are the majority in Arizona need a voice in running our government- now, before it is too late".

Jerry Pollock is a Phoenix attorney who has been working for twenty years to make Arizona a better place to live. A graduate of Phoenix college, Arizona State University and University of Arizona Law School, Pollock has been a member of the Arizona State Correctional Association, chairman of the Arizona Young Democrats a board member of Citizens for Mass Transit. Over the past twenty years, Jerry has been the kind of lawyer that citizens concerned about their community and better programs could come to for advice and assistance. Jerry Pollock is known throughout Arizona as a peoples lawyer- a citizen leader.

Since announcing his candidacy Pollock has been walking Arizona. So far he has walked over 650 miles between Phoenix- the Douglas Border of Mexico and Tucson. Later his walk will take him to Flagstaff and the North.

Everywhere Pollock has talked about the issues- and Arizonans are responding. "Arizona has no minimum wage law"

Benson "Phoenix is the only mayor city in the United States without a mass transit system"

Maricopa County - "The smog level in Phoenix is often worse than Los Angeles and the governors best response is to blame backyard barbecues." Phoenix

"Wages in Arizona are among the bottom 10% in the United States" Tucson- "Arizona is losing jobs to Mexico so that large corporations can exploit cheap labor at the expense of Arizonas workingmen and women. Douglas- "The Governor signed a farm labor bill which the voters of California thought was so bad they rejected it by 1.4 million votes."

Eloy- Arizonans are listening to Jerry. In Globe Pollock was greeted by over 150 people as he walked into town. Three weeks later over 1,000 people walked and talked with Jerry on his first days walk into Tucson.

The nations eyes are keyed on Arizona- watching closely this historic election to see whether Jerry Pollock will be the second man in U.S. history to become Governor through a special election.

## Over 170,000 Signatures How Were They Gotten?

The special election for governor is being held because over 170,000 Arizonans sign a petition demanding it. The first petition for a special election began to be circulated last June by Arizona farm workers angered by Governor Williams signing of an unfair farm labor bill. Arizona Unions, such as the laborers and steel-workers also began circulating the petition. Later they were joined by environmentalists, teachers, and housewives. The 170,000 signatures were gathered over eight long months. One national television newsman called this "Perhaps the most awesome example in this century of what the voters can do when a politician betrays their trust in him".



# Arizona Needs A Leader Now

- No minimum wage law. All workers in Arizona earn wages which rank at bottom 10% in the United States.
- No medicare Program. Only State in the U.S. which doesn't have Medicare loose over 20 millions dollars per year benefits to citizens.
- Hospital costs in Arizona are higher than any other state except five.
- No vehicle anti pollution standards even though we have more cars per capita and as much air pollution as smog plagued Los Angeles, which has vehicle anti-pollution standards.
- Only state in U.S. without a comprehensive medical care program.
- Phoenix only major city in U.S. without a mass transit system.
- One of largest mine caused pollution problems in U.S.
- No comprehensive land use plan to orderly plan growth and development.
- Extreme doctor shortage in rural counties.
- Industry and jobs moving out of state to Mexico at a record pace. Working people suffer.
- Control over student curriculum is being shipped from parents and teachers and centered in a statewide bureaucracy.
- A state Prison at Florence where staff so demoralized that in one 9 month period there was a 105% turnover in personell.
- Grossly unfair property taxes are being force on tax payers by the state tax bureaucracy and its computerized approach to property assessment.
- One of the few states in U.S. which still retains right to work law.
- One of only five states in U.S. with unfair archaic farm labor legislation.

## What Kind of Leader is Gov. Williams?

- Minimum wage-- no action
- Pollution- the primary cause of pollution is backyard barbecues
- Mass transit- No action
- Flight of jobs to Mexico- he supports the twin cities concept
- Planning for Arizonas future- "we can fit the entire population of the U.S. inside Arizona"
- "The corridor between Tucson and Phoenix can accomodate 10 million people" Gov. Williams
- Education- Williams supports the basic concepts curriculum which has stripped control over curriculum from local school districts
- Farm labor- the Governor wouldn't even talk to farm workers before signing a bill which California's voters had rejected as absurd by 1.4 million votes.
- Citizen participation in Government- the Governors appointments to state boards and commissions do not include representatives of the majority of Arizona's working men and women
- The Poor- Governor Williams is an enemy of the poor. He does not care about their needs. He has not lifted a finger to help them in all his six years as Governor.
- Champion of John Birch Society- Only governor ever to proclaim John Birch Day for two consecutive years.

## Twenty Years A Citizen Leader!

Jerry Pollock came to Arizona 25 years ago, with his parents. After attending high school in Phoenix he attended Phoenix College where he was elected Student Body President and Arizona State University, where he received his bachelors degree. Jerry went on to study law at the University of Arizona in Tucson, where he obtained his law degree. After Law School he joined the Army and practiced as an attorney in the Judge Advocate General Corps. Fresh out of the Army he returned to Phoenix. He has practiced law for the past fifteen years in Phoenix.

Jerry walked his way through college and

law school as a switchman on the railroad and a truck driver at the Goldwater Store. Of these days Jerry remembers, "Occasionally during his first campaign for the Senate in 1952, Barry would lose track of his campaign driver. I'd end up hustling him to his next stop in a Goldwater truck."

Jerry lives in Phoenix with his two children, Mike, who is 12, and Maura, 14.

Over the past twenty years Jerry Pollock has become known as one of Arizona's foremost citizen leaders. As a lawyer, he has fought for the poor and middle-

class taxpayers against Arizonas ever ponderous bureaucracy. On behalf of the citizens, he has challenged the welfare bureaucracy, pollution and state corrections systems. He has proposed mass transit and fought unfair property taxes

Jerry Pollock has been a President of the Arizona Young Democrats, President of the Arizona Correctional Association and a Board member of the Democratic State Central Committee.

For over twenty years, Jerry Pollock has been one of Arizonas top citizen leaders.



**Jerry Pollock  
Walking 1000 Miles  
to Meet  
The People of Arizona**

# The Arizona Walk

**Bisbee**  
Cochise County Democratic Chairman Mike Foudy and Vice Chairman Cert. Atonna formed a citizens for Pollock Committee in Cochise County.

**Phoenix, Arizona**  
Over 300 Pollock supporters launched a massive registration drive to register Democrats throughout the state. Herb Ely, former Democratic state Chairman, is spearheading the effort.



The desert, Arizona Jerry walks with son Mike through snow covered desert. Mike walked with his father for the first six hundred miles before returning to school in Phoenix.

**Tucson, Arizona**  
Over 450 citizens walked into Tucson with Jerry. Jerry addressed a crowd of 450 at University of Arizona- and a crowd of more than 200 at St. Marks Church that night.



**Guadalupe, Arizona**- Jerry meets a gas station owner in Guadalupe. On Christmas Eve in Guadalupe Jerry went door to door introducing himself to residents.

**Yuma, Arizona**  
A Citizens Committee for Pollock was formed by Nellie Hammond, former President of the Arizona Democratic Womens Federation and Doris Rider, Vice Chairman of Yuma County Central Committee.



**Globe, Arizona**- Jerry walks into Globe with Laborers union leader Bill Soltero. More than 150 people, including the Mayor walked into Globe with Jerry.

**Douglas, Arizona**  
Jerry met with Douglas Mayor Huber at the Mexican Border to discuss the problems of local Governments. After their meeting Jerry called the Douglas Mayor "one of the most knowledgeable men on local Government in Arizona."



**Riverside, Arizona**- Jerry hears that Riverside needs a road. When it rains residents can't drive to work.



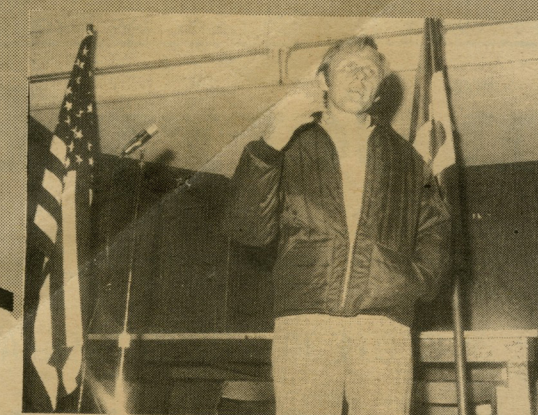
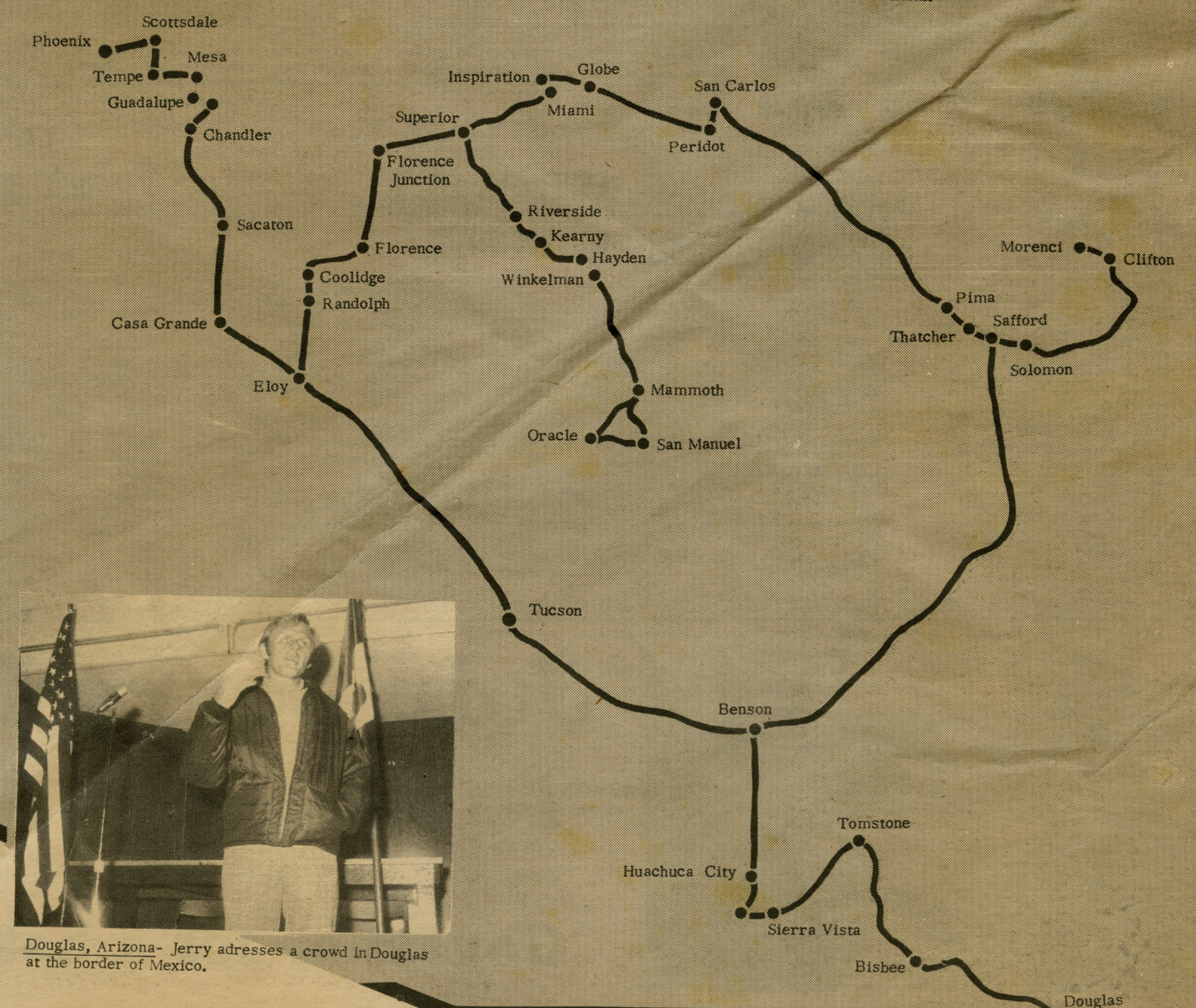
**Mammoth, Arizona**- Jerry addresses a group in Mammoth. Leader Eddie Jackson sits beside him.

**Tombstone, Arizona**  
Jerry met with Tombstone citizens in the famous Vigilante Hall

**Battle Ax, Arizona**  
Thirty people waited for three hours on the side of a hill to meet Jerry as he walked through Battle Ax on his way to Riverside.



**Bisbee, Arizona**- Jerry meets with townspeople in Bisbee



**Douglas, Arizona**- Jerry addresses a crowd in Douglas at the border of Mexico.

# An Historic Election For A Better Arizona



# Support For Jerry Pollock Grows

## Candidate charges bias by newspaper

### Pollock Proposal Excellent Idea

Editor: I was pleased to read your editorial in Thursday's Wildcat (Jan. 25th). Gerald Pollock has indeed "been the victim of an almost state-wide press blackout." Fortunately, a few television stations have given him some coverage. For example, last week I was fortunate to see an interview with Pollock.

Gerald Pollock's proposal to form a commission composed of mine managers, mine workers and environmentalists is an excellent idea. Ultimately there is no inevitable and irreconcilable conflict between environmentalists and labor. In a rational economic system, we can have jobs and pure air. Let's hope that Gerald Pollock is not too far ahead of the times to gain an audience. At the very least, his forward-looking ideas deserve more than "an almost state-wide press blackout."

GUADALUPE — Phoenix lawyer Gerald Pollock, who announced plans last week to oppose Gov. Williams in a special recall election, charged yesterday that The Arizona Republic is biased in its coverage of his campaign.

Pollock, now on a walking tour of the state, called a news conference here to denounce the column "One Man's Opinion," by Republic political editor Bernie Wynn, which appeared in Sunday's edition.

Wynn wrote that Frank Braggiotti, owner of Tempo Homes and identified with the movement to repeal marijuana laws, had contributed heavily to Pollock's last unsuccessful congressional race. He added: "When Braggiotti ruled himself out as the farm-workers recall candidate, he apparently turned to Pollock, his fellow-champion of pot smokers, as the nominee."

Pollock called that a "half-faced lie," saying he has not discussed his recall candidacy with Braggiotti.

## Candidate Walking Through

## Pollock To Walk Into City

## Pollock campaigns the marathon way

By WILLIAM OVEREND

## Pollock will tour Tri-community

TEMPE — It's just after 6:30 a.m., the morning after Christmas, and as the steel workers drift in to start their shifts at the foundry, this little guy with a shaggy haircut is introducing himself, asking them to help him toss Gov. Williams out of office.

The sun isn't up yet, and it's about 50 degrees. Phoenix lawyer Jerry Pollock is wearing a light cardigan, an old pair of slacks and some hiking boots that he got free last week when he went into a shoe store after starting his walking tour of Arizona.

A Phoenix attorney, who has said he will oppose Jack Williams if recall petitions filed against that Republican governor force a special election, plans to pass through Casa Grande Thursday afternoon.

Gerald Pollock, 40, announced the Casa Grande stop as part of his publicized walk from Phoenix to the Mexican border to "learn first hand the problems and challenges facing Arizona."

Pollock is scheduled to arrive about 5 p.m. Thursday.

A twice unsuccessful campaign against Republican sman John J. Rhodes, has pledged an issue gubernatorial campaign to the end, health, taxes and

ELOY — Gerald Pollock, candidate for Governor in the upcoming special election, will be arriving in Eloy on Friday evening, December 29, at approximately 5:00 p.m. The forty-year-old Maricopa County attorney will be coming through Eloy on his walk from Phoenix to the Mexican border. Pollock has described his walk as a "way to learn first hand the problems and challenges facing Arizona."

Pollock's campaign will be "issue oriented," he says, and the environment health taxes

## Pollock to speak here Saturday

Gerald (Jerry) Pollock, recall candidate for governor, will speak at a rally at 7:30 pm Saturday in the Steelworkers' Union hall at the County Administration Building.

Pollock, who is scheduled to oppose Gov. Jack Williams

walking the state as he campaigns.

His campaign workers say he has walked approximately 250 miles as of Tuesday morning and has averaged about three miles an hour.

Pollock will be in Riverside Sunday and then walk to

other Arizona communities.

The public is invited to the Saturday rally here to meet Pollock and ask questions of him.

A committee composed of members of the Steelworkers' Union, Modest...

## Jerry Pollock walks through state to learn problems

By Sue Quinette

Who is Jerry Pollock? He is a serious young man in his early 40's who is a father, attorney, and an outspoken critic of Governor Jack Williams' policies.

Pollock is dedicated to reform politics and social justice and he is the man that 31 organizations are going to run against Williams in a special recall election, which Pollock hopes will take place in April of this year.

Jerry Pollock was in Sierra Vista Tuesday as part of his eight county walk through Arizona. "listening to the problems, concerns and hopes of Arizonans for a better Arizona."

This walk has taken him through almost every major city and the country side. He undertook this venture to "get input. So that I can state unqualifiably that I know the problems of Arizona."

What qualified Jerry Pollock to seek the highest office in Arizona? He is an attorney who has practiced in the Phoenix area for 12 years. Pollock ran for Congress twice and was defeated both times. He has been a board member of the Urban League, is a past president of the Arizona Prison Improvement Association, has been in party politics for some 20 years, and is a board member of the Arizona correctional Association.

Pollock explains his position this way, "Had I been governor the past six years, you

could be certain that the working people would be treated fairly by an Industrial Commission appointed by a friend of labor, and would not be ripped off as we are now, as has been eloquently explained to me by Laborers' President Bill Soltero.

(I would be certain that) a bill designed to destroy one Union, a bill designed to insure that workers who work for \$1.20 per hour will never have the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and be able to live in dignity, that the bill would have been vetoed.

(I would be certain that) I would be concerned about and take some action to correct a situation which allows two Motorola and one Levi-Strauss plant to leave our state and to exploit Mexican workers across the border and pay them \$2.50 per day. (I would) take action to eliminate the use of illegally employed aliens, who lower the wage standards of our state's citizens and deny employment to many of our residents.

As Governor I would ask Union representatives, mine owners, and environmentalists to sit down and work out a plan which will prevent the pouring of filth into our air without costing one job to any Arizona resident.

Who are the 31 organizations that back Pollock? They include the U. of A. Faculty for Recall, ASU Faculty for Recall, Clergy for Recall, United Steel Workers of America, the Democratic Party and three environmental groups.

What are Jerry Pollock's views? He refers to himself as involved in reform politics and social justice. He is appalled by the "growing state bureaucracy which resists citizen input."

He is very concerned because Arizona is the only state without Medicaid and without a minimum wage law. He is deeply interested in the pollution problems of Arizona. Pollution laws are very good, according to Pollock, but the area of enforcement is where the problems lie.

Pollock criticized Governor Jack Williams for failing to provide leadership on the Medicaid and pollution issues. It was mentioned that Williams was anti-education. Pollock quietly replied, "Yah, I would say that's the understatement of the year."

When asked about the Central Arizona Project, Pollock answered, "I accept it as a reality." In referring to article 2134 which Governor Williams signed into law this past year concerning the farmworkers he commented that by it Williams continued, "to tell farmworkers that they'll continue to work for coolie wages for the rest of their lives."

He is sceptical of the "alleged" power shortages, opposed to the twin cities concept for business, and believes that our prison system needs much renovation which should be in the form of rehabilitating the inmates.

Jerry Pollock is working for an Arizona of the many and not just an Arizona of the few.

## Pedestrian Pollock is coming

Jerry Pollock

## Pollock accuses Williams of 'negligence and indifference'

The walking aspirant for the governorship of Arizona who hopes to dethrone the incumbent Jack Williams in a special recall election spoke to some 40 persons at a rally here Saturday night.

Gerald (Jerry) Pollock, on a swing tour of small Arizona communities, said "there is nothing un-American about a recall election. It's quite a proper thing to do, especially when there are good reasons for it."

These reasons he cited as

The speaker also scored the lack of sufficient doctors in the state and the lack of a comprehensive medical plan to help the poor who need some adequate health insurance but can't afford it.

As an example, he pointed out that Arizona doesn't have Medicaid like many other states do.

On the lack of sufficient doctors, he said that Eloy, with a population of around 8000, has only one doctor.

Pollock, who is a lawyer by profession and resides in

Gov. Williams, he accused, has no time to listen to the voices of those living in areas outside Maricopa county.

And the Phoenix papers, he added, are trying "to make us look bad and Gov. Williams look good."

Pollock left Superior Sunday morning on his leg journey to Kearny where he was to speak Monday.

He was introduced by Fred Denogean, president of the local Machinists' Union, who referred to him as "hopefully, our next governor."

The speaker's visit was

## Pollock says he's battling executive bureaucracy

COPPER BASIN NEWS

...The gubernatorial candidate who walked through the Copper Basin this week said, "by walking, you can appreciate that Riverside needs paved roads."

Pollock's main opposition to the governor is "the general feeling that you can not communicate with the departments and the bureaus of the executive branch."

"You just can't get through the bureaucracy. People in our lying areas seem to think the physical remoteness is the problem."

It's not the remoteness. It's the bureaucracy," says Pollock.

Pollock said Arizona has a health care crisis, attacking the welfare and health departments.

"We do not have Medicaid. We do not have a comprehensive medical program in Arizona," continued Pollock.

"We have a typical shortage of doctors, except in rich, plush urban areas."

"Eloy, for example, has only one doctor for a community of 8000," cited Pollock.

"People are being turned away from private hospitals because they can not show

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