





# Death Toll Declines in '75

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United Press International  
The nation's traffic death toll for 1975 will drop by about 1,000 despite increased travel, the second straight yearly decline and the lowest death total in 14 years, according to a UPI survey of the 50 states.

Authorities are hard-pressed to explain the drop but suspect it is partially because of stricter enforcement of the 55 mile per hour speed limit.  
The latest traffic death figures from each state show a total of 42,599 fatalities compared with 43,492 for corresponding periods a year ago.

When the energy crisis hit in late 1973, authorities had ready reasons for the decline in traffic fatalities from 55,500 in 1973 to 46,200 in 1974. They attributed it to a drastic curtailment in travel and the newly imposed nationwide 55 mile per hour speed limit to save gas.  
But this year travel is up about 3 per cent from 1974, equal

to the record year of 1973, and side-road speed limits, lowered at the height of the energy crisis, are rising again. Still, the death toll will be close to 45,000, assuring the lowest fatality rate per hundred million miles traveled since World War II.

"We're holding our own with the energy crisis," said Don Lhotka, a spokesman for the National Safety Council's statistics division, "but we've been unable to pinpoint the reason for the reduction in deaths to any one factor."

He said it appeared to be a result of several factors — including slower speeds, increased use of safety belts and stricter enforcement of the speed limit.

Traffic figures for late December dates were available in all except four states in Illinois, Louisiana and Pennsylvania figures were available only through Nov. 30, and New York had figures only through Oct. 31.

The District of Columbia and 29 states reported lower traffic deaths, two states were about even and 19 others had increased death tolls.

States reporting a drop of 40 or more deaths from 1974 included Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Tennessee.  
Only California, Texas and West Virginia reported substan-

## Tax Increase Probable In Dallas Busing Plan

DALLAS (UPI) — A court-appointed expert has recommended a desegregation plan that involves the busing of 23,352 students, but still leaves more than 20 all black schools.

Dr. Josiah Calvin Hall, who designed desegregation plans for public schools in Memphis and Nashville, said his proposal would have an initial cost of more than \$5.6 million which could make a property tax increase necessary.

It is probable that the implementation of any plan will require additional operating funds from local property tax sources, Hall said in his proposal filed in federal court Monday. "This may require an adjustment in the local property tax rate."

Hall's proposal was submitted to U.S. District Judge William M. Taylor Jr., who is charged with implementing a desegregation plan in Dallas' five-year-old case.

Taylor is not bound by the recommendations of Hall, a former Dade County, Fla., school superintendent.  
Under Hall's plan 15,321 of the students to be bused would be in elementary schools.  
Dallas elementary schools currently are 41 per cent white, 43 per cent black and 15 per cent Mexican-American.

Hall said the busing portion of his proposal would require 352 buses at an initial cost of \$5.6 million. The cost of operating the buses, he said, would be about \$1.7 million annually.

Taylor said he had not studied the proposal closely but the judge, previously said Hall's proposal was not necessarily the one he would use. He is expected to order some desegregation plan this spring for implementation next fall. Final hearings in the case begin Feb. 2 in his court.

## Prison Firing Upheld

BATON ROUGE, La. (UPI) — The Louisiana Civil Service Commission has upheld the firing of a male guard at the state women's prison accused of giving food and liquor to two inmates and having sexual intercourse with one of the women.

The civil service ruling Monday followed a hearing in which the two inmates testified Lee N. Lucas gave them boiled crabs and whiskey and later had intercourse with one of them.  
Inmate Ann Jolla testified she stood guard while Lucas and inmate Pearl Simeon had intercourse.  
Although she did not testify that she saw the act of intercourse, her descriptions of the sound which she heard

emanating from the room where she said Lucas and Simeon were, left no doubt in her mind as to what was going on, the civil service commission said.

"She was surprised that they finished so soon" and came out of the room."

The commission said Lucas "vehemently denied" having relations with the inmate.  
The commission said the alleged incident came to the attention of authorities when Miss Simeon visited the prison hospital to determine if she was pregnant.  
Giving crabs and liquor to the inmates was also an infraction of rules since both are considered contraband in the prison.

## Suspect Fears for Life, Surrenders

OLNEY, Tex. (UPI) — Authorities say a man accused of burglarizing a hardware store and wounding two policemen with a 12-gauge shotgun surrendered to sheriff's deputies because he feared angry residents would kill him.

Danny Frank Weaver, 31, of Olney, called Young County Sheriff John Edwards in Graham, 25 miles to the south, to surrender after the shooting incident early Monday.  
"I've known him a long time, handled him before, put him in the penitentiary," Young said. "I guess he just knew me and was afraid he might get killed in Olney."

Weaver was arrested a few minutes after his call and was charged with two counts of attempted murder and one of burglary. He was held on bond of \$250,000.

Officer Tommy Duncan, 22, wounded in the eye and stomach, was listed in stable condition at Hamilton Hospital in Olney. Doctors planned to move him to Wichita Falls for eye surgery.  
"He was shot in the eye," said Wanda Arroyo, hospital evening supervisor. "We have to wait awhile to see what the outcome of that will be. He'll be moved to Wichita Falls in the near future but the doctor hasn't decided exactly when that will be."

Officer Donnie Walker, 21, was wounded in the legs and neck and his condition was changed from fair to good late Monday.  
The shooting as the two officers drove their patrol car into the alley and spotted a man near the rear entrance to the hardware store.  
"Walker got out and the

guy opened up on him," said police dispatcher Derrel Schoonover. "It seems from damage Duncan got he had left the vehicle too and probably got the full blow of the shotgun."

The gunman fired three blasts and ran. Despite his wounds, Walker was able to reach the patrol car and radio for help. He told headquarters he recognized the assailant.

Edwards said Weaver was sober when arrested but admitted he had been drinking earlier in the day.  
"He's all right when he's not drinking, but he'll kill you when he gets to drinking," Edwards said.



**Snow-Sculpted**

Summer's toys, set aside by Pampa youngsters who are enjoying the winter fun while waiting for warmer days, provide a striking seasonal sculpture after being covered with Sunday night's two-inch snowfall.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

## Grand Jury Returns 20 Indictments Here

A Gray County grand jury Monday indicted two men in connection with holding a 70-year-old Alanreed station operator at gunpoint in September, and named another in connection with gunshot wounds that left a Pampa man blind.

Twenty indictments were returned late Monday afternoon. Guy Hardin, district attorney, recommended that bonds for Jerry Lee Welker, 48, of Florida and Michael Eugene Johnson, 17, of Arkansas, both charged with attempted armed robbery, to remain at \$25,000 each.

Leo Thomas Samuels, 18, charged in connection with the November shooting of Oscar Nelson, 33, of Pampa is free under \$10,000 bond. Hardin said Nelson is blind.  
Welker and Johnson were charged with holding J.A. Hill, 70, of Alanreed at gunpoint.  
Hill, owner of the Alanreed 66 Service Station, said he

outtalked two teenage youths when they attempted to rob the station with a sawed off 16 gauge shotgun.  
Two youths were apprehended 15 minutes later at a road block in Groom. They are now in the Gray County jail.

Other indictments were returned against Carl Wayne Dunn for breaking and entering a vehicle without consent and for illegally entering a building to commit theft.  
Michael Angelo Stradley was indicted for intentionally and knowingly carrying a handgun on premises licensed to sell alcoholic beverages.

Also indicted were Bobby L. Cross for entering and committing theft; Terry Wayne Hoskins for unlawful possession of marijuana; Terry Everett Green, burglary; Jas Edward Davis, theft by taking a pickup truck without consent of the owner; James Vernon Wells,

driving while intoxicated; Otis Duane White, driving while intoxicated; Jerry Bowers Oliver Jr. and Doria Hunnicutt, unlawful possession of marijuana; Jesus Aguilar De Leon, burglary; David Scotty Putman and Timothy Lynn Pettit, burglary; and Buster J. Faggins, unlawful possession of marijuana.

In another action, the grand jury indicted Pedro O'Dell Martinez for intentionally and knowingly causing serious injury to Veronica May Sturgill by striking her with a glass beer pitcher; Jerry L. Franklin Garrett for burglary in connection with Jim's Steak House and Pampa Tent and Awning, and Dwayne Wesley Roper and John Zalan Schultz for burglary of vehicles.

Judge Grainger McElhane accepted the indictments and the recommendation of Hardin in regard to bonds.  
No trial dates have been set.

## Pumps Rushed to India

CHASNALA COLLIERY, India (UPI) — Pumps supplied by foreign countries were rushed to India today to help drain millions of gallons of water from a coal pit where relatives stand a death watch for hundreds of trapped miners.

Government officials held out almost no hope for any of the more than 350 men 1,000 feet below the surface Saturday in India's worst mine tragedy. But they pledged to continue pumping as long as there was the slightest chance.

India radio announced Monday the United States, France and Switzerland were flying in modern pumps capable of draining 2,500 gallons of water per minute in response to an urgent plea for help by Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Pumping operations at the disaster site 180 miles northwest of Calcutta were proceeding at a slow pace Monday. Only two pumps, each with a capacity 600 gallons a minute, were in use.

More low-capacity pumps were brought in later and rescue officials expected the arrival of modern equipment from other Indian cities and abroad within a few days to drain flood waters estimated at as much as 300 million gallons.

The chilly air was rent with the wails of women and children who have stood vigil since the explosion caused water from a nearby abandoned shaft to burst through 80-foot-thick natural barriers and bury two pits under 850 feet of water.

## Soviet-backed Faction Plans New Offensive

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI) — The Soviet-backed faction battling for supremacy in Angola plans a new military offensive to upstage African peacemaking efforts, diplomatic sources said.  
A stockpile of sophisticated Russian military equipment will be used to widen the faction's control of the former Portuguese colony, the sources said Monday.

The arms include a squadron of MIG21 fighters recently assembled at the Marxist-held capital of Luanda; amphibious T34 tanks and mobile Russian-made surface-to-surface missiles that the sources said already have inflicted heavy losses on the two anti-Soviet groups.  
The Marxist Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola is confined to its Atlantic port capital and a narrow central strip running into the resource-rich West African territory.

To the north, south and east, its 20,000-man army, bolstered by 5,000 Cubans and 400 Soviet advisers, faces the anti-Communist guerrillas of the two rival movements, the National Front for the Liberation of Angola and the National Union

## Jackson Repeats Opposition

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Henry Jackson, campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination, has repeated his opposition to school busing and will seek curbs on the power of federal courts to order busing as a means of achieving racially balanced schools.

Jackson also called for a two-year, \$2 billion extension of federal aid for voluntary school desegregation programs. He said the federal government should subsidize one-third of all school budgets, which would cost an additional \$14 billion a year according to the National

Education Association.  
"If I am elected president, I will end the years of neglect of racial progress which has characterized the Nixon and Ford administrations," Jackson said in a position paper.

"I will focus our attention, and our actions, on assuring that all students, black and white, are provided with an education which makes equal opportunity a reality and not simply a dream."

Jackson's anti-busing stand and his proposed legislation to curb federal judges issuing busing orders is expected to

## Honor Roll

Freshman agriculture student Lynn Allison of Lefors was named to the Dean's honor roll at Tyler Junior College for the fall semester. Allison is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allison of Lefors.

further alienate him from the influential left-wing of the Democratic party.

At the same time, his position could help him in Massachusetts, which holds the nation's second primary, and especially in Boston where court-ordered busing has led to violence.

In his paper, Jackson acknowledged the explosiveness of the busing issue and added "that what I have to say will mollify neither the extreme proponents of busing nor its equally extreme opponents."

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<b>All Purpose Russet Potatoes</b> 10 Lbs. <b>89c</b>		<b>Borden WHIPPING CREAM</b> 1/2 Pint <b>29c</b>
		<b>Borden EGG NOG</b> qt. <b>69c</b>
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**BROTHER JUNIPER**

12-30

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"Ring in the new, ring out the old: uh-one...uh-two..."

**REX MORGAN M.D.**

SORRY--MY PHONE CALL TOOK A LITTLE MORE TIME THAN I EXPECTED?

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE YOUR BUSINESS CALLS TRANSFERRED TO A DOCTOR'S OFFICE!

THIS WAY, PLEASE!

YES, MISS GALE!

I'M NORM PRESCOTT! MY APOLOGIES FOR BEING LATE, DOCTOR! YOU HAVE A MARVELOUS NURSE! SHE PROPERLY CHASTISED ME FOR BEING INCONSIDERATE OF YOUR TIME!

**GRIN & BEAR IT**

12-30

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"I'll pick up some batteries the next time. I'm at the store. Meanwhile, tighten your belts, bite the bullet, and play manually."

**KERRY DRAKE**

CRASH!

CRASH!

ABEL! ABEL! I HEARD A NOISE IN THE KITCHEN!

**STEVE CANYON**

12-30

DON'T TRY BUSTIN' OUT! IT'S A LONG WALK TO THE CORNER STORE!

I'M SUPPOSED TO SAY SOMETHING CUTE RIGHT HERE...

...BUT ALL I CAN THINK OF IS WHAT A THICK SKULL STEVE CANYON MUST HAVE!

STEVE! DO YOU KNOW ME?

I SHOULDN'T SAY THAT...

...HE MIGHT WAKE UP, HAVE A LOOK

...AND TAKE THE FIFTH AMENDMENT!

**CONCHY**

12-30

LEAP YEAR AHEAD

1976 WILL HAVE 366 DAYS

365 CENTRAL TIME

**BEETLE BAILY**

12-30

SARGE WON'T SHOW US A PICTURE OF HIS GIRLFRIEND. LET'S LOOK THROUGH HIS THINGS

THEY'LL NEVER FIND IT. IT'S HIDDEN IN A TOBACCO CAN INSIDE AN OLD SOCK

YUK! THEY FOUND IT

**BLONDIE**

12-30

I'M LATE! I WON'T HAVE TIME FOR BREAKFAST!

BUT IT'S ALL READY!

I PUT IT ON A PAPER PLATE SO YOU CAN EAT IT ON THE BUS

I DIDN'T KNOW THEY HAD A CAFETERIA ON THIS BUS

**MARK TRAIL**

12-30

DON'T WORRY, CHERRY I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOUR DAD!

THANKS, WINDY!

HERE'S A STORY ABOUT ANOTHER MAYAN RUIN THEY'VE DISCOVERED IN CENTRAL AMERICA!

ONCE WHEN I WAS FISHING THERE I VISITED ONE OF THE RUINS...THE MAYAN INDIANS WERE GREAT ARCHITECTS AND CRAFTSMEN!

**FUNKY WINKERBEAN**

12-30

WHAT A BOWL GAME WE'VE GOT FOR YOU FANS TONIGHT!

THE TWO TOP TEAMS IN THE COUNTRY SQUARE OFF FOR THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP!

THIS IS THE GAME OF THE CENTURY FOR THIS YEAR!

**B.C.**

12-30

YOU CALL THIS A CALENDAR?

WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT?

IT'S FULL OF STUPID PICTURES OF FROGS, GRASSHOPPERS, KANGAROOS AND BUNNIES!

...IT'S LEAP YEAR, AIN'T IT?

**THE WIZARD OF ID**

12-30

We have Sir Rodney. Give us \$50 in a plain brown wrapper and he will be released unharmed.

HOW DO I KNOW THEY REALLY HAVE RODNEY?

FOR FIFTYBUCKS IT COULDN'T BE ANYONE ELSE

**HAGAR THE HORRIBLE**

12-30

THEY AIN'T MAKING HOUSES LIKE THEY USED TO!

I'LL GO ALONG WITH THAT.

THEY'RE NOT MAKING ANYTHING LIKE THEY USED TO!

OH, I WOULDN'T GO THAT FAR!

**ANDY CAPP**

12-30

RAT-A-TAT-TAT!

THANKS, CHALKIE!

DON'T MENTION IT, FLO

I'VE CARRIED ME OVER THE THRESHOLD ON OUR WEDDING DAY--AN' I'VE CARRIED 'IM OVER IT EVERY ANNIVERSARY SINCE

**SNUFFY SMITH**

12-30

LOOKY, MAW--TATER'S GOIN' UP TO JUGHAID'S TREE HOUSE

BALLS O' FIRE!! HE'LL BREAK HIS TOM-FOOL NECK TRYIN' TO CLIMB THAT BIG OL' CHINABERRY TREE!!

NO, HE WON'T, MAW--HE'S TAKIN' THE ELLYVATOR

**DONALD DUCK**

12-30

UNCA DONALD, WE CHALLENGE YOU TO A SNOWBALL FIGHT!

ARE YOU KIDDING? I'M THE CHAMP!

YOU KIDS WON'T HAVE A CHANCE!

OH, I THINK WE WILL!

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK SO?

WE THINK BIG!

**JUDGE PARKER**

12-30

THANKS FOR THE RIDE, MISTER!

MEANWHILE

WELL, LIEUTENANT...DID HE TALK TO YOU?

NO...WOULDN'T SAY A WORD? I GUESS HE IS SUFFERING FROM AMNESIA...JUST LIKE YOU SAID, DOCTOR!

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1/2 Gal. **\$11.99** Qt. **\$6.15** 5th **\$4.99**

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# Lost Marker Causes Border Dispute

POTEAU, Okla. (UPI) — County Assessor Rubin White says a 117-year-old border marker in Oklahoma's claim to 40 acres of Arkansas is missing. But he still contends his state owns the land that was once an outlaw haven and now comprises 13 blocks of the fringes of downtown Fort Smith, Ark.

White, LeFlore County assessor for 19 years, said a marker with "Arkansas" on one side and "Indian Territory" on the other disappeared sometime in the past year from its spot a mile south of the courthouse of frontier "Hanging Judge" Isaac Parker in Fort Smith, Ark.

## Rangel's Gun for Hire Anyplace In the World

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Jim Rangel is among the unemployed and wants work. He's very good at his job and usually gets top dollar.

Rangel, 29, is a mercenary, a professional gun-for-hire. His assets are a considerable knowledge of weapons and explosives, parachute jumping, killing and the ability to train others to do them well.

He says his faults are a bad temper and a lot of hate. But hate helps in his work.

"I guess it was the way I was brought up," he said. "I'm Mexican-American, from a small town in Wyoming. There was a lot of prejudice. I went in the Army early.

"It was either that or go to Boys Town until I was 21. I couldn't take that."

Rangel spent 9½ years in the Army, more than 33 months in Vietnam. He was with Special Forces, transferring to the 101st Airborne and then the 1st Infantry.

Two days after he left the Army, he said, he signed on to go to Africa as a mercenary.

"I wanted to go back to Nam," he said. "But I took the physical and couldn't pass. So, I said the hell with it.

"A major I know approached me then and asked me if I wanted to do the same type of thing. He gave me \$2,500 in cash and a plane ticket and I was on my way."

Rangel said he didn't know who he was working for other than the "Major."

"I went to Africa and then they put me in Arabia. No women, no booze."

He taught parachute training, he said. "At this time I finally

found out I was working for something called the Arab Republic of Nations. I was getting paid very good money.

"I got along with the people. I speak Arabic — I learned it in Special Forces — and look like an Arab."

Rangel is in college working on a degree in fire sciences. He's been at it off and on for seven years.

"I have a damn good job offer, too. It isn't the money. I've had everything and I've lost everything. I went down to Mexico and blew everything I had."

But, he said, he can't stay put. "I will have been back two years in April."

He worked in Jordan training the El Fatah. He once signed up with Israel and fought in the Sinai.

"They didn't want to pay me enough and I went to work for the Arabs."

"I used to get paid by the head. I learned that in Vietnam."

That means, he said, you bring back evidence of the kill from night sorties into enemy territory.

"Bring back a hand and get paid on the spot. Sometimes we would bring back two hands and use the other one later. But they got wise to that."

At that time he was working for an Englishman named Col. Hughes. "He paid right then and there."

He also worked for Hughes in Pakistan and for Col. Rolf Steiner in Ethiopia.

"Steiner had a set of rules. You didn't break them or you didn't come back. He took good care of you. Or he took care of

because it was in Indian Territory. He said the Indians "gave Fort Smith permission to patrol it" and in 1905 the city "decided they would just take it" and won congressional approval.

A national park, a parachute parts firm, the Port of Fort Smith and a U.S. Naval training station now are located on the 13 blocks.

White said Oklahoma Attorney General Larry Derryberry promised several times to file action to try to obtain the land. White said Derryberry visited the area and members of his staff photographed it.

In October, White said Assistant Attorney General Marvin Emerson told him the office would take action. But

## Poor Spelling May Be Okay

MADISON, Wis. (UPI) — Teddybear spelled "taddebar" on Johnny's first grade spelling test should not alarm his parents, according to an English professor.

In fact, Charles Read said Johnny may be among the brightest students in the class.

Read has studied the spelling of grade school children and calls it "creative spelling."

"Creative spelling suggests an activity that is mildly antisocial, like eating Jello with your fingers," he said.

"What appears to be puzzling mistakes may have a reasonable basis," he said.

Read, a professor at the University of Wisconsin, said the boy may be simply trying to spell the word the way it sounds.

"Children have intuitions about phonetic relationships that influence their spelling so that the process of learning to spell, for many children, appears to be one of replacing one set of relationships with

## Dog, Man Save Each Other

ROLESVILLE, N.C. (UPI) — Prince, a white German shepherd, saved his master from a fire Monday. Later, the master saved Prince.

Haywood Hughes said he was awakened about 4 a.m. by Prince, whining and whimpering and pawing Hughes on the face. Hughes realized his small brick home was aflame and crawled outside with the dog to safety.

But Prince, apparently seeking shelter, crawled under the burning house. Firemen gave



Modern Spiral

Most of Florida's large cities key their growth to their locations on commercial waterways. This is not the case of Orlando, where growth is credited to strategic Indian

and cattle trails. The newest, Intrastate - 4, is shown curving its way northward through the city.

## Missouri Folks Don't Want Letters Delivered

HERCULANEUM, Mo. (UPI) — Herculanium city fathers thought home mail delivery would be a proper step toward updating this community of 900.

But Herculanium folk don't seem to want it.

"Herculanium is the second-oldest community west of the Mississippi," Mayor William H. Burlage figured. "It's kind of silly that we don't have home mail delivery."

## No Shortage Of Fireworks For Bicentennial

HUDSDON, Ohio (UPI) — There will be no shortage of American-made fireworks for celebration of the nation's Bicentennial, says fireworks maker James Sorgi.

"We're not faced with a shortage of American products," said Sorgi. "There are plenty of fireworks to be had."

Sorgi, owner of American Fireworks Co., was responding to a report in CWA News, the journal of the Communications Workers of America.

Sorgi said fireworks wholesalers and manufacturers have been buying foreign products because they are cheaper.

"It now appears that for what may be the most massive fireworks display in history, Americans will have to look to Canada, South Korea, Hong Kong, Guatemala, Macao, France and our former mother country, Great Britain," the CWA News said.

"Even more embarrassing, we may also be turning to the People's Republic of China and Chairman Mao and his friends to help supply our rockets' red glare," the labor newspaper added.

American Fireworks Co. has been working for five years to get ready for the Bicentennial, Sorgi said.

Sorgi said 90 per cent of the ingredients used in his fireworks are American made. The remaining ingredients came from Japan.

## Homosexuals Without Leader

By JOHN S. LANGDON  
United Press International

Without a charismatic leader, the nation's estimated 10 million homosexuals have been forced into a lonely battle for public support.

Only a fraction of the once almost totally furtive fraternity of homosexuals, lesbians and bisexuals risks public exposure to fight for an end to discrimination in employment, housing and credit.

Champions are hard to come by outside the gay community.

Gays have chalked up major gains — with some outside help — to ease discrimination in Pennsylvania, California and the District of Columbia.

In such major cities as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Madison, Wis., discrimination based on sexual preference has been forbidden.

In Massachusetts, a bill to bar

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SHRIVER SKIIES  
WATERVILLE VALLEY, N.H. (UPI) — Democrat Sargent Shriver was dressed for skiing but he had more serious business in mind.

Sporting a striped ski sweater and down parka, Shriver, a presidential candidate, made friends Sunday at four ski areas in New Hampshire.

"Sunday's a tough day. What the hell do you do," said Richard Kelly, a campaign aide. "So we figured we'd hit the ski areas."

Shriver's wife, Eunice, campaigned for her husband separately at other nearby ski areas.

The candidate shook hands with voters in lift lines and in lodges as he toured the resorts. Thousands of skiers were on the slopes, covered by the season's first major snowfall Christmas week.

SANFORD SOAPBOX  
DURHAM, N.C. (UPI) — Democratic presidential candi-

date Terry Sanford says that if elected he would push a federal policy of full employment, reduced spending in military and welfare programs and oppose additional federal gun control laws.

In a 10-page "presidential platform" statement Sunday, the former North Carolina governor and Duke University president also said "bold and creative leadership" aimed at improving conditions in disadvantaged schools was the best way to eliminate forced busing of children.

He said the United States has a "blind and stumbling" foreign policy and criticized American involvement in Angola. But he gave no specifics of how he would alter foreign policy.

NEW NEWS HEAD  
DETROIT (UPI) — The Detroit News has named Burdett Stoddard, a reporter

and editor for 20 years, as managing editor. The appointment was effective today.

Stoddard, 44, assistant managing editor since 1971, had been acting managing editor since July.

THE RIZZO PAD  
PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — Mayor Frank Rizzo's new home has been assessed at \$77,200, the Philadelphia Bulletin reported Sunday.

The newspaper said the assessment constitutes about half of the actual property value and that the Rizzo home is actually worth \$154,400.

Rizzo's tax bill, effective next Thursday, will be \$3,686 a year, or \$1,600 higher than current taxes on the home.

A grand jury headed by special prosecutor Walter Phillips Jr. has looked into the financing of Rizzo's home and the \$130,000 restoration of his City Hall office.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, has denounced what he sees as a White House suggestion that his Senate intelligence committee was indirectly responsible for the killing of CIA agent Richard Welch in Athens Tuesday.

Presidential press secretary Ron Nessen told reporters in Vail, Colo., Saturday President Ford believed the slaying was partly the result of the publication of Welch's name.

In a statement issued by his office Sunday, Church said the implication was "unworthy of a presidential spokesman who must have known that the names of agents have been withheld by the agency itself."

Welch was identified as a CIA agent in "Counterspy," a quarterly publication which is critical of the agency.

## Homosexuals Without Leader

discrimination based on sexual preference in housing, hiring and credit passed the house but was killed in the senate.

The nation's largest private employer, American Telephone & Telegraph Co., last year confirmed it had banned bias in the hiring and employment of homosexuals.

And, nudged by a federal court decision in California, the U.S. Civil Service Commission last summer adopted new "suitability standards" that require proof of a connection between conduct and job performance before sexual preference can be made an employment factor.

The Civil Service ruling affects the vast bulk of federal civilian employees outside the armed forces, but its provisions do little to help elevation of gays to top posts.

"Promoting a homosexual to a limelight position could jeopardize public confidence in an agency," one spokesman said.

In Pennsylvania, Gov. Milton Shapp created by executive order a Governor's Gay Rights Task Force and armed it with an order to end bias against gays in state government.

Shapp's order brought a prompt response from his state police commissioner, Col. James Barger, that "persons with different sexual preferences or unorthodox ones could not possibly and successfully function ... (as) Pennsylvania State Police."

"It is our belief, at this point in time, the public would not condone being policed by homosexual individuals," Barger said.

Shapp's order, and his avowed plans to translate the task force into a state commission, also triggered a reaction in Pennsylvania's general assembly which approved a bill to bar hiring gays as state police, prison guards or attendants in state mental or juvenile institutions.

After the California legislature legalized sex acts in private between consenting adults, Los Angeles Civil Service ruled that homosexuality, by itself, may no longer bar employment.

Sternest reaction came quickly from the Los Angeles Police Department. Spokesman L. Dan Cooke said that "according to our survey and the Police Protective League, 100 per cent of the officers will refuse to work with any known homosexual."

Police Protective League Director Tony Amador said, "Officers have called me to say 'if I have to work in a car with a queer, I'll punch his lights out and I don't care how many days they suspend me.'"

In Oregon, Minnesota, California and elsewhere, bills to ban discrimination against homosexuals have fallen in defeat.

But with increasing militancy, gays are frequent lobbyists in legislatures and city halls. Some gay newspapers have achieved national — if limited — circulation.

And a few scattered segments of the electorate have chosen a handful of avowed homosexuals to represent them in legislative halls.

UNSCRIPTURAL  
HOUSTON, Tex. (UPI) — The Union Baptist Association of the Houston, Tex., area has branded the charismatic movement of healing and speaking in tongues as "being of the devil" and "unscriptural." The vote by the association came on the heels of the Dallas Baptist Association ouster of two congregations with charismatic ministries.





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