



Ford May Seek Pro-West Aid

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger disclosed today the administration is "seriously considering" asking Congress to approve open financial aid to pro-Western factions in Angola.

Kissinger also told the Senate subcommittee on Africa Affairs there are unconfirmed reports the Soviets will send jet fighters to the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola, the pro-Soviet faction in the Angolan civil war.

"There are unconfirmed reports that the Soviet Union will provide the MPLA with MIG21 aircraft to be piloted by Cubans," he said.

The House voted Tuesday to stop the administration from secretly spending any more money contained in its defense budget for military support to pro-western Angola forces. The

Senate has previously approved the aid cut-off.

Kissinger said the congressional action may force the administration to request direct funding.

The administration is now seriously considering overt financial aid and will soon be consulting with Congress on this possibility," Kissinger said.

Kissinger was the lead-off witness at a series of hearings scheduled to run through early February.

Subcommittee chairman Dick Clark, D-Iowa, in a last minute, ad-libbed, addition to prepared opening remarks, said the administration has requested \$28 million for Angola. But he cast doubt it would do any good.

"It is unlikely that these levels of Communist assistance to the pro-Soviet faction) can be balanced by another \$9 million

in defense appropriations—\$28 million which has been requested—or even another \$50 or \$100 million," Clark said.

Kissinger charged the Soviet Union and Cuba had significantly increased their military commitments to the Soviet forces since December.

He outlined in detail the administration's reasons for intervening in Angola.

"If we do not exercise our responsibilities to maintain the international balance, if Congress and the executive are unable to act in concert when vital national interests are affected, then world security may well be seriously undermined," Kissinger said.

Sen. John Tunney, D-Calif., charged today that a State

Department memorandum may inadvertently have pushed the pro-Soviet factions in Angola into closer collaboration with Moscow and Cuba.

The State Department memorandum, dated Dec. 11, said the United States "cannot stand idly by" in the face of Soviet intervention in Angola. It warned no Angola government could plan an effective reconstruction program "without American and Western help."

The State Department had no official comment on the report of the secret memo but administration officials did not dispute its authenticity.

The memo, which reportedly caused anger and consternation among top MPLA leaders in Angola, was obtained by a Tunney aide who recently visited the African country.

The aide, Mark Moran, said he is convinced the memorandum is authentic. He said it was given to a secret MPLA envoy by T. A. Wilson, board chairman of the Boeing Aircraft Co.

Tunney said the memo was "viewed by (MPLA leaders) as so intractable and belligerent, and so inconsistent with public American claims that the American position on Angola was not based on any opposition to MPLA itself, that it amounted to a virtual ultimatum that slammed the door on further discussions or a possible rapprochement with our country."

The MPLA representative had come to the United States for talks with Boeing officials on the purchase of two Boeing 737s which had been held up by State Department objections.



Thirty-five Miles

Pampa is in the process of replacing 35 miles of corroded 2-inch water lines in a five-year \$1.2 million project. Shown here is a crew from the Novak Construction Co., Amarillo, currently working in Rose St. between Twiford and Fisher Sts. Another crew is at work just west of the Houston Lumber Co. off W. Foster St. In the photo are Larry Anson, backhoe operator, and Gary Barringer and Benny Hawk in the trench.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

Bentsen Questions Pampa City Mayor

By TEX DEWESE
Pampa News Staff

Mayor R. D. Wilkerson was advised today by US Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas that he "has long been concerned with the inaccessibility of federal funds to cities like Pampa."

The Texas senator asked the mayor in a letter to fill out a questionnaire which Bentsen says would supply him with information of great value to him "in understanding the magnitude of the problem faced" by Pampa and other small cities.

Senator Bentsen says he plans to hold hearings before his Economic Growth Subcommittee "in order to publicize the problems and gather information for legislation to end discrimination against small cities."

The senator enclosed a copy of a statement he made to the Senate in December in which he took up the cudgel for the American Association of Small Cities which has a membership of nearly 300 cities under 50,000 population in 12 states including Texas.

Bentsen says the smaller cities face the same critical social, economic and environmental problems of their larger counterparts, but they

are being discriminated against and do not receive their fair share of Federal aid.

According to Bentsen, cities like Pampa are unable to afford a Federal aid specialist to keep them informed on available Federal Assistance.

Local officials, the senator says, do not have time to negotiate their way through a maze of federal regulations and red tape "only to find that the Federal programs are not flexible enough to respond to their specific problems."

Pampa currently is in the process of applying for federal aid under the federal Community Development Act of 1974, but because 98 per cent of the available funds will go to larger cities, city officials see their chances as slim.

Bentsen says the legislation sets up distribution of approximately \$1.2 billion appropriated under the act for fiscal 1976.

Ironically, the senator states, the application process takes staff to fill in forms, to travel to regional offices, and to interpret complexities of Federal guidelines — staff that is least available in small cities and the most readily available source in the larger cities.

Ford-Rabin Talks Stall

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Ford and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin have scheduled another meeting because they failed to reach agreement on Middle East peace strategy in their two earlier talks, according to diplomatic sources.

The sources said the unexpected third meeting today was necessary because of failure to agree on how to proceed with new Arab-Israeli negotiations, including whether the Palestinian Liberation Organization should participate.

The time of the new meeting was not revealed.

In talks Tuesday and Wednesday, the sources said, Ford

called for PLO participation in future negotiations without advocating Israeli recognition of the PLO. But they said Rabin, who called for reconvening the Geneva Middle East peace conference during an address to a joint session of Congress Wednesday, disagreed.

Ford and Rabin also were said to differ on the amount of military and economic aid for Israel. Ford told Rabin he asked Congress for between \$1.8 billion and \$1.9 billion. Rabin had asked for \$2.2 billion.

Ford and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger said the administration could raise the aid limit, the diplomatic sources said, but the price apparently would be more Israeli flexibility on peace strategy.

Rabin also planned unusual meetings today with Senate and House Appropriations Committees, stressing Israeli military strength — dependent upon U.S. aid — is essential for a negotiated Middle East peace.

Before the third meeting at the White House, Ford attended a bicentennial prayer breakfast and urged the country to begin its third century "with the same faith and the same purpose as our nation's founders."

The President, his wife Betty and son Michael, 25, a seminary student, were among some 3,000 guests at the 24th annual National Prayer Breakfast. Other guests included Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, Commerce Secretary-designate Elliot L. Richardson and several Capitol Hill legislators.

Ford, in remarks near the closing of the gathering, asked whether the nation's "spiritual growth had matched the temper growth of our nation."

He urged that the people leave "a legacy of leadership worthy of our forebearers."

Sen. James Allen, D-Ala., read from the New Testament and brought down the house when he said "the Bible is as modern today as the newspapers and more authoritative."

Ford remained at the prayer breakfast for nearly an hour and a half and returned to the White House for his third major meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

West Appeals Prison Term

Bobby Joe West, 33, of Lefors has posted a \$25,000 bond, and appealed the revocation of his probation Wednesday in the 31st District Court here.

District Judge Grainger McIlhenny revoked his probation and sentenced him to begin serving a 10-year penitentiary term.

He was granted probation in 1971 for burglary. His 10-year probation term was revoked after Guy Hardin submitted a motion to revoke it on charges of driving while intoxicated in October.

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New Bus in Operation

One of the new school buses recently purchased for nearly \$14,000 by the Pampa Independent School District is this one shown here as it let students off this morning at Wilson Elementary School. Given Vance, bus supervisor for the school system, said that new buses in operation include two 66-passenger vehicles

(one of which is pictured) and a 48-passenger. The other large bus made its first out of town run yesterday when the high school stage band made a day's concert tour of three smaller towns in the area.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

Soviet Military Worries Ford Administration

By United Press International

The Ford Administration is concerned about Russian political and military influence in Angola even though Congress has rebuffed attempts at securing covert aid, according to a specialist on African affairs.

"I think the Africans know our efforts have nothing to do with South Africa," William E. Schaufele Jr. said Wednesday.

There is also a history of African criticism against the Soviets.

Schaufele, assistant secretary of state for African affairs, said he felt South Africa did not misinterpret the United States' interest in Angola.

"There's no government in past history (in Africa) which has owed its existence to the Soviets. Obligations tend to have to be paid off eventually."

"In the long run African nationalism will be able to assert itself," he told reporters before addressing a regional foreign policy conference.

The Congress Tuesday ignored President Ford's warning that the two anti-Soviet factions needed U.S. aid to survive and by a 323-99 vote gave final

approval to a ban on covert military aid to the newly independent nation.

Soviet-backed forces rumbling into southern Angola with Russian tanks and heavy guns have forced pro-Western troops into a guerrilla-style defense and prompted neighboring Zambia to put its forces on alert.

Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda declared a state of emergency Wednesday, saying in a nationwide address from Lusaka the country must be ready to fight any attempts to destroy it.

Kaunda gave no details, but diplomats said he apparently was referring to the danger of the Angolan civil war spreading to Zambia.

According to broadcasts from the Marxist-held capital of Luanda, its forces Wednesday were only 50 miles from Huambo, the former administrative capital of the pro-Western coalition.

Radio Luanda called on supporters in the south to begin disruptive tactics to prepare for the advancing troops.

"Our forces are approaching, therefore oppose the enemy

immediately," Radio Luanda said. "Destroy the bridges and trains."

The deteriorating situation forced leaders of the pro-Western forces to order their troops to begin guerrilla operations.

The National Union for the Total Independence of Angola ordered its men to take up hit and run tactics, but did not make clear if that also applied to front-line troops.

Western journalists who recently visited the front said pro-Western forces were dug in at the Queve River, about 100 miles north of Huambo, despite claims by the Marxist Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola of deeper penetration.

National Union leader Jonas

Savimbi said this week his soldiers had only enough guns to continue fighting for between three and five months.

"But we shall never surrender," he said.

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"Youth, thought it may lack knowledge is certainly not devoid of intelligence: it sees through shams with sharp and terrible eyes."

—Henry L. Mencken

Tennis Club To Organize

The Pampa Tennis Club will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. today at Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet Company.

Officers will be elected and plans for the upcoming tournament season will be finalized.

Space Station May Solve Energy Needs

By AL ROSSITER JR.
UPI Science Editor

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A new type orbital power station using thousands of acres of mirrors to turn solar heat into electricity has been proposed as a possible answer to the world's energy needs in the next century.

The satellite would be immense — something on the order of eight or nine miles across. It would generate enough electricity to light and heat a million households.

The energy would be beamed 22,300 miles to Earth in the form of microwave radiation. Ground antennas about five miles in diameter would receive this energy, convert it to alternating current and feed the electricity into the nation's power grids.

The idea of an orbiting generator was first proposed in 1968 by Dr. Peter E. Glaser of Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass. His idea is to use massive banks of solar cells to convert sunlight directly

into electricity the same way solar cells are used to most power spacecraft of today.

The latest proposal was presented last week to a Senate subcommittee by Richard W. Taylor, vice president of the Boeing Co. It would use heat concentrated by plastic film mirrors to drive a set of helium gas turbines which would turn alternators to generate electricity.

Both generators would be placed in stationary orbit where their orbital speed would match Earth's rotation and they thus would remain over one point on Earth.

Solar energy in such an orbit would be constant nearly 24 hours a day.

One major problem with both types of space generators is that they would require huge rockets to launch satellite components into orbit where they would be assembled. Boeing estimates its power station would

weigh 100,000 tons and Glaser's would be about 25,000 tons, depending on power output. America's largest spaceship, the Apollo, weighed 50 tons fully fueled.

Glaser estimated at the Senate hearing

that development of new launch vehicles to handle such a job would cost \$24 billion.

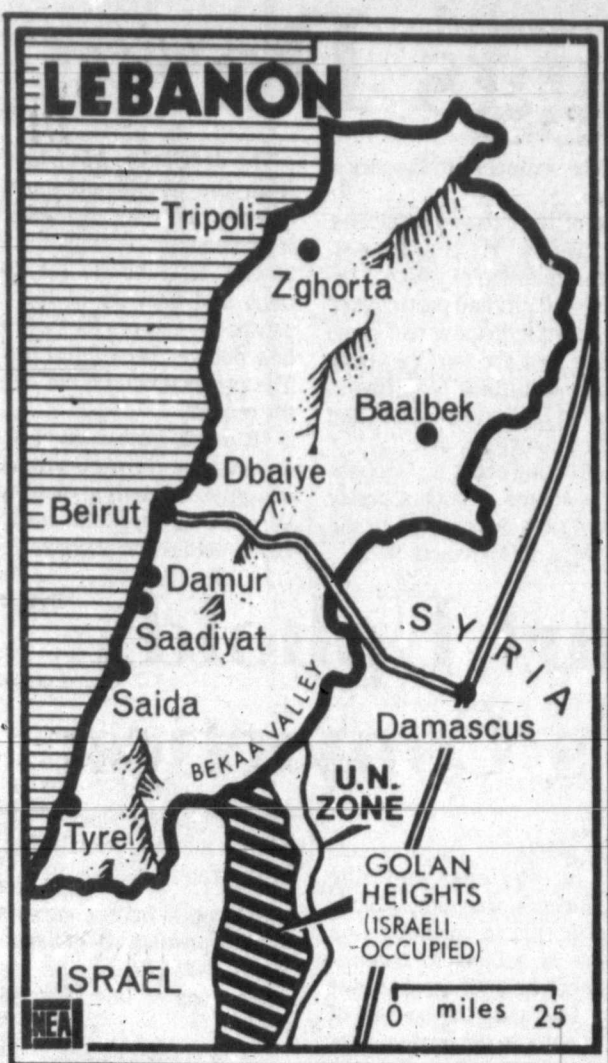
Dr. Gerard K. O'Neill, Princeton University physics professor noted for his plans of huge space colonies in orbit, told the Senate panel that he thinks satellite power makes sense but he said there might be a better way of building orbiting generators.

He suggested that the raw materials could come from moon soil which Apollo studies have shown to be 40 per cent oxygen, 20 per cent silicon and 20 to 30 per cent metals by weight. These metals are

mainly aluminum, iron, titanium and magnesium.

The idea would be to ship compacted moon soil to space processing plants which would turn the soil into construction materials for power stations.

Because of the low strength of lunar gravity, O'Neill said rockets would not be required to get moon material into orbit. He said small vehicles could be launched continuously from the moon by the use of ground machinery using advanced magnetic acceleration techniques.



Committee Blocks Release of CIA Paper

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The House intelligence committee today canceled its working session because of a Rules Committee vote Wednesday night blocking release of the intelligence panel's final report on the CIA.

The Rules Committee said the controversial, 238-page report should be "certified" by President Ford as not containing classified material. Intelligence Committee Chairman Otis Pike, D-N.Y., called off the 10 a.m. open meeting following the 9-7 vote by Rules Wednesday night preventing publication of the report until the White House has cleared it.

Parts of the report have already been leaked to news media and Pike objected bitterly against the ruling that Ford be empowered to censor the report. Conceding the report contained classified material, Pike said he and a majority of the 13-member Select Committee on Intelligence felt the "horrendous and atrocious things" found during their investigation of the CIA and FBI should be made public.

Doctors Strikes Lingers

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Waiting until the last minute, striking doctors grudgingly hastened to pay larger malpractice insurance premiums before their coverage lapsed today.

Physicians facing premiums from \$4,000 to \$40,000 a year mailed, sent or carried checks covering their first quarterly payment to an insurance broker's office, which remained open until midnight. The Travelers Insurance Co. had warned that those who did not pay by midnight would lose their coverage, retroactive to Jan. 1.

The last one came in the door at 11:50 with a certified check for \$3,939.92, said a spokesman for the broker, Johnson and Higgins. "They've been pouring in all day, with the heaviest load in the early afternoon. Actually, we've seen more nurses than doctors," he said. "The doctors send the office nurse with the money."

Lebanese Repair Shattered Nation

BEIRUT, Lebanon — One week after a Syrian-mediated truce went into effect, the people of Lebanon have begun repairing their shattered nation. The first step was carting away the bodies left buried beneath the ruins of war.

Only scattered sniping in the suburbs and four street kidnappings in Beirut marred an otherwise peaceful day Wednesday as army units and Palestine Liberation Army troops firmly supervised the cease-fire.

For the first time in weeks, dump trucks and garbage men materialized to begin the enormous task of cleaning up after nine months and 16 days of civil war. But not all the debris was uncollected garbage. Health workers wearing masks to protect them from the stench of death sifted through what was left of bombed shops and burned houses for bloated bodies.

It probably will be several days before their number is counted and added to the 10,000 known dead and 21,000 wounded since April. But police sources said nearly 100 bodies were uncovered in Karantina, a Moslem slum district burned to the ground by Christians last week, and at least another 50 probably will be found in other areas.

Premier Rashid Karmi called the cabinet into session Wednesday for the first time since Syria stepped in last week to impose the war's 26th cease-fire. He announced a committee would be formed to draft a timetable for implementing political and social changes to serve as the basis of a final peace settlement.

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Credit Card Fraud Told

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All About the Vet

Austin Elementary fifth graders were ready with plenty of questions when Dr. Ron Hendrick visited the class as the first career day speaker. The local veterinarian was invited to speak at the school by Pat

Jones, standing in door, the teacher who initiated the program.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

Food for Thought

Are Food Stamps Ripoff? Choice Beef Less Choice

By DR. JEAN MAYER
Professor of Nutrition,
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The government's food stamp program has come under considerable criticism of late, some of it from officials of the Ford Administration. Charges that the program is "out of control," a "haven for chiselers" and a "public ripoff" are frequently heard.

Is there any truth to these charges? After a close look at the facts, I think that, by and large, the answer is "no." According to figures compiled by the Department of Agriculture, which administers the food stamp program, about 18 million people are using the stamps. About half of these people have gross family incomes of less than \$3,000 a year, and 90 per cent of the 18 million gross less than \$7,000. And although 18 million people sounds like a lot, the fact remains that 24 million Americans have incomes below the poverty line, and some eight million more are unemployed and seeking work. So six to 14 million more people who may be eligible for food stamps are for one reason or another not receiving them.

Who uses food stamps? Almost half go to mothers with dependent children, and most of the rest are used by the elderly, disabled or unemployed. Clearly, the vast majority of people receiving food stamps are those in need. Still, we constantly hear that middle-income persons who could well afford to feed their families are taking advantage of food stamps. But the facts again show that there is very little abuse by middle-income persons.

The Agriculture Department guidelines set no upper limit on income eligibility for food stamps. Instead, eligibility is figured on net income after deductions for taxes, medical expenses, housing, utilities, work transportation, tuition and other mandatory education costs. Thus, it is theoretically possible for a family with a gross income of \$16,000 to qualify for food stamps if they have high taxes and other expenses and no outside assets, such as stocks, that are worth more than \$1,500. But USDA records indicate that only one-fifth of 1 per cent of the families getting food stamps earn more than \$9,000, and absolutely none earns \$10,000 or more.

As for charges of fraud in obtaining food stamps, a recent government report pegged the rate of outright fraud at eight one-hundredths of 1 per cent. In addition, 4 per cent of the households getting stamps were found to be ineligible, mostly as a result of honest errors. These are very low figures, indeed, especially when you consider that the Internal Revenue Service estimates that 49 per cent of all Federal tax returns contain errors and that 19 per cent contain outright fraud.

Still other critics contend that food stamp money is wasted because those using the stamps make poor shopping choices. For example, they are supposedly buying potato chips instead of potatoes and soft drinks instead of milk and juice. But so far, there is no evidence that this is true of food stamp recipients than of anybody else. But just to make sure, the Department of Agriculture is undertaking a study to determine just what foods are bought with stamps.

I rather suspect that this study will again prove the critics to be mostly wrong. At least one test has shown that, given the same amount of money to spend on food, most people, whether they are high or low income, make much the same food choices. And people in all income groups are becoming more aware of good nutrition and are buying accordingly.

However, there is no denying we are a wasteful nation, especially when it comes to food. A recent survey in Tucson reveals that the average American family wastes at least \$80 to \$100 worth of food each year.

Food stamp allotments are based on what is called an "economy" food plan. This allows for much less meat than is found in the average diet and absolutely no waste. USDA nutritionists have warned that only one family in 10 will be well-nourished over the long term on such a plan, and that it should be used only on an emergency basis.

Finally, there is the charge that the food stamp program is "out of control." The program now covers every county in the nation, plus Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. As the program was extended and the former commodity distribution programs were phased out, participation did zoom to about 15 million. But it then stayed stable until the unemployment rate rose in mid-1974. Now, the number of people in the stamp program directly reflects a rise or fall in unemployment.

If the unemployed, the elderly and the poor are poverty-stricken through no fault of their own, I feel that we should not begrudge them food stamps. Certainly, any errors and abuses in the program should be corrected. But I am left with a nagging feeling that the secretary of Agriculture and other administration officials, who are supposed to regulate and supervise the program, would rather make food stamps an election-year issue than an effective, tightly run program to help feed our needy.

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Leading Ladies

Mrs. Vernon Camp, left, was named mother advisor for Assembly No. 95 of the Order of Rainbow Girls during installation ceremonies Jan. 24. Debbie Cook, the new worthy advisor, chose as her theme faith, symbolized by an emblem of an open Bible.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

Rainbow Girls Installed

Assembly No. 95 of the Order of Rainbow Girls participated in installation ceremonies Jan. 24. Debbie Cook began her term as worthy advisor and Mrs. Vernon Camp was named mother advisor. Other posts filled included Vonda Fellers, worthy associate; LaDana Hyatt, charity; Pam Mann, hope; Ginger Wilson, faith; Molly Richards, recorder; Carol Craig, treasurer; Charlene Baily, chaplain; Kim Gooch, drill leader; Velisa Fellers, love; Debbie Eggleston,

religion; Sonya Glover, nature; Penny Miser, immortality; Peggy Lowrie, fidelity; Laqueta Robertson, patriotism; Melody Thacker, service; Tina Pitman, confidential observer; Ceelia DeWitt, outer observer; Jolene Black, musician.

Serving as board members will be Mrs. Vernon Camp, mother advisor; Mrs. Betty Craig, chairman of the board; Mrs. Selma Richards, secretary; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Alexander, Mrs. Ann Fellers, Mrs. Mary Kratzer, Mrs. Leana

Miller, Mrs. Betty King, and Mrs. Betty Miser. Installations were conducted by Mrs. J.R. Wisdom, installing officer; Becky Gooch, installing marshal; Mrs. Karen Cross, installing chaplain; Mrs. Selma Richards, installing recorder; Mrs. Helen Ruth Mackie, installing musician. Vocalists for the ceremonies were Molly Richards, Vonda Fellers, and Molly Richardson. Assisting in the program were Mrs. Lester Reynolds, Mrs. Von Winegeart, Barbara and Donna Winegeart and Penny Miser.

Vet Talks to Class

Students Explore Career

By JEANNE GRIMES
Pampa News Staff

Pampa veterinarian Dr. Ron Hendrick kicked off a new concept of career orientation with a visit to Pat Jones' fifth grade class at Austin Elementary School.

The students are enthusiastic about the new program, which Ms. Jones said will bring local representatives of many occupations into her classroom.

Dr. Hendrick also was enthusiastic about the response during and after his hour-long visit with the students.

"I told them about being a veterinarian in a community like Pampa," he said, adding that he had also pointed out many other career areas open to veterinarians.

"I explained the educational requirements and the need for good grades all through school. I was impressed by their alertness."

After the visit, Dr. Hendrick received over 20 letters from the Austin fifth graders.

Tobi Ritthaler wrote "Thank you for showing us the x-rays and telling us what a veterinarian does. I don't know what I'm going to be, but I'm thinking about jumping motorcycles."

"I liked the x-ray about the duck. I might be a veterinarian but I think I will be

a football player," wrote Craig Chapin. Classmate Benny Joe Kirksey had similar thoughts. He wrote, "I'm either going to be a football player or a doctor when I grow up."

A veterinarian was selected as the first speaker in the program, Ms. Jones said, when several of the students indicated an interest in veterinary medicine.

Students are required to write an essay on a possible career and each paper is presented to the class as an oral report.

These miniature career clinics, Ms. Jones said help teach the students to research a topic and the speakers provide inside information on their respective fields.

One student turned in a detailed paper on ballet which included a history of the dance, training for ballet and career opportunities for dancers. A hand-drawn chart of ballet positions was also part of the presentation.

Carpentry caught the fancy of another student and he submitted a report detailing rough and finish carpentry, as well as stressing the importance of the proper tools and materials.

Papers on veterinary medicine ranged from brief description of the doctor's main

responsibilities to lists of diseases the veterinarian can protect an animal against and anatomy charts of dogs, cats and horses.

Ms. Jones said the benefits of the program to the students are three-fold. Many students, she said, are unaware of the variety of research materials available to them. Each student gains new knowledge through individual research and hearing other students' papers. But the highlights of the career days are the guest speakers.

Today Barbara Trammel, a stewardess for Braniff International Airlines, will speak to the class.

Other future speakers will be Jim Hughes, owner of KGRQ radio station, who will talk about being a disc jockey and operating a business. Don Nelson, supervisor of vocational education at Pampa High School, will deliver a program on vocational education. And Marjorie Gaut, director of educational services for the Pampa Independent School District, has agreed to speak on education — teachers and administrators.

Ms. Jones also wants to feature career days with a local physician, an attorney, and whatever else can hold the collective attention of a group of fifth graders.

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise:

When I empty a canning jar, I run it through the dishwasher, put the lid on when dry and store it for future use.

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Believe it or not, the jars were out of the way, were too hot to handle without a hot pad and it shortened my canning time.

Hope this idea will be useful to others.

Eleanor LaMor

Great! This idea should be a big help to people who don't own dishwashers.

A much easier way to sterilize the jars than boiling them in water.

Heloise

THIS COLUMN is written for you, the housewife and homemaker. If you have a hint or a problem write to Heloise in care of this newspaper. Because of the tremendous volume of mail, Heloise is unable to answer all individual letters. She will, however, answer your questions in her column whenever possible.

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Rising Costs Hit Exploration Stripper Well Exemption Bill 'Going Nowhere'

By ANN GHERLEIN
Pampa's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — Rising costs of domestic oil and gas exploration and production are making it increasingly difficult for oil companies to raise the necessary capital for exploration, according to a recent article by the Wall Street Journal.
 As the costs of domestic exploration and development skyrocket, — oil companies will spend eight times the amount over the next decade as in the last 10 years — the needed capital (40 billion a year) will become more difficult to obtain.
 The rising costs of exploration are explained in part by the need to look offshore for oil, where water depths challenge the industry's technology. Most onshore oil has already been discovered, the latest major domestic discovery, excepting

Alaska, having been made in 1948.
 A further problem is the expected rise this year in the oil companies' bonus bids for offshore leases — \$5 billion rather than the \$1 billion in 1975.
 The oil companies are currently looking to their profits as a source of capital, cutting the percentage of earnings paid out in dividends. For example, while cash earnings jumped 115 per cent from 1970 to 1974, dividends paid to investors rose only 30 per cent because of the

increased need to invest in new explorations. And depressed stock prices of many oil companies resulting from the slowing of dividend growth have made it difficult for companies to raise equity capital.
 Although the debt that is being incurred by companies in financing the capital spending programs is as yet not causing alarm, it will eventually restrict their ability to borrow, according to Ben V. Love, chairman of Texas Commerce Bancshares, Inc.

 "Fraudulent promoters" are taking advantage of the widespread attention given to energy over the last year, provoking a warning to investors by the Securities and Exchange Commission to beware.
 The most common ploy by the hucksters is the high pressure telephone pitch where "unfounded claims or suggestions of potentially spectacular profits are made," says the SEC.

The energy salesmen are based principally in the Southwest and have been making pitches nationwide, preferably to investors with little experience.
 Investors are warned by the SEC to consider phone solicitations with caution. The hucksters have a "sufficient

minimum" of knowledge to define key terms and are experienced salesmen.

 Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., announced recently that he intends to launch a concerted push for action on his bill introduced last September to break up the major oil companies.

Bayh, a Democratic presidential candidate, claims that vertical integration of the oil companies — their control of the oil from the time it is produced until it is sold to the consumer — has contributed to the development of an essentially non-competitive industry. This lack of competition has encouraged unnecessarily high prices, he says. "Only a major step — such as requiring vertical divestiture — can bring competition to the oil industry," Bayh maintains.

Stripper Well Exemption Bill 'Going Nowhere'
 By DOUG LOWENSTEIN
Pampa News
Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — Sen. James Eastland, R - Prairie Village (Kansas), bill to exempt stripper wells from the proposed federal oil price ceiling of \$11.28 a barrel is "going nowhere," according to a Senate source.

A staff member of the Senate Interior Committee, which would handle the bill, said "there is no way the committee is going to open the energy question all over again."
 Congress spent a year writing an energy program before finally agreeing on a measure acceptable to the Ford Administration and to members

opposed to a relaxation of price controls.
 Until passage of the new law, stripper wells, which produce 10 barrels a day or less, were exempted from the oil price controls of \$5.25 a barrel. Oil from these properties sold at the free market price of about \$13.50 a barrel.
 But Congress voted to end the

Federal Energy Administration (FEA) exemption and recently proposed price regulations that placed an \$11.28 a barrel ceiling on stripper production.
 FEA officials said last week that the new price is more than adequate to assure stripper well owners of a profitable rate of return. They denied that production would fall off.

Oil and Gas

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Your Horoscope

By Jeane Dixon

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30
Your birthday today: This is the year to streamline and update your style of living, simplify your daily rounds and dispense with systems that are cumbersome to administer and objects you no longer use. Relationships from a previous phase thin out and new ones are difficult to establish. Spiritual growth is virtually spontaneous. Today's natives take a tolerant viewpoint, tackle and solve their problems from unorthodox angles.
Aries [March 21-April 19]: Friends are congenial and

generate so much fun that it's difficult to get things done. Extra work yields extra benefits. Square off existing accounts and get all figures up to date.
Taurus [April 20-May 20]: Business picks up in somewhat unsettled conditions. Treat each deal as though it were one of a kind. Schedules are hard to carry out, but don't worry. Concentrate on chores.
Gemini [May 21-June 20]: You're in luck if you listen and say very little. Valuable information comes at you from all sides. Associates think you know more than

you've actually been told.
Cancer [June 21-July 22]: If you share anything with anyone, be sure you see eye-to-eye beforehand. Money escapes notice long enough to wreck budgets. Beware of extreme ideas.
Leo [July 23-Aug. 22]: Critical comment causes you to react without thinking. Stifle emotional outbursts. Keep the future in mind. A slow change is profitable.
Virgo [Aug. 23-Sept. 22]: When plans go haywire, don't expect help from others. Pull the pieces together to reorganize a simple, constructive operation.

Impatience won't help.
Libra [Sept. 23-Oct. 22]: Whatever is new in your house or work place attracts extra attention. Be prepared to fall back on older methods while newer ones are re-adjusted.
Scorpio [Oct. 23-Nov. 21]: You're the target of much persuasion. Be skeptical of good and bad news until you verify the facts. If you have specific appointments, have optional courses ready.
Sagittarius [Nov. 22-Dec. 21]: Everyone wants to find out what is happening without telling any of their own secrets. Be discreet while you

reflect upon strange news.
Capricorn [Dec. 22-Jan. 19]: What looks like a sound investment may have slipped through a crucial monitoring point without adequate confirmation. Be careful of the kind of scheme you get into.
Aquarius [Jan. 20-Feb. 18]: Your complex plans are tested as you run into opposition. People fritter away time while asking for details.
Pisces [Feb. 19-March 20]: This can be a worthwhile, productive day if you mind your own business. Most people want to be left alone until they're ready to ask pertinent questions.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Justice Department says it made a mistake in approving a Texas legislative plan to redistrict Nueces County and a new plan will be necessary.
 Assistant Attorney General J. Stanley Pottinger, in a letter to Texas Secretary of State Mark White, said he had misinterpreted population statistics for the county which resulted in the redistricting error for the House of Representatives.
 Under the plan submitted by the state legislature and initially approved by the Justice Department, the three Nueces County House districts would have been divided to give Mexican-Americans one "safe"

district. Anglos a "safe" district and one swing district of mixed population.
 Pottinger said, however, after having restudied the population statistics, he found by redrawing district lines the county's Mexican-American population could be given two safe districts and the Anglos would have one.
 He said the Texas legislature's plan unnecessarily diluted minority voting strength.
 The Nueces County plan was one of nine recently reevaluated by Pottinger to decide if legislative redistricting had achieved the purpose of breaking down voting discrimination. He indicated some states

used redistricting to limit the number of minority voters in any one area, thus reducing the possibility that they could seek and win office.
 Texas was one of several states required by the federal Voting Rights Act to get prior federal approval of any new laws that affected minority voting rights. The act allows the Justice Department to reverse its initial decisions if new information is found.
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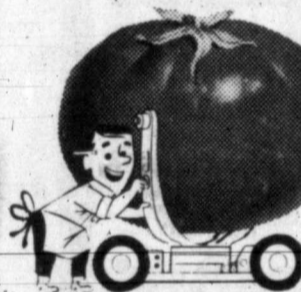
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Texas Playwright Writes About Texans

HOUSTON (UPI) — Playwright Preston Jones has a prescription for Texans who take themselves a little too seriously — a dose of down-home humor applied sparingly with salt.

Jones takes a critical and humorous look at the good 'ol boy syndrome in his play, "The Last Meeting of the Knights of the White Magnolia," whose earthy-talking characters populate small towns everywhere.

In much the same way Thornton Wilder wrote about New Hampshire and William

Inge treated his Kansas. Jones' characters transcend regional boundaries and reflect the social and psychological behavior of the country.

The Albuquerque, N.M., native who for 16 years has worked as an actor and director in the Dallas Theater Center admits Wilder's "Our Town" gave him the impetus to explore the small-town psyche, but the rest is from his own experience.

"I don't have to go up on the mountain to think," he said. "If I did go up on the mountain to think, I wouldn't. I'd go

fishing." Jones' "experience" includes working for the Texas Highway Department and a stint as a scale operator at cattle auctions. Even today he prefers wearing jeans and a workshirt — not exactly in the image of the national recognition and critical acclaim he has achieved as "the bet and the brightest in American theater."

He credits his hometown theater community for showing him the way to writing plays.

"It was definitely a result of working in the Dallas Theater

Center as an actor and later as director," he said, following the premiere of "Magnolia" at Houston's Alley Theater. "I couldn't find any regional plays that weren't set in New York or San Francisco or London. I had some ideas in mind. I had some time, so I sat down and started working on them."

"Through the encouragement Paul Baker (of the Dallas center) and being at the theater and working with the actors, I was in a great position to write," Jones said.

The result was "LuAnn

Hampton Lavery Obelander," the twice married heroine whose 20-year history from high school cheerleader to middleage housewife it recounts. Then came "Magnolia," about the seven surviving members of a once flourishing racist society created to protest Ku klux Klan methods, and finally, "The Oldest Living Graduate," a shell-shocked and senile colonel from the Great War.

The trilogy, set in the mythical town of Bradleyville (somewhere near Big Spring, Tex.) will open in April at the

Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

The humor in "Magnolia" comes from the unabashed rawness of a group of good old boys getting together for a night out. The plot is laced with trappings of fraternal folderol and punctuated with salty colloquialisms.

Above all, Jones, like fellow Texans Larry King and Larry McMurtry, has written about the people he knows.

"I'm not sharpening any knives for anyone in my plays. The plays are set in the 60s, but I

don't worry about specific people. I use bits and pieces of people I've known.

"You have to write about what you know, and I'm really hung up on West Texas. I said, c'mon let's hear from these guys.

These are the people I've grown up with."

Jones works with the idea that city people for all their sophistication and uptown piety eventually want to go home again.

Sewing for Boys

BERN, Switzerland (UPI) — Two women members of the Swiss Parliament have introduced a motion that boys as well as girls in primary school should learn how to sew and darn and in high school be taught how to

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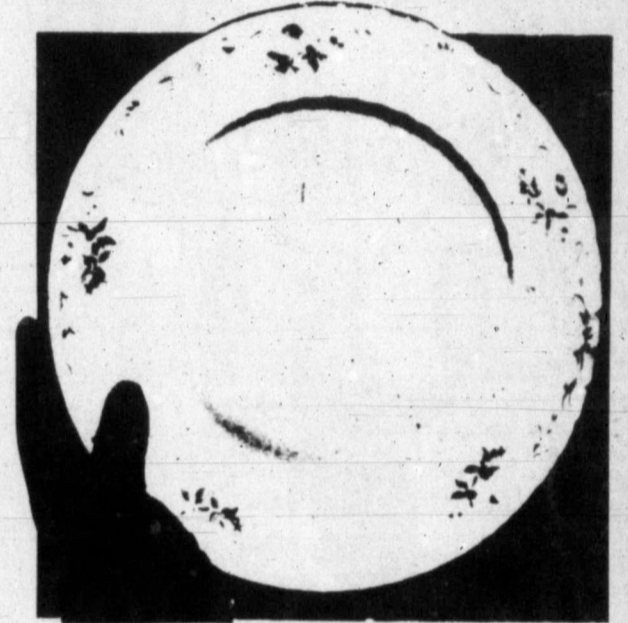
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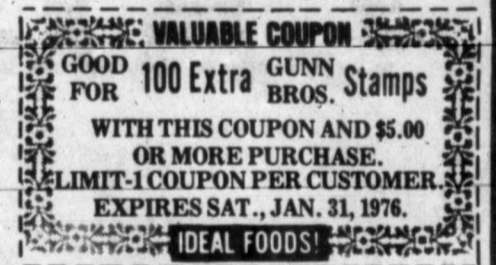


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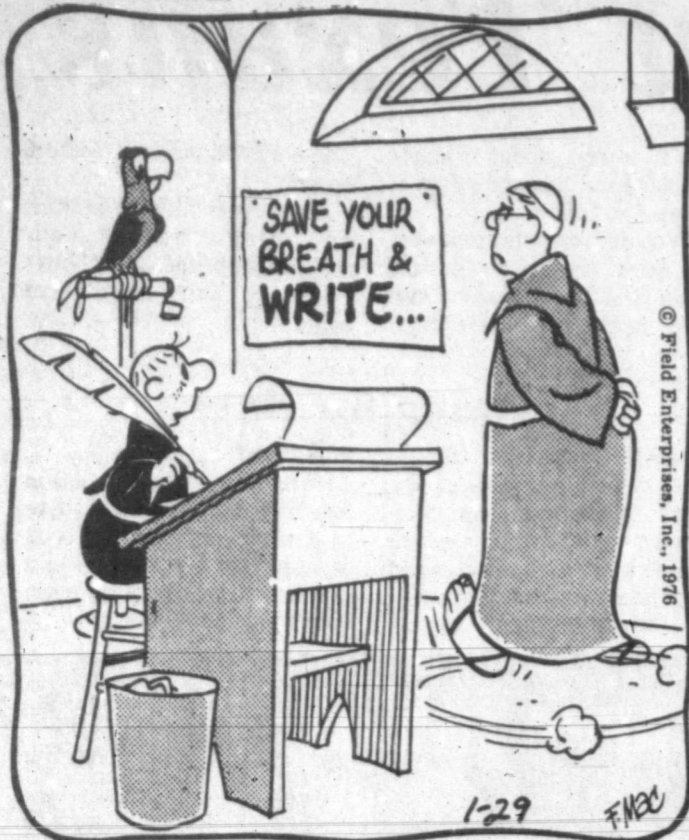
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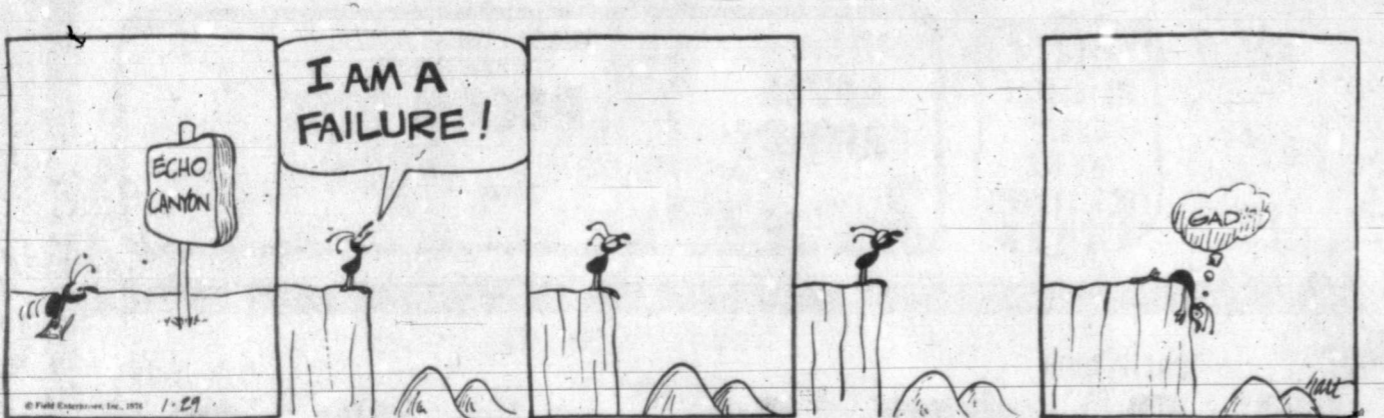
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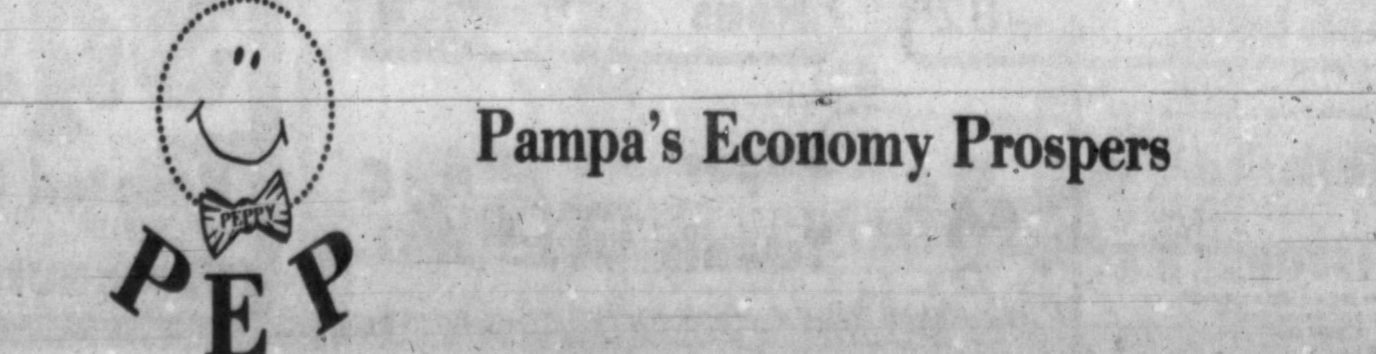
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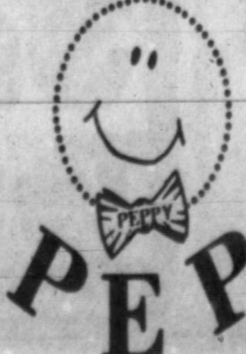
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'RR Commissioners Got Gulf Money'

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WASHINGTON — Former Texas Gov. Preston Smith, a former state attorney general, and nearly all Texas Railroad Commission members since the early 1960's received illegal corporate campaign contributions from Gulf Oil Corp., an independent investigative committee revealed in late December.

The oil company, whose officials have admitted doing out thousands of dollars to Texas and other politicians over the past 15 years, employed at least three individuals who distributed corporate funds solely to Texans, the committee

said.

While discussing some matters that were already known, the report did reveal for the first time:

— The names of certain Texas state politicians who received illegal campaign contributions and evidence that Texas Railroad Commissioners and Supreme Court justices also received Gulf money; and,

— That Gulf's corporate contributions in Texas continued until 1974. Since the statute of limitations for such illegal contributions is three years, some of these are apparently still subject to prosecution.

The disclosures were included in a massive 298-page report which detailed Gulf's payments

to politicians and candidates here and abroad. The report was the result of a 10-month probe headed by John J. McCloy, a highly regarded New York attorney.

The committee, which included two members associated with Gulf, was praised by a top Gulf official for its "thorough and impartial investigation." The investigation was part of a settlement of a suit brought against Gulf by the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

During the past 15 years, Gulf lobbyist Harris Winfree of Austin, Fort Worth attorney Ira Butler Sr. and Gulf attorney W.B. Edwards of Houston

distributed corporate funds in Texas, the committee said. While Winfree was cited earlier in court documents as being involved in Gulf's campaign fund scheme, Butler and Edwards were not previously implicated.

Butler, who has been on Gulf retainer since 1946, told the committee, the report stated, that he "made payments to all (Railroad) Commissioners, save one, since the early 1960's." He said the last payment was made in 1974, but the report did not name the individuals.

He also told the committee that he received about \$3,000 in cash every two years from former Gulf Washington lobbyist Claude Wild Jr., a

former Texan. Butler also recalled making contributions with money given to him by Wild to Texas Supreme Court candidates in contested elections.

Butler also acknowledged that he was channeling the contributions to the Texas Railroad Commission members at a time when he was representing Gulf in cases before the commission, which oversees the state's oil and natural gas industry.

On at least two occasions Butler allegedly delivered envelopes, apparently filled with cash, to former Texas attorney general Crawford Martin, who died in office in 1972 after serving six years. Butler

said in both cases he never opened the envelope but only told Martin to pick up the envelope left with him by Wild.

Butler told the committee he believed that the money passed through him to give to state politicians was from an "independent source of funds" and not from Gulf corporate coffers.

Wild also used Edwards, a Gulf regional attorney in Houston from 1960 through 1968 and now an assistant general counsel, to deliver money to state and Houston area lawmakers.

Edwards told the committee that on one occasion he funneled an unknown amount of money in an envelope to former Governor

Smith, apparently in connection with a Texas gubernatorial campaign.

However, it is not known if Smith, governor from Jan. 21, 1969 through Jan. 16, 1973, ever received any Gulf money other than from Edwards.

From time to time, Edwards said in the report, he would contribute money received from Wild to various Harris County candidates to the Texas state legislature. The contributions usually ranged from \$100 to \$150. He estimated that the total amount over a number of years came to between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

Both Edwards and Butler could not be reached for comment.

Smith, who now lives in Lubbock, also could not be reached.

The committee report indicates for the first time that some apparent violations by Gulf Oil of the Texas election law could be prosecuted. Prior disclosures indicated that the Gulf contributions stopped in 1972 and could not be prosecuted because of the state's three-year statute of limitation law.

Secretary of State Mark White, the state's chief election officer, initiated a state inquiry into corporate contributions after federal disclosures revealed that both Phillips Petroleum Co. and Gulf were channeling funds to Texas politicians.

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