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## Clever saw and learned

If the Affirmative Action trends in our government heed Eldridge Cleaver, some of the most grievous bureaucratic and racial abuses will be lessened significantly if not erased in our country. Cleaver, once the fiery black activist who fled the country to avoid a prison term, has returned, as most everybody knows, to California where he languishes in prison awaiting resolution of his case.

His contrition for past attitudes has alienated him from his former revolutionist mates. There is no Eldridge Cleaver Defense Fund (except the meager effort of Bayard Rustin). No outraged editorials in Ramparts or Rolling Stone. No Panther vigil in front of the correctional facility inside of which Cleaver reconstructs his worldview.

During his exile he saw the socialist paradises firsthand, saw, actually, the miserable, rigid, dictatorial structures of those countries worshipped from afar by our campus socialists. His report, upon alighting into FBI hands at the airport, America provides more latitude for individual freedom than Cuba or Algeria, the Soviet Union poses a greater threat to the survival of freedom anywhere on the globe.

## A salute to the farmer

Quietly, with no fanfare and little media coverage, a real revolution has been taking place down on the American farm. U.S. farmers, in the finest tradition of their forefathers, are once again acting like free men. It is a story that bears telling again and again, especially during this bicentennial year.

Whereas the government once stored glutts of grain at taxpayer expense running to as high as \$1,000,000 a day, farmers now hold their own grain until they are ready to sell on the open market.

productivity growth: farm productivity up 65.2 percent, for example, as compared with 14.6 percent for factories.



### Don Oakley

#### Law and order or justice?

No criminal has been executed in the United States since 1967. Nevertheless, we do have a form of capital punishment which is likely to continue, no matter what the Supreme Court finally decides.



### Astro-Graph

Wednesday, June 9, 1976

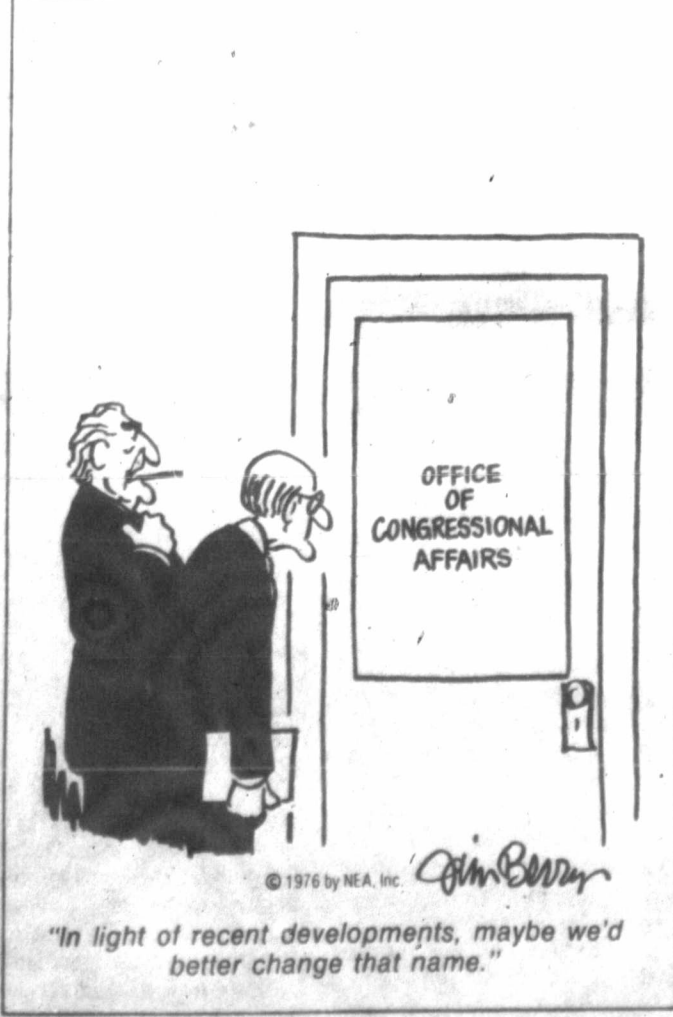
**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
Your adventurous spirit could lead you astray today, if you engage in any form of speculation. It's not a something-for-nothing day.



"Rumplegumption" is the Scottish word for common sense.

"He loses all who loses the right moment." Spanish proverb

## Berry's World



### The Mayaguez Affair

## Ford clamps down secrecy lid

By CLARK MOLLENHOFF  
WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Ford administration is using all of its clout to keep the national security classification of "secret" on a highly critical General Accounting Office (GAO) report on the Mayaguez affair that could be politically damaging to President Ford.

boomerang impact of the Pike intelligence committee leaks, have instituted maximum security measures to avoid any premature release that would make them vulnerable to criticism.

started adding up the costs by the Defense Department's own estimates it was \$9.5 million, including \$6.3 million for three C-53 helicopters lost. Fassel's subcommittee also found that the skirmish with the Cambodians had cost 15 U.S. servicemen their lives, and an additional 23 were killed in Thailand in a helicopter crash related to the Mayaguez affair.

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### Ray Cromley

## Hays case rattles Capitol skeletons

By Ray Cromley

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — A study some time back by a scholar working with the Brookings Institution gave evidence that the Senate and House of Representatives act only on wrongdoing by members which becomes so publicized as to embarrass the whole of Congress.

The case of President Nixon and his aides brought no general cleanup of politicians in high places. We can conclude that punishment given Hays will not lead to a follow through on other guilty Congressmen.

To illustrate the point, let us go back to Jan. 13, 1975. On that day, Common Cause, in a series of reports on committee chairmen in the House, outlined the ways in which Hays had abused his vast powers as chairman of the House Administration Committee, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and "ultimate controller of staff payrolls, allocator of offices and furniture, overseer of the House Information System and... dispenser of parking spaces."

At that time Common Cause reported: Since becoming chairman, Hays increased the number of employees on the House Administration Committee payroll from less than 50 to more than 200 — twice as many as any other House committee.

Using his power as chairman of the House Administration Committee, Hays refused to release the paycheck of a staff aide of another member because the aide was arranging for witnesses to testify for his member's bill which Hays opposed.

Hays threatened to withhold paychecks of other House employees, including a member of the Speaker's staff whom the Speaker had assigned to help with a proposal Hays opposed.

During the impeachment investigation, Hays threatened to cut the Judiciary Committee's impeachment staff after getting into an argument with two committee interns in an elevator.

Hays refused to authorize funds so that the 93rd Congress Select Committee on Committees, which Hays didn't like, could have its hearings printed as a House document.

After a Government Operations subcommittee issued a report which displeased Hays, he used his power as then chairman of the Accounts subcommittee to cut the full committee's budget in half.

Common Cause also accused Hays of using his committee power to intervene illegally in House and Senate election campaigns to assist candidates he personally supported.

Despite these charges, in the next go round Hays was continued as chairman of the House Administration Committee and the House Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, though not without a hassle.

The point is that Hays has been able to use his power to put roadblocks in the way of those he does not like. But he also uses his power to help those he favors. Those he has helped fear they won't get the same favored treatment from his successors.

In this, they are his partners, profiting from his actions. They are not about to vote him out unless extreme publicity and embarrassment forces them to act. There are also men, of course, who fear that if they oppose him, and fail, reprisals will be quick and certain.

There's also another matter. Many senators and House members have skeletons in their own closets. Few want to open Pandora's Box.

## Capitol Comedy

After the Michigan election, Reagan cancelled his order for shirts with the Presidential seal.

Jackson's popularity faded so fast he may have to do a "Remember Me" commercial when he runs for reelection.

Ford's whistle stop campaign worked. Whenever he spoke he arranged for the whistle not to stop.

The senate created a panel to check on intelligence agencies. That's like expecting Sinatra to tell all about the Mafia.

Humphrey is staying in shape by jogging his memory and lifting giant-size Geritol bottles.

Elfen McCormack, the anti-abortion candidate is doing so badly in the primaries she may switch to pro-abortion.

Udall came so close to beating Carter in Michigan, Jimmy had to have his teeth re-Simonized.

Ford's campaign train brought out large crowds. They thought Reagan's raiders would attack it.

After the Michigan election, Ford decided against moving back to Grand Rapids.

### Variety

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# Social Security raise means \$70,000

By ANNA BURCHELL  
Pampa News Staff  
Gray County Social Security recipients will receive a 6.4 per cent cost of living increase resulting in a total of \$69,700 per month for an estimated 5,000 persons in Pampa, McLean, Lefors and Albrecht.

in Social Security checks scheduled to be delivered July 3. "It is a good raise and it will help this area," commented Howard L. Weatherly, social security branch manager in Pampa. An estimated 20 per cent of the 25,000 Gray County population receives Social Security benefits

which totaled more than \$10 million in 1975. Records show that 4,226 of those receiving benefits in Gray County live in Pampa while 530 reside in the McLean area. Lefors has 191, and Albrecht shows 53 recipients. Weatherly said the cost of living provision was added to the Social Security Law in 1972.

"People getting social security checks don't have to do anything to get the higher payments," Weatherly said. "The increase will be added automatically." The increase, he added, is based on the rise in consumer prices from the first three months in 1975 to the first three months of 1976.

With the cost of living increase, the average Social Security retirement payments to retired workers will go from \$210 to \$224 per month. Average social security disability payments to disabled workers will go from \$228 to \$242 a month. Average social security survivors payments to widowed mothers or fathers with two children in their care will go from \$479 to \$510 a month. Nationally, Social Security pays monthly benefits to more than 32 million persons. The payments are funded by Social Security contributions from

employees, employers and self-employed persons. Employers and employees contribute 5.85 per cent each of the first \$15,300 annual earnings from jobs covered by social security. Self-employed persons contribute 7.9 per cent. "Those figures remain unchanged," Weatherly said. Two new regulations in regard to Social Security benefits became effective Jan. 1. The earnings allowable increased from \$2,520 to \$2,760 annually. In 1975 the average monthly earnings allowed was \$210 as compared with \$230 this year.

In 1976 wage earners began paying Social Security on a total of \$15,300 as compared with \$14,100 in 1975. Weatherly estimates that the new earnings allowed applied to about one-fourth of those

receiving benefits in the county. However, he estimated that the increase on the amount of earnings one can pay Social Security affected about one-third of this county's 12,400 labor force.

## Culberson appointed

F.M. Culberson of Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet, 805 N. Hobart, has been appointed area director of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association. Bill Rogers of Midland, TADA president, said Culberson will report to the TADA Board of

Directors on all phases of activity relating to the motor vehicle buying public in Pampa. "Culberson will work closely with legislative and other governmental officials on matters pertaining to the industry and the auto buying public," Rogers said.



Sharing a chew

A pint-sized cowboy offers to share his chewing tobacco with an unsuspecting friend at the Top o' Texas Rodeo Arena Sunday. The pair were spectators at the annual

Gray County 4-H Horse Show which attracted 38 performance and 11 halter entries. (Pampa News photo by Jeanne Grimes)

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# Nuclear question on ballot

By LINDA DEUTSCH  
Associated Press Writer  
LOS ANGELES (AP) — A proposal on today's primary election ballot in California will provide the first test of public reaction to the question of nuclear power safety. The outcome could have national impact on atomic energy as a source for electricity.

Proposition 15, the Nuclear Power Plants Initiative, is the first of 16 similar proposals pending nationwide. No one is predicting the outcome, and at one point pollster Mervin Field declared the public was "incredibly confused" on the crucial issue of nuclear energy development versus guaranteed safety from radiation.

It's the most important issue facing Californians in at least 50 years, said Assemblyman Charles Warren, a Democrat from Los Angeles, whose Assembly committee held hearings on the subject last year.

Colorado and Oregon have similar initiatives on their November ballots. Proposition 15 asks voters to say "yes" or "no" to a safety plan so stringent it could shut down the state's three existing nuclear plants by 1987 and hamper progress on two plants now under construction.

The proposition would not, in itself, cause a shutdown or ban nuclear plants. But it would leave in the hands of the legislature a decision by 1979 on whether plants could operate safely and nuclear waste could be stored without risk.

If these requirements are not met, existing plants would have to reduce output to 60 per cent of licensed capacity in 1981 and shut down by 1987 unless the safety verdict changed.

# 'Common horse sense' requirement for DA

By ANNA BURCHELL  
Pampa News Staff  
The constitution was designed to protect the innocent — and a district attorney "cannot pick and choose who he applies the law to," Harold Comer, 31st District attorney-elect, told the Top of Texas Democratic Club Monday night.

Comer, who will take office on Jan. 1, 1977, said a district attorney's attitude will be reflected in everything he does — which should be designed to improve law enforcement.

He added that a DA must be diligent. He said studies show that in determining crime, the severity of the punishment is not as important as the certainty of punishment.

Comer told the audience that Guy Hardin of Shamrock, now the district attorney, has been most cooperative in opening his office and the files in an effort to cooperate and make the transition as easy as possible.

It's the people against the money, insisted David Person, a San Francisco attorney who drafted Prop. 15 and saw it as a contest between powerful utility companies and radiation-threatened customers.

Proponents of the measure repeatedly raised the spectre of a "nuclear accident" at one of the nation's more than 50 nuclear reactor plants — a nightmarish vision of slow death for perhaps 30,000 Americans.

Comer said a balance must be maintained or "justice loses its day in court." He told the group that he is anticipating some changes, but has not yet made up his mind what they all will be.

Comer's district will include Gray, Roberts, Hemphill, Wheeler and Lipscomb counties with an estimated 50,000 population.

The lawyers hope to counter Miss Ray's allegations that she was on the House payroll only to serve as Hays' mistress with statements and documents showing that she was capable of typing and that she visited her office regularly, the associate said in an interview Monday.

She was a good secretary, one Hays associate conceded, but we don't have to do that to beat a fraud rap.

As the result of a series of bank robberies in 1926, the legislature made robbery by firearms a death penalty offense in Texas and authorized bankers to carry guns and "shoot it out" with the bandits.

Some 36,000 persons were killed when a volcano erupted on the island of Krakatoa in the Netherlands Indies Aug. 26, 1883.

# Texas Demos polled for HH

DALLAS (AP) — An Humphrey for President Committee is polling Texas delegates to the Democratic national convention to gauge support for Minnesota Sen. Hubert Humphrey as a second choice to former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter, the Dallas News reported today.

Frost said the Humphrey supporters are aware the Texas Carter delegates are committed by state law to three ballots.

Kennedy was quoted by the News as saying he has talked with about half the state's delegates and has received "mixed reactions."

Agriculture Commissioner Doyle Conner said Monday that immediate court permission would be sought to destroy the more than 25,000 Star Ruby grapefruit trees in the state.

State agriculture officials, joined by Florida Citrus Mutual — a 15,000-member grower's co-op — and the state Citrus Commission, have previously been involved in court battles to kill the Star Rubys.

Ray visited her office regularly. "We can prove she showed up," said one source. "That means the government would have to prove that she sat around polishing her fingernails all day."

# Court rules on civil rights

Ninety-two of the 98 Democratic delegates elected on the state's May 1 primary ballot are committed to Carter. The other six are uncommitted, released by favorite son candidate Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas.

The newspaper reported several other North Texas delegates said they had been contacted by Ron Kennedy of the Humphrey committee in Washington.

Justice Byron White said for the court. He said it must also be proved that the tests had a "discriminatory racial purpose."

The ruling may have a significant impact on a key case which will be heard next term on the extent that predominantly white suburbs must open themselves to development of largely black low-income housing.

That have a discriminatory impact. But they said it could have a substantial affect in areas such as housing.

The court did not formally overturn the 17 decisions. In another decision Monday the court ruled 7 to 2 that federal installations do not need to obtain state permits before discharging pollutants into the air or water.

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# On the record

**ERNEST FLETCHER ELLIS**  
Ernest Fletcher Ellis, 69, of 1125 Ripley, died this morning at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. Services are pending with Duenkel Funeral Home.

**COMMON NAME**  
CHICAGO (UPI) — Boston Common got its name in 1634 from the early colonial practice of laying out towns with a village green to provide pasture for the common good.

**Highland General Hospital**  
Monday Admissions  
Baby Girl Tinsley, 925 Terry Road.

**Stock Market**  
The following 11 a.m. grain quotations are furnished by Wheeler Grain of Pampa.

**Police report**  
Two thefts, an auto burglary and a minor injury accident were investigated by the Pampa Police Department Monday.

# \$5.3 billion loan bolsters British pound

LONDON (AP) — The pound made big gains today on the strength of a \$5.3 billion foreign loan to bolster Britain's currency. The battered currency jumped more than four cents to \$1.80 at the outset of trading, dropped back and then began moving up again.

**MRS. STELLA LANORA SLOAN**  
Survivors include her husband, Fred R. Sloan, Sr., three sons, Fred R., Jr., Herndon and Jack Sloan, all of Pampa; two daughters, Mrs. W.A. (Margie) Walters of Pampa and Mrs. W.E. (Carol) Harper of Alamogordo, N.M.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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# Ill veteran out of 'shadows of the gallows'

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — A mentally ill veteran of Viet Nam, Gary Martin, flew out of "the shadows of the gallows" in Antigua into vibrant sunshine on American soil Sunday at San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports.

In a copyrighted dispatch from San Juan by staff member Linda Pavlik, the newspaper today credited international politics—the same influence blamed for his four-year confinement—for winning the repatriation of the 26-year-old Fort Worth man. It gave these details: "Gary, you are alive and going home," his mother, Mrs. James Martin, whispered, cradling her heavily sedated son in the small twin-engine Piper Aztec plane that two hours earlier carried him off the island of Antigua.

Martin had been held there since he shot and killed an Antigua taxi driver and wounded three other persons. He appeared in satisfactory health and seemed to recognize his mother. He could walk but was unable to speak.

Only a few persons knew Martin was being transferred from the Antigua mental hospital to an American hospital in Waco, Tex. The secret had been guarded carefully by the U.S. State Department, Veterans Administration and the Antigua government.

If some Antiguans had learned in advance, officials feared Martin would not have been allowed to leave—possibly would even have been murdered by political activists in the Caribbean.

"Gary is finally out of the shadows of the gallows," said

Dr. Zoltan Wisinger, the Antigua psychiatrist who traveled with him from St. John, Antigua, to San Juan.

The trip began at 4:30 a.m. Sunday when Gary's father, retired Army Col. James Martin, and private pilot Hugh Rawls of San Juan left San Juan. Shortly after sunrise they were greeted at the St. John airport by Antigua Atty. Gen. Comos Phillips, Wisinger and a plain-clothes police officer.

Col. Martin said he handed Phillips a cashier's check for \$7,000—money Americans raised to help an Antigua family.

Phillips, in turn, apologized for the politics that kept the mentally ill veteran away from his family for four years.

"We quickly loaded and we were off—there was going to be no changing their minds now that I had my son," Martin said.

By 9 a.m. in San Juan, Mrs. Martin was feeding Gary orange juice as customs agents cleared the plane for immediate departure to the United States.

A long chain of circumstances dating back a number of years led to Martin's arrest and conviction in Antigua.

The events began about a year after his graduation from a private military academy. The sandy-blond, home-oriented teen-ager was sworn into the Army by his father, then a lieutenant colonel.

For 13 months as a forward artillery observer he won medals in Viet Nam. Then his eyesight and hearing were impaired when a mortar exploded

near his head.

Although he had no prior history of mental disorder, Martin was medically retired from the military in 1969 because of schizophrenic paranoia.

After release from a VA hospital, Martin became sullen. One evening he broke through the patio door of his home and waited for his father with a gun.

Doctors said Martin was not a drug user. He took pain pills for headaches. And he began making bombs from bottles and shotgun shell powder.

When his parents took him to a hospital, Martin attacked his father with a plastic knife. A jury ordered him committed to the VA hospital in Waco for 90 days.

Before that period expired, the doctor who later testified in court about Martin's insanity authorized his discharge.

"We knew he wasn't well. After all, he was our son. We protested," the elder Martin said.

The family's objections were overruled and Martin, at the suggestion of the VA, went to a computer school in Minneapolis.

Then he disappeared. Unknown to his parents, on Father's Day, 1972, he arrived on Antigua.

There the veteran shot and killed an Antigua taxi driver and wounded three off-duty policemen dressed in civilian clothes whom, the elder Martin believes, his son thought were attacking him. The driver and Martin were arguing over a fare.

A riot resulted, Antiguans

thinking Martin was attached to a small navy base there, damaged American property and attempted to lynch Martin, leaving him in a comatose condition.

"The first thing we learned of it was a \$13 collect telegram from the American Embassy in Barbados to us," the veteran's father said.

Mrs. Martin said she went to the island of Antigua a month after the shooting to visit her comatose son in jail. Martin "still had blood in his hair and under his fingernails," she said.

Although he slowly came out of the coma, Martin remained in jail. Attempts by lawyers to persuade State Department and VA officials to intervene in effort to have Martin hospitalized before his trial failed until U.S. Rep. Jim Wright of Fort Worth stepped in.

In January 1973 three psychiatrists testified in an Antigua court about his mental disorder. Dr. Ford, a VA psychiatrist from Waco, said Martin's condition had worsened from when he was hospitalized originally.

The Antiguans could not reach a verdict. Martin was white and the jury was black. He had killed one of their own. His parents were surprised he was not sentenced to death.

It wasn't until June 1973 that a second jury was able to reach an insanity verdict—what his parents believe was truly a humanitarian approach by the non-Americans of another race. Martin was sentenced to indefinite confinement at the island's mental hospital rather

than imprisonment.

For almost two years after the second trial, his parents waged a legal and public attack on the governments of the United States, Great Britain and Antigua. They wanted their son closer to home for medical care and so they could show their love, which Antigua doctors suggested would help in improving his conditions.

More than \$50,000 was spent on his defense. His parents sold their home and the father's small business. They no longer could hire lawyers when they first told their story on the newspaper.

Two members of the Antigua government advised in late 1974 that Martin could probably be released if America would offer compensation to the slain man's family, poverty-stricken since the killing.

The Tarrant County (Forth Worth) Veterans Council at once set out to raise \$10,000. Within several months \$7,000 was drawing interest in a Fort Worth bank. Another \$3,000 was pledged by the Disabled American Veterans.

Who had the power to initiate the release remained an unanswered question for a year. Some indicated parliament had the power to rule on repatriation, but the Antigua premier said the decision was his. To further confuse the matter, the Antigua governor said his signature alone was needed.

When then Antigua Premier George Walters refused to respond to Wright's written and

telephoned inquiries about repatriation, the congressman at his own expense traveled the 1400 miles to the island to talk privately with him.

The Martins said they accepted Wright's suggestion not to push for their son's release until after the election. They waited, but the election was delayed repeatedly.

Rumors were that veterans' service organization were contemplating paying for an advertisement in several travel magazines that touted Antigua's resorts to outline what they considered an inhumanitarian attitude toward Americans by the government there.

This caused British consular offices to start asking interested parties in Texas to understand all that was going into the decision affecting the future of one man.

When Mrs. Martin's plea for mercy to Queen Elizabeth II at Christmas failed to draw response, the Martins flew to Antigua for their first visit with their son in more than two years.

They were shocked because Martin seemed to be dying. He could not sit up, talk or eat the curdled milk and stale catsup sandwiches he was being fed. They said their attempts to pay to bring an American doctor from Puerto Rico to examine Martin were blocked by the Antiguans.

When the Martin's returned to Fort Worth, their public plea for mercy for their son touched

the hearths of not only Texans but persons across the nation. More than 100 congressional offices were reportedly flooded with letters, telephone calls and telegrams from constituents urging intervention.

About 10 days after the Martins' return from their Christmas visit to Antigua, an American ambassador on an emergency trip to the island negotiated Martin's transfer to a medical hospital where he could receive intravenous feedings.

In a dramatic development in February, Premier Walters was defeated and a new regime took the government's helm. Newly elected Premier Vere Bird was reported by the State

Department to be sympathetic to Martin's repatriation.

On April 30, Wright and Teague advised the elder Martin the State Department negotiations were drawing to a close and Martin was to be carried hastily and silently from the island to San Juan.

The long and trying ordeal came to a conclusion Sunday when Martin was freed by Antigua and began his journey home.

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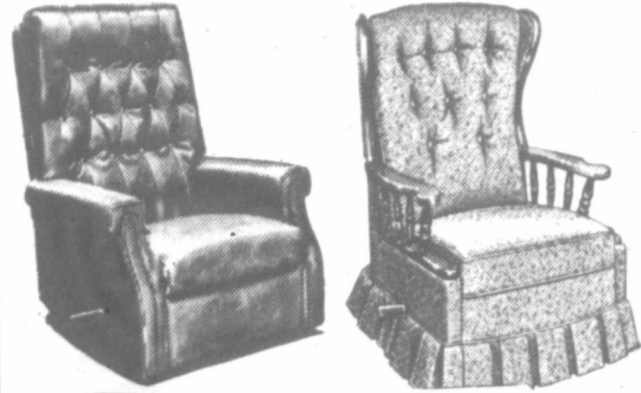
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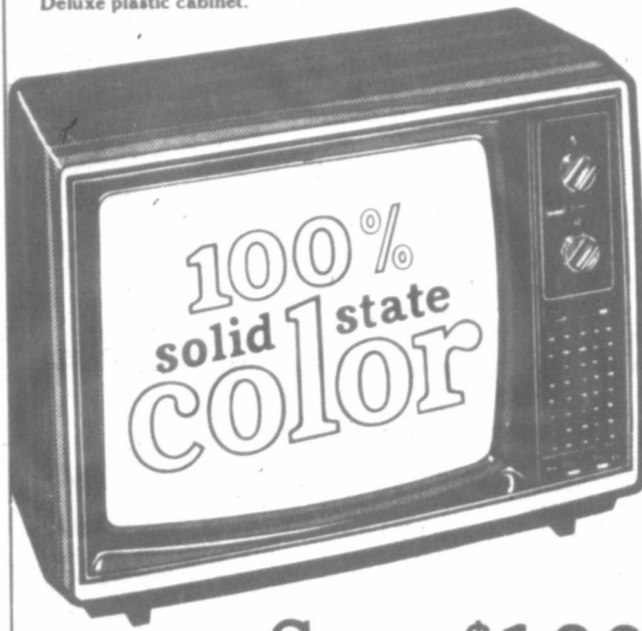
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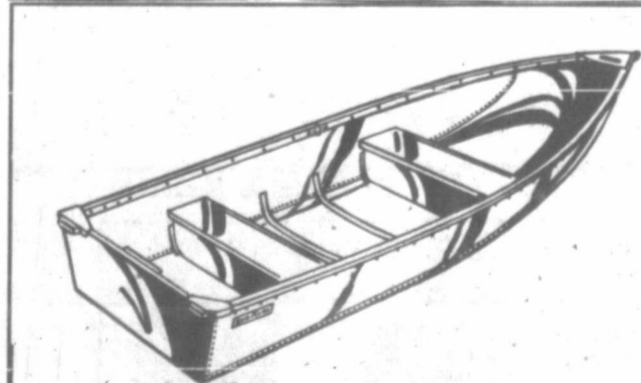
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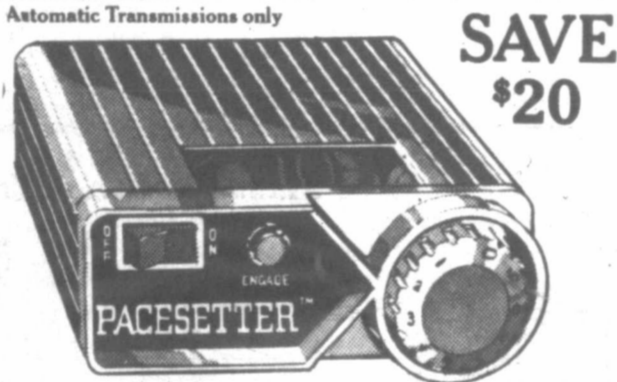
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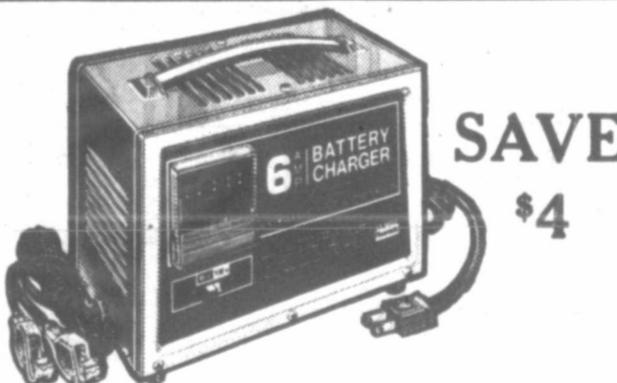
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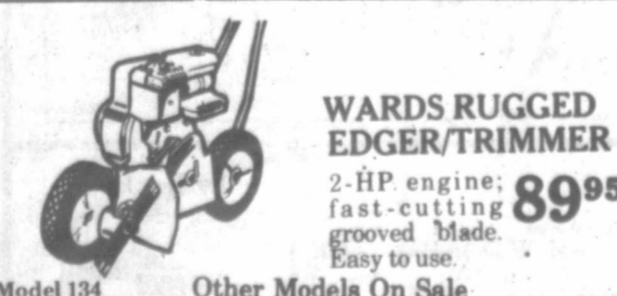
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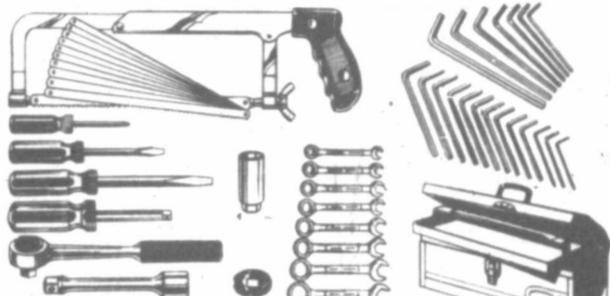
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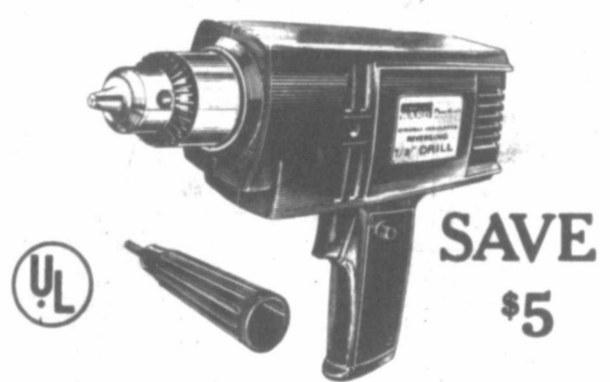
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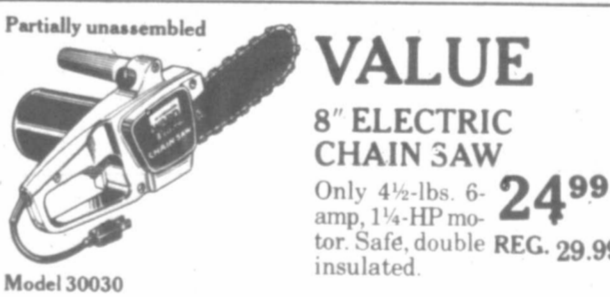
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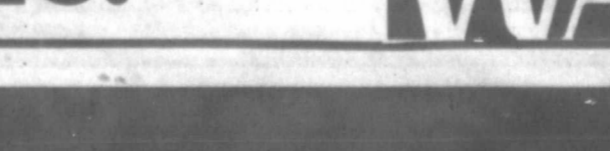
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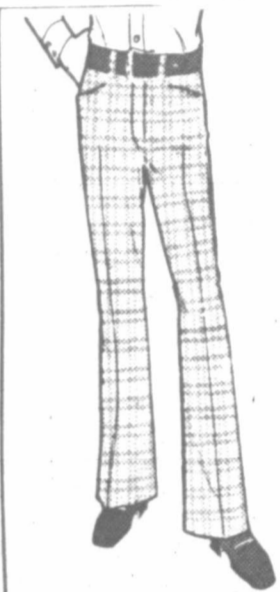
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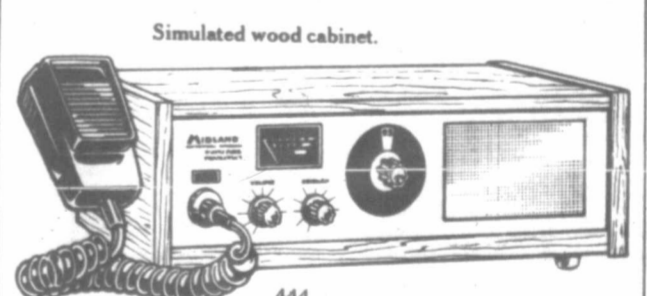
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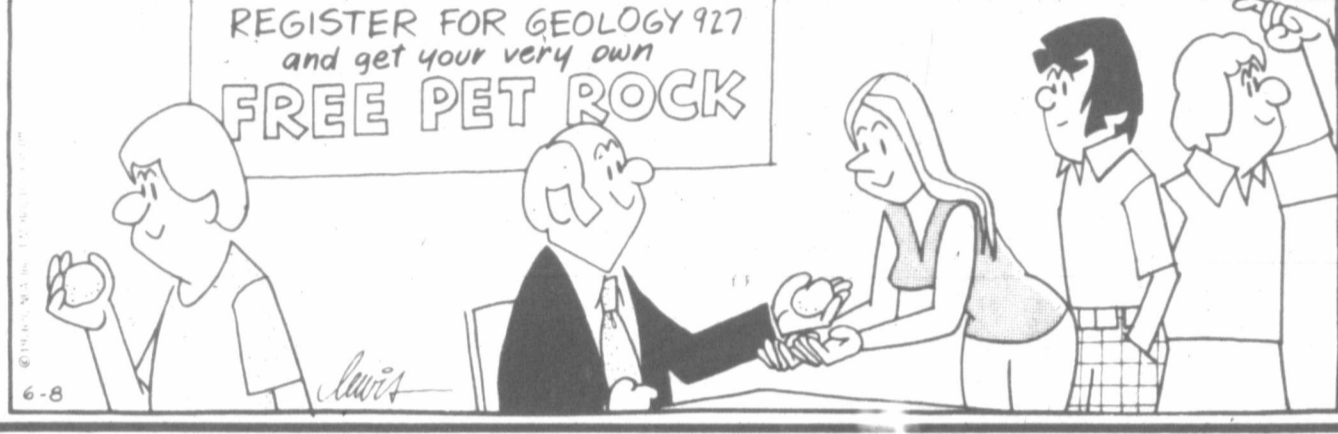
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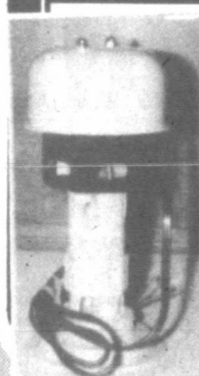
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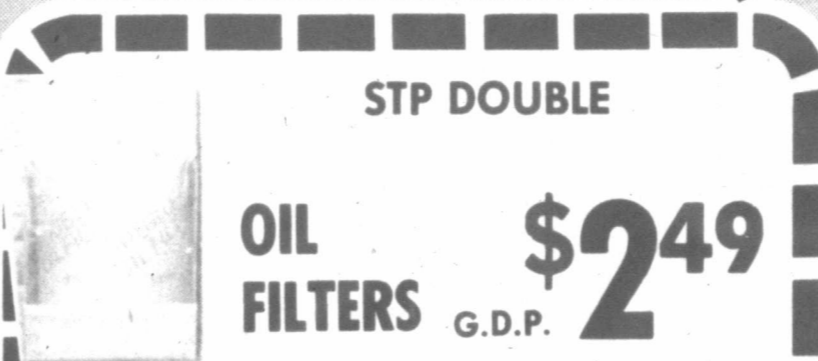
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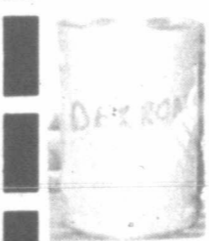
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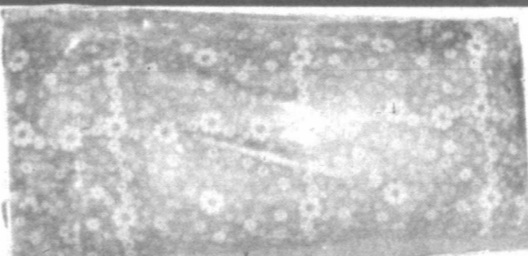
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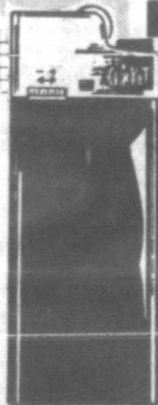


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