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rate of more than one third of What we consume." Briscoe Midwestern Governor's Briscoee said Texas is consid-
ering the construction of an off ring the construction of an off. pertankers but ${ }^{-1}$ I think is is States strive to regain Units lost ability to meet most of its own domestic needs from domestic ${ }^{\text {of }}$ Our ne national policy. ation's must develop all of the sources, not just oil and gas, bu
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possible energy source.
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 News On Energy Crisis


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Obituaries
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Home.
Mr. Lo Genneds Tept. 18, 1946 i Co. He moved to Pampa in 1960
from Morton, Tex. Mr . Locke was a veteran of
World War II
Survivors include his wite of the home: his mother. Mrs.
W. T. Locke. .t. Sumen. N.M.
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The Lighter Side
By DICK WEAT WASHINGTON (UPI) - in a exampiate conduct. That's recent column I accused the appropriaie conduct. Thal s.
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Forgive me.
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The GAO report noted that 44 million bushets of wheat wort dealers in the first two months milectric included. I play the after the announcement. But for the duration of the "The large sales of U.S. $\begin{aligned} & \text { energy crisis. I've gone back to } \\ & \text { wheat to Russia and other making music on an old fine. } \\ & \text { exports in the summer of her2 } \\ & \text { toothed comb that lacks a sound }\end{aligned}$ caused a d damatatic rise in in the
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the rigorous work of selling?'"

## HORSE SENSE Yes, I have often urged not vly that teachers spend at least

 3 months' internship atselling.
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mpractical sermonizing! "Salesmen," said Dr. Glenn
Frank, former head of the
University of the real sparkplugs of
civilization," civilization,
That strue, for they move the products of cloistered inventors
and manufacturers into the avenues of trade.
Thus, they make that vital (ranster of cash for goods,
which keeps all our salaried workers employed!
But salesmen are not the only actual producers whose pay
depends on output or "net" income.
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They are on the backs of the 10 percent who create our basic




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legislatures. in our 50 state legislatures. and the bloated bureaus at
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Women Groups Oppose Sterilization For Minors
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said. We strongly support the | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { right of any mature, informed } \\ \text { adult to choose any available }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { By United Press Inter national } \\ \text { The eyes of black bear cubs }\end{array}$ |
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Parents fear daughter will wed a deaf man By Abigail Van Buren


 in law. Abby, I know my parents love me, and I love them,
too, but I just can't understand their reasoning.

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will hassle would like your opinion. TORN young people in the field you chose, and I commend you for DEAR ABBY: I know a woman who is receiving public
assistance illegally. She claims to have no other source of ncome, but the truth is she is living with a guy who has
plenty of money and she needs welfare aid like I need I have thought about reporting her, but I must admit it
would be because 1 Idisilike this woman and the guy she's
tiving with living with. I'm afraid if 1 report her under these circum-
stances my conscience will bother me. What should I do? DEAR N AND P:-Judge not, that ye be not fodged.
DEAR ABBY: Enough of this nonsense about the ef.
fects of the disparity of ages in May-December marriages. When I was a young man punching cattle in Wyoming,
I remember when a 40 -year-old sheepherder married a 10 -year-old girl. He was four times as old as she was.
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Your
Horoscope

| By Jem | e Dixon |
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Portland, Ore. Portland. Ore.
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and Mrs. Robert H.
By N
Bea ven of ton Beaverton, Ore., and the
bridegroom is the son of Dr.
R.D. Falkenstein R.D. Falkenstein. 1200 Mary
Eilen, Pampa, and the late Mrs. R.D. Falkenstein
The Rev. Father Thatcher THE BRIDE
Given in marriage by her
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gladioli accented with ivory yel and ribbon streamers.
ATTENEANS
Miss Mari Nyssen, sister of
the bride, was maid of honor the bride, was maid of honor
and maiden of hoon was Miss Claire Nyssen. Both are sisters
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Tucker. both cousins of the
bride. Flower girl was Miss



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automatic, power steering, red with white vinyl top.

1968 Ford Mustang, automa tic, power steering, air con-\$1295 PRAMPA CHRYSLER PLYMOUTH-DODGE, INC. 811 W. WILKS

## VACATION SALE SPECIALS

1970 Ford Maverick, 2 door W/AS sedan, automatic, 6 cylinder,
power steering, air con- $\$ 1695$
citioner, real good economy car.

'Bos still hit the not-so-open road

Carol Burnett bolstefs a stage debut
Rock's 'I will, I will' is ‘I Do! I Do!'


Rock Hudson is busily work.
ing on his stage debut hell
appear at the Huntington
 Hartior Theater here oppos:
ite Carol Burnett, in in in I
Do!" This is the musical ver:

veddy serious, "there'll be tramps."

No doubt. Anderson, as
example, has considered re-
turning for years and going turning for years and going
back into the real world Yet
he seldom considers it for "I got me a philosophy," he
says. Yesterday is a can-
celled check, tomorrow is a
promissory

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marriage. Gower Champion
Diretor
has been working dille has been workking dinitgenty
with Rock on his singing and
dancing dancing. They go every day
from 10in the morning until
Il at night.




 The Apple of His Eye,
which is headed for Broad-

An open letter on the gasoline shortage to:
Representative:
Robert D. Price

How to buya ${ }^{\text {² }} 400$ refrigeratorand save ${ }^{5} 410$ in the bargain


We are publishing this letter in your home-
wn newspaper, and in those of the other lown newspaper, and in those of the other
Members of Congress, because we want
you and your constituents to have the tacts you and your consttuents to have the tacts
about the gasoline shortage as we see hem. We are doing this because many people are being misled by the absolute
nonsense, totally unsupported charges, and outright lies being spread around by a variety pp people. For example:
"There are sutficient supplies the oil industry so that there need be no serious shortage of gasoline or any other petroleum product for any purpose in this
"Bot the fact is, much of the so-called energy crisis is being concocted in the board nation's major oil companies."
"I suggest that circumstantial evidence
supports the conclusion that the maior oil companies are using the tuel'shortage they helped create to drive out their competition: What these and other such.statements
boil down to is a series of charges that the boil down to is a series of charges haat the
shortage is contrived. That it is a hoax pershortage is conivived. Naies to raise prices and drive unbranded marketers out of busi-
ness. Thatitis a massive conspiracy, a price ness. Thatitits all massive consp.
gouge end all price govges.
Not one of these charges is true. All are based on misinformation. Some are out gasoline production time high
When they hear the word "shortage,"
many people .think the industry must be supplying less than before . Far from it. The U.S. oil industry is making more
gasoline than ever before- $5 \%$ more than ast year. That translates into arrincrease of $3,740.000$ gallons a day above 1972-
whic Nauld have been more than enough o meet the demand growth of almost any with gasoline production up $5 \%$ over last year, demand is up about $6.2 \%$. The short-
ages, which may come and go due to temages, which may come and go due to tem-
porary swings in demand and supply, have shown up in the fact that some sevrice stations occasionally run out of gasoline, and
many dealers have chosen to operate on II. Political decisions have pro duced the shortage
The following faciors, all essentially re sulting from political decisions, have pro (1) While potentially large oil reserves are
believed to lie off the U.S. East and West believed to lie off the U.S. East and West
Coasts-our most promising oil province, Coasts-our most promising on province,
since the onshore U.S. has been more eavily driled-up than any other parar of the exploration, and U.S. crude production is dropping. Oil companies had no control over this.
(2) Over five years atter the largest oi field ever discovered in North America was
found on the North Slope of Alaska, con struction of a pipeline to bring this oil to
market is still stalled Oil companies had no
control over this. $\frac{\text { control over this. }}{\text { (3) The United }}$
(3) The United States is short of refining
capacity, and will be critically short in a year or two, as a result of erratic government import policies, environnmental constraints, and inability to bring, the largest, most eco-
nomical tankers into U.S. ports. Oil companies had no control over this. (4) In terms of volumes, demand for gasoline is growing well over twice as much control equipment and convenience de vioes such as air-conditioners accounting
for a large part of this year's increase Oil for a large part of this year's increase Oil
companies had no control over this. $\frac{\text { companies had no control over this. }}{\text { (5) The shortage of natural gas caused }}$ by ill-advised government segulatory poli-
cies has forced industrial users to use large quantities of heating oil, which has caused a shortage of that product for the consumer. $\frac{\text { Oil companies had no control over this. }}{\text { (6) Two of the maior oil exporting coun }}$ tries in the Middle East and North Africa
have reduced crude oil production. Qil have reduced crude oll product
companies had no control over this. (7) Price controls are impeding the im-
portation of higher-priced oil products into our country. Oil companies had no control over this.
III. Is there a conspiracy? Is the shortage contrived?
It there was ever an industry in which it
would be impossible to conspire, it's oil.
Conspiracy requires secrecy. If you stop to think of all the bodies of government-in every branch of government, at every level
-that have long involved themsetwes in our business, you'll realize we couldd't conspire Dozens of agencies of the fed fal govDozens of agencies of the lede gal gov-
ernment, a horde of Congression \& com-
mittees, and agencies of the 50 staies and mittees, and agencies of the 50 stales and
various municipalities regulate, investigate, or monitor the oil industry's activites;
Further, il companies $\rightarrow$ even the largest Further, oi companies $\rightarrow$ even the largest
ones -are so widely divergent in their size, their interests, their needs, their opportunifies, and their views that it would be impos sible to put a conspiracy together. Oil is one
of the least-concentrated major industries in the world: No oil company supplies as much has $9 \%$ of the U.S. gasoline market.
IV. The "independent" marketers You have doubtless seen "charges that
"the major oil companies" are cutting off gasoline supplies to non-major-brand (independent')
out of business.
You should know that the overwhelming majority of service station dealers in this country are independent businessmen,

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 advantage as long as supplies were ade
quate, and especially when there were quate, and especialy when there, were appeared, they are having difficulty obtain ing gasoline.
As for Mobil, we have established an al
location system to ensure fair treatment ocaron system to ensure fair treatment of enable us to supply these customers at
least as much gasoline and other refined least as much gasoline and other refined
products this year as last year.
V. Where do we go from here? It's going to take several years to remed move the oil discovered over five years ago on the North Slope of Alaska. The outer continental shelfo off the U.S. East and West
Coasts has to be opened to exploration for Coasts has to be opened to exploration for
new reserves of oil and natural gas. Super ports have to be built. Oil companies must be enabled to obtain satisfactory sites for
new refineries. Massive esearch and develnew refineries. Massive research and deve-
opment programs have to be undertaken opment programs have to be undertaken tional oil and gas from oil shale and coal
economically feasible and environimentally economically feasible and environimentally
safe. Construction of nuclear power plants - saif. Construction of nuclear power plants 10 generate electricity must be acceleralen
All of these require long lead times, and thiey can't be accomplished by the oil industry alone.
This is why Mobil has been running newspaper ads across the country, and doing a
good many other things, to urge people to conserve gasoline and to use all energy more efficiently. As a further step in this direction, we have totally eliminated our gasoline advertising and are tocusing our
efforts on providing greater public information on how our country can tackle its energy problems rationally and equitably.
VI. Why this letter

Our intention is not to get into a posture of charges and counter-charges, but rather to accomplish two things:
line shortage and to put the lie to the gasoline shortage and to put the lie to the charge of conspiracy, to help people understand
the shortage is real and will be with us for some while; and to suggest practical ways to cope with it.
(2) To try to eli
(2) To try to elicit from you and your constituents a national effort, such as our coun-
try has not seen since World War II, to use wisely the energy resources available lo us us and to establish new policies to alleviate
energy problems in the years just ahead.

