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Two taxpayers question Pampa budget

By **TEX DEWESE**
Pampa News Staff
Pampa's proposed \$3.2 million operating budget for fiscal 1976-77 was questioned by only two taxpayers at the public hearing conducted by city commissioners this morning in City Hall.

Questions were asked and suggestions made by Lewis Hackley, downtown businessman, and former mayor E.C. Sidwell.

Sidwell assailed the increased costs in city government which he stated have been rising annually for the past 15 years.

The former mayor urged the mayor and city commissioners to give serious thought to setting up a five-year plan or program to decrease the cost of government.

Otherwise, he said, "I don't know how the people of Pampa are going to bear the load."

Sidwell also discussed what he termed "Pampa's sad water

situation.

He stated he was appealing again to commissioners to give citizens a better break on the water supply.

The people of Pampa were said a bill of goods back in 1960," he said, "and there is nothing sadder than to see people hauling water for their homes and carrying it into the hospital."

He said mixing the water with a ratio of 70 per cent lake water and 30 per cent well water will

not get the job done.

"I think our citizens deserve better treatment than that," Sidwell said.

Getting back to increasing costs of city government, Sidwell said:

"I think it is inevitable that you must study and come up with some form of cost reduction and put it into operation as soon as possible."

Hackley, explaining it was his first time to attend a budget

hearing, asked questions about various accounting and bookkeeping methods and suggested the city break down its utility costs, gas and electric energy, and charge them off to each department instead of just one department called City Hall Custodial.

Hackley said he thought it would provide a better opportunity to eliminate waste.

The proposed operating budget, totaling \$3,236,000 is an approximate \$212,000 increase

over the current year's budget of \$3,031,000, or a hike of 6.9 per cent. The tax rate will remain at the current \$1.95 per \$100 assessed property valuation.

No action was taken on the budget today. Final budget action will not come until Sept. 14 when budget and rate ordinances will be up for first reading.

In other business today city commissioners: —Approved on first reading an ordinance raising the speed

limit in school zones from 15 miles an hour to 20 miles an hour.

—Authorized final payment of \$13,151 to Commercial Coatings Co. for repair and painting of the Northcrest water tower.

—Granted Wayne Wilson, lessee of land adjacent to the sewage treatment plant, an additional 20 acres to be used for agricultural purposes. Wilson already has 88 acres of his for that purpose.

—Heard a report on the park improvement plans at the intersection of N. Cuyler and Browning Sts. Hope was expressed the street and lighting improvements will be completed in October.

—Agreed to give further study to a request that licenses of out-of-town electricians be recognized for performance of work in Pampa. Current a local examination is required.

Wife testifies Dallasite killed her boyfriend

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — Millionaire oil heir Cullen Davis calmly took notes and whispered with attorneys while his estranged wife testified that Davis killed her boyfriend and wounded her at their Fort Worth mansion Aug. 2.

Priscilla Davis testified Monday from a wheelchair at a bond hearing for her husband, charged with two counts of capital murder and two counts of attempted murder in the deaths of Stan Farr, 30, and Andrea Wilborn, 12, and the wounding of Mrs. Davis and Gus Gavrel, Jr.

The hearing will determine if Davis, 42, will be released on bond or held in Tarrant County jail until a grand jury either no-bills him or indicts him.

Should bond be set, it would still apply after an indictment.

Security was tight in Judge Tom Caves' 218th District Court. Everyone entering the courtroom was searched and Caves ordered no pictures taken anywhere on the third floor of the Criminal Courts building.

Mrs. Davis, 35, testified in detail and was the only witness on the stand Monday. The hearing was to resume Tuesday morning.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Joe Shannon asked Mrs. Davis to describe the security system at the mansion. She stated that a row of colored lights on a panel near the back of the house signified

that all exterior doors were locked when lit.

Shannon then asked how many children she had. Mrs. Davis mentioned Dee, Davis and Jack Wilborn Jr., both by previous marriages. It was at that point that Mrs. Davis' voice broke for the first time during her two-hour testimony.

"On Aug. 2, did you have another child?" asked Shannon.

"Yes," her name was Andrea Wilborn.

Mrs. Davis said she and Farr had been at the mansion earlier that night but left to dine with friends about 9 p.m. She said Andrea was at home alone when they left.

"She came to the back door with us and I stood there and watched her activate the security door locks," said the woman.

After dinner and drinks at separate pubs, Mrs. Davis said she and Farr returned to the mansion about 12:30 a.m. Just before entering through the same back door, Mrs. Davis said she noticed the security light panel.

"I noticed that the security locks were off," she said.

The couple entered and Stan went up the back stairs to the bedroom. She said she went into the kitchen and noticed that several lights were on in the house.

"I went around and saw the door leading to the basement

was open," she said. "The light was on and I saw bloody fingerprints on the wall. Then I turned and saw a bloody handprint on the door facing I screamed, 'Stan, come here.' Stan, come here," only much louder. Then Cullen stepped out from the direction of the washroom.

"He was dressed all in black and he had a black wig. Like a woman's wig that was curly on the ends. He had both his hands together and there was a black or dark colored plastic bag around them."

"He stepped out and said, 'Hi,' then he shot me. I grabbed where I had been shot. I screamed, 'I said I had been shot. I said, 'Cullen shot me. Stan go back, then I could hear Stan coming."

Mrs. Davis said her husband rushed past her for the door leading up to the bedroom. She said Davis appeared to be trying to open the door but Farr was holding it.

"Then Cullen fired the gun and I heard Stan cry out," she said. Shannon established that Farr was shot through the door.

"It was like, 'Uhhh,' she said. "Cullen stood there and he opened the door and Stan came out and grabbed him. They were wrestling around when Stan turned his back to me. I heard a shot, then Stan jerked back. He turned around and fell down and was just kind of looking at me and breathing in a very raspy voice."

And Cullen stood at his feet and shot him twice more. Then Stan just kind of laid his head down and died."

Mrs. Davis said that Davis immediately grabbed Farr's ankles and dragged the body into the kitchen area. She said as soon as Davis was out of sight, she staggered to her feet and ran out through a patio door onto the lawn.

"I knew the door made noise when I opened it," she said. "I knew Cullen was after me. I ran down the walkway and turned and saw him. I said, 'Cullen, I love you. I've never loved anyone else.' He grabbed me by my arm and started dragging me back the way I exited. All he kept saying was, 'come on, come on.'"

Mrs. Davis said she kept pleading with her husband to let her go, that he was hurting her. As the couple approached the patio door, she said Davis suddenly dropped her and walked back inside toward the kitchen area.

"I reached down and jerked off my shoes and jumped up," she said. "I wrapped my skirt around me real tight and ran."

Outside, the woman said she jumped into a row of shrubbery to hide. She said she saw Davis walk out the door and down a path toward her. She said Davis was not wearing the wig when he reappeared in the patio door.

Davis walked past her several feet when she said she heard another woman's voice.

"I heard a female voice saying 'who is it,'" said Mrs. Davis. "It sounded like Dee. I heard her saying 'who is it, who are you.' I could tell the voices were going away around toward the garage, the back door."

Mrs. Davis said she crawled from the shrubbery and renewed her flight. She said she ran only a short distance when she heard a shot, then a woman scream, followed by a series of shots. She said she kept running.

According to police reports, the other woman's voice belonged to Beverly Bass, a friend of Dee Davis, who apparently thought Dee would be at the mansion that night and had come to spend the night. Gavrel, her boyfriend, drove her to the house and was escorting her up the driveway when they encountered the assailant. Police reports indicate that Gavrel was shot, then Miss Bass was chased a short distance before escaping. The report also said that the body of the 12-year-old girl was found by police in the basement.

Mrs. Davis said she ran across a large field which surrounds the mansion to a row of homes. She said she pounded on the door of a house and pleaded with the people inside to let her in. She said she was refused despite several more pleas and was finally told that police and an ambulance had been summoned.



Mobility
Phil Speck of 2401 Comanche decided he needed more mobility when throwing The Pampa News to subscribers in Mesilla Park, so he adopted use of a skateboard leaving both hands free for throwing. (Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)

School probe criticizes Ford's stand on busing

By **JOHN STOWELL**
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A 10-month investigation of school desegregation by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is critical of President Ford and members of Congress for attempting to restrict court-ordered busing.

The commission believes, for constitutional reasons, that efforts by either the executive or the legislative branches to curb the power of the courts, in the final analysis, will not prevail," it said in a 315-page report.

Such efforts undermine the desegregation process and jeopardize the rights of minority students. Furthermore, these

attempts contribute to the position of some individuals that desegregation can be avoided.

The commission said it takes issue with the President and members of Congress who seek to curb the role of the courts through the proposed School Desegregation Standards and Assistance Act introduced a few months ago. It would, the commission said, narrow the definition of illegal segregation and restrict the remedies available to judges.

Two of the commission's most controversial recommendations called for unfreezing federal funds to pay for busing pupils in districts that are desegregating, and a special tax break for white families who

move into black neighborhoods.

The six-member commission is headed by Arthur S. Flemming, who served as secretary of Health, Education and Welfare during the Eisenhower administration. Flemming was appointed commission chairman in March 1974 after the forced resignation of the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, who was equally critical of the Nixon administration's civil rights record.

Flemming said last November that the project was aimed at short-circuiting a constitutional amendment against busing for desegregation.

The report, "Fulfilling the Letter and Spirit of the Law —

Desegregation of the Nation's Public Schools," culminated a 10-month project.

Public hearings were held in Louisville, Ky.; Tampa, Fla.; Denver, and Boston. There also were state advisory committee public meetings in Berkeley, Calif.; Minneapolis, St. Paul, Minn.; and Corpus Christi, Tex. case studies of 29 school districts, and a national survey of 993 school districts.

For every Boston and Louisville, where desegregation was accompanied by violence, there are hundreds of school districts where desegregation was peaceful and without incident, the commission said.

Bulletin

VAIL, Colo. (AP) — President Ford today suggested that his debates with Democrat Jimmy Carter begin shortly after Labor Day to give the American people the opportunity to know where we both stand on the issues.

"I feel very strongly that the debates should begin a day or two after Labor Day — on Sept. 8, 9 or 10," Ford told reporters after a two-hour strategy meeting with his campaign planners.

He suggested there be four debates, each lasting no less than 90 minutes. The President said the first should be on national defense.

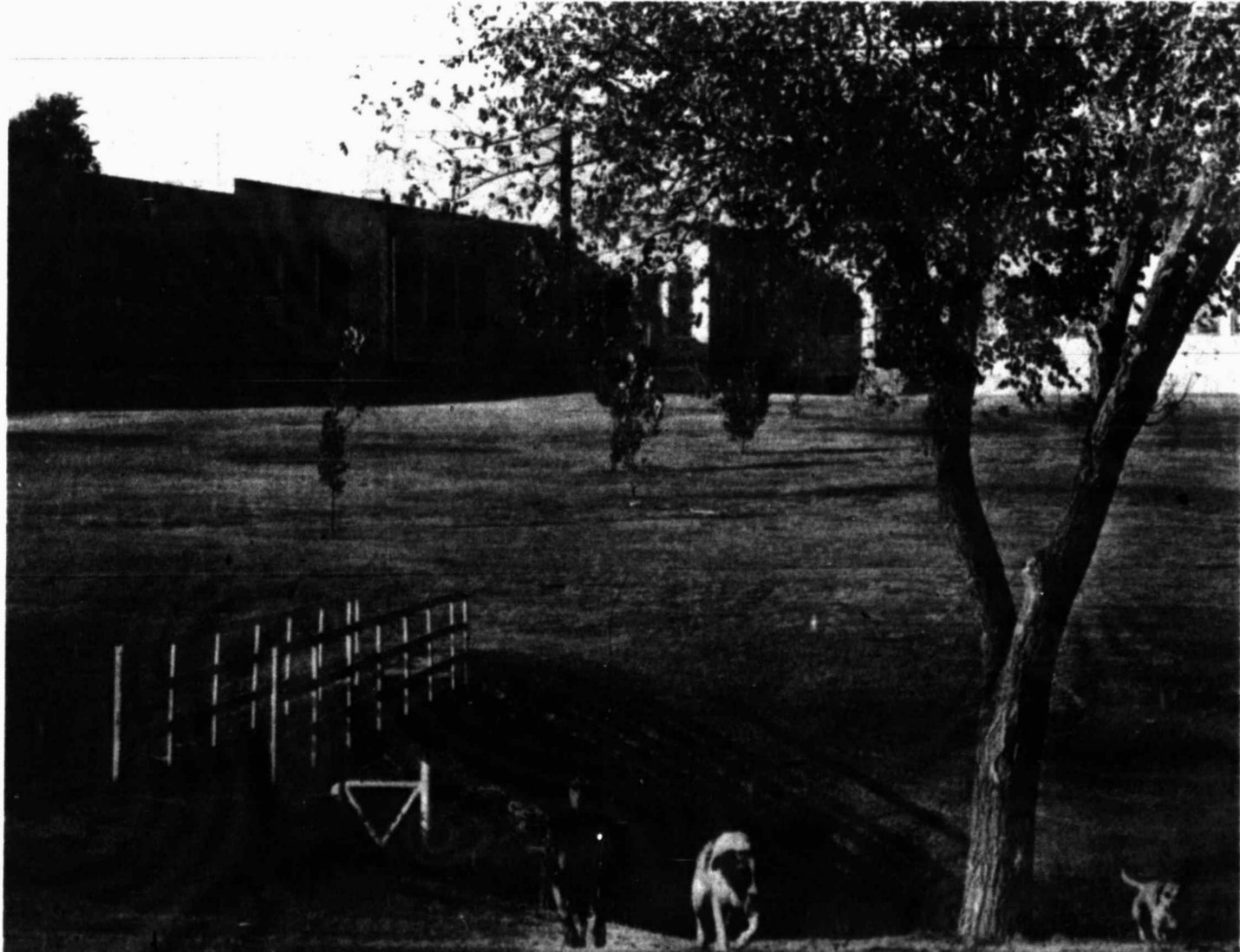
following in succeeding weeks by debates on domestic foreign and economic policies.

"The sooner we get started, the better," Ford said.

He said that he had not yet relayed this suggestion to Carter, and that he was relying on the news media to get his word out.

During his acceptance speech at last week's Republican National Convention, Ford challenged Carter to debate him face-to-face on the issues.

Carter, saying he had planned his own challenge, accepted.



Dog day morning

Seems as though summer dog days aren't nearly as fun without kids, so these three canine pals set off for an early morning romp through the park behind Sam

Houston Middle School to wile away the hours until school is out.

(Pampa News photo)

Jury hears DWI case

By **ANNA BURCHELL**
Pampa News Staff

A driving while intoxicated jury trial is underway today with Alvin Weatherman, a chemist with Texas Department of Public Safety as the first witness this morning.

His testimony dealt with the process of the breath analyzer test as used by DPS to determine if a person has consumed a sufficient amount of alcohol to become intoxicated.

James Harvey Murrah, 44, of Pampa pleaded innocent to the charges before the Gray County Court jury.

His attorney, Ken Fields of Pampa, told the prospective jury panel that under state law his client is charged with DWI.

"DWI is an opinion crime," he emphasized to the 12 persons who had been qualified as the panel from which six would be chosen as jurors.

"Each must make his own decision as to whether the defendant was intoxicated — lost use of mental facilities — I expect to show he was not intoxicated... to point out many defects in the breath analyzer machine," Fields said.

John W. Warner, county attorney, said the defendant was arrested about 10:30 p.m. on

April 8 while operating a motor vehicle eight miles from Pampa.

He said DPS Trooper Dawson Stubbs administered the test.

In qualifying jurors Warner said, "We need a good cross section." He asked each what church he or she was affiliated with and if he or she on occasion consumed an alcoholic beverage as a social drink.

Six out of 12 said they did and nine out of the 12 said they were Baptist.

One was a Baptist minister and another was a Baptist minister's wife. The minister is one of the six members of the panel, but another Baptist minister's wife was not selected as a juror.

During testimony this morning Weatherman of Amarillo said Stubbs is a certified operator of the analyzer machine.

"Tolerance does play a role," Weatherman said, "... anything above .10 of one per cent does have impairment in regard to driving," he said.

In a case of one who weighs 145 pounds and is 5 foot 6 inches tall, it would require eight to 10 "Texas beers or eight to nine shots of liquor" before the machine would register above

the .10 of one percent.

Weatherman said.

As the discussion continued before the panel with Gray County Judge Don Cain presiding, Weatherman said if a person consumes one beer or one ounce of alcohol per hour it would probably be 24 hours before the machine would indicate intoxication.

He added that with a .15 of one per cent reading one is 25 times more likely to have an accident if driving a motor vehicle.

The trial is scheduled to continue today.

The Murrah case is the first of the 131 cases listed on the docket for the week. More than 40 DWI cases are listed.

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The forecast calls for slightly cooler temperatures with highs in the mid 80s, and lows in the 60s. There is a slight chance for thundershowers.

"What I want to drive into the Congressional mind is the simple fact that the moral law is 'THOU SHALT NOT STEAL' — no matter what Europe may do."

—Mark Twain



Everyday is one day closer to kickoff as Texas high school football players enthusiastically prepare for the upcoming season. Pampa High is no exception. The story's on page 7.



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EVER STRIVING FOR TOP O' TEXAS
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Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessing. For only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that all men are equally endowed by their Creator, and not by a government, with the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property and secure more freedom and keep it for themselves and others.

To discharge this responsibility, free men, to the best of their ability, must understand and apply to daily living the great moral guide expressed in the Coveting Commandment.

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Doctor Nader's Cause and cure for cancer

Corporations cause cancer. Who says so? Why, Ralph Nader, that's who, the same lip-shooting Ralph whose charges against the Corvair, later proved without basis, cost General Motors and American consumers untold millions of dollars and stopped an early effort to give the public an efficient economy car cold in its tracks.

Never mind that Mr. Nader has no medical credentials. Never mind that over \$3 billion has been spent in the war on cancer without really conquering the disease. Never mind that the problem continues to stump the best medical and scientific minds. Never mind that the "culprit" has been discovered. It is corporations. And, having so pontificated, "Ralph the Mouth" demands that Congress act.

His cure, surprising no one, calls for the federal chartering of corporations.

"Well, that should be easy enough," noted the Wall Street Journal editorially, putting it to the "Unsafe At Any Speed" author where it would do the most good; the swollen ego department. "But Mr. Nader's prognosis raises a few questions."

After all, continued the Journal, "It was the Royalty Chartered Virginia Company that introduced tobacco" (one of the "cancer-causing" agents Nader blamed corporations for) "to the world. The historians are silent about what corporation promoted nicotine addiction among the Indians, who taught it to the Europeans. Also, a Czechoslovak medical journal reports the Soviet cancer rate to be approximately the same as the U.S.; the Soviet Embassy advises us there are no corporations in the U.S.S.R."

And, concluded the Journal, "It occurs to us that those epidemiologists working day and night in Philadelphia could save themselves a lot of trouble by calling in Mr. Nader. By his logic, clearly, the Pennsylvania mystery disease is caused by veterans' conventions."

Perhaps, instead of chartering corporations, Congress should charter Ralph Nader in the interest of preventing the spread of "hoof in mouth" disease.

Hard facts of detergents

Those nonphosphate detergents which were introduced in 1970 and which some localities have made mandatory are helping to stop the pollution of the nation's lakes and streams. Unfortunately, they are also causing more damage to fabrics and automatic washers than anybody anticipated. Such is the finding of the Consumer's Institute of General Electric.

The reason is that water supplies in most parts of the country contain some hardness minerals. Nonphosphate detergents react with this hardness to produce limestone, which does all sorts of nasty things.

For example, it makes fabrics, especially cotton, stiff and rough. It causes abrasion in the washer which can reduce the life of clothing by more than 15

per cent. It also impairs the dewrinkling performance of permanent-press finishes and destroys the effectiveness of flame retardants.

As for washers, limestone buildup in pumps, hoses, nozzles and filter devices can eventually put them out of service. In one hard-water area in the Midwest, washers were found to have as short a life as three or four years.

About the only effective thing a person can do about it, says the GE report, is to install a home water-softening system — also no small expense, though its initial cost may be outweighed by its long-term benefits.

Either that or be consoled with the thought that the price being paid in shorter clothing and washer life is buying all of us a cleaner environment.

Only true monopoly

The government anti-trust attack against the automakers reminds us of the demonstrable fact that only government can monopolize any field against the wishes of the consumers.

No private organization can gain a monopoly except by rendering better service than any potential competitor or unless it has a franchise or

subsidy from government. Government by definition is granted a monopoly of the use of force in a given geographical area. Only by using this force to favor one business over others can any private organization gain an unearned monopoly.

Let's investigate government — the only true monopoly.

Berry's World



"You don't suppose the guy who welded this muffler worked on the Alaska pipeline, do you?"

Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol

For Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) There are exceptional career opportunities around you today, but you'll have to ferret them out. Your imagination is a great asset.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There is something exciting brewing on the social scene. Fresh acquaintances could lead you into a bright world of fun.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A major change is in store for you. It will develop quite suddenly and will work out as if you'd planned it!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Some good news could cause you to do an about-face on your plans. Have the engine running. Travel may be involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today, you could project yourself into the middle of two seemingly unrelated incidents and come out smelling like a rose, financially.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't be afraid to think big today. There's a spot reserved for you at the top. Lady Luck is on your side.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You have only to drop a few words to the right people today and they'll get your message. Others are waiting to go to bat for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Take advantage of any opportunity to meet new people today. You could make an acquaintance who'll be an enormous asset in the future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Goals you once thought important will be replaced by more significant ones. Your reasons for change will be unusual.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't close your mind today to proposals of friends, no matter how outlandish they sound. A second look could show they make good sense.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Opportunities for profit could come today in unexpected ways. It could be a business tip or a chance for a good buy.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A sudden turn of events will draw you closer to someone you've known, but I have never been attracted to. This person's depth will surprise you.

Your Birthday

Aug. 25, 1976

This year holds great promise for you, but you can't afford to coast. Many important, pleasant and profitable changes could be in the offing.



In Turkey, the loser of a wrestling match kisses the hands of the wrestler who beats him, and the victor takes the loser in his arms and salutes him!

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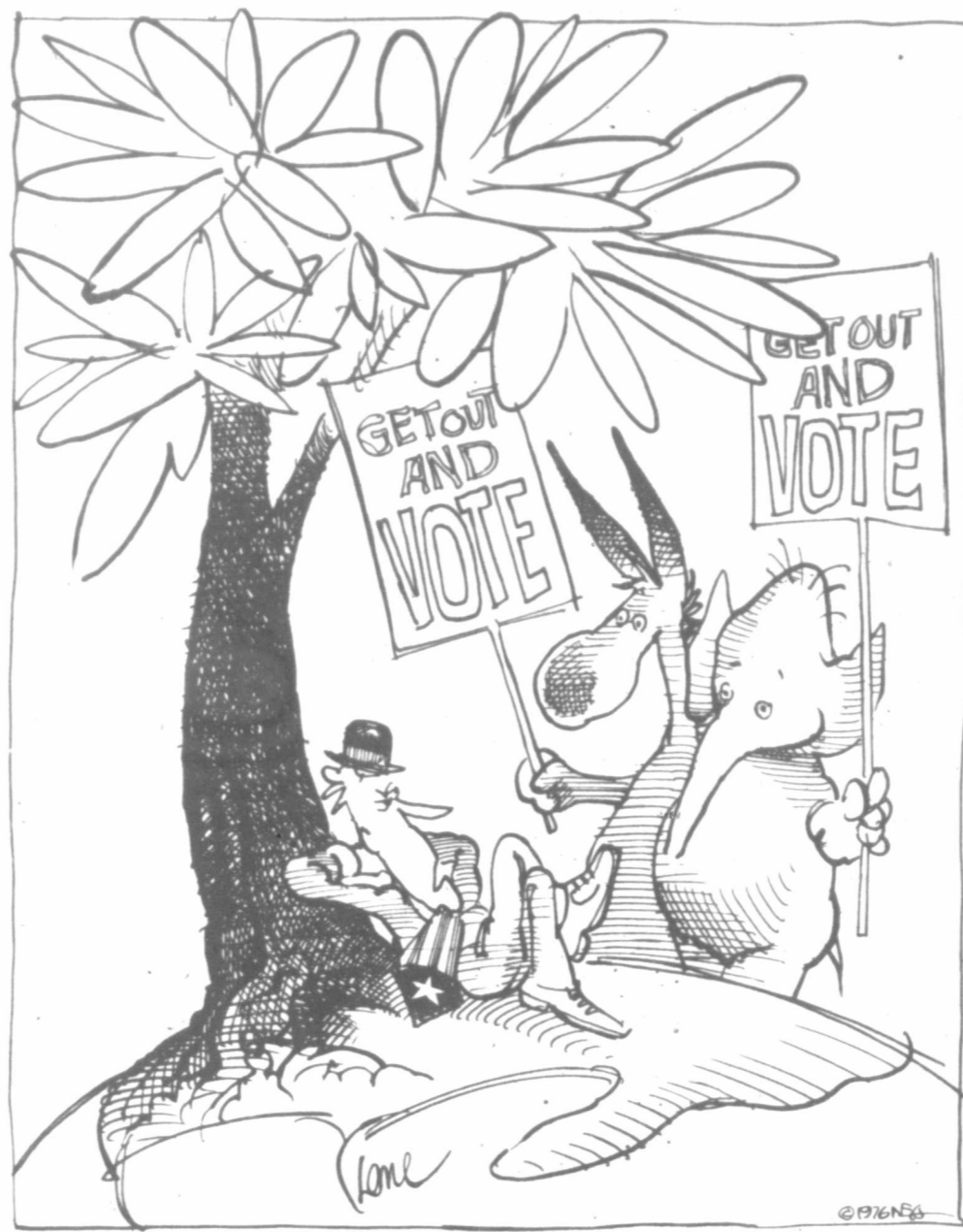
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"I don't have to vote if I don't want to! It's a free country ain't it?"

INSIDE WASHINGTON

Mid-East policy still functions

By ROBERT S. ALLEN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24 — It is now quite evident there is much more to the Ford administration's "even-handed" Middle East policy than generally realized.

Initially widely suspect and distrusted, it's still around and functioning.

While the tensely controversial policy has suffered setbacks and its future is far from clear, it nevertheless has endured and stored significant successes.

In some respects, most remarkable of all is that this has been done with the cooperation of the Democratic-controlled Congress. Without that crucial backing, key aspects of the milestone policy could not have been put over.

And by the same token, fate of the policy is also directly dependent on this underlying factory.

Particularly that is so on two major tests facing this "even-handed" policy — providing Arabs with large quantities of highly sophisticated military hardware. Outcome of these proposals is a toss-up.

Both are under sharp bipartisan fire, and in this election year, politics counts far more than diplomacy.

Revealingly, Secretary Kissinger, "founding father" of the policy, is calmly making no waves about it, and maneuvering very softly and discreetly on the two volatile issues — with good reason.

They could blow him and his policy right out of the ballpark.

Powder Kegs

It's a virtual certainty nothing will be done about either of these thorny proposals until Congress resumes after the Republican national convention.

Nominally, Congress has 20 days to act once it receives formal State Department notification. It's not coincidence none has been forthcoming. That's plain good sense.

With the truculent mood Congress is now in, to do that would be inviting almost sure brusque rejection.

Not only is Kissinger personally — and his motives — under a deep and bristling cloud of suspicion, but the two "even-handed" proposals are so

patently uneven as to be almost indefensible.

Even the State Department is doing a torturous time doing that, while the Pentagon is saying nothing — because there is very little to say about:

(1) Why the U.S. should sell oil-rich Saudi Arabia 2,000 Sidewinder interceptor missiles for its 50 F-5 jet fighters (with 70 more to be acquired by 1978) — which means an eventual approximate ratio of around 20 to 1, in contrast to the U.S. Navy's 5 to 1 ratio, and NATO's 10 to 1.

Congressional critics flatly charge the excessive number of Sidewinders sought by Saudi Arabia "will turn up in the hands of other Arab countries." Says Sen. Richard Stone, D-Fla., bluntly, "Saudi Arabia already has 300 Sidewinders for its combat planes and there seems to be no justification for selling them any more. I can't understand why that's contemplated."

(2) Similarly, why the U.S. should provide Jordan with a huge anti-aircraft defense system comprising 14 batteries of Hawk ground-to-air missiles and eight batteries of Vulcan anti-aircraft guns — with Saudi Arabia footing the \$500 million cost.

This plan is particularly under attack because King Hussein, miffed at congressional blasts, hustled to Moscow in an effort to wangle these armaments, only to get nowhere. So the Jordan ruler is again trying to obtain them from the U.S. — with Secretary Kissinger's deft "even-handed" help.

Impressive Record

With Congress bristlingly critical, compromises are clearly indicated — as happened on all other successes of the "even-handed" Middle East policy.

That's the way they were put over: it's the key of the remarkable record under this policy. Following is the generally little realized overall tally sheet chalked up in the past year:

Egypt — \$250 million in economic aid; \$435 million in low-interest, long-term loans for purchase of U.S. agricultural and industrial equipment, including cement plant, textile

complex and plastic tile factory. Also under discussion is another \$200 million in credits for machinery to expand Egyptian productivity, and a large contribution to a \$150 million international fund to modernize the port of Alexandria, largest and the country's most important.

Still very much under wraps are talks on the sale of so-called "defensive" weapons to Egypt. This is a highly explosive move, and nothing is likely to surface on it until after the election. But it is definitely under contemplation — as one of Kissinger's prime "even-handed" goals.

Syria — \$60 million in economic aid, the first in 20 years. Also in negotiation are loans and grants for industrial and agricultural equipment and supplies. If they go through, it will mark a major turning point in U.S. — Syrian relations which have been icily frigid, if not outright hostile.

Iraq — Distinct warming of trade relations despite the 10-year break in diplomatic ties with the U.S. In the past year, the U.S. has become a leading supplier of non-military goods and equipment for this oil-rich Arab country. All of Iraq's passenger planes are now Boeing jetliners; most recent acquisitions are Jumbo 747 carriers manned by Iraq crews trained in the U.S. These aircraft have replaced Russian planes, as have U.S. cigarettes, now the most popular brands in Iraq.

Also, while formal diplomatic relations have not been restored, the U.S. has a sizable unofficial staff there and ties between the two countries are steadily expanding.

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) — While officially the U.S. still has no dealings with the PLO, actually the State Department has direct contact with PLO leaders and representatives. In effect, this was acknowledged last week when formal credit was given the PLO for providing guards for the evacuation of U.S. and other nationals from war-shattered Lebanon. This signaled a definite shift in policy toward the PLO — although tepidly discounted by the State Department.

Real fact is that Shafik Al-Hout, accredited PLO "observer" at the United Nations, has quietly been authorized to travel more than 25 miles from New York — as previously restricted. Now he goes to and from Washington freely — with stops enroute. In the capital, he has ready access to members of Congress and officials in the State Department and other agencies.

The situation is aptly summed up by Senate leader, "Nominally we still are not recognizing the PLO, but we are doing business with it right along. They are cooperating with us, and we are with them."

Insiders credit PLO sources with informing U.S. intelligence about the identity of the killers of Ambassador Cleo Noel and his deputy George Moore in Beirut. Reportedly the slayers are in PLO custody, but it's unclear what will be done about them.

One of the murderers is said to be Salah Khalaf, with a long record of assassinations and attempts. But while apprehended several times, he somehow always emerged unscathed.

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Bess Truman still just wild about Harry

BY TOM TIEDE

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (NEA) — Had he lived this would have been the 57th summer of Harry and Bess Truman's marriage, and the 82nd of their quiet and wonderful love affairs. As it is, she marks the occasion alone in the Victorian mansion they shared with each other in the Delaware Street community they shared with Middle America, and in the town they eventually shared with the world.

They met in elementary school, she a slim and reserved lass, he a more outward chap with rimless spectacles that magnified his eyeballs. Neither was extraordinary, but they suited one another. By high school their holding of hands had escalated into a proper romance. In 1919, when he was 35 and she 34, the union was formalized.

Bess Truman was an old-fashioned wife but not a subservient one. He called her "the boss," the "only person who can tell me off and get away with it." Periodically she did tell him off. For instance, she was forever admonishing him about his language in public. Not that she was above four letter words herself now and then, but only in private. "Harry," she would say, "you really shouldn't have said that."

There is no indication that Truman listened to Bess regarding his expletives. But he appreciated her counsel in most other areas. History does not dwell on it much, but during their seven years in the White House she apparently was chief among his advocates. They were constant evening companions, retiring to privacy soon after dinner where together they would go over his speeches, his judgments, his priorities. It is not known whether she assisted in his decision making, but surely she provided a critical ear and conscience.

She was not an Eleanor Roosevelt, understand. She did not push her views on her husband or anyone else. She was content to be in the background, to be Mrs. Harry Truman, to be featured in the papers only out of obligation. In the way of her private self she was stuffy, then and now. She has never grabbed, never told off, or even a little. What a book she would write, but of course she will not.

And yet she has never been drab. Truman's eye for her had a bit of roguishness about it, and with good reason. "She looks exactly the way a woman of her age should look," he said winking. J.B. West, who ushered at the White House during the Truman years, remembers the couple did not always retire after dinner merely to look over speeches. Usually they had a drink, always Old Fashioneds, and after that, well, West says everyone called them "the lovebirds."

Those Old Fashioneds, by the way, were not meant for the minister dropping in. West says that when the Trumans first moved to the executive mansion, Bess was less than satisfied with the drinks being prepared. She tried several times to hint to the butler that his Old Fashioneds were not really Old Fashioneds. Thus one evening, in desperation, the butler simply splashed huge amounts of bourbon over ice and served it up. "Now that," smiled Bess, "is an Old Fashioned!"

As for the lovebird activity, West remembers one autumn when Bess had returned from spending the summer with her mother in Independence. The two were delighted to see each other again and retired after dinner more enthusiastically than usual. The next morning, during routine discussions with the usher, Bess said, ah, she had a little problem: "It's the President's bed. Two slats broke during the night." Blushing, she asked if it could be repaired quickly.

Now it is over, except for the memories. And for Mrs. Truman, one of five surviving former first ladies, most of the memories are right here in the Delaware Street neighborhood. She met Harry here, she married him here, she buried him a short while away. Eighty two summers, good times and bad, for the Trumans and for their nation.

Bess is well, they say. She has arthritis, she has recently been in the hospital, and at age 91 she doesn't get out so much anymore, but her spirits are apparently good. I say apparently because I am guessing. Those who know for certain also know of Bess Truman's wish for privacy. She still shares herself mainly with Harry.

Capitol comedy

Ford is delighted with Reagan's vice presidential selection. Now he can choose between Earl Butz or John Wayne.

The House ethics panel voted to censure Rep. Sikes (D. Fla.). He can only get free haircuts every other week.

Japan arrested former Premier Tanaka in the Lockheed bribery case. Instead of "Ah So" it became "Ah Dough."

Those sex scandals are helping the congressmen involved. They're getting big fees to lecture in secretarial schools.

Goldwater insisted we cancel the exploration of Mars when he learned it had red dust.

Now we know what those flying saucers were all about. To work out a package deal with Hertz and Holiday Inns.

Ford will consult with the Viking scientists to find out how he can scoop up some rare delegates.



Paris, France is named from the ancient Celtic tribe, the Parisii, whose capital was known to the Romans as Mudtown.

Olio

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS
1 Masculine appellation
7 Affiliate
13 Color
14 Mijct
15 Damsel
16 Bridge holding
17 Former name of Tokyo
18 Make lace
20 Masculine nickname
21 Floating mass of ice
25 Habituate
28 Church dignitary
32 Communion plate
33 Trivial income
34 Exhausted
35 Palm cockatoo
36 Most facile
39 Student's chores

DOWN
40 Hummed
42 Goddess of intuition
45 Caviar
46 Boy's nickname
49 Woolly
52 Broadest
55 Eats away
56 Printing mistakes
57 Pet lamb
58 Strip of bacon

12 Organ part
19 Archbishop (ab.)
21 Peaceful
22 Middle part
23 Kickback
24 Shone
25 Himself (Latin) (Bib.)
26 City in California
27 Shoshonean
28 Indians
29 Genus of ducks
30 Small pastry
31 Guido's high school (ab.)

37 Most painful (ab.)
38 Also
41 More recent
42 Fish sauce
43 Source of poi
44 Grandson of Adam (Bib.)
46 Rachel's sister (Bib.)
47 Italian city
48 Asterisk
50 Paid notices
51 Pipe joint
53 Lyricist
54 Doctors (ab.)



NATION'S PRESS

City taxpayers demand budget cuts

Orange County (Calif.) Register — We've not seen the specifics of the petition but the principle of it is good. An ad hoc San Clemente taxpayers group is rapidly collecting signatures demanding cuts in the city budget, the organizers say the movement is snowballing.

This is superior, its target more direct, than the schemes to "limit" property taxes. Such limitations approve the principle of property taxes. Such limitations approve the principle of property taxes, something homeowners ultimately should not want to do. Legislated limitations always come in tandem with lawmakers' loopholes.

Municipal taxpayers are plundered because municipal office holders create ways to spend money. They cannot draw money from any source but taxpayers, who are, because of the coercive power of the local

office holders, left without choice.

A minute fraction of a city's property owners usually elects a council. The politicians then vote for a new civic center or a new library or an extravagant police helicopter or whatever they fancy. These items run into the hundreds of thousands, even millions, of dollars — which 100 percent of the property owners must pay.

This is an outrageous development in municipal history, a travesty of democracy, and lately taxpayers have been hit with the steepest assessments in years.

Instead of unwillingly giving up their homes, which many will be forced to do, these San Clemente residents have elected to fight back. We like that; and we hope the grassroots pressure to cut government spending become contagious.

Train kills Tech student

LUBBOCK, Tex. (AP) — A college fraternity member taking part in an initiation died early Monday when he was struck by a train.

Investigators are still probing the accidental death of Samuel Mark Click, 20, of Dallas, a student at Texas Tech.

Department of Public Safety officers said Click was hit by a

westbound Santa Fe train near Shallowater in Lubbock County.

Shallowater police said they chased three carloads of fraternity members and pledges from the scene prior to the accident.

One of the youths told authorities they were returning to Lubbock when they noticed Click was missing. He said they returned and found the body.

The students told deputies they were at the scene as part of an initiation ceremony.

Tech dean of students Lewis Jones said no action would be considered against the students or the fraternity until a sheriff's investigation was completed.

Peace Justice Wayne LeCroy ruled the death accidental.

Volunteer coordinator named

Gov. Dolph Briscoe has appointed Mrs. Mary Hazlewood of Amarillo as a regional volunteer coordinator for the First Lady's Volunteer Program. Office of the Governor. Mrs. Hazlewood will be responsible for a 25-county area of the Panhandle.

In making the appointment, Briscoe said, "The spirit of volunteerism is growing in Texas as more and more people seek ways to improve our society and the quality of life. When people see a need, they organize to

solve the problem.

"The First Lady's Volunteer Program is encouraging statewide citizen participation in both government and private sector volunteer activities. As a regional coordinator, Mrs. Hazlewood will help stimulate new volunteer ideas and efforts in her community. She will also encourage the establishment of locally originated volunteer action centers to work with volunteer programs," he added.

As a volunteer, Mrs. Hazlewood serves as chairman

of the City of Amarillo Human Relations Commission, member of the Amarillo Art Center, Amarillo Art Alliance and Docent at the Amarillo Art Center. She is also president of the Potter-Randall Counties Democratic Women's Club and is a member of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce and its legislative affairs committee.

The First Lady's Volunteer Program, a division of the Texas Center for Volunteer Action, is co-sponsoring with the Texas Department of Health Resources the effort to protect 10 million Texans from swine flu during a ninety day inoculation period this fall. The First Lady's Volunteer Program will be responsible for all statewide volunteer recruitment and placement during the big health campaign.

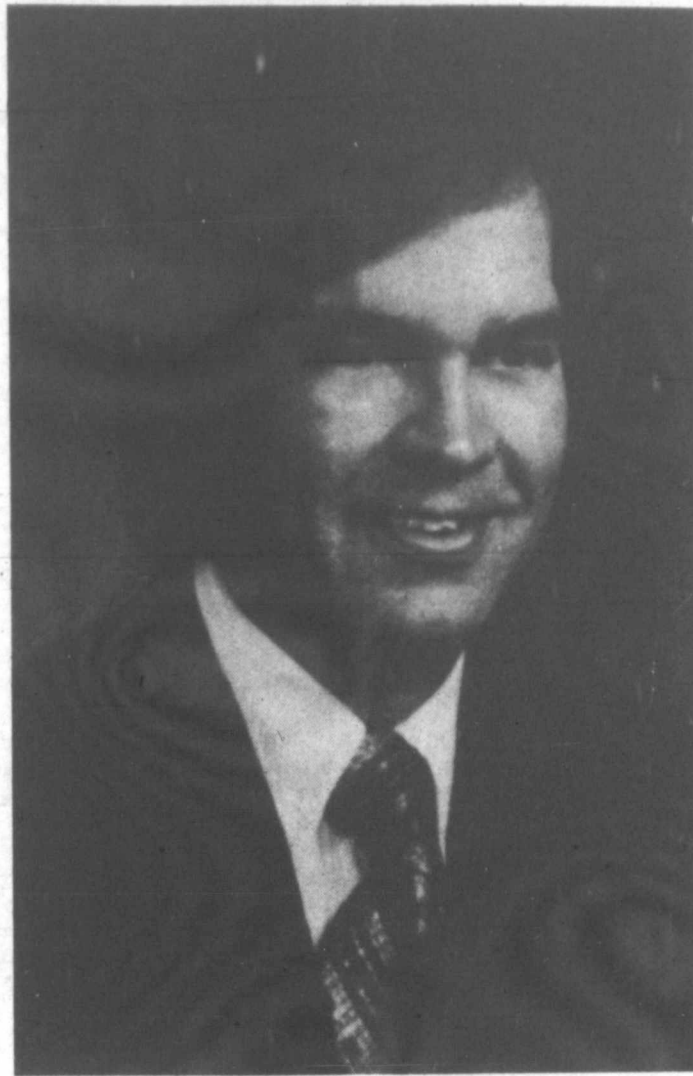
The First Lady's Volunteer Program is active in the volunteer support areas of adult basic education, juvenile delinquency prevention programs, special education programs for the aged, and other areas where volunteers can contribute to the community good.

HOTEL IN THE SEA
BARTLESVILLE, Okla. (AP) — A five-story, 212-room "hotel" in the Norwegian North Sea is scheduled to open in 1977 for personnel working in the Ekofisk oil field of Phillips Petroleum.

Living quarters, for 424 persons, have an outside window per room. Full dining, recreation and medical facilities will include a 115-seat cinema, a 100-seat main dining room, a library, snack bars and two lounges per floor.



Mary Hazlewood



John S. Curry

John Curry named manager for Four R

John S. Curry has been named purchasing manager of Four R Industrial Supply Inc., of Borger, Pampa, and Guymon, according to R.W. Curry, president.

Curry is a 1966 graduate of Pampa High School. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and business from Southwestern University in Georgetown and a Master of Theology degree from Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

For the past two years, Curry has been the Associate Pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Victoria. He has worked in churches in Lubbock and out of Paris.

Women voted for the first time in the U.S. in the Wyoming Territory elections in 1869.

Federal Reserve looks at new credit rules

By LOUISE COOK
Associated Press Writer

The Federal Reserve System is considering new rules to implement laws prohibiting bankers, merchants and others from denying credit solely because of age, race, color, religion, national origin or receipt of welfare benefits.

A key section of the rules is designed to prevent discrimination against the elderly. Such discrimination was banned by Congress earlier this year when it amended the Equal Credit Opportunity Act. Supporters of the legislation said that elderly people — who grew up before the advent of the "charge-it" society and are used to paying cash — often are rejected when they do apply for credit late in life.

(The Equal Credit Opportunity Act itself banned discrimination based on sex or marital status and Federal Reserve regulations implementing those provisions took effect last October.)

The amendments to the law permit creditors to take age into account — if they can show

statistics to prove that it represents a pertinent element of creditworthiness. Creditors are not allowed to set a mandatory cut-off age, however.

Here's what that means, according to a spokesman for the Fed's Office of Saver and Consumer Affairs:

A creditor who can show statistically that people aged 40 to 50 are better credit risks than those aged 50 to 60 is allowed to use that information to give a 45-year-old applicant a better rating than a 55-year-old applicant. If statistics showed that the older age group paid more promptly and defaulted less often, the 55-year-old would have the advantage.

What the creditor cannot do, is set an arbitrary limit — say 65 — and refuse to give credit to anyone over that age.

Among the problems involved in implementing the law are deciding exactly what is meant by elderly, and figuring out whether the age provision protects the young as well as the old.

The Fed is seeking comments from the public on the subject.

The deadline is Sept. 1 and anyone who has an opinion should write to Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551. The finalized regulations will take effect next March.

In another area, the Federal Reserve System is trying to define what's meant by the phrase "adverse action" as it is used in the law. This is important because the legislation requires creditors who take adverse action against an applicant to let him or her know within a reasonable period of time and to give the reason, if asked.

The Fed has proposed defining "adverse action" as the refusal to grant credit or increase an applicant's credit limit when requested. The refusal to authorize a point-of-sale transaction that exceeds a previously established credit limit would be an "adverse action."

What does all this mean? Suppose you apply for a bank credit card. You are turned down. That's adverse action.

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Seven die in black clashes

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — At least seven persons have been killed in clashes between blacks trying to enforce a three-day work boycott and other blacks in Soweto, the World newspaper reported today. A senior police spokesman said he could not confirm the report.

The World, which has black reporters and contacts in the black townships around Johannesburg, quoted a 17-year-old girl saying some 20 club-swinging Zulus turned on other blacks who molested workers returning from Johannesburg Monday night.

The Zulus, a tribal group, were harassed on their way home after work and were given a police escort to their hostel, the paper said, then came out "and attacked people indiscriminately."

"As the Zulus waded into the crowds with their weapons they shouted 'Where is your black power, where is it?' the girl was quoted as saying.

The World said all of the dead were men, some of them youths.

Police said they were determined to protect workers who

wanted to get to work in the metropolis eight miles north of Soweto and acknowledged that police killed one black "intimidator" Monday night.

A split has been developing in recent weeks between black youths wanting to use strikes and other demonstrations to protest South Africa's racial policies and older blacks who prefer to continue working.

Some employers reported a substantial increase in the number of blacks reporting for work today, and many others said they were adopting a "get tough" attitude and would no

longer pay the thousands who stayed away.

But spokesmen for the city's industry and commerce said the absenteeism rate was only slightly less than Monday's 30 to 100 per cent.

All but a few of the 300 clothing factories were forced to close Monday, and the industry reported only a trickle of workers returning to their jobs today. Stores, hotels, insurance companies and other areas of the local economy also were hit by the strike.

Police reported that Soweto was quiet, but there were re-

ports that they opened fire during the night to disperse arsonists who set a primary school on fire. There were no casualties.

The strike was called to mobilize economic pressure against the white government's apartheid policy of racial separation after two months of black unrest in which at least 252 persons have been killed. All but three of the dead have been blacks, and many of them were killed by police gunfire.

Pamphlets purporting to come from the outlawed African National Congress threat-

ened that the homes of blacks who went to work would be burned. Many blacks interviewed in Johannesburg were frightened by the pamphlets, and it was impossible to determine how many stayed home voluntarily.

Johannesburg is South Africa's commercial and industrial capital, and the bulk of its labor force is drawn from Soweto and other segregated townships on the outskirts of the city. The blacks are forced by law to live in the ghettos.

On The Record

Highland General Hospital

- Monday Admissions**
 Edward L. Bryan, 912 N. Somerville.
 Walter A. Smith, 201 E. Ford.
 Owen C. Gentry, 937 S. Sumner.
 J. Jeanne Hearron, 1804 N. Dwight.
 Jack Elmore, Phillips.
 Mrs. Nellie D. Harris, Pampa.
 Mrs. Iva M. Fitch, 1200 E. Harvester.
 Mrs. Lia J. Rhea, 429 Hill St.
 Mrs. Edna Smith, 1125 S. Clark.
 Mrs. Zelma Alexander, Skellytown.
 Mrs. Eva Pavlovsky, Canadian.
 Mrs. Mary Nickel, Pampa.
 Clay Gordy, 528 Roberta.
 Mrs. Nellie Norman, 1040 S. Dwight.
 Mrs. Sue Campbell, 310 Canadian.
 Mrs. Gertrude Kirkin, 200 N. Wells.
- Monday Dismissals**
 Mrs. Mary Davis, 1205 Duncan.
 Baby Boy Davis, 1205 Duncan.
 Mrs. Retha Woodward, Pampa.
 Spence Hearn, 601 N. Somerville.
 Dallas Hodges, 1213 Darby.
 William Price, Skellytown.
 Floyd McDowell, Lefors.
 Joy L. Mills, Skellytown.
 Miss Linda J. Crabtree, Lefors.
 Dennis Glover, 612 N. Wells.
 Paul Adair, 2133 N. Christy.
 Mrs. Nelle Edminster, Pampa.
 Mr. Center Shipman, Lefors.
 John Horst, 2404 Charles.
 Mrs. Onie Laycock, Leisure Lodge.
 Virgil Helton, 1039 N. Wells.

Hijackers say Libyan promised reward

By HARRY DUNPHY
 Associated Press Writer
 CAIRO (AP) — Three Arab hijackers whose attempt to pirate an Egyptian jetliner to neighboring Libya was foiled by disguised paratroopers said Libya promised them \$250,000. Egypt's prime minister reported.

The Libyan government denied the accusation. It counter-charged that the Egyptian intelligence service staged the hijacking in an attempt to discredit Libya.

Two of the three armed hijackers were injured Monday when the Egyptian paratroopers, dressed as mechanics,

overpowered them and freed passengers and crew members of the Boeing 737 at the airport in the southern city of Luxor, officials said.

The third hijacker surrendered, and none of the 97 passengers and crew were injured, officials said.

Prime Minister Mamedouh Salem, who flew to Luxor after the hijacking Monday, said the trio confessed their mission was ordered by the militant Libyan leader who Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has accused of waging a campaign of subversion and terrorism against his regime.

The hijackers said Khadafy promised them \$250,000 if they

forced the pilot to fly the plane to Libya. Salem reported. Interior Ministry officials said they also demanded the release of three Libyans and two other Arabs jailed in Egypt and threatened to blow up the plane if their demands were not met.

The Egyptian government charges that Libya was responsible for the recent bombing of the Alexandria railway station, in which eight persons were killed and 60 were wounded, and the bombing of a government building in Cairo. Libya has denied these charges also.

Salem said one of the hijackers carried a Jordanian passport, one a Kuwaiti passport and the third had a Palestinian

identification card. He said two of them were armed with guns and the third had a dagger and a suitcase he said contained explosives.

They commandeered the plane from a tourist — mostly French and Japanese — Monday morning during a flight from Cairo to Luxor, 488 miles to the south. Interior Ministry officials said the hijackers ordered the plane to turn west to Libya, but the pilot told them he did not have enough fuel and continued on to Luxor, a popular tourist spot.

No Americans were reported aboard the plane.

Salem told reporters that the

hijackers released women and children among the passengers, and "after questioning these hostages, the Egyptian forces drew up a plan to attack the aircraft."

Construction of the Brooklyn Bridge began Jan. 2, 1870.

McManus pleads innocent

HOUSTON (AP) — State Dist. Judge I.D. McMaster has ordered bond set at \$50,000 for Vernon Eugene McManus, charged with capital murder in the strangulation-slaying deaths of a Baytown couple July 24.

McManus, 33, pleaded innocent Monday to charges he strangled and slashed Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harvey Cantrell at their home. Also charged with capital murder in the case is the daughter of the slain couple, Paula Cantrell Derese, being held without bond.

McManus had been held without bond for one month. His attorneys said the bond was excessive. They plan to seek a review from the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Police say McManus was a member of a scheme to collect insurance money after the couple's death.

Prosecutor Mike Hinton said the investigation of leads would be jeopardized by airing all evidence. Hinto said two other suspects may have been involved in the slayings.

The prosecutor urged a high bond because "the crime is the most heinous in the history of Baytown" and because the maximum punishment in a capital case is death.

Visiting State Dist. Judge Stanley Kirk of Wichita Falls denied bond for Mrs. Derese at

a hearing Aug. 5. She is charged with capital murder for allegedly setting up the slayings.

Police testified before Kirk that Mrs. Derese, 25, gave them a written statement after she failed a lie detector test. Her attorneys are trying to have the ruling reversed.

Mrs. Derese's statement, which has not been made public, reportedly implicates three persons in the actual killings at the Cantrell home.

Hinton presented a projection of color morgue slides on a 16-square foot screen as part of the evidence.

Carter critical of vetoes

By The Associated Press
 President Ford prepared for campaign strategy sessions today while Jimmy Carter, the man he wants to beat, continued a speechmaking swing through the West and Midwest.

Ford called aides to Vail, Colo., for the first of a series of meetings. No one was saying very much about the sessions. "We're just not going to stand up and announce our strategy to Jimmy Carter," said Press Secretary Ron Nessen.

The Democratic presidential candidate discussed domestic issues on Monday in a Los Angeles speech. Today's schedule included an appearance at the American Legion national con-

vention in Seattle and a speech on pardons for draft dodgers, international terrorism and the need to restore respect for the military.

Carter criticized Ford for vetoes of social legislation. He said the vetoes contributed to "needless human suffering" and "demonstrate a degree of negativism, dormancy and a fear of action that can only be harmful to this country."

The former Georgia governor deleted one line from his prepared text. It dealt with politicians, cut off from the people, riding in "limousines too long."

Carter was driven around Los Angeles in a black Cadillac limousine and said he changed his

speech because "I felt kind of guilty about it." He said he had told the Secret Service to make sure he rode in a "regular automobile" from now on.

Carter won't be the only candidate at the American Legion meeting. Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas, Ford's running mate, is scheduled to appear there on Wednesday. Dole also will follow Carter by a day at another event — the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines. Carter speaks Wednesday, Dole Thursday.

Dole, who will fly to Vail late Thursday to meet with Ford, said Monday that he expects to help in "keeping the record straight" by examining Carter's positions.

Lo-Vaca request denied

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — State District Court Judge Peter Michael Curry has denied a request to delay again the start of trial in San Antonio's \$400 million suit against Coastal States Gas Corp.

Coastal States, which supplies gas through its subsidiaries to the city's utility, argued Monday the trial should be delayed until the Texas Railroad Commission sets the price at which its gas can be sold.

But lawyers for San Antonio and its City Public Service (CPS) utility said the railroad commission is not involved in the suit and that the price it sets for gas is unrelated to the case.

As the trial opened Monday with a flurry of preliminary motions, Judge Curry also ruled that the notes of former Coastal States lawyer Norman Davis will be admissible as evidence when testimony begins.

Curry still has numerous motions to rule upon, including one by Coastal States to send the trial to Houston.

San Antonio is suing Coastal States, its chairman Oscar Wyatt Jr. and its Lo-Vaca Gathering Co. subsidiary for breach of contract.

The city claims it suffered damages when Coastal States charged higher prices for its gas than those agreed to in a long-term supply contract

signed in 1961.

The city hopes to use the Davis papers to show that Coastal States knew when it signed the contract that it had insufficient gas reserves to meet the obligation.

Much of the early part of the trial is expected to be taken up with legal maneuvering and arguments by lawyers in the judge's chambers.

Lawyers on both sides in the case say it could be months before a jury is empaneled to hear evidence and decide the case.

Coastal States and Lo-Vaca face lawsuits seeking more than \$1.6 billion in damages by numerous customers. The companies have said that adverse court rulings could push them into bankruptcy.

The city council earlier rejected an out-of-court settlement offer from Coastal States, but talks are continuing.

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Police decoy swears How offered money

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two police decoy prostitutes, one of whom said she voted for Rep. Allan T. Howe in 1974, have sworn anew that it was Howe who offered \$20 for two sex acts prior to his arrest in the city's red-light district.

Margaret Hamblin and Kathleen Taylor pointed to Howe in the courtroom Monday and said they were "absolutely certain" it was he who approached them the night of June 12.

Howe, a 48-year-old father of five and a Democratic freshman congressman seeking reelection, is appealing his City Court conviction and \$150 fine on a misdemeanor charge of soliciting sex for pay.

State law provides for a new District Court trial with presumption of innocence when a

City Court case is appealed.

A jury of five men and three women was chosen to hear testimony that could conclude today.

"Do you have any reason to lie?" City Prosecutor Philip Palmer asked Mrs. Hamblin, a divorcee, and Mrs. Taylor in separate questioning. Both said they did not.

Howe jotted notes at the defense table while his wife Marlene sat behind him.

Mrs. Hamblin, under questioning from Howe's lawyer Dean R. Mitchell, said she thought she recognized Howe when he parked his car next to the decoys' unmarked police car near a warehouse loading dock.

"His name crossed my mind," she said, but added she didn't think the congressman would be in that part of town.

She said she recognized Howe from his driver's license as the candidate pictured on campaign posters before she voted for him in 1974.

Stock market

The following 11 a.m. grain quotations are furnished by Wheeler Grain of Pampa, Minn.

Wheat	\$1.00 Bu
Barley	\$1.00 Bu
Oats	\$1.00 Bu
Flour	\$1.00 Bu
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Straw	\$1.00 Bu
Stalks	\$1.00 Bu
Chaff	\$1.00 Bu
Wheat	\$1.00 Bu
Barley	\$1.00 Bu
Oats	\$1.00 Bu

Police report

Three burglaries and a hit and run accident in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill were investigated by Pampa police Monday.

Heard and Jones Drug Store, 114 N. Cuyler, was entered through the lower glass on the front door and drugs were taken.

The Five Points Liquor Store, 838 S. Cuyler, was entered through a broken window and several items were taken.

School menus

Wednesday — Beef patty with gravy, buttered corn, spinach, carrot sticks, applesauce, hot roll and milk.

Thursday — Taco with cheese, shredded lettuce, pinto beans,

Visits Valentino crypt

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The "Mysterious Woman in Black" was there, as she has been every year since mourners began observing the anniversary of Rudolph Valentino's death.

She was one in a crowd of more than 1,000 who gathered at Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery Monday.

It was the 50th anniversary of the death of the silent film idol.

Wearing a black dress and veil, the elderly woman wandered slowly through the crowd, knelt in front of Valentino's crypt at the white marble mausoleum and blew a kiss. She then departed as silently and quickly as she had arrived.

Correction

Rodney E. Darden of 725 W. Wilks, reported in The Pampa News police report Monday as being charged with driving while intoxicated, was arrested for that offense. He was not charged with DWI.

The News regrets the error.

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Advice

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old girl who is reasonably intelligent and quite attractive, so I'm told. My problem has to do with boys. I have no trouble getting dates with guys my age or a little older.

The problem comes when I am with some boy I like and we are out on a dark country road, or for that matter on the couch in my living room. I am not a virgin, but I'm not a tramp by any means.

I don't want to say no. I want him to go on and on, and never stop. I know I should stop him, but when I do, I feel so frustrated afterward, I want to die.

Why shouldn't I enjoy myself? I don't mean with every guy that comes along, only the one I feel something special for. "This time I'll keep it innocent," I tell myself, but kissing and cuddling build up until I am desperate to have the boy make love to me.

Is lust normal at my age? What is really wrong with going all the way if you really care for someone?

NORMAL AND HEALTHY AT 17

DEAR NORMAL: "Lust" (which is another word for sexual desire) IS perfectly normal in all healthy teenagers, but if you expect me to give you permission to go all the way, you're asking the wrong person.

When you are sufficiently mature in your judgments to make your own decisions, take full responsibility for your actions and handle the consequences, you won't ask me (or anyone else) for advice.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you won't think this question is too dumb to answer. I am a 12-year-old Catholic girl who goes to church every Sunday and I would ask my priest, but I'm afraid he would laugh at me. I have always wanted to be an altar boy.

Is it possible for a girl to be an altar boy or not?

HOLY IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR HOLY: Traditionally, only boys can be altar boys, but the Catholic church has made many changes this past decade, and perhaps you will live long enough to see girls serving the Mass.

DEAR ABBY: For several years now we have sent our son-in-law a check for his birthday. We used to buy him gifts, but it is so hard to pick out a gift to please a 28-year-old man, we thought a check made more sense.

We have never received a thank-you, verbal or written. He and our daughter live here in town, and we see them fairly often, so it would be a simple matter for him to say, "Thank you for the check."

The only way we know that he has received these checks is because they come back cancelled with our bank statement.

Our son-in-law is not dumb. He went to college. He has a birthday coming up soon, and I'm considering sending him a card so he won't think we've forgotten him—but no check this time. His money is easier to come by than ours. Or should I just forget his birthday altogether?

PUZZLED

DEAR PUZZLED: I would.

Ask Dr. Lamb

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—Could you please give me some information on plantar warts. I have had one for about one-and-a-half years. Now I notice I'm getting others. I went to a podiatrist about eight months ago but at the time I was severely anemic so he didn't want to begin treatment. He told me no matter what I do I shouldn't have them cut out because the scar formation can be more painful than the wart. Others have told me the only real way to cure them is to have them cut out. What do you advise?

DEAR READER—The podiatrist gave you good advice. Plantar warts are different than other warts and the treatment is not the same.

Warts, regardless of location, are caused by a virus. They are mildly contagious. They seem to have a life cycle and will disappear on their own time. Unfortunately, a wart may last five years, but many disappear within a year. Although there may be several warts they may all disappear about the same time, suggesting that the body has finally developed an immunity to them and literally expels them.

One of the problems about removing a wart is that a new one may then develop. It is not a regrowth of the old one if it has been completely removed, but a new wart. It is advisable to remove most warts because the presence of one may lead to a spread with new wart formations.

The plantar warts are caused by the same virus, but the location, in the dense tough tissues on the bottom of the foot, makes the usual means of destruction unsatisfactory because you may be left with a painful scar. It is better to live with a painful wart for as much as five years than to live the rest of your life with a painful scar on the bottom of your foot.

Polly's pointers

By Polly Cramer

DEAR POLLY—My Pet Peeve is with the stores that refuse to sell a small amount of yard goods, unless there is a full yard remaining on the bolt after your purchase. Either you do not buy and they lose a sale, or you buy the extra amount that you do not need and vow you will not buy there again. If more people wrote to the stores' public relations departments this might be remedied. —ALICE.

DEAR POLLY—I used a tea pot that has no strainer holes for serving gravy, rather than a regular gravy boat. I heated the pot before putting the gravy in and it keeps the gravy hotter. It pours easier and may be stored in the refrigerator later. —BETTY B.

DEAR POLLY—My Pointer is for Girl and Boy Scouts. My granddaughter flew to a Girl Scout meeting this spring. It was her first experience in camping in a high altitude. Her required list included five blankets so we came up with two wool car robes and two double acrylic blankets. The fifth had us a bit puzzled until we tucked a 36 inch by 50 inch baby blanket inside her sleeping bag. The size was wonderful and she was thrilled. It kept her warm as toast. —A Third Generation Girl Scout.

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Hospital records tell birth, disease story

By ANNA BURCHELL
Pampa News Staff

There's never a dull moment. There is something new every day — a different disease to code and an avalanche of paper...

This is the way Virginia Mitten, accredited medical technician at Highland General Hospital, describes the medical records department where 152,458 patient records are housed.

Each patient who has been admitted to Highland General Hospital since its doors were opened in 1950 has a record either on microfilm or in its original form.

These include birth records — a vital part of Gray County statistics.

And the medical records department is where our statistics come from. Miss Verrell Meador, director of nursing commented.

Mrs. Mitten said 1975 was the year for twins — three sets — all boys.

"We usually have one set of twins per year — and we've had that already for 1976 — boys again," she said.

To date 195 babies were born at Highland this year as compared with 224 during the first six months of 1975.

Gray County's 1975 birth rate showed an 11 per cent increase over 1974 — and was 25 per cent ahead of 1973.

The birth rate here has been declining over the past 10 years — a drop from about 900 annually to an average of a little

more than 300 per year.

Each disease or illness has its own code in the medical records department where employees must be good spellers in order to find the terms in the dictionary.

In discussing the illnesses, Mrs. Mitten was surprised when Toni Barnard, clerk reported that about a month ago the hospital admitted a patient diagnosed as having encephalitis (sleeping sickness).

In the wintertime, Mrs. Mitten said the most common illness is the flu and pneumonia. Medicare accounts for about 50 per cent of the admissions at Highland General. Mrs. Mitten explained.

The medical records department has four full time employees and two part-time workers.

Mrs. Mitten assumed duties at Highland General Hospital 4½ years ago. She is a native of Nacona, Tex. She and her husband, George, came to Pampa from Wichita Falls in 1956.

"I was a housewife then," she said. "I went to the Pampa Clinic to take my daughter and one of the doctors asked if I wanted a job."

She worked at the Pampa Clinic eight years and for Worley Hospital a year before assuming duties at Highland.

Other employees in the medical records department include Wauline Reynolds, Gertrude Stall and Shirley Fueglein. Part time workers are Jean Allen and Mary Schilling.



VIRGINIA MITTEN ART MEDICAL RECORDS

Paperwork, paperwork everywhere

An avalanche of paper work describes the medical records department at Highland General Hospital where all statistics are housed with every patient records since the hospital opened in 1950 in its original form or on

microfilm. Virginia Mitten, head of the department, is in the foreground with Wauline Reynolds in the background.

(Pampa News photo by Michal Thompson)



About Books

Behind the screens

Capsule reviews prepared by the American Library Assn.

by Rebecca Mueller

Even if you think TV is the best invention since the Model-T, you'll want to turn off the tube for a time and take a look at some new books on the subject.

The soap opera, once scorned by TV lovers and haters alike, has recently turned respectable. Both British and American variations appear on nighttime schedules and soap stories are studied in college classrooms, where they're seriously compared to such literary masterpieces as the novels of Charles Dickens.

Novelist Dan Wakefield, contributing editor to Atlantic Monthly and author of "All Her Children," is one of the many soap fiends — 20 million people watch them daily — to come out of the closet and admit his addiction. The addiction, Wakefield reveals, began in the mid-60s, soon after his divorce, when he found solace in the agonies of soap characters — people whose problems were even worse than his own.

Wakefield, in fact, has gone on public record by baring his soul on the pages of his new book — a rhapsodic account of the development and production of the long-running, Emmy Award winning, "All My Children."

Starting with a history of the soap opera and a convincing explanation of its continuing popularity, Wakefield ultimately focuses on interviews with creators, actors, writers and directors.

Unfortunately, the book suffers from its author's all too frequent lapses into a slobberingly passionate, awe-filled voice as he relates his experiences interviewing the stars. He was unable to complete one interview because he identified the subject so closely with her TV role — beautiful but evil temptress — that he dropped his notebook and hastily exited.

But if you're a fan of the soaps or just interested in what makes the fans and the shows tick, you'll find this book absorbing and, like a soap opera, very diverting.

ALL HER CHILDREN by Dan Wakefield (Doubleday, 182 pages, \$6.95)
THE GODS OF ANTENNA by Bruce Herschensohn (Arlington House, 155 pages, \$7.95)
WOMEN IN TELEVISION NEWS by Judith S. Gelfman (Columbia University Press, 186 pages, \$7.95)
THE COOL FIRE: HOW TO MAKE IT IN TELEVISION by Bob Shanks (Norton, 318 pages, \$9.95)
THE TV-GUIDED AMERICAN by Arthur Asa Berger (Walker, 194 pages, \$8.95)



NOVELIST Dan Wakefield is one of many soap fiends to come out of the closet and admit his addiction.

some valid criticisms of the television industry in his "Gods of Antenna." But his points are negated by his obvious desire for revenge — he blames TV for the fall of his former boss, Richard Nixon.

His chief criticism concerns what he views as an anti-government (read anti-administration) bias in reporting news events. He particularly laments the fact that TV has replaced books in the lives of many young people — resulting in their being exposed only to the point of view of the network executives.

In calling the camera a liar, he conveniently forgets the lies told by the president and administration he served. Also, he continually overstates his case, insulting the reader's intelligence more thoroughly than the most invidious situation comedy.

Judith Gelfman mixes what should be two juicy ingredients — women and the tube — and ends up with "Women in Television News", a dry and repetitive study of the role of women in TV.

Interviews with both the women who have made it to the screen, and the men — male network executives —

who put them there, yield mostly contradictory and inconclusive information.

However, the book does provide an interesting look at the lives of television newswomen and the sacrifices they must make to fulfill their professional goals.

Formerly a coffee boy on the Jack Parr Show, currently a vice-president at ABC-TV, Bob Shanks has worked in every phase of TV production. "The Cool Fire," subtitled "How to Make It In Television," is a first-person and first-rate account of the ins and outs of the television world. It's a long book, filled with anecdotal and technical material. But don't let its length discourage you. Shank's chatty style and witty remarks make for fascinating reading.

In "The TV-Guided American," Arthur Asa Berger focuses on many of the faults of television that Herschensohn tried but failed to tackle in "The Gods of Antenna." In each chapter, Berger, a professor of pop culture at San Francisco State, analyzes a prime-time series — "Rhoda," "Star Trek," "All in the Family" — in terms of what they reveal about our national psyche.

Berger's main point is that TV controls rather than reflects society's values — "Television is the most important socializing force in America." Berger argues that Americans must not allow commercial business interests to control their major source of news and entertainment.

Red tape entangled Dallas grandchildren

DALLAS (AP) — When Mrs. Doris Taylor took her three grandchildren into her Dallas home, it was a six-year dream come true. Now her efforts to send the children to school are turning into a nightmare.

From the time children's father was accidentally killed six years ago, Mrs. Taylor had tried to get custody of Jerry, now 8, Michael, 7, and Anita, 6.

Finally their mother, Judy Taylor, now divorced from a second marriage and living in Sweetwater, recently gave Mrs. Taylor a notarized statement saying that she was placing temporary custody of the three children with their grandmother.

Armed with the paper, Mrs. Taylor went to their neighborhood school in the Oak Cliff section to enroll the three children in classes starting Monday.

That's when she found out that the Dallas Independent School District won't accept Jerry, Michael and Anita until and unless she gets a court order giving her permanent custody of the children.

Like other substitute parents, many of them relatives who have taken children in because of hardship situations in the family home, Mrs. Taylor is caught between the compulsory

school attendance law and the DISD rule that officials say is backed by state law.

Getting a court order means hiring a lawyer — which Mrs. Taylor and many other substitute parents cannot afford — and the possibility of losing children in a contested battle with parents willing to cede temporary but not permanent custody.

A lawyer at the Dallas Legal Aid Society says lots of others are in the same predicament as Mrs. Taylor.

"By state law the residence of the parents determines the legal residence of children, unless there is a court-ordered permanent custody or legal guardian," said Rex Stultz, director of pupil accounting for DISD.

"We talk to quite a few people who have children we can't accept," he added. "Sometimes the parents put them with grandparents or other relatives because they don't like the school where they're living. We have to reject these children. Parents can give consent, but they can't give custody to others. Only the courts can."

"Maybe a grandparent sincerely thinks she's doing the best thing for the grandchildren, but sincerity won't help us when we're audited," he said.

'Texas' played to 95,000

The hundred and forty people in the "Texas" company have finished season where they greeted 30,000 people who came more than 500 miles to see a performance. They have sung and danced to entertain more than 35,000 who live more than hundred miles away and less than 500, and they have shared their warmth and pride in the Panhandle with the 30,000 visitors who live within a hundred miles of the canyon.

These 95,000 1976 patrons, added to those who came in former seasons, make a total of 865,000 people who have seen "Texas."

Now the members of the cast and the hospitality crew are almost ready to go.

The show closed Saturday, not to reopen until 1977.

Their final act was a dinner together.

The next performance of "Texas" will be June 15, 1977.

Pampa girls Angela Day and Rita Parsley danced in the show this summer.

VIA MOON

COLLIERVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — In the multitude of communication media, Paul Wilson has utilized one of the most unusual forms.

From his home here, Wilson manipulates a homemade, 18-foot metal "dish" atop a 35-foot platform in his back yard and bounces radio signals off the moon.

Wilson, a TV technician, constructed the radio device from surplus U.S. Army communication parts in a span of three years.

After completion of the transmitter in 1964, Wilson said, he was able to bounce his microwave signals off the moon and another amateur radio hobbyist in Maryland picked them up.

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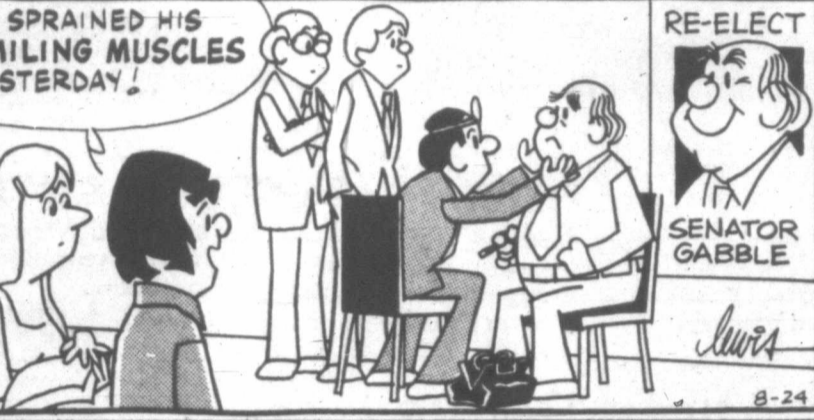
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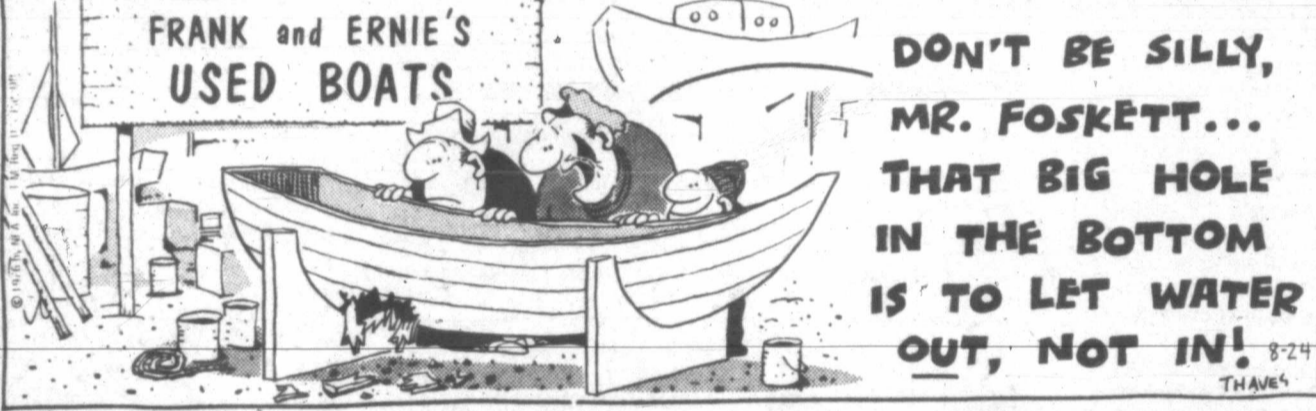
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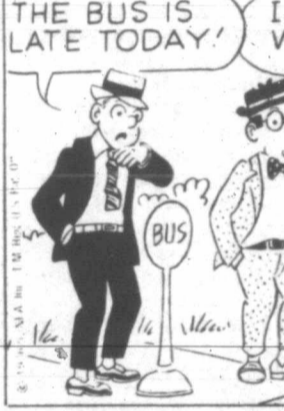
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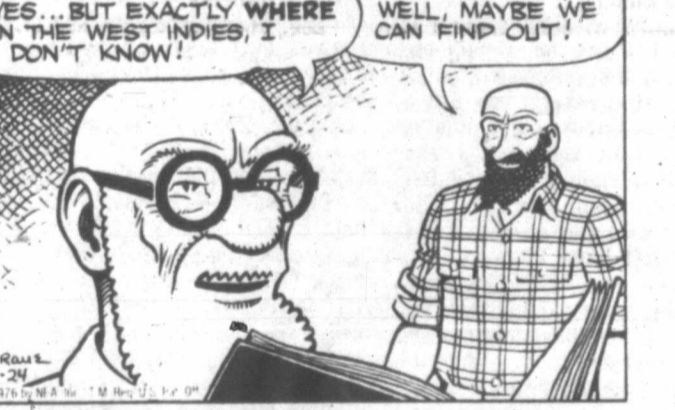
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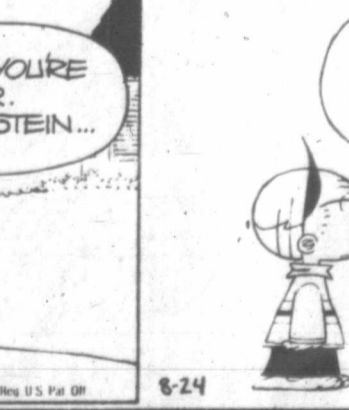
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Pupils mix peacefully under Dallas plan

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Children from affluent North Dallas Anglo families mixed peacefully with black children from West Dallas housing projects Monday as a new desegregation plan was implemented.

The biggest problem was one very late bus. One group of 17 children waited 4½ hours, putting a damper on their enthusiasm for traveling to a new school.

The opening day of school culminated months of courtroom battles and planning to formulate the court-ordered desegregation plan.

Once the plan written by a tri-ethnic citizen's organization was approved for the city's schools, school officials, teachers and volunteers worked for months so the plan would come off smoothly.

A spirit of cooperation was evident Monday in the absence of violence that marked the start of busing at other cities.

Leading the way were School Supt. Nolan Estes and School Board President Bill Hunter, who acted as driver and monitor, respectively, on one bus during the day.

"In Boston (where violence broke out when a busing plan was implemented), one of the problems was that the administration didn't support the plan and dragged their feet," said Estes. "I drove today to illustrate we are short 32 drivers but also to illustrate that the school board and administration in Dallas support this plan and want to make it work."

However, there were plenty of routine problems — children taken to the wrong school, late buses, lost bus drivers. One

driver complained that gas had been siphoned out of his bus over the weekend. One route with three 72-seat buses saw two go virtually empty and another take 156 pupils.

The desegregation plan divides the city into subdistricts, with nearly 18,000 fourth through eighth graders being bused into adjacent subdistricts. Rides lasted an average of just 20 minutes. About 5,000 high school pupils were bused under "magnet" programs with special curricula to attract students interested in certain subjects.

"We think we have a good plan, and we're doing everything we can to make it work," said Estes, who's bus started its trip at 7:30 a.m. "I was 10 minutes late today, I'll probably be five minutes late tomorrow and by Wednesday I'll be on time and so will everyone else."

Each bus was manned Monday by a school administrator or parent monitor, such as Hunter, to insure against any trouble and discover problems so kinks can be ironed out later. When a bus arrived at a school, a group of parents and teachers greeted the children and had them line up to walk into classrooms.

Occasionally a police car would pass, further insurance against trouble.

The children were as orderly as fourth through eighth graders could be expected. Most of the boys, black and white, wore blue jeans that squished when they walked. The girls had on their favorite dresses, some with the tags still hanging out.

"It's okay, I don't mind it," said one 11-year-old Anglo boy when asked if he minded leaving his neighborhood school. "I had to get up at 6 o'clock this morning and I

used to get up at 7. But I'm older and mom didn't make me go to bed earlier."

"My dad made me go to bed at eight last night," chimed in another, obviously younger boy who said his main concern was making new friends at a new school.

None of the Anglo children expressed concern that probably half of their classmates would be black.

Mrs. James Leeper watched two of her children — Debora, 11, and Steven, 9 — climb on a bus at Withers Elementary School in far North Dallas for a 20-minute ride to Longfellow School, located in a middle-class black neighborhood. Black pupils were en route to Longfellow at the same time from Earhart School in predominantly black West Dallas.

"Of course I'm apprehensive, but there

are responsible people running this and if I didn't think it was safe, my children wouldn't be on that bus," Mrs. Leeper said. "I'm for integration but I don't think this is the best way. Fair housing would integrate the neighborhoods and busing wouldn't be needed."

The 123,000 Dallas pupils are 46 per cent black, 42 per cent white and 12 per cent other minorities, mostly Mexican-American.

Under the desegregation plan, 39 per cent of those bused are white.

"I think this is pretty equitable," said Estes. "Most of the NAACP objections to it are that there are still one-race schools in Dallas."

Estimates of the first-year cost of the busing program are about \$23 million.

Senate wrestles bill to subsidize post office

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate, wrestling with a bill that would boost the Postal Service's subsidy by \$1 billion, is considering whether to reimpose congressional authority over the debt-ridden agency.

A vote was scheduled for today on a proposal by Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, D-S.C., to reassert tight control over the postal budget, six years after Congress relinquished control over the U.S. Post Office and turned it into a semi-independent agency.

Hollings' bill, like a similar measure adopted by the House last year, would subject the Postal Service to yearly budget authorization and appropriation procedures as the old Post Office Department.

It also would abolish the Postal Service's Board of Governors, make the postmaster general subject to Senate confirmation, provide an extra \$1 billion in postal subsidies and bar any postal rate increases or substantial cutbacks in service until Oct. 1, 1977.

Hollings offered his bill as a substitute for one that the Senate Post Office and Civil Ser-

vice Committee sent to the Senate Monday.

The committee bill, a compromise worked out with the White House and other administration officials, also called for a \$1-billion subsidy and was designed as a stop-gap solution to the Postal Service's mounting indebtedness.

Taxpayers are paying \$1.5 billion a year to subsidize postal operations. Postmaster General Benjamin Bailar has warned that service will be curtailed unless Congress provides more aid.

Hollings got the opportunity to offer his substitute bill when the Senate voted 60 to 13 on Monday to amend the committee bill to make it harder for the Postal Service to close or consolidate post offices.

Committee Chairman Gale W. McGee, D-Wyo., who argued against any amendments, called the bill "a tightly-bargained agreement" with the administration that President Ford would sign. The committee's ranking Republican, Sen. Hiram L. Fong of Hawaii, also urged the Senate to reject amendments.

The committee bill would authorize an additional \$1 billion in subsidies over the next two years and set up a special commission to study postal problems and file a report by Feb. 15, 1977.

Pending submission of the report, postal rates would be frozen and service cutbacks would be barred.

The amendment by Sen. Jennings Randolph, D-W.Va., would require the Postal Service to give 60 days' notice before closing an office, and provides for court appeals if the majority of local patrons object.

HUSBAND PUTTING WIFE THROUGH SCHOOL
WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — The usual situation has been reversed, with Kent Cudney working as a receptionist at Purdue University to put his wife, Christine, through school. Cudney, who has a teaching degree in history, types letters and answers phones while his wife pursues a graduate degree in clinical psychology.



Siamese cantaloupe

Murray Stroud of Lefors found this set of siamese twins in his cantaloupe patch recently. He said the melons are growing to large sizes this year in his rich land beside the river in Lefors. Stroud is a math teacher in Lefors High School. (Pampa News photo)

Judge gives Texas rule of Hughes will

HOUSTON (AP) — Probate Court Judge Pat Gregory says Texas has jurisdiction over the will of the late billionaire Howard Hughes and is studying which portions of Hughes' autopsy report will be released to Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill.

Attorneys for Hughes' heirs had asked Gregory to delay action so a Las Vegas, Nev., court could determine if the late billionaire's legal residence and if he left a valid will.

The temporary administrators of Hughes' will, Mrs. Annette Gano Lummis, an aunt, and her son William R. Lummis, a Houston attorney, also requested Hill not be given a copy of the autopsy report.

"We have evidence that shows beyond a doubt that Mr. Hughes was a legal resident of Texas and there is no reason for this court to play second fiddle to a court in Nevada," Hill said.

Gregory set a hearing for Sept. 2 to determine which portions of the autopsy report will be released to Hill.

Jim Dillworth, an attorney representing Mrs. Lummis and her son, said Hughes lived in Nevada a number of years and had invested extensively in real estate and business enterprises there.

Hill said lawyers for the heirs had argued in May that Texas was Hughes' home. "Now they have changed their minds," Hill said. "What has happened that has suddenly changed their allegation?"

The April 14 application for appointment of the Lummises as administrators did not claim Texas as the legal domicile of Hughes but did say Hughes owned property in Harris County at the time of his death.

Hill is seeking to prove Hughes was a legal resident of Texas because the state might be able to claim an estimated \$3 million in inheritance taxes.

"I would be derelict in my duty if I didn't say we believe Texas is Hughes' domicile," Hill said.

Hill and many of the attorneys in court Monday will be at a hearing in Las Vegas Friday when Hill is expected to ask the court there to delay its proceedings.

Immigration to the U.S. soared after the Irish potato famine of 1845-1846 and the German revolution of 1848. In two decades, four million people came to this country.

Fines assessed for two

Fines were assessed in two no contest pleas entered late Friday in Gray County Court.

Joe Steven Swann, 22, of Pampa was fined \$100 and costs on charges of making alcohol available to a minor. Jerry Wayne Taylor, 26, was

fined \$200 on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, in addition to 60 days in jail, which was probated to a 180 day probation term.

Judge Don Cain assessed the penalty in each case.

Reagan delegate Curtis predicts uphill battle for Ford in Texas

By ANNA BURCHELL
Pampa News Staff

The Republican's presidential ticket — Ford-Dole — will have an uphill battle in Texas, according to the predictions of Joe Curtis of Pampa, a Reagan delegate to the national convention.

"Our selling point will be the comparison of platforms — for conservatives the Republicans have by far a better platform," he opened.

Curtis was Ronald Reagan's regional coordinator for the presidential race. He returned last weekend from the Republican National Convention in Kansas City.

He predicted that most Reagan supporters personally will support the Republican ticket.

"And I wouldn't be surprised if Reagan isn't in Pampa before too long," he added. He said Reagan has plans to help some of the Republican candidates for Congress.

In a caucus with 200 delegates and alternates, after Ford won the nomination by a narrow margin, Curtis said those would support the Ford-Dole ticket this fall were asked to stand.

"Obviously a majority stood. Some 12 or 13 said they could not support the ticket," he said. Looking back on Reagan's campaign against an incumbent

president for the nomination, Curtis said:

"To begin with we are disappointed — but not a bit ashamed of the race we ran from the national organization on down — and certainly I'm so proud of the Texas delegation I don't know what to do. They did a great job," he said.

Curtis said farmers in Texas are disgruntled with Ford because of his agricultural embargo. "However, Dole will help. He is a strong campaigner," Curtis added.

Asked if he personally would support the Republican ticket, Curtis replied:

"Yes, I visited with Ben Guill (Ford's Gray County coordinator) last night and offered my services in any way. He suggested we meet again after he had contacted the Ford headquarters."

Curtis said he was not there when Jack Ford (the President's son) allegedly threw confetti with several rolls of toilet tissue on the Texas delegation. "The rolls reportedly bounced around on some heads," he said.

The incident ended, according to Curtis, with Jack Ford saying, "Tex, I'm sorry."

Curtis, a long time supporter of Reagan, said he doesn't think Reagan will ever seek another national office.

"I think he will continue his newspaper columns and radio programs and be a great help to the conservative cause. I understand he will be in Texas before the November election," Curtis said.

As for the 16 c rule which would force presidential candidates to name their running mates before balloting for the nomination, Curtis said he never believed the results were a true test of Reagan's strength.

"We'll never know if naming Senator Richard Schweiker of Pennsylvania had any impact on Reagan's loss," Curtis said. "I was disappointed in the Pennsylvania delegation."

As for the future — from now until November — Curtis said he is finding a great deal more enthusiasm for the effort to elect "our congressional candidates including Alan Steelman."

Steelman is Democratic Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's opponent.

"In Texas our delegation feels that when the Ford-Dole team starts campaigning with stands on specific issues, Carter will have to commit himself..."

But Curtis still believes Republicans have their work cut

out for them and unless a great deal of support is shown in the North and Northeast the presidential ticket will encounter an "uphill battle all the way."

"But they (Ford and Dole) are smart politicians," Curtis said.

He talked about the support Reagan apparently had even after he lost the nomination. "How a man with that much popular support could fail to get the nomination is beyond my realm of understanding," Curtis said.

He predicts the Republicans will have the biggest political problem since the Nixon-Humphrey campaign.

The Republican state convention is scheduled Sept. 11, and Curtis will again seek the committeeman post from the 31st Senatorial District — and Ila Jo Hart of Gruver will seek re-election as committeewoman.

Neither has opposition at this

time. However, Curtis said a contest is expected for the state chairmanship.

As for Reagan on the vice presidential ticket, Curtis said he wouldn't have gone for that.

"I believe it would have damaged the credibility of leadership in the Republican party because he (Reagan) had said emphatically so many times he would not accept the VP spot," Curtis explained.

He said the Reagan delegates were able to strengthen the Republican platform, and cited a change in the wording on the Panama Canal plank.

He said the wording originally stated that negotiations would continue with the Panama Canal Zone and the U.S. would not relinquish anything to endanger the security of this country.

"Now it says we will continue to negotiate and not relinquish any sovereignty of the operation, control and defense of the Canal," Curtis concluded.



Second place team

The Sen. Richard Schweiker of Pennsylvania and Ronald Reagan duo lost its bid for the Republican for President and vice-president. Pampa delegate Joe Curtis still regrets the fact but has pledged his support to get Ford back into the White House.

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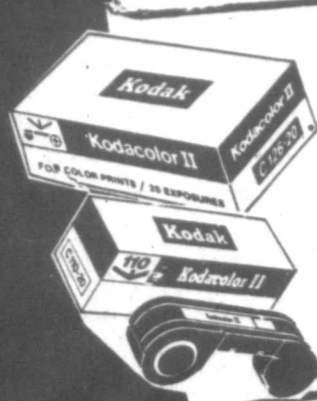
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