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Ron Slover: 'RRC letter an order to steal'

AMARILLO - Amarillo oil and gas broker Ron Slover has accused the Texas Railroad Commission of instructing oil well operators in the Texas Panhandle to, in effect, steal valuable liquid hydrocarbons from mineral and royalty owners.

Slover, a volunteer spokesman for royalty owners, charged that the action by the commission came as a result of its continued effort to shut down oil operators in the field while, at the same time, allowing many major oil and gas companies to continue alleged illegal operations.

The major companies produce several hundred million dollars in valuable liquid hydrocarbons each year from the Texas Panhandle, Slover claimed.

Most of that is produced without compensation to royalty owners and is without any benefit to local taxing entities such as counties and school districts, he said.

Slover, who held a news conference in Amarillo Wednesday afternoon, said the RRC has mailed letters to all operators in the Panhandle Field concerning the so-called "white oil" controversy.

White oil is the product of low temperature extraction units (LTX units) used to extract liquids from casinghead and other gases.

Slover claimed the commission's letter tells operators not to report those liquids extracted by the units as being lease production, thereby allowing such liquids to escape taxation and royalty payments.

He said that places the oil well operator in the position of being viewed "as a thief," accused of failing to report lease production as required by law.

He said such action thereby permits the taking of minerals without the payment of royalty and severance taxes and the hiding of liquid reserves from local taxing entities by virtue of non-reporting.

That same letter also forces the oil well operator to have his small unit classified as a "gas processing plant," Slover claimed.

For more than a year, Slover has been calling on the Railroad Commission to enforce its Statewide Rule 26.

The rule requires gas well operators who produce wells from a strata which contains both gas and liquid hydrocarbons (crude oil and similar substances) to place separators on those wells to separate, store and measure the liquid hydrocarbons before leaving the lease from which they are produced.

"The liquids extracted from such units shall be stored, measured, and run separately from the lease production produced as wellhead liquid and shall not be reported as production on Form P-1," Slover quoted a portion of a Sept. 24 letter signed by Jim Morrow, director of the commission's Oil and Gas Division.

Slover explained that Form P-1 is the form used to report all lease production and is the same which operators use to base royalty payments and taxes. He said the form is the only record that royalty owners have to prove there was production.

He claimed omission of the extracted liquids from the form causes a loss of royalty payments, since royalties would have been due and were not paid.

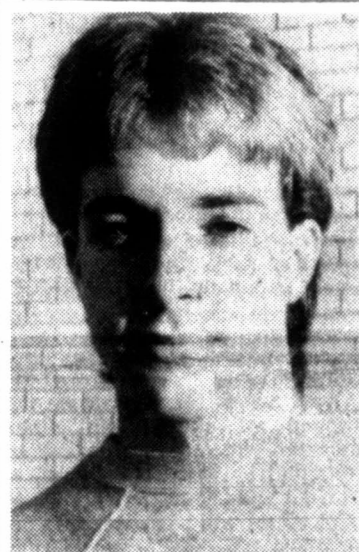
Slover claimed oil well operators want to pay all royalties and taxes due, "as they've always done," including those due from liquid hydrocarbons that are extracted by LTX units.

According to the letter forwarded to Panhandle oil operators, any such liquids are only to be reported on Form R-3, which makes no provision whatever to reflect that the valuable liquids were even produced from the respective lease in question, Slover claimed.

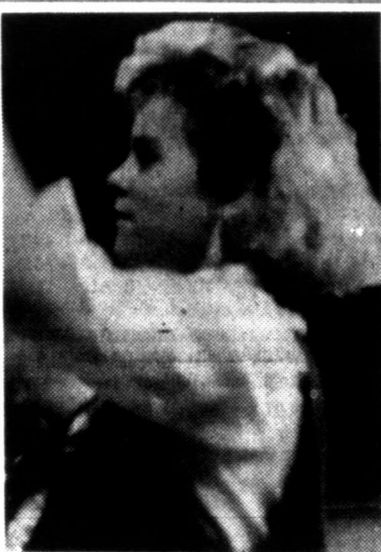
Slover provided a copy of Morrow's letter, which states, "In order to establish a uniform method of reporting the production of liquids extracted from casinghead gas by low temperature and/or high pressure lease separation facilities, a Monthly Report For Gas Processing Plants (Form R-3) will be required for each unit."

The letter further states, "The liquids reported on Form R-3 shall not be commingled with liquids reported on Form P-1 unless a commingling permit

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BARNETT: "The vocabulary wasn't hard at all."



HARRIS: "I knew I was going to do relatively well."

'It's a breeze!'

Area students find nothing difficult in TEAMS test

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

Juniors at area high schools seemed to have little trouble "breezing" through the TEAMS test — that 144-question math and English exam they must pass in order to graduate.

Each of the six students surveyed by The Pampa News Wednesday found the test easier than they expected. They were among thousands of high school juniors from throughout the state who spent Tuesday and Wednesday mornings taking the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills.

Those who fail the test will be given one more chance in May and two more chances next year

to pass the test. Those who fail cannot graduate.

"I breezed math," claimed White Deer junior Staci Thompson, who knew beforehand that she'd do well on the subject. "I worked harder on the English."

The only studying she said she did was to look at the pamphlet that was given to juniors before the test.

"I'm pretty sure I passed it," said Thompson, who thinks her classmates also did well.

"It was real easy," said Pampa High School junior Grant Gambelin. "I'm real confident that I passed it."

Declaring that he did "fine, great" on the answers, Gambelin said he found nearly all the math

questions easy.

"I didn't have any trouble with the English, either," he said.

He noted that he and his classmates were given three hours each morning to take the test.

"But I got it over early," he said.

"It wasn't as hard as everyone made it out to be," said Miami's Kristi Klaverweiden, who believes nearly all her classmates passed the test.

"I expected the math to be a killer, but it wasn't," she said, adding that there seemed to be a lot of averaging and percentage figuring.

Two math questions involved listing negative and positive numbers from the least to the

greatest, problems learned in junior high.

"It wasn't as easy as, like, the SRA test," she observed. "You couldn't rush it, that's for sure."

"I'm just glad that it's over," said Kambra Winningham of Pampa who pointed out that one of the words that the 11th graders had to capitalize was "America."

"Then there were some story problems in math. We were doing that since grade school," she declared.

"And the problems with less-to-greatest, that's easy, even with negative numbers."

"I think I did real good," she said. "I finished early and we all

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Soviet boss gives details of arms plan

By JEFFREY ULBRICH
Associated Press Writer

PARIS — Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev today disclosed details of his new nuclear arms reduction plan and proposed that the Soviets hold direct talks with France and Britain on reducing their independent nuclear arsenals.

Up to now, France and Britain, backed by the United States, have refused to include their forces in the Geneva arms control talks between the two superpowers.

Gorbachev said he was proposing a three-point plan to stop the arms race, with the first point calling for a "total prohibition" of space weapons by the two superpowers and a 50 percent reduction in their strategic nuclear missiles.

Speaking in Russian to French parliamentarians, Gorbachev said the second point called for direct talks between the Soviet Union and France and Britain.

As his third point, he said the Soviets unilaterally would reduce within the next two months the number of medium-range SS-20 missiles in Europe to the June 1984 level of 243.

The Soviet Union began deploying additional triple-warhead SS-20s at that time in response to the initial deployment of Tomahawk, cruise and Pershing 2 missiles by NATO.

Gorbachev said the additional missiles, whose numbers he did not specify, already have been withdrawn "from stand-by alert and the stationary installations for housing these missiles will be dismantled within the next two months."

Although Gorbachev did not say so specifically, this three-point program apparently contained the same proposals given to Reagan last week.

An official English translation of Gorbachev's speech was provided by the Soviets.

Earlier today, Gorbachev met for nearly an hour with Premier Laurent Fabius and was given a list of human rights cases in which Fabius was seeking Soviet action.

Gorbachev, 54, has made opposition to President Reagan's Star Wars program the major theme of his four-day visit to France, his first official visit to the West since becoming Soviet Communist Party chief in March.

Star Wars, formally called the Strategic Defense Initiative, is a program for researching a space-based missile-defense system. The Soviet Union has said it violates existing arms treaties and demanded the United States abandon it.

Gorbachev had warned the United States in a speech Wednesday of "rough times" in international relations if it persists in the Star Wars program.

DELAPIDATED BUILDINGS

City seeking voluntary compliance on removing old abandoned structures

By LARRY HOLLIS
Staff Writer

The city is wanting to see a number of delapidated buildings in the city torn down and razed.

But hampered by lack of funds and by personnel tied up on other projects, for now the city is aiming at voluntary compliance by owners to get abandoned buildings removed.

Residents driving around the city in the past several months may have noticed a few now-empty lots once occupied by unsightly, deteriorating buildings.

Elmer D. Young, city sanitation and coordinator for code enforcement, said the recent removal of the buildings have been a result of voluntary compliance, with the owners either signing letters permitting city crews to raze the buildings or arranging themselves for the tearing down of the deteriorated structures.

Young noted that most of the

razed buildings have resulted from complaints filed with the city.

Steve Vaughn, Environmental and Emergency Management Department director, said city personnel currently are not making a general survey of the city to look for deteriorated structures.

"We usually get enough complaints to keep us busy," he said, noting that city crews have been tied up with other projects in recent months. "They just don't have the time" now to make a systematic study of delapidated buildings, he explained.

Besides, the city "has enough of a backlog now just trying to keep up with the ones already being handled," Vaughn said.

Young said city street crews have removed several structures in the past few months, but the project is a low priority item presently. The crews instead were busy during the spring and summer months in patching holes

in streets, aiding the streets seal coating project, replacing driveway entrances and removing junked vehicles.

The removal of delapidated structures was "going pretty good when we had the manpower and equipment," before the crews became busy with the other projects, Young said.

Still, the city has been able to make progress on removing some of the unsightly and unsafe structures.

Young said action against the structures requires legal procedures. The city can't just rush in and tear down an abandoned structure.

When a complaint comes in to the city, certain legal steps must be followed, he said.

A building inspector, a fire marshal and a health department official are sent out to check the site and to determine if it meets the criteria for the structure to be

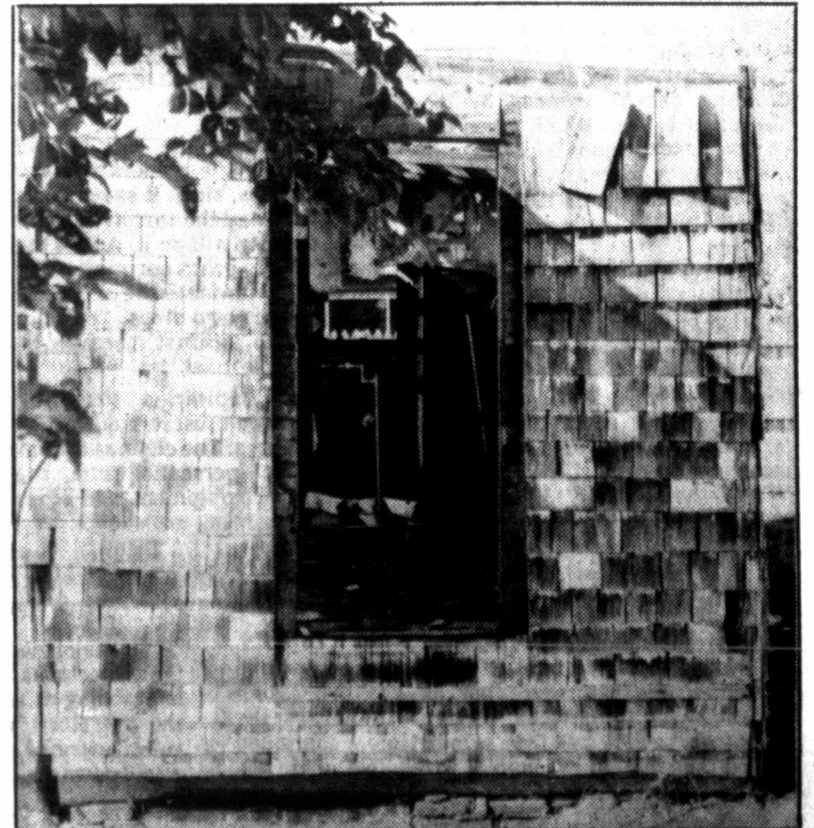
declared delapidated.

The inspectors check the roof, foundation, siding, windows, doors, electrical wiring, plumbing and other mechanical and structural aspects for defects. They also look at the general condition of the yard surrounding the structure.

The building inspector makes a determination on the general deterioration, seeing if 50 percent or more of the structure is in a delapidated condition. The fire marshal decides whether the building poses a fire danger or a hazard for people to live in or for children to play around the structure. The health inspector looks for health hazards, the presence of rats and other vermin and other conditions which could pose health problems.

If the inspectors agree the structure either is deteriorated or poses a public nuisance situation,

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One of city's abandoned buildings

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Prison heads considering private help for crises

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas and other Southern states say they may have to turn to private business for help in handling the money and personnel crises they all face with prison systems.

"I believe it is not a fad, it is here to stay," Terrell Blodgett, a governmental research expert at the University of Texas, told the closing session of the Southern Legislative Conference's Fiscal Affairs and Government Organization Committee.

Blodgett heads a staff studying Texas' possible use of private business in the state's overcrowded and costly prison system. They will report to the 1987 Legislature.

J. Floyd Glisson, director of a non-profit private corporation that is operating 46 industries of the Florida prison system, said one year's operation by the private sector produced a \$2.5 million profit for the state.

"We are saving our taxpayers' money, and we feel the program is

very effective," Glisson said.

Both speakers were on a SLC panel discussing problems of prison systems in the 15 Southern states.

Richard Delahoussaye, legislative fiscal analyst of Louisiana, said a survey of 12 Southern states showed their prison systems cost \$509 million to operate in 1975-76 and \$2.9 billion in 1985-86. The Southern states had an adult prison population of 93,315 in 1975 and 187,291 in 1985.

Texas has 37,500 of the inmates, Blodgett said.

The 1985 Legislature allocated almost \$1 billion for the prison system the next two years, including \$125 million to come from the sale of prison land near Houston. The Houston-area land did not sell at one recent land sale but will be offered again in November.

"If this land does not sell, Texas may well be in the first stages of

privatization," Blodgett said, "particularly in prison construction."

Blodgett said some states already are leasing prison buildings from private contractors with an option to buy later.

Texas officials and legislators also have received offers for private firms to operate certain prison facilities, particularly low-security units.

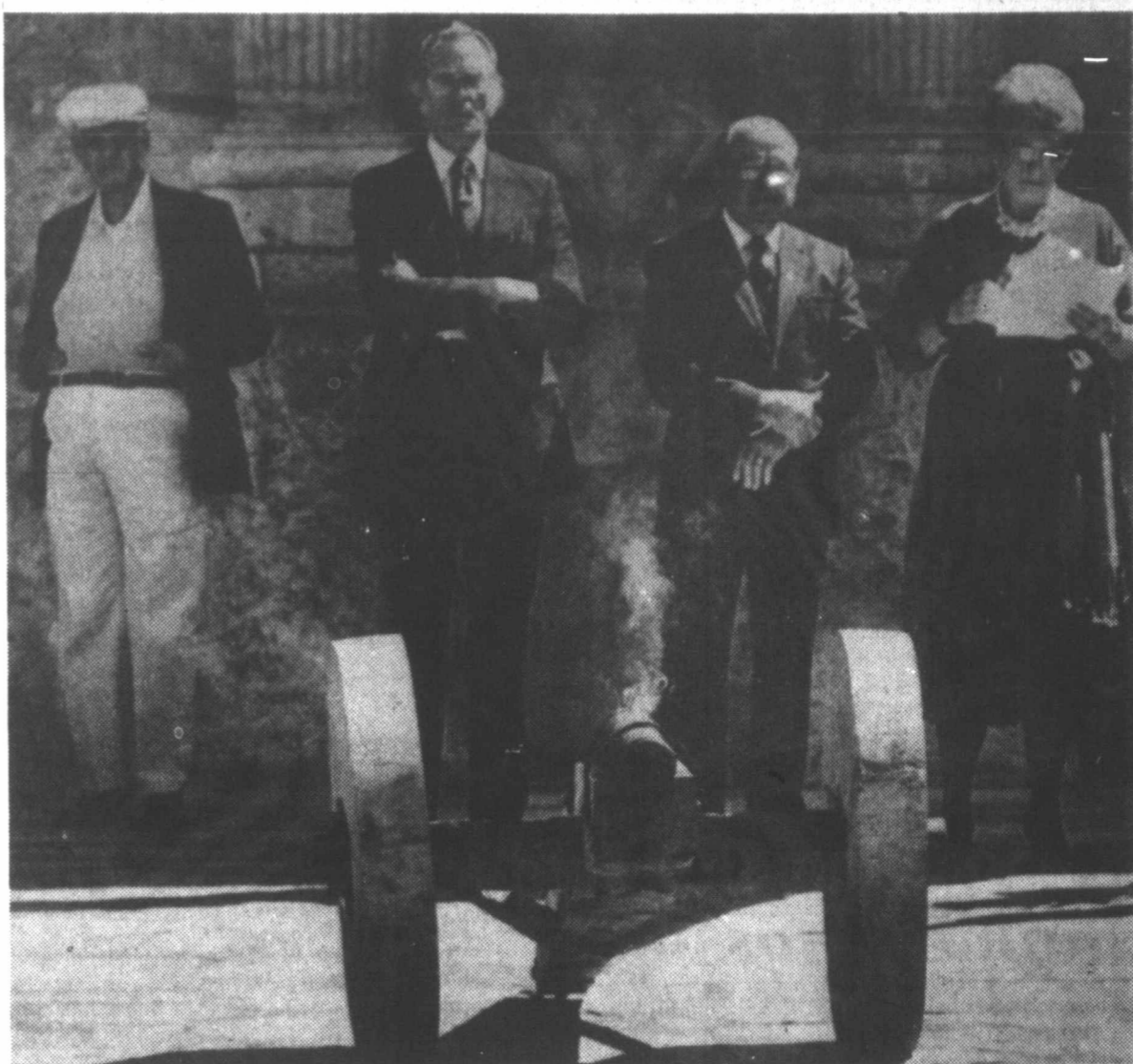
He said the Texas Department of Corrections is considering offers for private firms to provide certain services, such as food and health services.

"There are mixed signals received from some officials and legislators," Blodgett said. "I guess time will tell."

Blodgett said Texas also was considering private operation of prison industries.

Glisson said the 1981 Florida Legislature authorized creation of the Prison and Rehabilitation Industries and Diversified Enterprises (PRIDE). The non-profit corporation was created with private money and is operated by a board of prominent Florida businessmen.

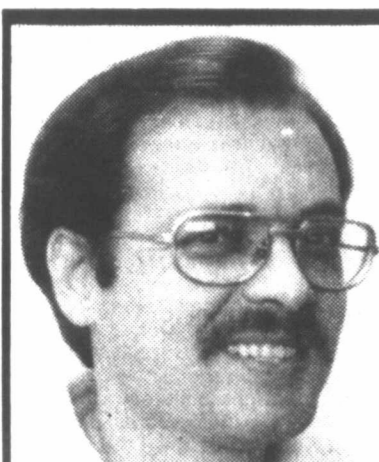
"We don't do any 'make work' programs," Glisson said. "We have a waiting list of inmates wanting to work for us. They get 50 cents to \$1 an hour for their own use. The department of corrections furnished security and hired civilians provide the management and teaching duties."



SESQUICENTENNIAL — The fuse smolders before the cannon is fired in front of the Alamo Wednesday during an observance of the beginning of Texas' fight for independence 150 years ago. A dispute over custody of a small, brass cannon at Gonzales led to the first bloodshed of the war for Texas independence. (AP Laserphoto)

Off beat

By
Larry Hollis



Try to paint a house purple

Traipsing through the open-air corridors at Coronado Center one day last week, I encountered a friend.

"Hey, how's it going?" I asked him.

"Great! I finally decided to buy that house I've been looking at."

"That thing?! Won't that take a lot of work?"

"Well, yeah, but that's the great thing about it. I can remodel it, add a couple of rooms in later years, just change it around. And it's certainly cheaper than buying a new house. Besides, I want my own house. I've always wanted my own piece of property and a house I can alter to suit my own tastes. You know, PRIVATE PROPERTY! No landlords or parents to answer to."

"Well, good luck," I said.

"What do you mean?"

"It won't be as easy as you think."

"I know it will take a lot of work, but..."

"Oh, I'm just not talking about the work. That may be the least of your problems."

"In what ways?"

"If I remember correctly, you have some extensive remodeling plans for that house. Right?"

"Sure," he said.

"Well, you may not be answering to your parents or any landlord, but you may have to worry about your neighbors, not to mention the city."

"Huh?"

"You say you plan to add on a couple of rooms. That will require city permits, with building, electrical and maybe plumbing inspections to make certain everything's up to the city codes. The house is on a small lot, so when you add on the rooms, you'll also have to make certain they don't violate frontage and property line requirements."

"Say what?"

"Just because you own the lot doesn't mean you can build anywhere on it you wish. Structures have to be set back a certain distance from the street. And you can't just build right up to your neighbor's property line; you have distance requirements you have to meet there, too."

He just stood there.

"And," I continued, "you have to worry about the city's right of ways, too. You may own the land, but the city has claims back a certain distance from the street. And utility easements in the alley. So you'd better check if you have any plans for building that might get into those areas."

"Is that all?"

"Of course not," I replied. "There's also the zoning restrictions, depending on where you live. And that's where the neighbors can really put a hold on you."

"In what way?"

"Say you want to open up an office in your house after you get your dental degree. That will probably require a Specific Use Permit; if your neighbors don't want it, they can fuss about it in the public hearings. Or say you want to operate some other business, a home occupation of some kind that might have a number of customers dropping in. Your neighbors might complain about that."

"Anything else?" he asked, no smile on his face.

"Sure. You can't have a horse or a cow or a crowing rooster, not to mention large dog kennels. You might get by with a cat and a couple of dogs. Unless the dogs bark a lot, in which case your neighbors can raise more complaints."

"I assume there's more..."

"Certainly," I said. "Forget about loud parties, unless your neighbors are deaf or get invited over. If you own three cars, don't think you have a right to park one in front of your house; that's not part of your private property, so anyone can park there — you just can't reserve it for your own use."

I paused to take a breath, then continued.

"And, of course, you have to keep your yard mowed and trimmed regularly. You just can't let the weeds grow, or you'll hear complaints there, too. And though you don't own the alley behind your house, you're the one responsible for keeping the weeds mowed and the trash picked up."

"You're not through, I can tell."

"Oh, no," I said. "There's more. You want to erect a 200-foot tower for your ham radio operations? Good luck. When summer comes and you want to keep up your overall tan without paying money for indoor tanning sessions, you can definitely forget about sunbathing nude in your unfenced backyard here, whether it's your own property or not!"

"And say you want to remodel your garage into a den and instead build a carport at the side of your house. Well, you might get by with it as long as you don't ask the city for a permit or as long as none of your neighbors have any objections. Paint your house purple with orange trim and place green neon lights in the window and see how long it lasts. And..."

"That's enough!" my friend said loudly. "Maybe I'll just rent an apartment."

"What? Why do that when you can have your own house? Hey, go for it. Be grateful this is a free country where you can have your own home, your little piece of private property. Just make sure you keep your property taxes paid up. And hope the city or state doesn't want to build a highway through your house."

Hollis is a staff writer for The Pampa News.

Post-FarmAid donations nearing \$8 million

DALLAS (AP) — Even though the benefit FarmAid concert fell short of its goal to raise \$10 million for needy farmers, concert promoters say the project is gaining momentum and is realizing its objective, a spokesman said.

"We didn't expect to raise \$10 million in one week," advertising executive Jim Nicholls said Wednesday. "So far we have had 350,000 calls. We should be hitting 400,000 soon. We're nearing \$8 million right now."

Nicholls attributes the momentum to "celebrity commercials featuring various

Hollywood stars asking viewers to call a toll-free number and pledge money for American farmers.

"What we're finding is whenever these go on the air the needle is going right up and people are calling with donations," he said.

The commercials, offspring of the Sept. 22 concert initiated by singer Willie Nelson to raise money for struggling farmers, have been aired as public service announcements over 260 television stations across the country, Nicholls said.

Stars appearing in the FarmAid commercials include Nelson, Jessica Lange, Sissy Spacek,

John Denver, Bill Cosby and several others, Nicholls said.

The 14-hour concert at the University of Illinois football stadium featured more than 50 top rock, country and blues stars and attracted 78,000 fans. All of the \$17.50 tickets were sold in three days.

The show was carried live on The Nashville Network for 12 hours and on three hours of primetime television by more than 150 individual stations across the country. It also was carried on radio and portions were aired on MTV.

A post office box in Champagne, Ill., has received up to 50,000 letters, many that include donations, he said.

"The response is so positive and overwhelming," Nicholls said. "I was working night and day before concert ... and now I'm still working night and day."

The FarmAid project isn't overshadowed by other relief projects, Nicholls said, because it is aimed at helping people in the United States.

"No offense to the other projects," he said, "but a lot of people are wondering where the money is being spent. FarmAid money is being spent here in America."

Plans for the donation include providing legal assistance, transitional services for farmers leaving agriculture and a nationwide hotline to provide information to farmers.

Nicholls said his firm expects to announce Friday additional plans for the donations.

Although the contributions are not enough to reverse farmer's situations, it is going to help the "needy, needy farmers," Nicholls said. And more importantly he said it has raised the consciousness of Americans.

"People in the cities were not even remotely aware of what's going on. Now people are aware that they can help."

Nicholls said all contributors receive a personal thank you letter from Willie Nelson, a bandanna with autographs from FarmAid performers and brochure about the American farmer's situation.

In six weeks, contributors also will receive a fact sheet detailing where the money has gone, Nicholls said.

MAD chairman suggests closing, merging colleges

AUSTIN (AP) — The chairman of the Mexican American Democrats of Texas says a special committee on higher education must pay special attention to Hispanic students "whose educational opportunities have been hampered and stymied by historical neglect and indifference."

Ruben Bonilla Jr., Corpus Christi, recommended Wednesday that certain colleges be closed and others merged as part of a "rigorous task" of finding enough money to educate all of Texas' citizens.

"To do otherwise — to neglect again our Hispanic population is to promote mediocrity and to lend credence to the perception that Hispanics are our 'forgotten Texans,'" Bonilla said.

His recommendations were made in a letter to Larry Temple of Austin, chairman of the new Select Committee on Higher Education.

Bonilla recommended combining or merging colleges "within the same city providing same or similar services, such as North Texas State University and Texas Woman's University" in Denton.

Other recommendations included:

- Possibly closing or merging small colleges "within a very near geographical range of one another such as the Collin County Campus and the Richland Campus of Dallas County Community College."

- Closing colleges "with extremely low enrollment," such as the Texas A&M University Maritime Campus in Galveston or the University of Texas at Permian Basin in Odessa.
- "On the other hand," Bonilla said, if UT-Permian Basin "were to recruit actively the large number of Hispanic students to be found in areas of West Texas, its enrollment would increase dramatically."
- A short-term moratorium on opening any new colleges in Texas.
- Creating regional university systems.
- Developing a strategy for attracting minority students to colleges and stopping the "brain drain" of top Hispanic students to out-of-state schools in the Ivy League or West Coast.
- Developing programs to halt the high dropout rate of minority students.
- Encouraging the appointment of more Hispanics to boards of regents and the College Coordinating Board.
- Channeling more funds for research and development to colleges in South Texas, where "few post-graduate educational options (are) available."
- Obtaining more private money for student grants and scholarships.

Bonilla said he would ask MAD's executive committee to support the recommendations when it meets in Corpus Christi on Oct. 12.



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Today's Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- 1 Part of cow
- 9 Stalk
- 13 Held
- 14 River in Flanders
- 15 Noun suffix
- 16 Ship's body
- 17 Bandleader Ar-naz
- 18 College degree (abbr.)
- 19 Inhabitant of (abbr.)
- 20 Plaster of Paris
- 21 Egyptian deity
- 22 That boy
- 23 Bridegroom's attendant
- 26 Gathering of people
- 31 Woodland deity
- 32 Feather scarf
- 33 Frost
- 34 Roman poet
- 35 Advanced in years
- 36 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
- 37 Go on a cruise (2 wds.)
- 39 Starving
- 40 He (Fr.)
- 41 Participle ending
- 42 German submarine (comp. wd.)
- 46 Cow genus
- 47 Egg (comb. form)
- 50 Old English coin
- 51 Make sharp
- 52 Allow
- 53 Bristle
- 54 Estrange
- 58 Tennis player Arthur
- 57 Represent (2 wds.)

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- 2 Oozed
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- 5 Soror
- 6 Slams
- 7 River in the Congo
- 8 1550, Roman
- 9 Jekyll's opposite
- 10 Employs
- 11 Loch in Scotland
- 12 Three musicians
- 20 Exclamation of surprise
- 21 Decompression sickness
- 22 Chief
- 23 Flying saucers (abbr.)
- 24 Rescue
- 25 Eight (Fr.)
- 26 Gangster's girlfriend
- 27 Leather strap
- 28 Social club (abbr.)
- 29 None (Scott.)

- 30 Alumnus (abbr.)
- 32 Bubble up
- 38 Isle in a river
- 39 Invisible
- 41 Greek region
- 42 Celestial bear
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STEVE CANYON

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THE STAIRS

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I MET A GUY LAST NIGHT WHO IS SOLIDLY BEHIND THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT...

A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR FREEDOM...

WELL, HIS HANDS WERE ANYWAY

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I ALMOST FORGOT... TODAY IS JUNIOR'S BIRTHDAY AND I PROMISED HIM THE DISNEY CHANNEL!

THE THINGS I GO THROUGH FOR MY *#*! FAMILY!

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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

Oct. 4, 1985

Conditions in general look promising in the year ahead. One big factor in your favor is that you are not likely to repeat old mistakes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A little learning could be dangerous today. It's best not to pretend you're knowledgeable about something when in truth your know-how is sketchy. Major changes are ahead for Libras in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A financial decision shouldn't be made under pressure or duress today. Put the matter on hold so you have more time to study it from every angle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In bargaining situations today, you may look to the other guy to make concessions you should be offering. Unless everything is fair, it won't work out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be safety-minded today if you're working on a do-it-yourself project with unfamiliar tools. Before inserting the plug, make sure you understand the instructions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll conduct yourself rather well in social situations today. However, a crisis could arise if someone you dislike unexpectedly comes to the party.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) There's a possibility of discord in your household today. Handle what occurs tactfully or you may make waves instead of stilling the waters.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can easily find fault with others today, but it's best you keep silent. If you criticize, your failings will be exposed as well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Continue to manage your resources as prudently as possible. Money could still slip through your fingers today like water through a sieve.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today's events could be rather disconcerting if you don't treat what occurs philosophically. Be tolerant when your good intentions are misunderstood.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take no actions out of anger, emotion or jealousy today. If you display poor behavior, it will evoke reactions from others that could be even more unpleasant.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not be as tolerant of friends today as you normally are, especially with those who are stingy or self-seeking. Don't include them in your plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Issuing orders may be your desire today, but it's not your forte. If you show poor qualities as a leader it will lessen your standing in the eyes of others.



CLEAN BUNCH — They are the cleanest bunch in New York, or so they think. These men got together on Wednesday to take part in the Procter & Gamble Mr. Clean look-alike search. The winner was David Scott Crawford from Stow, Ohio, center with trophy. Crawford won the contest which had over 500 persons entered from around the country. (AP Laserphoto)

President, still pitching tax reform, off to Cincinnati

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan is going into the home stretch of his nationwide campaign for his tax overhaul plan, with House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill predicting the president will have to yield sooner or later in his opposition to a tax hike.

As Reagan prepared to fly today to Cincinnati to speak to business executives and soap factory workers about his proposed new federal tax law, spokesman Larry Speakes said such trips will continue for the next two weeks "if not longer" before winding up.

In Cincinnati, the president planned to have lunch and speak to employees at the Procter & Gamble Co. soap manufacturing plant in the Ivorydale neighborhood and then address a chamber of commerce luncheon at a downtown hotel.

Tom Pernice, a White House aide making advance arrangements for the 3 1/2-hour visit, said the president would go through the cafeteria line at the factory, probably having soup and a

sandwich for lunch.

Reagan has spoken in 18 cities and towns since Memorial Day, seeking to put pressure on Congress to complete action on a tax revision bill so he can sign it before Christmas.

Despite the president's efforts, Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri, chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, said after a meeting of the caucus on Wednesday, "my sense is that this

is a very troubled subject in Congress."

Gephardt said he has yet to find a member of the House who has received a phone call or letter from a constituent responding to Reagan's public appeal for tax reform.

O'Neill told reporters that, "somewhere along the line, the president is going to have to change his position" in opposition to a tax increase.

Section of bridge collapses

DENVER (AP) — A section of a bridge under construction over Interstate 25 in Denver collapsed today, injuring several construction workers and forcing the closing of the major traffic artery, police said.

Sgt. George Ray said seven or eight of the construction workers were believed to have suffered minor injuries when one of the pre-stressed concrete and steel

sections for the new bridge fell onto I-25 about 2:10 a.m.

One end of the fallen section was sinking into the pavement, Ray said.

All traffic in that area of I-25 was halted in both directions and authorities said it appeared it would stay closed through the morning rush hour, when thousands of vehicles normally are in transit.

White House criticizes own leaks

By MICHAEL PUTZEL
AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House efforts to control the information that flows from President Reagan and his staff backfired this week when officials tried to leak information with one hand and shut off the spigot with another.

On Monday, presidential spokesman Larry Speakes referred reporters to news reports of the terms of the latest Soviet arms control offer, saying he "wouldn't steer you off" accounts attributed to unidentified U.S. officials who described the Soviet plan as calling for a 50-percent reduction in nuclear weapons arsenals.

In Speakes parlance, that served as essential confirmation of the leaked reports, although he

cautioned that the 50-percent figure should be examined closely to determine whether it called for an across-the-board cut or "50 percent of something."

He refused to be more specific,

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leaving reporters to examine the leaked reports in hopes of gleaming some truth from them about the Soviet offer.

The next day, the spokesman was even more circumspect.

"The president is very serious about these negotiations, and if we're to make progress in them, the right way to proceed is for both sides to discuss the Soviet ideas — and our own — in the privacy of the negotiating forum in Geneva," Speakes said, referring to the ongoing U.S.-Soviet arms control talks in Switzerland.

But when asked if he himself hadn't referred reporters to leaked accounts that disclosed the general terms of the offer, Speakes said he was only trying to head off stories suggesting the offer was more comprehensive than U.S. analysts said it was.

"It was not a public U.S. official" who leaked the information in the first place, the spokesman insisted.

"The facts are that someone had discussed — not an official authorized to do so — the

50-percent figure, which the American press corps might have been inclined to swallow, lock, stock and barrel," Speakes said. "I wanted to caution you that there was more to it than what you saw there."

"If we had had it the way we preferred it, there would have been no discussion whatsoever about it," he added. "We did not think the leak of information to the press was helpful at all."

Speakes' claim is hardly supported, however, by reliable information that at least one source for the Soviet terms was none other than White House chief of staff Donald T. Regan.

Several sources, both inside and outside the White House, acknowledged when promised anonymity that Regan privately furnished information about the proposal to several reporters.

The White House often provides information for reporters "background," which means it may only be attributed to a "White House official," "senior administration official" or some similar agreed-upon identifier that gives the information some authority while cloaking the actual source in anonymity and letting the government pretend the information isn't official.

But when an administration leaks information from one side of its mouth while criticizing the leaks from the other, it does so at its own peril.

Lady Bird Johnson gives \$1,000 check

STONEWALL, Texas (AP) — Frank Gray, a highway maintenance foreman who was involved in planting 5,000 native pecan trees in Fannin County, was named winner Wednesday of the 1985 Lady Bird Johnson Award for highway beautification.

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HIGH SAILING — An unidentified windsurfer soars into the air over the top of a wave in the surf on a windy day in Galveston recently. Airborn windsurfers spotted the beachfront all day. An unusually high tide and strong winds made for some great windsurfing conditions for locals and visitors. (AP Laserphoto)

Panhandle turns historic train depot into city hall

PANHANDLE, Texas (AP) — When residents in this historic Texas Panhandle railroad town learned the Santa Fe railroad planned to do away with its old depot here, they asked to be allowed to give the building a new lease on life.

Several possibilities were considered for the maroon brick building that had played a major part in the town's growth.

"The museum was interested in it. We were also thinking about moving city hall. It was small, and we needed more room. The current city hall at that time was about half the size of the train depot," City Manager Larry Gilley said.

After mulling over the possibility of making the old depot into city hall, Panhandle city officials approached the company.

"Santa Fe leased the building to us on an annual non-billable lease. It's still their property, but company officials said they had no future need for it," Gilley said.

The depot had a long history in this town. Trains stopped here in the early part of the century to deliver supplies for the nearby boom town of Borger, where the goods were transferred by vehicles or horse-drawn wagons. Eventually Santa Fe put a station in Borger, and the need for the one in Panhandle decreased. Until 1983, it still was used for freight drops.

But the decision was finally made to close the depot, and Santa Fe filed a request with the Texas Railroad Commission to do away with it.

When city officials in Panhandle received a copy of the official notification, they began to consider what could be done to save the building.

"This is not a typical small-town depot. Most of them were wooden, and this one is brick," Gilley said.

The outside of the building has elaborate decorative wooden cut-outs.

So the work began to change an old-time train depot into a city hall that could fit the needs of a modern, bustling town but still keep the flavor of the original building. It became a \$26,000 renovation project, a figure which does not include air conditioning.

"We've done very little structure changes. We originally considered lowering the ceilings, but we didn't want to lose the crown molding. Acoustical ceiling tiles were installed but we still kept the flavor of a historical building," Gilley said.

Some work was contracted and the rest was volunteered, he added.

The mayor's wife and one of the councilmen's wives install wallpaper as a trade, and they volunteered to install the wallpaper in the new city hall.

Decorating was turned over to a locally appointed committee, which picked the colors for the walls, paint and carpet.

Carpeting was installed in the city manager's office and the bookkeeper's office, but the original terrazo floors in the rest of the building were kept.

"We hated to paint the crown molding since it is oak, but it had been varnished. We thought it would look better," Gilley added. The gray-blue molding blends with the wallpaper and the carpet in his office.

Paintings with a railroad theme done by local artists decorate the walls, and items, such as a trunk with train tickets, carry the theme further.

Heating is by radiators, but Gilley said they function very well.

Ann Mills, one of the women who works in the office, said the station depot is better than the other city hall.

"It's warmer here than it was in the other building. We have more room, too," she said.

Ceiling fans have been installed in all the rooms, but Gilley said the council was considering air conditioning with the high ceilings.

"The fans aren't bad, but it would be more comfortable with air conditioning. I'll admit," Gilley said.

City clerk Amy Wright takes payments for the city and listens to local residents through the window where train passengers used to buy tickets.

Plumbing in the building would be considered antique, and that's one of the things that will be replaced. But, it would intrigue the casual visitor to the building. The tank of the fixture is about four feet above the seat, and water is dispensed by pulling a chain.

The wrought-iron railings in front of the building had been installed by the Santa Fe, but the steps were added by the city. The building also meets standards for the handicapped, with the addition of a ramp at the back of the building.

Only 3,000 square feet of the building have been used for the city, but the freight room will eventually be used for storage. Gilley said Santa Fe has reserved parts of the area to store some equipment.

Gilley said residents and visitors alike seem to like the renovation.

"The comments from local citizens have been good. They seem to be glad we chose to take over the old depot, and some people think it's odd to have a city hall here. Mostly, they think it's good to keep intact to maintain the historical value of the building," Gilley said.

He said visitors to Panhandle often say they wish their cities had preserved their old train depots.

Anglo stands out in all-Hispanic town

By LESLIE POUND
The Dallas Morning News

LOS EBANOS, Texas (AP) — The smoky smell of fajitas fills the summer air. The sizzling meat shares the grill with a pot of pinto beans and a stack of flour tortillas. It's nighttime in this South Texas town. The stars are out, and the people are celebrating, Mexican-style.

In the sea of dark eyes, black hair and brown skin is 24-year-old Richard Butler. His hair is blond, his eyes are blue. His skin also is brown, but more like the summer tan of a surfer.

Butler is affectionately called "El Gringo." In this border town of 800, about 30 miles southwest of McAllen, he is the lone Anglo.

"He speaks Spanish. He hangs around Mexican people. He drinks beer with us," says his friend Julio Salinas. "I don't have nothing against no gringo."

Being the only anything might make some people feel like an intruder, an outsider — particularly in a small, close-knit community like Los Ebanos. But to Richard Butler, this is simply his life. Los Ebanos is his home. And the townspeople are his friends.

"I'll be prejudiced when somebody is prejudiced to me," he says. "Respect is a big point about living here. No matter who you are, what color you are — if you respect me, I'll respect you."

Postmaster Luis Flores remembers the first time he saw Butler two years ago.

"He was the first gringo to come into the post office," says Flores, a stocky man with a wide smile. "I met him and — woo! — I thought he was a tourist coming to see the (hand-pulled) ferry."

The ferry across the Rio Grande is a popular attraction of this border town.

But Butler kept coming back to the post office to pick up mail, and people started asking Flores: "Who is he?" "What's his name?"

"I said, 'I don't know — El Gringo,'" Flores says, and that's what Butler has been known as ever since.

Finally, Flores asked Butler what everyone wanted to know: Just who was he, and what was he doing in Los Ebanos?

Butler's story was simple: He and his wife, who is a Mexican-American, had moved from nearby Mission to live with

her brother for a while. They liked Los Ebanos, so decided to stay.

Butler was born in Niagara Falls, N.Y., and as a boy, had seen hardly any Hispanics. Then his mother's sister met and married a man from the South Texas town of Edinburg, and Butler, his mother (who was divorced) and brother went to visit the Texas branch of the family. They never returned to New York.

Butler was 11 when his family moved into a mobile home in nearby Mission. There, he picked up Spanish from neighborhood playmates. The language, he discovered, was spoken as much as, if not more than, English.

"I got beat up every day because I didn't know the difference between a bunch of words," Butler says. "They'd ask me if I was a boy (chico) or a girl (chica) to try to confuse me."

His appearance set him apart from the others, as well. People, he says, thought he was "something special" because of his blond hair. "The walking angel," Luis Flores teases.

Butler talks easily about the town, its people and himself. He tells how he quit school at age 16, moved to Lubbock and then Chicago. Eventually he returned to Mission, worked in oil fields and met the woman who became his wife.

"Sometimes," says Mary Ellen Butler (who also goes by Maria Elena), "people say, 'You're supposed to be married to a Mexican.'"

"They're just jealous," her husband playfully interjects, "because you're married to me."

When the couple moved to Los Ebanos, Butler knew he would be in the minority. He just never knew how small a minority he would be.

"I was kinda scared," he says. "It was ignorance."

After living with Mary Ellen's brother for a while, the Butlers eventually rented a two-room house on the edge of town, which they share with their two sons, 2½-year-old Richard (whom they call Bubba) and 1-year-old Mark.

After they first moved in, Butler would take a beer out to the porch during the late afternoons and early evenings and watch as people walked by. Eventually, they began to stop and have a beer with him.

"I felt accepted," he says.

In the two years he has lived in Los Ebanos, Butler has become

totally integrated into the community. When he speaks English around his Mexican-American friends, he picks up a trace of their accent. Like them, he ends many of his English sentences with "No?" When he can't think of a word in Spanish, he says it in English. When he can't think of a word in English, he says it in Spanish.

"Hey," he tells Flores, "I'm 'mas mexicano de ti,' meaning, 'I'm more Mexican than you.'"

They both laugh.

Living in Los Ebanos has immersed Butler in the Mexican culture. He has developed a taste for homemade tamales, tortillas and a pasta dish called "fideo." If he wants a steak and baked potato, he says, Mary Ellen won't fix them. He has to fix his own.

He and Mary Ellen speak both English and Spanish to their children. Butler says he wants his sons to appreciate their American citizenship but to retain certain Mexican values.

"I want them to be nice to people, but to stand up for themselves," he says. "I want them to give and not be taken. Mostly, I want them to grow up and be happy."

Butler says he likes Los Ebanos because it is peaceful. The people, he says, "don't worry if they have needs to be met. They know they'll find a way to meet them."

Most of the townspeople earn their livings by growing vegetables, sugarcane and cotton, or by working in a nearby frozen-food plant.

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Dallas firm orders AIDS test

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Enserch Corp., the parent company of Lone Star Gas, decided to require the test as a "prudent and reasonable" way of protecting employees who eat in company dining areas, company spokesman Warren Fulks said.

A state health official, citing federal research indicating AIDS can't be transmitted from person to person through food, called the Enserch policy "inane."

"I don't see the disease as being spread through food handling at all," said Dr. Charles Alexander, chief of epidemiology for the Texas Department of Health.

Alexander said the Enserch policy is "about as inane as doing tests for syphilis or tests for tuberculosis for food handlers. Today, that is just not worth doing."

"It's the first instance that I know of in the private sector," said Jeffrey Levi, director of governmental and political affairs for the National Gay Task Force. Levi is monitoring practices

involving the HTLV-III virus test Enserch is using.

The test, approved last spring by the Food and Drug Administration, detects the presence of antibodies associated with the virus that can lead to acquired immune deficiency syndrome. The FDA had said the test's primary use would be to safeguard the purity of

many of which were moved or torn down.

Fulks said the company decided to adopt the policy after consultation with physicians he declined to name.

A company memo dictates the test for food-service applicants as a part of overall health screening, the Dallas Times Herald reported.

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YEAR OF THE BEAR — A large black bear rests high in a tree in a Duluth, Minn., neighborhood recently. He's just one of hundreds of black bears which have roamed through the Northeastern Minnesota city of 12,000 this summer, when berry shortages have made the wild less attractive. (AP Laserphoto)

Austin salad oil gets salute

AUSTIN (AP) — When La Martinique debuted at The Liberty Bell restaurant in Austin five decades ago, it was a simple but lively little thing that never dreamed how much its French taste would impress the people.

Today it's known in New York, although its biggest fans remain Texans, especially those living in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas and Houston.

La Martinique is a salad bowl belle, a snappy dressing. And although it has only three varieties to its name, it has held a place in society for 50 years. Perhaps you have known it personally, but never guessed that this saucy little number with the French airs is a hometown dish.

La Martinique's creator was Esther Allidi, a native of Cannes-Nice area of France, who came to Austin in the early part of this century. She brought with her an old French family cookbook from a relative who had studied under that famous French chef, Escoffier.

When Mrs. Allidi opened the Liberty Bell restaurant on South Congress Avenue in the mid-1930s, she referred to that cookbook for a French vinaigrette dressing. The Escoffier-inspired recipe became the house dressing, although Mrs. Allidi modified it to suit Austin's taste, replacing the French olive oil with cotton seed oil. La Martinique was born.

It was a charmer and Austinites began requesting containers of the oil, vinegar and garlic for home use. When local groceries chose to stock it for their customers, Mrs. Allidi set up shop in her kitchen. La Martinique (the name has no special significance) had put her in the French salad dressing business.

In 1940, Mrs. Allidi introduced a poppy seed dressing, made famous by the late Helen Corbitt, a food expert who was teaching home economics at the University of Texas at the time. (Miss Corbitt writes in her book "Helen Corbitt's Cookbook" that she didn't actually dream up the idea of putting poppy seed in a salad dressing. She had eaten a similar recipe in New York early in her life. But she does take credit for popularizing poppy seed dressing by "serving it on the best grapefruit in the world, Texas grapefruit.")

That was La Martinique's second number.

The third came in the early '50s, and it, too, was from Mrs. Allidi's family cookbook. A blue cheese vinaigrette, it is unique among blue cheese dressings because it is thin and clear, not thick and creamy. Once again Mrs. Allidi Americanized the French version, substituting cotton seed oil for olive oil and also Wisconsin blue for French Roquefort.

Mrs. Allidi has died, as has her husband, Peter, a recognized Austin painter during that period. But La Martinique lives on, despite hard times during World War II.

School would get a special deal

AUSTIN (AP) — The City of Austin has worked out a deal to give the Austin Independent School District a special electric rate in return for the district agreeing not to fight city rates in the courts or before the Public Utility Commission.

The school district has fought city electric rates before state regulators on three occasions in the past four years.

Mrs. Allidi had trouble getting supplies during the war, said Irving Smith, an Austinite who became her partner in the late '40s. After 11 years as partners, Smith bought her out and continued making the three La Martinique dressings in Austin until 1983. At that time he sold La Martinique to Pace Foods in San Antonio, but was retained as a consultant. A couple of days a week Smith goes down to San Antonio to keep an eye on La Martinique and be sure that they are still making the dressings by hand like Mrs. Allidi used to do.

Seven women peel and chop the onions and garlic, and stir the ingredients together. Up until three months ago, they also put the labels on the bottles by hand, said Tom Clarke of Pace Foods. Now a machine does the labels.

The recipes are the same, according to Clarke, although Pace has made a change in the name of the French dressing. It is now called a French vinaigrette because that is what it really is and

Texas cooks today are familiar with the term.

Although Escoffier may not have worried about calories, salad eaters of the '80s do. Recently Pace had nutritional analyses done on the trio of dressings and all came out under 100 calories per tablespoon, average for dressings. The French is the highest at 97 calories per tablespoon, the blue cheese is 91 calories and the poppy seed is 77.

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Mexico gets payment break

NEW YORK (AP) — A group representing some 600 commercial creditor banks granted a Mexican government request to postpone for six months two loan repayments that would have been due Tuesday and Nov. 4.

At the conclusion of two days of talks here with officials from Mexico's Ministry of Finance, the 13-member Bank Advisory Group for Mexico said in a printed announcement Tuesday that it took into consideration "recent developments" in the debt-troubled country.

The major earthquakes that struck Mexico last month, leaving parts of the Mexican capital and countryside in ruins, will add to the country's borrowing needs.

The two installments that have been delayed, totalling \$950 million, represent repayments of principal on a \$5-billion loan signed in 1983 and were part of a multi-year debt restructuring package that Mexico negotiated with its lenders.

Last December, Mexico announced it would repay \$1.2 billion of the package and in early January it paid \$250 million of the total in what was the first repayment of principal by any

heavily indebted country since the international debt crisis began in the summer of 1982.

The bank committee said it agreed to defer further consideration of the repayments so that over the next several months Mexico can assess its financing needs and determine whether its requirements can be satisfied by international lending institutions, other governments and private channels.

During the meetings in New York, the Mexican authorities said they have already launched negotiations to obtain additional credit, according to the announcement from William R. Rhodes, a senior executive at Citibank who co-chairs the bank group.

The Mexican government noted it had no plans to re-open its multi-year debt restructuring agreements.

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HONOR DANCE — Two Indians of the Yawalapiti Indian tribe take part in the fluo dance called the "uran" during the sacred ceremony Kuarup to honor the dead. (AP Laserphoto)

Brazilian Indians open ceremony for dead to outsiders for photopraphs

By BRYNA BRENNAN
Associated Press Writer

YAWALAPITI INDIAN VILLAGE, Brazil (AP) — The wails of mourners intertwined with the ancient chants of the Kuarup ceremony, piercing the damp jungle air with a plea to the gods for the souls of the dead. It was a plea, too, for understanding for the soul of a culture.

The Indians, gathering before decorated and painted tree trunks said to contain the souls of those who died during the year, broke a longstanding taboo by inviting outsiders to come, to photograph and to interview.

Most of Brazil's 220,000 Indians live in isolated areas, and only a few visitors have been permitted by the government.

Roughly 100 people, including journalists and four Cabinet ministers, flew to the Xingu Indian reservation, about 500 miles from the inland capital of Brasilia, to attend the Kuarup ritual. Some 1,000 Indians from nine tribes —

representing four language groups — took part.

Legends tell that Mavutim, creator of the Indian world, staged the first Kuarup to resurrect the dead by chanting in front of logs adorned to represent the deceased. He warned that no one must look on his magic; but someone did, and the dead no longer came back to life.

Some of the tribes living at the headwaters of the Xingu River, an Amazon tributary, still follow the two-week ritual, which ends with the trunks being tossed into the river to free the souls of the dead.

Chief Aritana, head of the 110-strong Yawalapiti tribe, stood in the dusty center of the village of 10 thatch wigwams and looked at the progress being made on the six trunks representing this year's dead, including one for his 2-month-old daughter. Each was painted with a black and white design. Red was put on the two logs that symbolized females.

"It's strange to have 'whites' here," said Aritana, 35, using a

term which refers to anyone who is not an Indian. "I can only hope that the whites understand that this is a respectful ceremony for our dead."

A foreign anthropologist snapped pictures of the photographers and television crews setting up lights, recording and interviewing the Indians who spoke Portuguese, Brazil's language.

The Indians seemed undated by the outsiders. Naked except for feathers and cord wrappings, the men painted their bodies and hair with a deep orange fruit dye. Elaborate black designs were carefully applied from head to toe.

As the stifling sun set, the sacred part of the ritual began. The immediate family of the dead were seated by the stumps. Elder tribesmen chanted and shook maracas, tropical rattles. Fires were lighted and the relatives began the wailing that continued, like the chanting, until dawn.

In the morning, tribal leaders fought would-be leaders in "huka-huka" wrestling matches, which are also an emotional

release after the nightlong death rites. Free-for-all matches were held to the cheers and hoots of friends and relatives.

"We opened this to the public because we don't want others to speak for us anymore, not anthropologists, not government workers," said Marcos Terena, a native Brazilian who heads the Indian Affairs department of the Culture Ministry. "We want to show the world that we are human. We want to forge a new relationship with the new government."

A civilian administration took over in March after 21 years of rule by military-backed regimes that often ignored Indian problems.

"We want to explain our ways," Terena emphasized, "and not have others do this for us anymore."

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Antique truck visits town where it was built

FINDLAY, Ohio (AP) — When Kenneth Fisher brought his antique Adams truck back "home" here for a visit, it was an emotional experience for one of the last descendants of the vehicle's builders.

"This really has me a little choked up. I can't seem to help it," said John C. Adams of Findlay as he ran a hand across a gray fender of the 72-year-old, one-ton truck.

"The old truck's come home for a few days," said Fisher, of Xenia, Ohio, who trucked the vehicle to

the city of its origin as part of an annual Steam and Gas Engine show.

Adams' great uncle, Newton, Jim and Don, started the Adams Brothers Co. here as an outgrowth of a foundry business. It began making trucks in 1910. The first vehicle produced was a two-ton truck. The firm was soon making three trucks a week.

In August 1911, a run was scheduled between Findlay and Chicago to test the truck's endurance. Weighed down by 2,300

pounds of sandbags, the truck left Findlay at 4 a.m. on a Monday and arrived in Chicago at 11 p.m. on a Tuesday. No breakdowns occurred.

By 1917, the company had switched from making trucks to producing automobile axles, and a few years later it moved to Syracuse, N.Y.

Fisher's truck was built here in 1913. The gray, wooden vehicle has a 120-inch wheel base, four cylinders, and is chain driven with a front engine crank. The cost of

the chassis in 1913 was \$2,100, the stake body was \$186 and the buggy top \$48.

Fisher, a retired engineer for Conrail, found the truck in a barn in 1968.

"I was talking to a man from Dayton who said his neighbor had a 'queer looking' truck in his barn," Fisher recalled.

Features on the truck were based on need. It has lights and a horn, but the two-seat cab has no doors or mirrors, and there is no no speedometer.

Housing developments encroach on wildlife

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — People move near Colorado's mountains to gaze at the scenery and to enjoy the forests and abundant wildlife.

But sometimes the natives begin to feel crowded and restless when the newcomers press too close.

Then mountain lions stalk household pets in Perry Park, and they curl up on porches at houses near Vail. Elk mow down backyard flower gardens in Estes Park, and deer roam the streets and alleys of Boulder and Fort Collins.

Some people regard the wildlife as part of the attraction and they make allowances, but to others the wildlife becomes the problem.

"There is no way to develop foothills and mountains without having an impact on wildlife," says Jim Hekkers, of Colorado's Division of Wildlife. "Is mountain living worth the disruption you cause? More people feel it is than feel it isn't. What we try to do is find ways to lessen the impact."

The situation, he says, is found up and down Colorado's Front Range foothills and in its mountains.

One example is the recent complaint from residents of the posh Perry Park subdivision near Castle Rock. They said a mountain lion was tramping across their yards by day, feasting on household pets. They were worried a child could be next.

The Wildlife Division treed and shot one mountain lion, later explaining that a former resident of the subdivision had left meat scraps for the predator.

But even without that aggravating circumstance, Hekkers says, the subdivision "is built in the best mountain lion habitat in the state." It's perfect for lions, he says, with rocks and canyons, trees, cover and nearby, a large population of deer.

"When we invade wildlife habitat," he says, "we move in and change it. The wildlife either moves or hangs around. If it hangs around it gets into trouble."

In Boulder, deer are often seen in residential areas. In Estes Park, elk from the nearby Rocky Mountain National Park graze on gardens and shrubs.

Fort Collins officials are now mapping routes used by deer in the city. Mountain lions have been seen

in subdivisions outside of Vail. Colorado Springs' subdivisions have their own share of wildlife activity — smaller wildlife, like gophers and coyotes, abound.

In Estes Park, animal control officer Cindy Hales says people live there "because of the wildlife," and there are few conflicts. However, last year a bear was reported visiting campsites just outside of town, and townspeople became concerned. The bear was trapped and relocated, she said.

A Boulder ordinance forbids people to leave food for wild animals, because officials fear the animals will become dependent on handouts. People who feed wildlife, Hekkers said, are dooming the animals by making them lose their fear of people as well as their ability to fend for themselves.

Fort Collins has set up a Department of Natural Resources. Andra Lapointe of that agency and developers are trying to find out where wild animals like to forage in the city. The next step, she says, will be to encourage the animals to continue some of their habits and to discourage others.

In Colorado Springs, when the 10,000-acre Briargate development is finished it will have residential areas, industry, commercial space and about 1,000 acres of undeveloped land that will provide both parks for people and habitat for wildlife, said spokeswoman Melody Meyer.

The sharpest conflict between man and wildlife remains in the foothill canyons themselves, where the nighttime roamings of mountain lions are now interrupted by yard lights and driveways.

Recent reports of mountain lions eating pet dogs in Coal Creek Canyon, from which the lights of downtown Denver are visible, illustrate the problem. Solutions do not appear to be easy.

"Past planning has gone on without paying much attention to wildlife," Hekkers said, "(and) even the best-planned subdivision in the mountains or foothills is going to create conflicts."

Phil Arkow of the Colorado Springs Humane Society says his advice is to leave wild animals alone and keep all food out of their reach.

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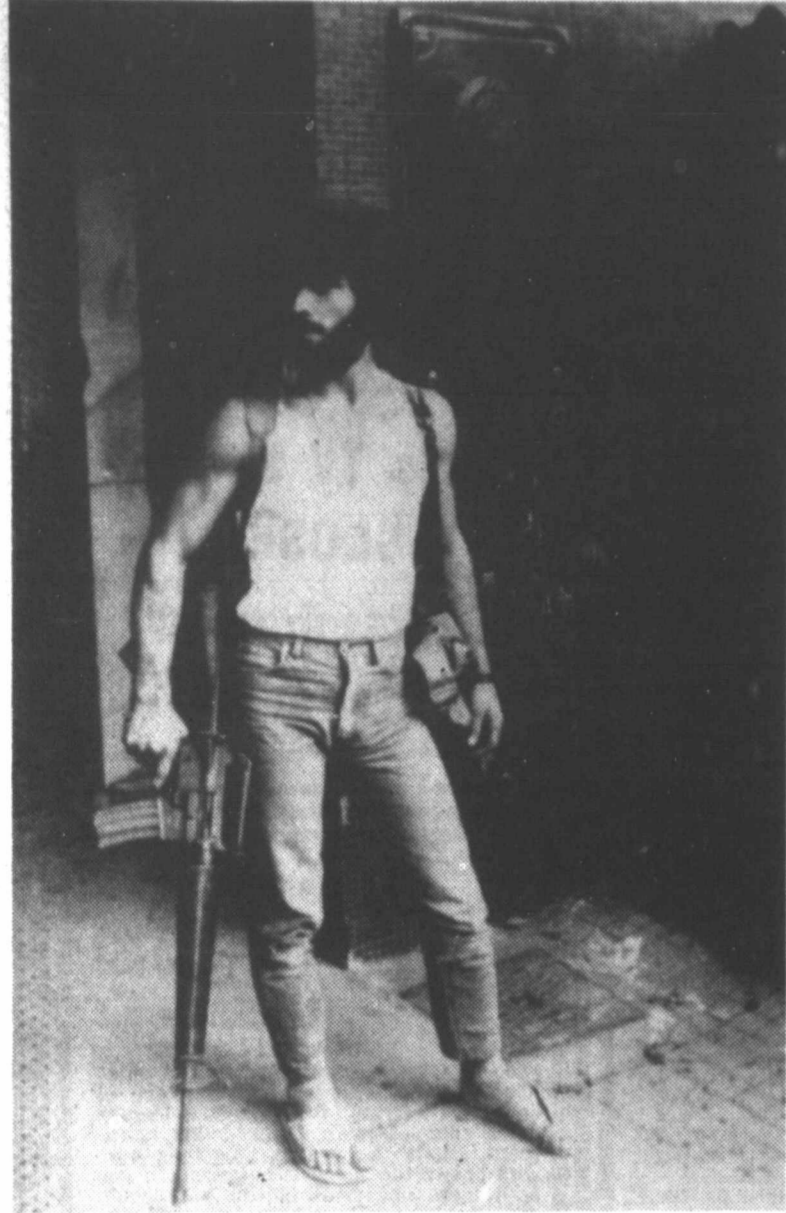
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GUARDING EMBASSY — A Druse militiaman with a U.S.-built M-16 automatic rifle stands guard beside a sandbagged post outside the Soviet Embassy in Beirut after four embassy personnel were kidnapped Monday by Islamic extremists. One of the kidnapped men was killed by his captors Wednesday. (AP Laserphoto)

Soviets appeal to Syrians, Lebanese after aide's killing

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The Soviet Union has appealed to Syrian and Lebanese leaders to help free three of its embassy employees, captives of extremists who killed a Soviet diplomat after demanding that Moscow stop a battle between Moslem militias in Tripoli.

In Tripoli, fighting between pro-Palestinian Tawheed Islami fighters and pro-Syrian militias flared up Wednesday after a brief cease-fire, dampening hopes the Soviets would be released soon.

Anonymous telephone callers have contacted Beirut radio stations and Western news agencies with a variety of reports about the Soviets since they were abducted Monday. Callers claimed Wednesday that another Soviet had been killed, and that Moslem extremists planned to blow up the Soviet Embassy.

Saudis confirm prices discounted

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Saudi Arabia's oil minister today confirmed that his country had begun offering price discounts on its crude oil, in violation of OPEC rules.

Asked by a reporter whether he had signed contracts with buyers for such deals, Ahmad Zaki Yamani replied, "Yes."

The minister said nothing more as he was whisked by his bodyguards into a conference room at OPEC headquarters where the oil producers' cartel opened a special conference to discuss requests by several member countries for a bigger share of sales.

The Saudi discounts are believed to be pegged to the so-called netback value of a barrel of crude, or the price a refiner can get for the products derived from the oil. That would mean the Saudis could be selling some of their oil for \$26 a barrel or less, compared with the official price of \$28 for Arabian light crude.

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Farmer referendum pits White House against Democratic leaders of House

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is pitted against the House Democratic leadership in a showdown over whether to let farmers nationwide vote on two sharply different approaches to future agricultural subsidies.

On Wednesday, Agriculture Secretary John Block used his harshest rhetoric to date in denouncing the referendum plan, repeating warnings that leaving the provision in the developing 1985 farm bill would virtually guarantee a presidential veto.

"Unless we change course, the result will be slow but sure suicide for American agriculture," Block said in a speech at the Brookings Institution, a Washington policy research center. He called the proposal "nothing more than a legislated grain embargo."

"I hate to imagine the

dislocations that would occur if a production control program, such as those which are so popular among some elements in Congress, were imposed," Block said. "It would turn the farmers' hardship into catastrophe."

But Rep. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., a referendum proponent, said, "Something has gone wrong over the past four years" in farm policy. "Something has got to fundamentally change if we are going to resolve this crisis" in farm prices.

A House vote on the referendum issue was scheduled today, and both sides predicted the outcome would be close.

The farm bill now before the House calls for annual reductions in crop loan rates for wheat, corn, cotton and rice to bring them more into line with world prices and

restore health to the U.S. farm export market. The income supports would be made up with larger income subsidies, known as "deficiency payments."

But with the referendum — a version of which also is included in the pending Senate farm bill — grain farmers could choose instead a course that would be almost directly the opposite. If 60 percent of producers vote "yes," they would get higher price guarantees but agree to produce less.

The House referendum, sponsored by Rep. Berkley Bedell, D-Iowa, also includes a requirement that farmers participate in the program if they want to be able to sell their grain domestically. Farmers who do not sign up would be required to either feed their grain to their own

livestock or sell it overseas at the world market price.

Rep. Ron Marlenee, R-Mont., called the referendum "a damaging and ludicrous concept." He and other opponents contended the referendum's production restrictions would cripple exports and "destroy our reputation as a reliable supplier."

House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. said the chamber's Democratic leadership would insist on keeping the referendum in the bill, but he denied the action was intended to provoke a presidential veto or reap political benefit for his party.

"We can't consider a veto," the Massachusetts Democrat told reporters. "That's the president's prerogative. We just have to do what we think is best for the country."

House votes federal authority to close bath houses in battle against AIDS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House, turning aside assertions it was "bashing gays" in the battle against AIDS, overwhelmingly approved a measure allowing the surgeon general to close public bath houses and massage parlors.

The measure, which also included \$189.7 million for research and other activities related to AIDS, was approved 417-8 as an amendment to a larger appropriations bill. The vote came just hours after the death of actor Rock Hudson, whose battle against acquired immune deficiency

syndrome helped focus worldwide attention on the deadly disease.

The \$189.7 million was \$70 million more than the Reagan administration had requested, and was a \$90 million increase over 1985.

Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., the amendment's sponsor, said the measure was just the first of a series of tough, AIDS prevention measures that GOP members intend to propose.

Dornan, noting he had met Hudson on a movie set years ago, claimed Congress and U.S. political leaders have failed to act

to protect the general population against AIDS, fearing retaliation from gay political activists.

"We ought to have some guts at the federal level," Dornan said.

Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., who voted for the measure, said no one disputed the need to shut down bath houses, but he said the matter should be left to local authorities. He claimed the measure was unnecessary because the surgeon general already had the authority he needed to act.

"This amendment can serve only one purpose — bashing gays in some way," said Waxman, chairman of a health subcommittee.

Waxman was the first House member to draw national attention to AIDS, which in 1982 was only known to have infected a few hundred people.

"The amendment really does nothing new," said Rep. Ted Weiss,

D-N.Y., adding, "In its substance, no one can really oppose it."

Like Waxman, Weiss said he detected an anti-homosexual tone to the measure, implying that gays are somehow "cavalier and disregarding" of AIDS.

Shirley Barth, a spokesman for the Public Health Service, said lawyers are trying to determine what the surgeon general's authority is.

Rep. William Dannemeyer, R-Calif., has urged health officials to "have the courage of their convictions to take on the strength of the male homosexual political community" to close bath houses.

Bath houses have been targeted because they are considered by some to be nests of promiscuous homosexual sex, a major method of AIDS transmission.

"God's plan for man was Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve" Dannemeyer said recently.

TMI unit could reach full power within three months

MIDDLETOWN, Pa. (AP) — The restart of Three Mile Island's Unit 1 began today as technicians started pulling control rods from the reactor that has been dormant for 6½ years since the worst U.S. commercial nuclear accident occurred at the adjacent Unit 2, officials said.

A U.S. Supreme Court ruling Wednesday cleared the way for operators to create a self-sustaining nuclear chain-reaction for the first time since 1979.

Sixteen people were arrested when 45 anti-nuclear power activists responded to the Supreme Court action with a protest at the plant's main gate.

At 4:28 a.m. today, technicians

began lifting three sets of control rods, which inhibit the reaction, said plant spokesman Gordon Tombs. Water laced with boron, which also inhibits the reaction, was to be replaced with pure water, allowing neutrons to move more freely and hit more atoms.

A self-sustaining reaction, known as "going critical," was to be reached sometime around 2 p.m., Tombs said.

Outside, in the early morning darkness, mist and fog shrouded the plant and its trademark twin cooling towers. There was no sign that the dormant reactor was rising from over six years of enforced slumber. A train could be heard in the distance. The only other sound was crickets.

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