



By JANE P. MARSHALL

Just a couple more Ireland stories. I realize some Pampans may have grown tired of talk of Ireland but memories of the trip and of the experience of Pampans and Ireland learning about each other keep stirring.

Before the band left, the marquee in front of Pampa High School read "How do you spell relief... Ireland?" Did it mean relief for band members because arduous practice would soon let up? Did it mean relief for all those Pampans who weren't making the trip and who had to listen constantly to plans, practices and excitement, or was it relief that the year finally had passed and the \$113,000 had been raised?

Jeff Doughten, director and organizer deluxe of the Pride of Pampa Band, isn't often caught doing something absent minded, so it is interesting and entertaining when it happens. As the Pampa tourists prepared to board the plane at Dublin to return to Texas, Doughten reminded all students to have their green boarding passes ready. As he did so, he discovered that he had wadded up his own pass and had tossed it in an ash tray.

In spite of the time of day and the long hours just spent in the plane crossing the Atlantic, Doris Ekleberry, first lady of the Band Boosters, managed to look refreshed and well groomed shortly after the Pampa tourists' arrival in Pittsburgh to pass customs inspection. Her secret had a lot to do with her short hair style. She shampooed in the ladies' room and dried her hair quickly and comfortably in the stream of warm air issued by one of those hand-drying blowers affixed to the wall.

The Pampa News this week was proud to receive a letter from Matt McNulty, parade director of the Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade.

It again reflected understanding of why Pampa calls its young musicians "The Pride."

"I have just enjoyed a brief but unforgettable visit from the Pampa High School Band and I am writing the unusual step of writing to you because I have learned of the leading role your newspaper played in the plans of this band to come to Dublin and celebrate with us on St. Patrick's Day. And celebrated we did. The band delighted the very large audience with their playing skill and marching."

"Not only were they the outstanding success of the Parade, but their performances during their entire visit here in Dublin reflected the greatest credit on their parents, on their school and on Pampa."

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Discovery: rings around Uranus

By TONY LEDWELL, Associated Press Writer
MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Scientists say they have made the first major structural discovery in the solar system in nearly 50 years — the cold, mysterious planet of Uranus has rings like Saturn. Until now, Saturn was the only one of the nine known planets encircled by rings of space particles.

Elliott, a space researcher at Cornell University, said of the discovery, details of which were announced today at a news conference.

Elliott and his co-workers were studying the stars around Uranus, Seventh Planet from the sun, when they spotted the five thin rings.

The team was working in an airborne laboratory 41,000 feet aloft. The aircraft, operated by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Ames Research Center here, was flying over the southern

Indian Ocean when the sighting was made on March 10.

The rings weren't seen earlier, Elliott explained in an interview, because light reflected from the planet is usually so bright it obscures the ring's lesser reflections.

He said the plane's altitude and position on the nightside of the Earth provided just the right combination of light conditions for observing the heretofore unseen rings.

After the first reports of their discovery, observatories around the world were told the conditions under which the rings could be

spotted and were asked to confirm the finding.

Last week, the Smithsonian Astronomical Observatory at Cambridge, Mass., said an Indian astronomer saw the rings from an observatory near New Delhi. And an astronomer from the University of Arizona also sighted the rings from an observatory near Perth, Australia.

Elliott said the rings are similar to the famed colored rings around Saturn, but are much thinner. He named them after the first five letters of the Greek alphabet, alpha, beta,

gamma, delta and epsilon. "We don't know why they are so thin," he said. "They are only a few miles thin, and the thickest one is 30 to 60 miles. Saturn's rings are thousands of miles thick."

"We can't really tell what the rings are made of," he said. "One good guess would be some type of ice. One theory about Saturn's rings is that they are made out of snowballs."

"We still have a lot of data analysis to do. We want to figure out what they are made of and work with other astronomers."

'We don't need selfishness'

By JEANNE GRIMES, Pampa News Staff

Dr. George Henderson, University of Oklahoma professor and keynote speaker at the 16th Pampa High School Career Day, challenged his audience to care for other people in their careers and in their lives.

"If a career means being selfish, don't choose it," Dr. Henderson said. "We don't need any more selfish people."

The former social caseworker cited the need of today's world for dedicated, concerned, caring people.

"The closer we get to the year 2000, the more my thoughts turn to the future. You are the future," Dr. Henderson said. "It's probably too late for my generation."

People on the brink of higher education and careers should not mistake money for success.

"Money is not what it's all about," he said. "It is a part of it, but there must be more to a career."

"Whatever you decide to do, don't overlook other individuals because they are unattractive. Help them too."

Speaking for those of us who made it, Dr. Henderson added, "Don't forget your parents, don't forget your friends, don't forget your teachers."

The educator — professor of education and sociology and director of the human relations program on the Norman, Okla., campus — told his listeners that the variety of skills they possessed would be important to their futures.

"Where ever we're going, we're going at great

speed," he said. "We're always in the process of becoming, doing. Most of you will move, perhaps twice or more and you may have more than one career."

"The world is so small, so very, very small. Do you really care what kind of world you live in?" he asked.

Remembering his early years in an East Chicago ghetto, Dr. Henderson said, "I decided if I ever got out of that abject poverty, I would help others get out."

"You can run from social problems, but you can't hide from them. The important thing is to pull yourself up by your own hair, turn yourself inside out and look at the world through fresh eyes."

Dr. Henderson criticized the materialism of his own generation and cautioned the Pampa students of falling into the same habits.

"Please don't be like my generation," he said. "You are the results of what we bought. Somewhere along the way we forgot how to interact with other human beings."

"This is your beginning and I want to say good luck and God bless you."

Following the 30-minute address in Harvester Field House, students returned to the main building to visit with career consultants for the first of two hour-long sessions.

More than eighty career consultants were present for the Career Day activities. The Career Clinic is co-sponsored by the Altrusa Club of Pampa, Junior Service League of Pampa Inc. and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.



Challenging keynote
Pampa High School students participating in the 16th Career Clinic today heard Dr. George Henderson of the University of Oklahoma tell them that money is not the key to success and happiness in the world. (Pampa News photo by Gene Anderson)

KLM plane not cleared for takeoff

By FENTON WHEELER, Associated Press Writer
SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, Canary Islands (AP) — "Stand by, I will call you for takeoff," were the last instructions from the Santa Cruz airport control tower to the KLM jumbo jet that collided with a Pan American jumbo as the Dutch plane was making its takeoff run, a Spanish government official reported today.

A Dutch investigator admitted on Tuesday that the KLM plane had not been cleared for takeoff Sunday. But he claimed

the American plane should not have been on the runway where it was hit, a claim Pan Am disputed.

Meanwhile, two survivors of the collision died during the night, raising the death toll in aviation's worst disaster to 577. They included 223 Americans, all but four of whom were aboard the Pan American plane, according to airline sources.

One of the survivors, Isabelle Lord of Long Beach, Calif., died on a U.S. Air Force trans-

portation home for other survivors.

The bodies of the dead were laid out in a hangar at the edge of the Santa Cruz runway where experts were working 18 hours a day identifying them and preparing them for shipment home. Officials said the repatriation could not begin until Sunday.

The admission that the airport control tower had not authorized the Dutch plane to take off came from Franz van

Rejsen, head of the Dutch Civil Aviation Authority's team investigating the collision. He said the taped conversations between the tower and the two Boeing 747 jets showed the KLM pilot had been given preliminary clearance but not final clearance to take off.

"But the KLM plane started, which is not in accordance with normal procedure," the investigator said in a statement. "We presume there was a misunderstanding in the KLM cockpit regarding the position of the Pan American plane on the runway."

The Santa Cruz newspaper, quoting sources it said heard the recording of the traffic between the tower and the planes, gave this account of the final conversation.

KLM plane: "Ready for takeoff."

Tower: "Maintain position. Tower to Pan Am plane: 'Have you left the runway?'"

Pan Am: "No."

Tower: "Do it, and advise when the runway is clear."

A Spanish official said there was one final instruction on the tape before the KLM plane began its fatal takeoff run.

Tower to KLM: "Stand by, I will call you for takeoff."

The Dutch pilot, Capt. Z.A. Vedhuizen van Zanten, was killed along with the other 248 persons aboard the KLM jet. The Pan Am pilot, Capt. Victor Grubbs of Centerport, N.Y., survived.

Vance still waiting

MOSCOW (AP) — Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance met with Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev today in his last school and on Pampa.

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scheduled Kremlin talks, still awaiting a Russian response to American arms control proposals.

The talks resumed after Vance said in a luncheon toast that Soviet-American cooperation to reduce the risk of nuclear war "cannot forever be delayed."

"If we fail, there will be no excuses," Vance said. Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko said in his toast that the Russians were prepared to make all efforts toward "equality and equal security" but "equal efforts are required on the part of the United States as well."

Monday, Vance gave the Russians his proposals on a Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty — SALT — but the Russians had not responded as of the start of the final afternoon session.

U.S. officials said Gromyko's

remarks indicated no major progress had been made on an approach to a treaty. But they contended there was reason for optimism since Gromyko had not brought up Soviet complaints about Carter administration comments on Soviet human rights policies.

Brezhnev appeared affable as he shook hands with Vance before the start of final talks.

But he ignored reporters' requests for comment on American nuclear arms proposals and Gromyko finally told questioners: "This is not a press conference."

U.S. officials indicated Vance probably would leave Moscow on schedule Thursday morning. He had said earlier he might extend his stay if progress in the talks warranted it.

Ballot bill sought

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — State representatives have done a favor for every Texan who's ever resented having to sign his or her ballot stub on election day.

They voted 118-22 Tuesday for a bill repealing the requirement that voters sign ballot stubs bearing the same number as the ballot one marked. A final vote, possibly as early as Thursday, would send the measure to the Senate.

House members voted not to hold a floor session today so that the House Appropriations Committee and House Public Education Committee can meet at length. The appropriations committee is nearing completion of the state budget bill, and the education committee plans to approve a school fi-

Survivor dies aboard flight to US hospital

By RICK SCOTT, Associated Press Writer

FT. SAM HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — A painful journey across two continents for the badly burned survivors of the crash of two jumbo jets in the Canary Islands ended here for 14 of them as they were taken to the burn center at Brooke Army Medical Hospital.

The survivors were rushed to the Institute for Surgical Research after their plane landed at nearby Kelly Air Force Base shortly before 7 a.m. CST. Teams of specialists following procedures learned during the Vietnam War then carried them in a specially-equipped ambulance bus to the burn center in the main building of Brooke Army Hospital.

The rest of the 51 returning survivors of history's worst airline disaster was flown to El Toro Marine Base in California.

The flight had started at Tenerife in the Canary Islands of Spain where on Sunday jumbo jets owned by Pan American Airlines and KLM Airlines collided on takeoff and exploded killing 575.

Death claimed one of the survivors, Isabel Lord of Long Beach, Calif., while the mercy flight was en route to McGuire Air Force Base Tuesday night.

The ambulance bus backed up to the huge rear-cargo doors of the giant C141 Starlifter aircraft.

Twelve of the survivors, covered with bandages and blankets were put into the ambulance on stretchers. Two others who could walk were taken to the hospital by automobile.

A team of 16 medical specialists, including six from Brooke Army Hospital, accompanied the flight from McGuire AFB.

After the plane landed some of the survivors who could walk stood in the bright, early morning sunshine on the runway. Some stretched their arms after the long flight. One woman sat down on the pavement. Some were limping and many were bandaged.

As the ambulance bus was being loaded, Air Force fire trucks rushed to the runway as a precautionary measure for an in-flight emergency on an incoming twin-engine plane.

The plane landed without incident, although it appeared one of the engines was not functioning.

Conditions of the survivors were not announced immediately. A hospital briefing was scheduled later this morning.

One of the stretcher patients chose to stay at Las Palmas, leaving 53 survivors aboard the flight to the United States, Hughes said.

A second stretcher patient was the survivor who died aboard the flight to here, Hughes said.

Air Force nurse Capt. Beth Scannell described the mood of the survivors during the flight from the Canary Islands as a mixture of grief and thankfulness.

"It's amazing how people were venting their feelings, whether they were thanking God 'That I survived' or expressing their grief," she said.

Survivors were saying things such as "thank God I'm alive when you think of all of those who died."

Webb to close

BIG SPRING, Tex. (AP) — The U.S. Air Force has officially decided to close Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring, Sen. John Tower, R-Tex., announced today.

Tower's office notified Big Spring community leaders today that the official announce-

ment of the closing of the air base would be made later in the day.

Tower said the final decision is based on Department of Defense studies of the impact the closing would have on Howard County and Big Spring.

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TO BE AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO LIVE

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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Box tops: a fair tradeoff

Isn't it awful? Just the thought of it. School children, so young and impressionable, learning that dedication and hard work can result in getting something they want.

There ought to be a law. And there probably will be.

News item: Consumers Union petitions state officials to outlaw a program through which Post Cereals provides sports equipment in exchange for box tops.

It is unconscionable for education resources and classroom time to be diverted to profit motives of private enterprise, says a spokesman for the union. And it's really a rotten thing for a cereal company or any other firm to do to school kids.

Rotten indeed! Why, if this type of thing continues, the kids might find out they're not

automatically entitled to the balls, bats and such simple because they desire them.

The "right" way to get them, according to advocates of the tax-supported schools, is to take money forcibly from everyone to pay for the benefit of a lesser number.

Critics of the box top program figure Post Cereals will sell \$7,000 worth of cereal (750 children providing nine box tops each) and give out only \$200 worth of equipment, representing 25 cents per pupil. They indicate this is an unfair tradeoff.

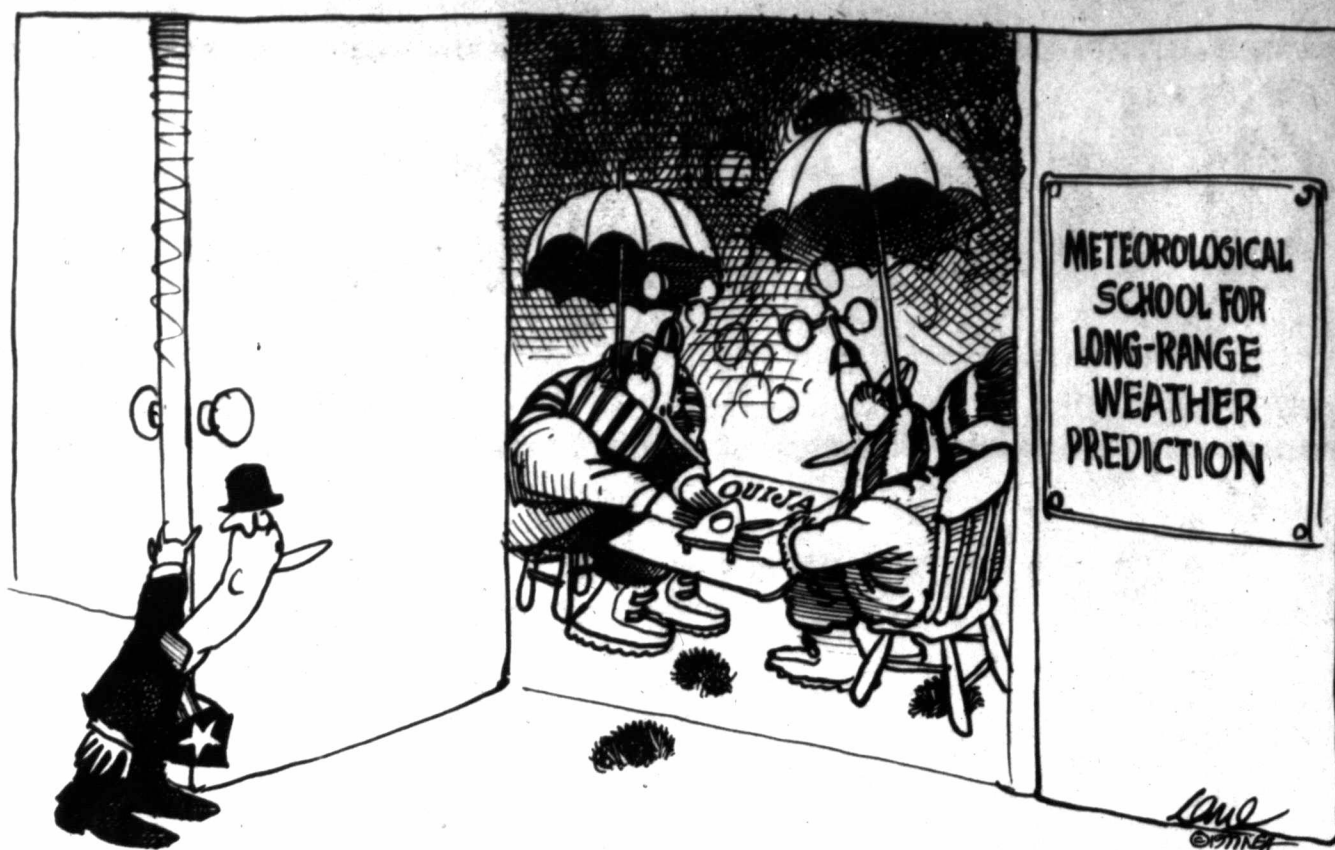
This argument makes it sound like the children and their families are throwing the cereal out the window. But they're eating it, just like they eat and enjoy any other cereal. Except that Post is providing a little extra something so more can be

And what's wrong with that? It's the very essence of the free market. You buy Post because you think it tastes better than some other product, or because it's a couple of cents a box cheaper, or, in this case, because Post is offering a clever incentive program for youngsters. You have a choice.

But leave it to government bureaucrats and their babbling groupies, the consumer advocates. They'll tell you what's right. And they'll force everyone to accept their viewpoint.

You don't have to buy Post Toasties. But you do have to buy the "public" schools, whether you want to or not. There's a difference.

Obviously, it's not in the best interest of the regimented school collective to recognize it



Quote/Unquote

What people are saying...



Joan Darling

"For sure, Sam Peckinpah's love scenes would be very different from mine. I want the audience to have a warm feeling about the film, which is what young love is all about. If some of the scenes are considered offensive, then people won't have that kind of feeling."
—Joan Darling, directing the film "First Love," on how she will handle erotic love scenes.

"Let's face it, the mail is just not as good as it used to be."
—David P. Wood, retired postal worker, testifying before the postal commission.

"Detente and the normal conduct of talks presuppose the establishment of trust between the negotiating parties and respect for the laws and traditions of each other, while attempts to exert pressure on us and to bargain for concessions of principles are bringing about an atmosphere of distrust."
—Pravda, the Communist Party newspaper, warning President Carter that his outspokenness on human rights could damage negotiations.

"Something has made the crust move quite rapidly, it's quite spectacular from our point of view."
—Dr. Robert O. Castle, leader of a U.S. Geological Survey team investigating the "Palmdale Bulge," a mysterious swelling of the

earth astride California's San Andreas Fault.

"The bad news is that if the drought keeps up, within a few years we'll all be drinking reclaimed sewer water. The good news is that there won't be enough to go around."
—Bill Miller, director of administration for the Denver, Colo., Water Department.

"It's just amazing. Everywhere we go people stop us and actually thank us for being such a good couple for their kids to look up to. They don't think we fight. Sometimes I don't think they even think we're human."
—Christy Jenner, discussing what life's been like since her husband Bruce won the Olympic decathlon.

"My children have been my balance and I'm glad I had them when I was older. When I was younger, I never dreamed I'd ever feel maternal. Then I was totally focused on

myself and my career."
—Actress Geraldine Page

"I'd set scenes and play them. I'd imagine people playing against me. I used to think someone else in the country someone was practicing as hard as I was — sometime he might come up against me, and I'd have to be ready."
—Bill Bradley of the New York Knicks on how he practiced when he was a child.



Bill Bradley

BUT NOT WASHINGTON

Chrome ban benefits Moscow

By ROBERTS ALLEN
WASHINGTON — There is a strikingly significant omission in administration gloating over repeal of the Byrd amendment that gave the U.S. free rein to import Rhodesian metallurgical chrome.

This is the exceedingly moot question — just who won what? Examination of what's behind this glaring silence quickly reveals the stark answer.

Far and away the principal gainer is Russia — which once again will have a highly profitable near monopoly as this country's main supplier of metallurgical chrome, essential in the production of missiles, nuclear submarines, jet aircraft, other key weapons and high-grade steel products.

At the same time, outstandingly heavy loser will be the American consumer who once again will bear the rap for virtually certain rapacious Russian price gouging.

The record is irrefutably predictable on that.

What Happened

Before 1966 when the United Nations under Moscow, Arab-African bloc domination imposed economic sanctions against Rhodesia, Soviet

chrome sold at \$27 a ton by 1971 when Sen. Harry Byrd, Ind.-Va., persuaded Congress to approve his amendment voiding compliance with the UN ban. The Russian price had zoomed 188 per cent.

But with Rhodesian chrome once again being shipped to the U.S., the Soviet price declined markedly — until 1974.

That year, the Senate, under vigorous spurring by former Secretary Henry Kissinger, junked the Byrd amendment and it looked as if the House would follow suit.

Result: Russia doubled its price to \$160 a ton.

But the House balked, and the repeal legislation was voted down — taking with it the Soviets' vaulting chrome profits.

Now of course, the way is wide open for that profiteering to be resumed — at the expense of U.S. consumers who will have to pay in higher weapons and steel costs.

It will be one more deep notch in the inflation gouge.

Typical UN Sham

Grimmest irony of all is that the UN's sanctions have been ignored and violated from the very start.

Not only that, but the worst

offenders have been the loudest embargo invokers.

High on the list are none other than Russia and the East European satellites — notably East Germany and Czechoslovakia, with others not far behind. In January of this year, a classified UN report flatly charged the Soviet Union and four satellites with large-scale violations of the Rhodesian sanctions.

It is interesting to note that this UN document got short shrift from the media — which never pass up a chance to publicize anything critical of the U.S. But somehow, this report was conveniently disregarded.

That intriguing indifference has characterized the publicizing of violations of the Rhodesian embargo throughout.

Since its imposition in 1966, the UN has recorded around 75 formal complaints.

Among those charged with violations are Russia, four Eastern European satellites, Britain, Red China, France, West Germany, and most of the black African countries — in the van of denunciations of white-ruled Rhodesia and demanding rigorous restrictions against it.

"I find it ironic," says Sen. Byrd, "that countries most vocal against U.S. importation of Rhodesian chrome have been in the front rank of violators of the UN sanctions. It is these same countries that in arguing for the imposition of the embargo characterized Rhodesia as a threat to world peace."

Rhodesia is a small, landlocked country, with 6 million people, virtually no military assets and a police force, that is the mainstay for keeping order. That force, incidentally, is predominantly black. There is no way in the world Rhodesia can be considered a threat to world peace. It was ludicrous for the UN to do declare.

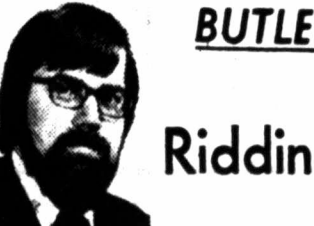
But it did — and other equally asinine, biased and frenetic antics that have cost U.S. taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.

More Ironies

While the UN castigated Rhodesia for so-called "minority rule," the characteristically hypocritical world organization has yet to criticize or do anything about outright dictatorial rule in the controlling Soviet-Arab-African bloc. Of the 49 African countries, 15 are iron-fisted military dictatorships and 29 others one-party authoritarian states.

Claims of Byrd amendment opponents that new technological processes now make it possible to use low quality chrome are plausible to some extent. Large steelmakers that can afford the expensive equipment necessary for these processes can use inferior-quality chromium. But that doesn't apply to the hundreds of small U.S. factories that make stainless and other high-grade steel.

"Old wine and an old friend are good provisions," George Herbert



BUTLER D. SHAFFER

Ridding Ourselves of the Evils of 'Man'

"Brotherhood" is the idea that people ought to show a greater degree of respect for their inferiors. But in this day of sexual and racial sensitivity — when even the slightest deviation from "official" orthodoxy in the use of words is met with charges of "chauvinism" or "racism" — it is imperative that our language be revamped to rid it of its vicious and discriminatory qualities. With its obvious male implications, I propose that even the word "brotherhood" be changed to something more sexually neutral, like "siblinghood" (as in, "am I my sibling's keeper?").

But, let us not stop there. How many words continue to have the successive letters "m-a-n" in them? Why, even the word "woman" is corrupted 60 per cent of it is the word "man," and ought to be changed. Just as "chairman" has been excised from our language in favor of "chairpersons," "woman" ought to give way to "woperson." Can you imagine Helen Reddy singing "I Am Woperson"? The plural, of course, would become "wopople" — as in "wopople's liberation."

And that's just for starters! We can no longer speak of the "manager" of a business, but of the "personager," and his (oops, "its") business must no longer engage in "manufacturing" but must take up "personufacturing."

Politicians from the Canadian province of "Personitoba" to West "Gerpersony" to "Personia" in the Philippines must learn to speak of their "Persondate" from the people run the "governmepoplet." "Congresspeople" would change the "Mann Act" to read the "Personn Act," and even the names of political figures would be changed: from former President Harry S. "Truperson" to former U.S. Senator Mike "Personfield."

College students would read Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roperson Empire," Marx and Engels' "The Communist Personifesto," and Shakespeare's famous passage "friends, Ropersons, countypeople." They would learn to distinguish such noted "hupersonitarians" as Albert Schweitzer from such "inhuperson" types as Adolph "Eichpersion." They would become familiar with the composer "Schupersonn," and the opera "Carpeople."

A new form of historical revisionism would take place, as we will be told of the exploits

of the "Minutepoplet" at the Battle of Lexington; the "Norperson" Conquest of 1066, and the "Norpersondy" Invasion of World War II; how the Dutch settlers purchased "Personhattan" Island from the Indians; the growth of "parliapopletary" government in England; the Battle of "Personsona" and General "Sherperson's" "march to the sea" during the American Civil War; and such concepts from American history as "Personifest Desiny," Lincoln's "Epersonication Proclamation," and the Constitutional guarantee of free speech under the First "Apopopleplet."

Our daily lives would come to reflect the change, as parents try to instill good "Personness" in their children; angry drivers refer to one another as "crazy personatics," and philosophers talk of the future of "personkind." "Environpelistas" will address themselves to the quality of "huperson" life; public speakers to the "ladies and gntlepoplet" in their audiences; and Hollywood cartoonists to the stars of the "entertainpopleit" industry. Popular music lovers will listen

to Benny "Goodpersion," Henry "Personcini," and "Persontavani." And each Christmas we will hang our stockings on the fireplace "personel" and sing "Frosty the Snowpersion" and "Away in a Persionger."

One all references to evil "men" are removed from the language, we can expect a house-cleaning on words that are but variations of the same malevolency. "Boy," the diminutive form, would become "little person," with youngsters joining the "Little Person Scouts." Jimmy Carter will be explaining his interview in "Playlittlperson" magazine, grape-pickers will organize "littlpersoncottas," and song lyrics will be rewritten to ask "how can I ignore, the little person next door?"

In time, of course, the language-revisionists will have to come to grips with a fatal flaw even in the use of the word "person": the last three letters ("son") refer to a male child... chauvinism again rears its vicious head. While the initial response of the "wopople's" lib people may be to change "person" to "permale" and "perfemale." This does not resolve the problem. After all,

two thirds of the word "female" is composed of the word "male."

Do you begin to appreciate the complexity of the problems that face our modern age? Do you begin to understand the vicious and evil oppression that confronts "wopople" at every turn? And you thought there were easy answers in this world? You can, if you like, simply shrug your shoulders and mutter "oh, sibling," but I can assure you that the cause of social justice will not be served until these serious matters are resolved. To this I expect "wopople's" lib advocate Gloria "Steinpoplet" to shout, "apeople!"

Capitol Comedy

Carter's hair-do has changed with the issues. Shorter in front, longer in back, and fuzzy at the sides.

There's no truth to the rumor that Jack Nicklaus is being held hostage in a golf club by Jerry Ford.

When the Carters had the Kissingers for dinner, Henry insisted on negotiating for the rare cut of roast beef.

Prime Minister Gandhi discovered she was carrying women's lib too far by cutting down on the population explosion.

Mrs. Gandhi received an offer from WABC-TV to join Ford as a replacement team for Walters and Reasoner.

Breshnev sent Carter a strong note of criticism demanding that he release the unsigned baseball players.

Russia tried to put Carter on the spot for human rights, by offering Nixon asylum in Moscow.

Amin offered to exchange American hostages for the Harlem Globe Trotters.

Castro denied there were any Cuban troops invading Zaire. They had the Mobil gas station maps.

Medicare paid over \$100,000 each to 400 doctors in 1975. But that included prescriptions.

There's a new Billy Carter doll. You wind it up and it gets its own beer.

Berry's World



"We want the White House Staff to have a humble and austere image, but what's his name here is overdoing it!"

ASTRO-GRAPH

Bernice Bede Osol

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Little things get your attention today, but you may let the big one get away.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You have a tendency today to blow domestic issues way out of proportion. It may not be a problem, although it is potentially dangerous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Let others sing your praises today if they are to be sung. The melody will end on a discordant note if you try to do it yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your real friends will like you today for what you are, not for what you have. Don't put on airs in order to impress people.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be sure your goals are worth the effort today. You could be chasing a rainbow with a pot of fool's gold at the end.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could get a confidential tip today that could make or save you money. Button your lip or you'll alienate your source.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Friends will go to bat for you today — to a limited extent. You'll encounter some reluctance if your needs are financial or material.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your progress could be retarded today by a cohort who talks a good game. Choose allies who'll work at least as hard as you do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Decide if you consume more over a luncheon or dinner meal as being as fast as your appetite. Be wary of too-lavish promises.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Venturing into fields you know little about could cost you a pretty penny today. Play ball only on your home field.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You reason situations out very well today, but you may foolishly ignore your own counsel. Don't act in opposition to your inborn logic.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today, you could overlook the big score. Study both the forest and the individual trees.

Your Birthday

March 31, 1977

Material opportunities should be presented to you abundantly this year. There's a strong possibility, however, your spending will keep pace with earnings.

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Barbs

By PHIL PASTORET
For some, a hangover never is.

A striptease is the enticing ending which keeps you coming back to a continued comic each day.

1040 Tax Ret

Income tacks are what hold the federal budget together.

A censor is a person who sees eye-to-eye with himself on prejudices.



Have you noticed that doughnuts are the same diameter, but that the holes seem to be getting larger?

Money isn't everything, but with it you can get whatever's missing.

They call 'em submarine sandwiches because they torpedo your digestion.

"Better be idle than ill doing," Scottish Proverb

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Crime, crime everywhere...

By MARGARET GENTRY
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Violent crime declined in virtually every corner of the country last year, but a surge in thefts in some big cities prevented the over-all national crime rate from falling, the FBI reports. Preliminary statistics for 1976 show no change from the previous year in the number of crimes reported to state and local police. It marked the first time in five years that the crime rate did not increase. The number of murders across the country dropped 10 per cent, and a decline in the murder rate was reported in every population category and

in all geographic regions. The FBI issued the report today. Atty. Gen. Griffin Bell called the statistics "an encouraging sign for the criminal justice system and for the public." But he added, "We must not ease our efforts in this struggle, because the incidence of crime still remains far too high." Though the over-all rate held steady and violent crimes declined, stealing rose 5 per cent nationally and by much higher percentages in some cities. In Houston a startling 42 per cent increase in larceny and theft was reported. The FBI compiles the figures

from data submitted by more than 9,000 law enforcement agencies. The statistics cover only the murders, rapes, robberies, assaults, burglaries, thefts and motor vehicle thefts reported to police. Other studies have indicated that many crimes never are reported to authorities. The FBI keeps no national statistical summary of such crimes as arson, fraud, embezzlement and other white-collar offenses. The preliminary report includes actual crime figures for 166 cities with 100,000 or more residents and percentages for the nation and for various population and geographic regions.

The final 1976 report due in the fall contains the raw figures for the nation and more detail about the nature of the crimes. Of the seven crimes measured, only the category of larceny and theft reflected an increase. It was up 5 per cent from the 1975 figures. The category includes shoplifting, purse-snatching, thefts of bicycles, and thefts of such items as CB radios and stereo tape decks from automobiles. Larceny increased the most — 10 per cent — in cities of one million or more. The increase hovered around 5 per cent in smaller cities. Larceny rose 12

per cent in the Northeast and from 1 to 3 per cent elsewhere. The rise in big-city larceny, and in some locations burglaries and vehicle thefts as well, left some cities with over-all increases in their crime rates. The figures showed a 15 per cent over-all increase in Houston, 13 per cent in New York, and 20 per cent in San Francisco. But the over-all rate declined 9 per cent in Chicago and Washington, 8 per cent in Philadelphia, and 1 per cent in Los Angeles and Detroit.



Around the world with El Progreso

The El Progreso Study Club took 29 guests Tuesday on a trip around the world... via food. The women prepared Greek, Japanese, Swedish and Dutch tidbits in the Pioneer Natural Gas Flame Room. Table chairmen were Jewel Nance, Mary Maxine Palmer, above, Ruth Morrison and Gladys McMillian. The women were costumed in the theme of the countries and served from tables decorated with fresh flowers.

(Pampa News photo)

Survivors tell story of island plane crash

EDITOR'S NOTE: — Sunday, March 27, 1977, was overcast and foggy at Los Rodeos Airport on the island of Tenerife, site of a Spanish settlement off the coast of Africa. Two chartered Boeing 747s, one flown by Pan American, the other by KLM, taxied down the runway to take off, laden with vacationers from the United States and Holland. Within minutes the two planes collided on the runway, killing nearly 600 persons. It was the worst aviation disaster in history.

Here, pieced together from the words of officials and some survivors on the Pan Am plane, is an account of the tragedy. By The Associated Press. "According to our pilot, the other plane was to hold at the other end of the runway. We pulled out and followed them down. Just as we got to the (taxiway) off-ramp, where we could get out of the way, well, communications must have gotten mixed up... All of a sudden we were turning and someone was screaming that KLM was taking off... That (KLM) pilot didn't have enough speed. He tried to pull over us. It absolutely peeled off the top of our plane..." Roland Brusco Jr., Longview, Wash.

"The next thing I knew was that the plane was on fire and we had apparently hit another plane. All the rows in front of us were on fire. All I know is that I jumped off and someone picked me up and took me to a hospital." Clara Anderson, Seattle.

"There was smoke all over. Flames were everywhere. There was a huge explosion where I'd been standing. I lost everything except me." David Wiley, East Palo Alto, Calif.

"Everyone was screaming. A gentleman was saying, 'Let's not panic.' It was survival of the

fittest. There was an opening in the plane behind me. I was one of the first people out." Teri Brusco, Longview, Wash.

"The top of the plane in the front section was sheared right off. There was just a big open place. I crawled through the debris, jumped down the side of the plane and ran." Marian Anderson, Santiago, Calif.

"It was so fast that I was thrown out of the plane. And I looked and the whole plane was on fire. 'Oh God,' I thought, 'my wife, that's the end of it.' Then there was another explosion and she was thrown off." Jim Naik, Cupertino, Calif. His wife survived, although seriously burned.

"I've never seen so many dead bodies. There was nothing but burning gasoline and burning metal. I picked up as many persons as I could before the plane exploded." Jack Ridout, Alpine, Calif.

"You could still see the gesture of the mother, embracing and trying in vain to protect her child." A rescue worker, describing the charred bodies of a woman and child, cradled in her arms.

"It's not good for you to go in. It will not help. I think there is not much to see." A Spanish air force colonel, to an American looking for the body of his sister-in-law in the airport hangar which serves as a temporary morgue.

"The crew saw nothing right up to the moment of impact. I just remember the impact. You couldn't see anything, nothing at all. We only felt an enormous blow." Capt. Victor Grubbs, pilot of the Pan Am plane.

Mexico wants preference

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The governor of the Mexican state of Tamaulipas says Mexico needs better prices for its exports and preferential trade treatment from the United States.

Gov. Enrique Cardenas Gonzalez of the border state in northern Mexico brought a message of friendship and an appeal for continued cooperation in an address before a joint session of the Texas legislature Tuesday.

Cardenas Gonzalez said Mexico doesn't make its trade appeal with empty hands, since

the country and state have oil and natural gas to offer in return.

"We need from the United States better prices for our raw materials and manufactured products, as well as preferred commercial trade for a client as important and friendly as Mexico," Cardenas Gonzalez told the Texas lawmakers in Spanish.

His remarks were translated by Arnaldo Ramirez, mayor of Mission, Tex.

"If geography and history have made us neighbors, the continuous communications of

good faith and respect have made us friends," he said. A peregrine falcon can fly up to 180 miles per hour.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a first-round loss, the AFL-CIO will press ahead with its biggest legislative drive in decades.

Among labor's goals are repeal of state "right-to-work" laws, collective bargaining rights for public employees, a \$3-per-hour minimum wage and changes in the National Labor Relations Act to make it easier

\$1099 collected Sat.

Saturday's Bucket Brigade for the March of Dimes has been termed a "great success" by chairman Jerry Noles.

Counting of donations was completed today, and Noles announced a total of \$1099.31 received during the one-day drive.

"We were really pleased that people were so generous," he

to organize workers and negotiate contracts.

The theme was set Tuesday by Thomas Donahue, chief aide to AFL-CIO President George Meany, who portrayed the campaign as a struggle for workers' rights.

"Our legislative agenda isn't to make unions strong," he said. "It's a program for people who work for a living,

said, adding that many motorists had money in their hands, ready to toss into the bucket wickily as they drove past a volunteer.

Noles said proceeds of the drive will be used to benefit victims of polio still needing assistance, as well as for research and aid in the area of birth defects.

Results of the Mothers' March are not yet known, Noles said. Inclement weather Sunday delayed much of the activity, but volunteers hope to complete the door-to-door campaign before the end of the week. Mrs. Sherry Olsen is chairman of the Mothers' march.

Students win calculators

Students from Pampa High School and White Deer High School were among 148 high school seniors across the state selected to receive calculators from the Texas Chemical Council.

Jackie Malone of 414 Sloan is the Pampa student selected. Malone indicated a desire to major in engineering in college. Winner from White Deer is Kathryn Komoll who listed design as a possible college major.

Receiving the awards were "outstanding seniors" in chemistry, science, math and related subjects. Students were nominated by principals and teachers on the basis of scholarship, imagination and scientific aptitude. Only one student per school could be nominated.

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Antique show coming up

Mrs. Bill McIntire of 1719 Evergreen examines two antique salt dippers and sterling silver spoons as plans are finalized for the Twentieth Century Cotillion Club's annual Antique Show and Sale beginning Friday at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Publicity chairman Lilith Brainard said the three-day event will feature a large

selection of authentic antiques, including dolls, china, silver, crystal and furniture. Proceeds will be donated to Opportunity Plan Inc. for student education assistance. Advance tickets are \$1 each and may be purchased at Depotique Antiques, Fleming Appliance, Las Pampas Galleries, both Pampa banks or any club member. (Pampa News photo by Gene Anderson)

Senators to vote on highway projects

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Texas senators are about ready to take a vote on doing something about the \$11.8 billion backlog of promised but unbuilt highway projects.

The Senate Finance Committee voted 12-0 Tuesday to approve a \$428 million highway financing plan presented personally by Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby.

Hobby said the new plan probably will be debated in the Senate early next week.

The Hobby plan approval broke an impasse that has existed since Feb. 9 when the House passed a bill approved by Gov. Dolph Briscoe that would cost \$674 million the next two years.

Since then the Senate Finance Committee has refused to act on the House-approved bill, keeping it snuggled in a select subcommittee.

If the Hobby plan is approved by the Senate, it will go back to the House and likely will end up in a 10-member conference committee for final negotiations.

Highway financing became a major issue of this legislature after a long survey showed that state highway officials had promised about \$11.8 billion in road construction and improvement project but had been unable to complete the program because of spiraling inflation costs.

"The beauty of this plan is that it will produce more over a 20-year period than the House

bill," Hobby told the committee. "This bill will not produce as much on the front end, but about 1984 it crosses over and after that it will produce more."

He estimated it would produce almost \$8 billion in constant revenue for the highway program over the next 20 years.

The \$428 million new money cost of the Hobby plan compares with the \$674 million of the House-approved bill, the \$234 million increase voted by the Legislative Budget Board and the \$825 million originally asked by Briscoe.

"We hope that if this passes in this form it will leave more money for higher education, for our public schools and the other vital needs," said Sen. A.M. Akin, D-Paris, sponsor of the House bill, who recommended adoption of Hobby's plan.

The Hobby plan, or more formally the "Texas Highway Improvement Plan," would set a base amount for highway funding of \$700 million in the 1978 fiscal year and \$750 million for 1979. There would be a Highway Cost Index Board to adjust the base amount annually so that it grows to match inflation.

The state comptroller would use the highway fund's present constitutional funds, then transfer the difference needed from the omnibus tax clearance fund, which gets most of its revenue from the state's sales tax.

On the record

Highland General Hospital

Tuesday Admissions	Bobby Marlar, 1904 Zimmers.
Robert Edwards, 1237 Farley.	Mrs. Norma Covell, 726 E. Malone.
Susan Darling, 2306 Navajo Rd.	Baby Girl Covell, 726 E. Malone.
Edwin T. Brown, McLean.	Mrs. Betty Nichols, 2100 Coffee.
William Roe, 724 S. Barnes.	Aubrey Weaver, Tahoka.
Mrs. Robbie Furrh, 2411 Christine.	Mrs. Marilyn Morris, 1109 Sandlewood.
Mrs. Viola Laseman, 818 E. Browning.	Baby Boy Morris, 1109 Sandlewood.
Mrs. Frances Threadgill, 1024 Huff Rd.	Fred Shryock, 1710 Beech.
Mrs. Edna Richter, 312 N. Zimmers.	Thomas Grange, 1025 S. Farley.
Ollie P. Scott, Lescomb.	Mrs. Ann Pitcock, 813 E. Francis.
Mrs. Jennie McInturff, 1518 Williston.	Mrs. Frances Threadgill, 1042 Huff Rd.
Baby Boy No. 2 Morris, 1109 Sandlewood.	Mrs. Karen Mendoza, 1128 Sandlewood.
Mrs. Virda Sitterly, 1216 Duncan.	Mrs. Lillie Lawley, 2604 Rosewood.
Mrs. Betty Finkelstein, Pampa.	Mrs. Annie Henson, Skellytown.
Dismissals	Mrs. Ann McCarley, Lefors.
Mrs. Brenda Miller, 1921 N. Christy.	
Baby Girl Miller, 1921 N. Christy.	

Obituaries

CHARLES HENRY WEIDMAN died at 8:10 p.m. Tuesday in Highland General Hospital. He was 57.

Services for Charles Henry Weidman are pending with Carmichael - Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Weidman, of 814 E. Murphy, died at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday in Southwest Medical Center of Liberal, Kan. He was 57.

He was born Jan. 18, 1918 at Alma, Mich., and moved to Pampa in 1966 from St. Louis, Mo. He was married to Louise Patterson March 1, 1953 at Noble, Ill. He was a self-employed design engineer.

Survivors include his widow; a son, John of Liberal; a step son, Michael Patterson of Noble, Ill.; two grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

JOHN T. SIMS JR. Services for John T. Sims Jr. of rural Pampa will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Duengel Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Oland M. Butler and Dr. Lloyd V. Hamilton officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon. The body will lie in state at Duengel Funeral Home until one p.m., and the casket will not be opened during the services.

Mr. Sims died Tuesday following an apparent heart attack.

J.D. HERD SKELLYTOWN — J.D. Herd was a member of the First Baptist Church of Skellytown, and Skellytown Masonic Lodge 1391. He was a past master of the lodge. He was also a member of the Lions Club and Optimist Club. He was employed by Skelly Oil Co. for the past 26 years as a chemical analyst in the division lab.

Survivors include his widow; his father, Hammy H. Herd of Pampa; two brothers, Waymon of Fort Worth and Maxey of San Angelo, and two grandchildren, Shawn of the home and Yancey of Elk City, Okla.

He was preceded in death by a son, David, in 1971.

Mainly about people

Rummage Sale, 1001 S. Nelson Thru Thursday. Many things. (Adv.)

Miscellaneous sale Marie Foundations Saturday, April 2, 7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Adv.)

Congratulations Keitha Clifton Do it again. (Adv.)

Laura Riehart Logsdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.W. Riehart of 1615 Fir, recently was named to the dean's list for the winter quarter at Concordia College, St. Paul, Minn. She also was named to the fall quarter dean's list of the current school year.

Jim and Pam King will sing at 7:30 p.m. each day this week except Saturday at Bethel Assembly of God church, Hamilton and Worrell.

Circle L Square Dance Club will dance at 8 p.m. Thursday in Lefors Civic Center with Gene Mack as guest caller. Guests are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Allen of Pampa.

Police report

Two Pampans are free on \$2,500 bonds each following their arrest Tuesday for felony possession of marijuana.

Ronnie Jay Branscum, 25, and **Sherri Fitzer Branscum, 20**, both of 1136 Huff Road were arrested early Tuesday at their home.

Acting on information from a "reliable informant" that the couple were in possession of marijuana, police began a periodic surveillance of the Huff Rd. address. Police obtained a warrant and arrested the pair Tuesday morning.

Making the arrest were Sgt. Charles Morris, Lt. Preston Bailey and detectives Randy Stubblefield, T.N. Rowland and J.J. Ryzman. Police recovered approximately nine ounces of a substance believed to be marijuana in the raid.

O'Rourke was cited by police for following too closely.

Police also investigated a report of a stolen CB radio. A man told officers the radio was taken from his car either while it was parked at 612 Plains or in Lefors. The windshield of a Frito-Lay truck was smashed with a rock.

There were four non-injury accidents Tuesday.

Stock market

The following 11 a.m. grain quotations are furnished by Wheeler Grain of Pampa:	Office of Schneider Bernet Hickman, Inc.
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Wheat	Crissman
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Wheat	City
Wheat	IFA
Wheat	Kerr McGee
Wheat	Pennycy
Wheat	Phillips
Wheat	PNA
Wheat	Getty
Wheat	Southwestern Pub. Service
Wheat	Standard Oil of Indiana
Wheat	Texas

National weather

Blizzard warnings were posted in northwestern Nebraska and northeastern Wyoming today, while other blizzard warnings over portions of the Dakotas were reduced to winter storm warnings.

That left winter storm warnings over eastern Montana through North Dakota — except the southeastern portion — as well as for northern and western South Dakota.

Sprague quits committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Richard Sprague, embattled chief counsel to the House assassinations committee, resigned after being convinced the House would kill the investigation if he remained on the job.

The House votes today on whether to continue the investigation of the murders of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther

King Jr. If the vote fails, the investigation ends at midnight Thursday.

Sprague submitted a two-sentence resignation, effective immediately, after a 3½-hour meeting Tuesday night with committee Chairman Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, and several other members of the panel, sources said.

"He was convinced by some members that a head count indicated strongly that the resolution to reconstitute the committee would fail on the floor of the House if he remained," a source said. "He was shown figures. He felt there was nothing left for him to do but resign."

The source said Sprague

would not retract his resignation even if asked. "It's unrevocable on his part."

Sprague was reported to be out of town and was not immediately available for comment.

Sprague had become controversial after he requested \$6.5 million a year to conduct the probe for two years. The House balked at that figure, despite Sprague's argument that he could not rely on existing agencies like the FBI or the CIA since their conduct was a part of his probe.

This dispute developed into an angry battle between Sprague and the committee's first chairman, Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Tex., who resigned earlier this month.

A chartered plane evacuated 40 American engineers employed by the Morrison-Knudsen Corp. of Boise, Idaho, from Kolwezi to Kananga, some 400 miles to the north. The plane also carried two other Americans employed by the government's Gecomines copper mining complex in Kolwezi.

The U.S. military attaché's plane evacuated another Morrison-Knudsen engineer.

The Kolwezi copper mines produce more than 65 per cent of Zaire's export earnings.

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The over-all increase in the index was a relatively modest one, but the upturn was reinforced by rises in two companion indicators. The upward movement of all three in tandem is taken as a solid sign of a healthier economy in the months ahead.

The index of coincident indicators, which tend to move in sequence with the economy as a whole, were up nine-tenths of a per cent last month after a 1 per cent drop in January.

Only three cities would be affected, according to the sponsor of the bill, Rep. Bennie Bock, D-New Braunfels. They are Selma, in Bexar and Guadalupe counties; Nolanville, Bell County; and Aubrey, Denton County.

Selma sits on Interstate 35 between New Braunfels and San Antonio. It has gained the reputation as a "speed trap," but a San Antonio lawyer representing the city told the committee it cannot be a speed trap when the city merely is enforcing the state speed limit.

The driver said the officer ordered her out of the car and around to the back. He told her she had been passing other cars at 73 miles an hour, she said.

"Everything was passing me as if I were standing still," she said. "In fact, I had thought I would move over to another lane."

The passenger testified the officer "was extremely rude." She said the other woman drove so slowly "I thought I'd never get home." She suggested that the driver not sign the ticket until she read it. The officer ordered her back into the car, she said, but she refused.

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Bock's bill also would set statewide speeding fines.

Gibsons to open new store in Tulia

Delmer Watkins, president of Sandra Corp., said today that his Pampa-based firm is opening a new Gibson Discount Center on Thursday in Tulia.

Watkins said the store, which will be the 16th such facility owned and operated by Sandra Corp., is located in a new, 22,000-square-foot building.

He said that corporation plans call for the opening of store number 17 on July 1 in La Grange.

Watkins recently took an option on the property where the Top O' Texas Drive in Theatre now is located, 2115 N. Hobart. He said, however, that he is not to take possession of the property until Oct. 1, following the summer season for the theatre.

The corporation president would not confirm rumors that a new shopping center is planned for the location, saying that he had "no comment on future plans at this time."

Watkins opened his first Gibson store in Pampa in 1963. There are now two stores here and the others are in cities throughout the Texas Panhandle, in Oklahoma and New Mexico.

In addition to the two local stores, the corporation maintains a large warehouse facility in Pampa's Industrial Park.

Masked women back bill to limit speed traps

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Two masked women told the House Transportation Committee Tuesday night a Selma policeman stopped their car and charged them with speeding when they had been driving between 50 and 55 miles an hour.

The women testified in support of a bill that would limit the revenue from speeding fines to 18 per cent of the city budget of cities with populations under 2,500.

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Invaders approach Zaire

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — The Zaire army staff has fled the copper-mining center of Kolwezi in southern Zaire in the face of Katangan invaders approaching the mines, unofficial sources said.

All Americans in the Kolwezi area except four Protestant missionaries also were reported Tuesday to have been evacuated. The missionaries along with about 4,000 Belgians in the area refused to leave.

"Most of our citizens have lived many years in Zaire and feel they have nothing to fear," said an official of the Belgian Embassy.

Officials of President Mobutu Sese Seko's government claimed the Katangan exiles who invaded their native province of Shaba (Katanga) in

southern Zaire three weeks ago had made no advances recently.

But other sources estimate the invaders have driven government forces and officials from about a third of Shaba. Some sources report advance Katangan units were within 30 miles of Kolwezi, and others say there has been fighting much closer to the town since Sunday.

Numerous eyewitnesses say the invaders have captured the town of Mutshatsha, some 60 miles west of Kolwezi and the former army headquarters in Shaba.

Informal unofficial sources said the army staff in Kolwezi had fled to two towns 60 miles to the east and about 100 miles northwest of Lubumbashi, the

provincial capital. A Zaire air force C-130 Hercules flew some 20 foreign reporters from Kolwezi after authorities told them their presence in the area was no longer desirable.

The over-all increase in the index was a relatively modest one, but the upturn was reinforced by rises in two companion indicators. The upward movement of all three in tandem is taken as a solid sign of a healthier economy in the months ahead.

The index of coincident indicators, which tend to move in sequence with the economy as a whole, were up nine-tenths of a per cent last month after a 1 per cent drop in January.

Only three cities would be affected, according to the sponsor of the bill, Rep. Bennie Bock, D-New Braunfels. They are Selma, in Bexar and Guadalupe counties; Nolanville, Bell County; and Aubrey, Denton County.

Selma sits on Interstate 35 between New Braunfels and San Antonio. It has gained the reputation as a "speed trap," but a San Antonio lawyer representing the city told the committee it cannot be a speed trap when the city merely is enforcing the state speed limit.

The driver said the officer ordered her out of the car and around to the back. He told her she had been passing other cars at 73 miles an hour, she said.

"Everything was passing me as if I were standing still," she said. "In fact, I had thought I would move over to another lane."

The passenger testified the officer "was extremely rude." She said the other woman drove so slowly "I thought I'd never get home." She suggested that the driver not sign the ticket until she read it. The officer ordered her back into the car, she said, but she refused.

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Winter worries economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government reported today that its index designed to anticipate trends in the economy rebounded in February from the harsh effects of the severe winter.

The Commerce Department said its composite index of leading indicators turned up by four-tenths of a per cent in February after plunging 1.2 per cent in January, the biggest drop since the 1974-1975 recession.

The performance of the index is in harmony with other economic statistics reported for the month of February and supports the contention of administration analysts that the economy will come back quickly from the crimp put in it by winter weather.

Commerce said that of the 10 individual statistics available in time for computation in the leading indicators index, four showed increases. The increase in the work week for manufacturing workers to 40.4 hours

from 39.6 hours the month before was the biggest upward influence on the total index.

Also moving upward were the number of new orders received by manufacturers of consumer products and their suppliers, the number of new building permits issued and slower deliveries in supplies.

The slower deliveries are taken as a signal of increased demand and thus quickened economic activity.

Of the five individual components pointing downward, a nine-tenths of a per cent drop in the size of the money supply after adjustment for inflation was the biggest downward influence. Other individual components moving downward were lower wholesale prices for key commodities, a smaller volume of orders for new factories and facilities, lower stock prices and a slower growth in assets held by consumers and business.

The layoff rate in manufacturing was unchanged at 1.3

Heavy voting predicted

A last-minute rush before Tuesday's deadline for absentee voting indicates a fairly heavy turnout in Saturday's city election.

With only 39 absentee votes cast up until Monday noon, 56 additional ballots were marked Monday afternoon and Tuesday to boost the total to 95 at the 5 o'clock deadline.

Judging from the absentee vote total, City Secretary S.M. Chittenden said today, "it would appear there will be a fairly good turnout in Saturday's city election."

Pampans will be voting for a mayor and two city

commissioners.

Mayor R.D. Wilkerson, seeking re-election, is opposed of the ballot by Timothy Lee Morgan.

Rex McAnelly and James D. McCann, both taking their first plunge into politics, are candidates for the Ward 1 commissioner post being vacated by Ray Thompson.

Everett Tarbox is unopposed on the ballot for the Ward 3 council seat currently occupied by Leo Braswell.

Voting in the city election will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday in the City Commission Room at City Hall.

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Advice

Dear Abby
By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I can't believe the unemployment figures. On one side, people are screaming they can't find jobs. And on the other side, just try to find someone to do carpentry, painting or remodeling.

We've been trying to get someone to add a bathroom to our house, and were told we will have to wait for at least six months. My sister tried to get someone to remodel her kitchen, and she hasn't had any luck, either.

Everyone who does work like that is "busy" and can't get to it for another six months at least. That doesn't sound to me like there are a lot of unemployed people who are eager to get to work. Where are they? Something is wrong somewhere, Abby.

PUZZLED IN FLORIDA

DEAR PUZZLED: National studies show an acute shortage of tradesmen capable (or willing) to undertake home repairs. Most of those qualified to do carpentry, painting or remodeling will accept only larger jobs. Few such craftsmen are to be found around the unemployed.

This particular shortage (estimated by the Wall Street Journal to be in the thousands) is causing a rush on community colleges and vocational schools by homeowners learning to do their own work.

DEAR ABBY: Bet you've never had a problem like mine. I'm in my middle 20s and I talk in my sleep.

It wouldn't be so bad, but my mother has a tendency to listen, and there are some things I'd prefer she didn't know about.

Is there something I can do about blabbing in my sleep?
TIPPING MY MITT

DEAR TIPPING: Review your concerns. If you're worried about what you SAY in your sleep, better worry more about what you DO when you're awake.

DEAR ABBY: I couldn't help but laugh through my tears at the back and forth letters from THE OTHER WOMAN and THE DOCTOR'S WIFE in your column recently.

I have been both, and learned a lot from it. Mostly, I learned I don't want to be either. As long as I am "a doctor's wife" or "the other woman," I am not ME. And ME has got to come first.

Frankly, I think being ME first is important: to myself, yes, and to all the others whom I touch. I am a psychologist, a mother, a mother-in-law, an ex-wife, an ex-other woman, a dog-lover, a hobby nut, an undiscovered poet and lots more. But these are my roles, not the summation of ME. As long as we know we have certain roles to fulfill, we're OK. But when the role becomes the totality of ME, I'm in trouble. Because, when all is said and done, it's ME I live with 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

My advice to anyone who signs herself "the other woman" or "the doctor's wife": Honey, that ain't where it's at. And "it" is in you, your own special version. And when you know you, and you like you, baby, you're home free.
ME IN CLEVELAND

Everyone has a problem. What's yours? For a personal reply, write to ABBY: Box No. 69700, L.A., Calif. 90069. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope, please.

Ask Dr. Lamb

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB — Three years ago I fell and broke my left hip and left foot. I had expert attention and am very happy to be working as usual. I teach piano and I carry a cane to be safe when I go places.

I have had more falls since the bad one and even sprained the ankle of the same foot that I broke. I think I am fortunate not to have broken more bones.

The doctor discovered that I have soft bones and he prescribed four calcium tablets to be taken daily for the rest of my life. I am 78.

My inquiry is this, have I taken the calcium tablets long enough now to be more safe in regard to broken bones? Is it all right to take two tablets at the same time? I sometimes realize that I have forgotten to take all four tablets.

DEAR READER — I am glad you have done so well and that you are still active.

You will need to keep on taking those calcium pills that your doctor gave you. He knows that as long as you keep taking calcium it will help decrease the loss of calcium from your bones, a condition that we call osteoporosis. The problem is common in women after the menopause and there is a continual loss of bone substance. A large percentage of broken hips and other fractures are caused by "brittle bones" from osteoporosis.

You need to take about a gram of calcium a day. To help you understand osteoporosis better and why you need to keep taking the calcium I am sending you The Health Letter number 6-10, Osteoporosis: Bone Softening. Others who want this information can send 50 cents for it with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for mailing. People can help prevent

Polly's pointers

By Polly Cramer

DEAR POLLY — A very dear friend crocheted a scarf for my TV and I had a candle sitting on it. While burning, the candle left a big blob of wax on the scarf so I am heart broken as I do not know how to get it off. Can someone please tell me how to remove this wax so I can put the scarf back where it belongs. — MRS. V.P.G.

DEAR MRS. V.P.G. — The laboratory of a large soap company suggests the following. Remove any surface wax with a dull knife. Place your scarf between paper towels and press with a warm iron. Place scarf face down on clean towels and sponge the back with a dry cleaning fluid. Let dry. Launder with detergent suds. If a stain remains, soak in water and a bleach that is safe for the fabric until stain disappears and then launder as usual. — POLLY.

DEAR POLLY — Recently I have been in two stores that have each had a small box of toys for children to play with while their mothers shopped. This was such a help to me that I would like to pass the idea on to store owners. Doubtless this is as great a help to salespeople as to mothers, as little hands that might otherwise be pulling over displays are occupied. There have been times in the past when I have left a store without making a purchase because my little daughter was either tugging at me or getting into something she should not. I hope other stores will take heed of this. — JAN V.

About books

Novels as great escapes

Capsule reviews prepared by the American Library Assn.

by Barry Simen

Novels can be great escapes from daily problems and routines — even better escapes than TV since they last longer and are uninterrupted by commercials.

This season's selection of popular (or, many insist, formula) fiction was produced by some of the pros in the field — best-selling writers with unblemished records for turning out real page turners.

When Jacqueline Susann died in 1974 she had three consecutive best-sellers (including "Valley of the Dolls") and \$8 million in royalties to her credit.

Her final novel, the posthumously published "Dolores," is definitely destined for similar success. Its protagonist, after all, is a carbon copy of Jacquelyn Kennedy Onassis — a woman whose private life provokes insatiable public curiosity.

When Dolores Ryan's husband, the young Irish Catholic President, is assassinated, she is left with too many children and too meager an income to support her in the high style to which she has become accustomed. One of her major problems, for instance, is a love for designer clothes but never enough money to buy them.

In an attempt to improve her financial affairs, she agrees to a mutually loveless marriage with a French business tycoon. She needs his money. He needs her international prestige to boost him to the presidency of France.

He lavishes gifts (of the 60 carat diamond variety) on her, but lavishes love on his mistress, a famous ballerina.

The dialogue is super slick; the characters super stereotyped. But it's amusing, though not terribly challenging, to connect them with their real life counterparts.

Take for instance, Mrs. Ellwood Lyons, wife of the Vice President who succeeds the assassinated President. Returning to Washington after the assassination, the just "annointed" first couple disembark from Air Force One. Mrs. Lyons was furious. Her husband was President. He had been sworn in on the

DOLORES by Jacqueline Susann (Morrow, 201 pages, \$6.95)
THE R DOCUMENT by Irving Wallace (Simon & Schuster, 383 pages, \$8.95)
THE FOUNTAINS by Sylvia Wallace (Morrow, 321 pages, \$8.95)



SITUATIONS and the cast of characters of Sylvia Wallace's "The Fountains" is as predictable as the spa's strict schedule of exercise and diet.

plane. Why was he walking behind this young girl, (Dolores) as if she was still the reigning Queen?

Irving Wallace's latest is also about politics and also features some easily recognizable Washington characters and situations.

Set in the indefinite future, the plot revolves around an FBI scheme to take over the United States by means of a proposed 35th amendment.

The amendment, by suspending the Bill of Rights, will allow the FBI to create a police state. Another of its frightening features is that all power will rest in the tyrannical hands of the FBI Director — a man who closely resembles the late J. Edgar

Hoover.

At the novel's opening, the amendment will become law as soon as it's ratified by two more states. The President and most of the public and Congress wholeheartedly support it because they believe the FBI's neat plan is the only means of curbing increasingly violent and uncontrollable crimes.

But Christopher Collins, young, newly-appointed Attorney General, has grave doubts about the amendment and sets out to block its passage.

His attempt to expose the amendment's terrifying implications brings him to Argo City, a small town where the new police state government is being secretly tested. He meets a high school teacher who has just been fired for teaching the Bill of Rights, an incident which illustrates the novel's theme — "If fascism ever comes to the United States, it will be because the people voted it in."

This political drama is stocked with one-dimensional characters, but then again, so was Watergate. It's also interesting to note that just a few years ago, "The R Document's" plot would have seemed farfetched. The fact that today it seems almost trite and almost believable is an unfortunate comment on where we've come.

If her first novel is any indication, Sylvia Wallace has captured husband Irving's secret of success. Although the book's subject and setting are far removed from Washington, like most best-sellers, it still stars the rich and powerful.

"The Fountains" focuses on five women who have retreated to a lavish beauty spa to rest, recuperate and rethink their lives. Each is facing a major crisis.

Middle-aged Charlotte's husband has left her for a younger woman; Gillian is growing careless about keeping her lover a secret from

her husband; Drucilla's marriage is coming apart and she doesn't know why; Elena is recovering from an unwanted abortion; and Rita must decide between her career and the man she loves. Wallace's cast of situations and characters is as predictable as the spa's strict

schedule of exercise and diet. Fortunately, though, "The Fountains" has more to offer than this cliché-ridden and superficial saga. It also offers an insider's look at how the rich rejuvenate at places like the Greenhouse and Main Chance, where a week's tab runs over \$1,000.

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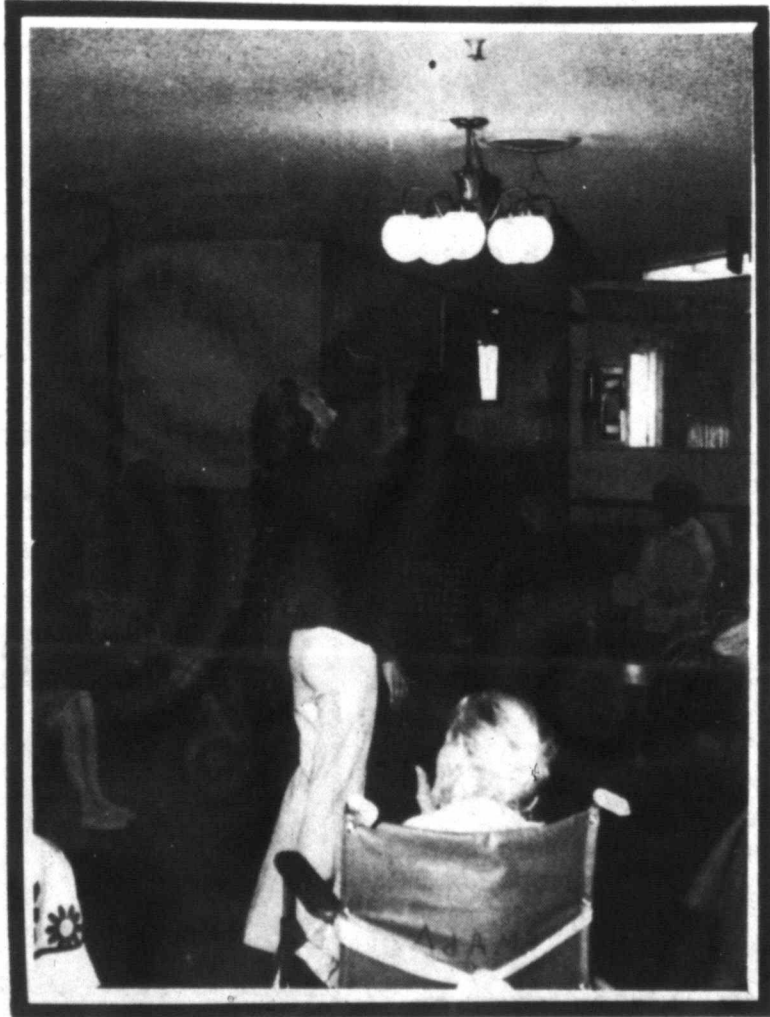
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Fiction:

David Axton's "Prison of ice." Jane Duncan's "My friends George and Tom." Rae Foley's "Put out the light." John Gardner's "October light." Elissa Grandower's "The summer at Raven's Roost." Francine Gray's "Lovers and tyrants." Duncan Kyle's "Whiteout." Juvenile: June Behrens' "Feast of Thanksgiving." Arlo Blocher's "Jazz music." June Behrens' "The Christmas magic wagon." Fun-Time activities' "Codes and mystery messages." Fun-Time activities' "Easy tricks and spooky games." Carolyn Meyer's "Lots and lots of candy." Robert Krauss' "Kittnes for nothing." Don Freeman's "Bearymore."

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Church marks 50th year

Activities in recognition of the 50th anniversary of First Assembly of God Church, 500 S. Cuyler, where the Rev. R.L. Courtney is pastor. "The Singing Deweys," a gospel group from Nashville, Tenn., will sing at several services beginning Friday evening. Other activities scheduled through Sunday include the ministry of five former pastors of the church, dating back to 1928, with a social hour. Sunday's schedule includes a brief memorial honoring deceased members. An "All Church Dinner" will follow Sunday morning services.

'Justice never cheap'

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — "Justice," says a southeast Texas judge, "never comes cheap."

Then, as if to prove it, Dist. Judge Clarence Cain of Liberty joined several senators, judges and district attorneys in asking a Senate committee to create new courts.

The Intergovernmental Relations Committee was virtually overwhelmed Tuesday with statistics supporting 17 bills to create new courts.

Cain said a judge "has got to be on his toes," but he's also "on the seat of his britches all day long."

"I wouldn't have your job for all the money and tea in China," said Sen. Tom Creighton, D-Mineral Wells.

"Give us a (new) court, please," pleaded Cain.

The courts would be in addition to 22 created by emergency legislation submitted by Gov. Dolph Briscoe.

The 17 bills were sent to a subcommittee that is to combine them in a single proposal.

Sen. A.R. Schwartz, D-Galveston, proposed abolishing a 23rd court in the emergency bill and substituting another court, with an elected judge — rather than allowing Briscoe to appoint him.

Briscoe recently nominated J. Ray Gayle III of Angleton as judge of a new district court in Brazoria County, but Schwartz said the appointment was unacceptable to him and the governor withdrew Gayle's name.

"I hope this bill will set a precedent for future court bills in this state," Schwartz said in a statement that he presented to the committee.

"This kind of bill takes the power of selecting judges away from the governor and the Senate and puts it back in the hands of the people, where it belongs," he said.

Sen. Oscar Mauzy, D-Dallas, said his bill to create two new criminal district courts also would be filled by elected judges and, in an apparent ref-

erence to Schwartz, he added, "I welcome my colleague aboard the ship of popular election of judges."

The committee heard statistics such as these:

—There are more than 2,000 felony indictments pending in Jefferson County. "You have heard that when a docket load exceeds 1,200 you have an emergency situation," said Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur.

—There are 15,000 criminal cases awaiting trial in Harris County, and a defendant waits an average of 5-12 months for a trial, said Dist. Atty. Carol Vance. If that time could be cut by 60 days, he said, the county would save \$1 million.

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'Silent prayer okay'

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Atty. Gen. John Hill said today that proposed legislation to allow silent prayer or meditation in Texas public schools would not violate the state or U.S. constitutions.

The opinion was asked by Sen. Oscar H. Mauzy, D-Dallas, chairman of the Senate committee on education which is considering the bill.

The bill, by Sen. Walter Mengden, R-Houston, says that each classroom may conduct a brief period of silent prayer or meditation with the participation of all consenting pupils.

No disciplinary action may be imposed on any nonconsenting pupil.

The attorney general said "it is well established that public schools may not be utilized for

the establishment of religious exercises for students," and pointed out various court decisions.

However, the attorney general said, a 1976 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a Massachusetts law because there was "lack of any mandatory direction to students to meditate or pray" which showed "a legislative purpose to maintain neutrality."

The opinion said that in view of the 1976 decision "it is our opinion that both the United States and Texas Supreme Courts would probably hold that (the Senate bill) does not on its face violate the First or Fourteenth Amendments in the U.S. Constitution or the Texas Constitution."

Cattle Rustling up

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Bexar County Sheriff's investigators report that cattle rustling and horse thefts in the rural ranchlands surrounding San Antonio are increasing by leaps and bounds.

"It's a profitable crime and harder to trace than stealing someone's television," said investigator Alvin Johnson. "When you butcher one (of the animals), the evidence is gone."

Investigator Bill White said too many animals are left unwatched.

"Our city is plagued with too many weekend farmers. They buy five or six head at a sale. No one brands them. They just buy them to raise and fatten up and butcher them," White said.

One man arrested for stealing cattle told Johnson he could buy a calf at a weekend swap meet for \$50 and sell it the next day at the stock yards for \$100.

Johnson, who has been with the sheriff's department for nine years, said the thefts of animals this year are the greatest in his career with the department.

Twelve horses alone have been stolen in his patrol area in southeast Bexar County.

"A year ago, you could hardly give a horse away," Johnson said. "We've always had cattle missing now and then, but not until recently have any horses been missing in large numbers."

White, who patrols an area of

southwest Bexar County, said the market for horsemeat is fantastic. "In some states, they eat them. They (the horses) sell for 25 cents to 36 cents per pound on the hoof."

Gates and locks and fences won't stop the thieves, nor will daylight, said Johnson. He said many of the animals are taken in daylight and in at least one case the thieves also stole a gate and padlocks.

The best way to prevent the thefts, the two investigators agreed, is to brand the animals. If a branded animal shows up at a market, a buyer may notice the brand and become suspicious.

Charles Babbage invented a steam-powered computer in England in 1823, that in theory could have done all the things that a basic modern computer does. But nobody knew how to build it.

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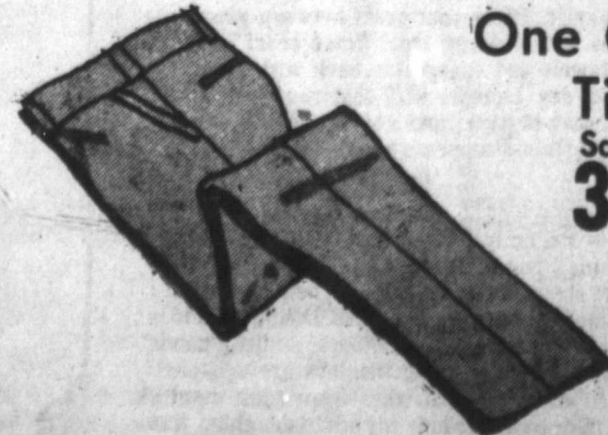
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McPherson calls opportunity one 'that I've always wanted'

The pay is less, although the fringe benefits are fairly nice, and he has to work 11 months instead of the nine he is used to. Yet Robert McPherson sees it as a step closer to a major college job.

He knows it might take a while. It did at Pampa High School, where he has spent the last seven years winning and waiting. The winning paid off Monday when the Western Oklahoma State College in Altus, Okla., ended his wait by offering the Pampa basketball coach the positions of athletic director and head coach.

"It's an opportunity for me that I've always wanted. I've always wanted to coach at the intercollegiate level. I'd like to be a coach at a four-year university," McPherson said Tuesday after turning in his resignation to Ed Lehnick, Pampa athletic director.

Junior college is a step up. How many high school coaches do you see moving right into major college coaching. Really, it's just very hard to move into any college situation from the high school ranks. I just happen to be one of the lucky few to get that opportunity."

Luck had little to do with it. McPherson's won-lost record in 13 years as a high school coach is 293-107. He was 162-55 at Pampa and 57-13 in District 3-AAAA. His teams' records at Pampa were 19-13, 24-7, 20-10, 23-8, 25-5, 26-6 and 25-6.

"He has a very successful coaching record," said Dr. W.C. Burris, explaining why Altus chose McPherson.

It may be a disadvantage that Altus has never had a program. McPherson doesn't think so even though he knows he's starting from scratch.

"I'm real excited because I think I can go in and build the program to suit myself. I can determine my own destiny."

McPherson follows Gary Abercrombie from District 3-AAAA into the college ranks. Abercrombie, who also coached against McPherson while at Liberal, Kan., now is at Seward County Junior College in Liberal.

The two are friends, and McPherson is trying to put Seward on his schedule. "We're going to play him, that's for sure," McPherson said.

McPherson never applied for the Seward job, one of the few openings in college he passed up the chance at.

"I never did go up there. When I remembered Gary was from Liberal to begin with, I wasn't going to waste my time. Anyway, I'm looking forward to playing Gary because he's a very competitive coach."

McPherson will take memories with him to Altus. One will be of the pressure there was in Pampa for him to win.

"There's a certain amount of pressure here because people are accustomed to winning. But I think people are happy with what they've had."

"The kids grow up here watching the Harvesters win and when they get to the high school program they don't have to be told what it means to win."

Pampa, though, may never win another state championship, McPherson said.

"In the 50's, when Pampa won the state championship, it wasn't the metropolitan era. It was a different era then. The thing that limits Pampa now is the small enrollment and the location — our team doesn't get to play the big-name, big-city teams night in and night out."

"We have a limited enrollment and as a result we don't have the numbers that come out. We very seldom have a good big kid, one that's 6-8 or 6-9 or 6-10."

McPherson plans to recruit mainly in Oklahoma although it's likely he'll make visits to Pampa often. Recruiting will begin right away but it will be a couple months before the college makes an all-out effort to land freshman and sophomore stars.

The outlook is promising. There are always major colleges that tell recruits to play on the junior college level before moving up. At least one college already has talked to McPherson about sending a quality player to Altus to gain playing experience on the collegiate level.

The projected enrollment at Altus in three years is 2,500, an increase of 1,000 students from its present enrollment. And the community has pledged thousands of dollars to improve the program.

"It all looks good," McPherson said, "but to move up, you've got to win. That's the only way to move up in any coaching job."



Oklahoma-bound

Robert McPherson, Pampa's basketball coach for the past seven seasons, calls his new position as athletic director and head basketball coach at Western Oklahoma State College "a step up." He hopes to later land a major college job. (Pampa News photo by Gene Anderson)

Nettles walks out

DUNEDIN, Fla. (AP) — The American League's home run king is missing.

Third baseman Graig Nettles, apparently angered by the New York Yankees' refusal to renegotiate the three-year contract he signed last year, failed to show up for Tuesday's exhibition baseball game against the Toronto Blue Jays and was promptly slapped with a fine of \$500 a day.

Nettles checked out of the Tampa hotel where the team is staying during a week-long trip to Florida's west coast and reportedly returned to the Yankees' Fort Lauderdale training camp. A club spokesman said Tuesday night there had been no contact with the third baseman.

Nettles, who signed a three-year contract for a reported \$420,000 last summer, was known to be unhappy because the Yankees refused to renegotiate with him while doing out millions of dollars to free agents Reggie Jackson and Don Gullett.

Last Friday, Nettles engaged in a shouting match with owner

George Steinbrenner and that evening he was the only Yankee who failed to show up at a party Steinbrenner hosted at the headquarters of his American Shipbuilding Co. in Tampa.

"A contract is a contract and we expect him to honor it," said Gabe Paul, the club president. "He will be fined \$500 a day for every day he does not show up, unless he shows just cause for his absence."

Nettles played last season without a contract until July. When he signed, the terms made him one of the highest paid players on the club.

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Sports

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Heinsohn miffed at team's attitude

By The Associated Press

For the 36th time this season, Coach Tom Heinsohn was explaining why his Boston Celtics lost a National Basketball Association game — which may have made him angry, since he only had to do that 28 times during all of the 1975-76 championship season.

He was bristling after his team's play Tuesday night in a 110-82 loss to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

"My team is getting into a bad habit of playing any kind of basketball and thinking we can get back in the second half," he said with the well-known Heinsohn scowl. "I don't like my team's attitude. We played a bum last week, too. That's why I'm perturbed."

"When you get to this time of the season, you can come up with all kinds of alibis. We were just not mentally ready to play basketball. There's no excuse."

The Celtics could have used a few excuses in the third quarter, when Austin Carr and Jim Chones combined for 26 points to put Boston away. Carr wound up with 24 points, including 14 in the third period, and Chones had 20.

In other NBA games, the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Chicago Bulls 119-113, clinching the Atlantic Division title; the Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Seattle SuperSonics 100-97, clinching the Pacific Division crown; the Portland Trail Blazers buried the Buffalo Braves 127-101; the Golden State Warriors dropped the Houston Rockets 109-92; the New Orleans Jazz defeated the New York Nets 94-85; the Phoenix Suns drubbed the Milwaukee Bucks 122-110; the San Antonio Spurs topped the Washington Bullets 122-116; the Kansas City Kings topped the New York Knicks 132-126, and the Denver Rockets defeated the Indiana Pacers 119-105.

76ers 119, Bulls 113
Julius Erving scored half of his 28 points in a furious fourth quarter spree for Philadelphia. Chicago's Mickey Johnson scored 37 points, but aided by

the outside shooting of Doug Collins. Philadelphia dealt the Bulls their first loss in nine games and only the second loss in their last 17 contests. The defeat dropped the Bulls to fourth place in the Midwest Division, one-half game behind Kansas City in the battle for the final spot in the Western Conference playoffs.

Trail Blazers 127, Braves 101
Lionel Hollins scored 26 points for Portland and Bill Walton had 16 points, 16 rebounds and five blocked shots, pacing the Trail Blazers' rout of Buffalo.

Warriors 109, Rockets 92
Jamaal Wilkes scored 16 points, leading Golden State's well-balanced offense, and Rick Barry did an outstanding defensive job on Houston star Rudy Tomjanovich as the Warriors coasted past the Rockets.

Kings 132, Knicks 126
Ron Boone scored a career-high 43 points and Sam Lacey had a personal high 28 as Kansas City defeated the Knicks and regained a half-game lead over Chicago in the race for the final playoff position in the Western Conference.

Spurs 122, Bullets 116
George Gervin and Larry Kenon combined for 61 points, giving San Antonio its victory over Washington. The Bullets were paced by Elvin Hayes with 32 points and a game-high 18 rebounds.

Suns 122, Bucks 110
Paul Westphal scored 34 points and Alvan Adams 24 as Phoenix defeated Milwaukee. Bob Dandridge led the Bucks with 32 points, but insists this will be his last season with the team.

Nuggets 119, Pacers 105
David Thompson's 22 points paced five Denver players in double figures as the Nuggets beat Indiana and clinched a playoff spot in their first NBA season.

Jazz 94, Nets 85
Pete Maravich had 26 points and Jim McElroy 20, leading streaking New Orleans past the Nets for the Jazz' sixth straight victory — matching the club record.

AMARILLO — Pampa erupted for seven runs in the last inning to storm past favored Amarillo Tascosa, 10-6, in a District 3-AAAA baseball clash Tuesday afternoon on the Rebel diamond.

Pampa trailed 6-3 entering the seventh inning then took advantage of a pair of throwing errors by Rebel shortstop Terry Bridges and six hits to overtake Tascosa.

Armando Soto, Mike Knutson, Mike Lancaster, Keith Fisher, Richard Wuest, Bobby Taylor and Greg Koch collected hits for the Harvesters in the seventh frame. Knutson's was a triple.

Tascosa had led 3-0 after scoring three runs off Pampa starter Curtis Haynes in the bottom of the second. Bridges drove in two of the runs with a single.

Tascosa led 5-0 after scoring twice in the fourth before

Pampa came up with three runs in the fifth. The Rebels scored once in the bottom of the fifth to make it 6-3.

Knutson relieved Haynes after 3 1-3 innings and picked up his second win of the season against three losses. Haynes gave up five hits, five runs (three earned) and three walks while striking out four. Knutson yielded five hits and one run. He walked one and struck out two Rebels.

The loser was Ricky Baker, now 2-3, who pitched only two-thirds of an inning (the seventh) but yielded four hits and five runs. He walked none and struck out two after relieving Kevin Thompson.

Leading Pampa at the plate were second baseman Mike Lancaster (three for four), centerfielder Richard Wuest (three for four), leftfielder Greg

Koch (two for four with three runs batted in), third baseman Bobby Taylor (two for four) and Knutson (two for five).

Getting two hits for Tascosa, now 8-8, were catcher Doug Wilson, Bridges and Roger Barber.

Pampa outlasted Tascosa 13-10 in evening the Harvesters' district record at 1-1 (same as the Rebels).

The Harvesters, 6-7 overall, are open Friday.

In the only other 3-AAAA clash Tuesday, Amarillo High pounded out 23 hits to rout Amarillo Caprock 17-5.

Amarillo now is 10-4, while Caprock is 1-1 in the district race.

Bret Jordan led Amarillo with three doubles and a homerun in five trips to the plate. The Sandies managed 11 extra basehits in the slaughter.

Amarillo now is 10-4 while

Caprock is 9-7 for the season.

PAMPA (18)

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TASCOSA (6)

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Pampa sinks Tascosa

NFL increases games

PHOENIX (AP) — The National Football League will have a more expensive and expansive look in 1978.

"Money," NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle said with a wry smile Tuesday night, pinpointing the primary reason why the league voted to expand its regular season from 14 to 16

Mayfield enters business

AMARILLO, Tex. (AP) — Gene Mayfield, who resigned recently as head football coach at West Texas State, landed a new job Tuesday.

He was hired by Mesa Petroleum Co. in Amarillo as its director of employee services.

Mayfield had two years to go on his contract at West Texas State in neighboring Canyon when he stepped down during a school crisis over financing its sports program. He had held that job for six years and his teams posted a 24-39-2 won-lost-tied record.

West Texas State chose Bill Yonge, former defensive coordinator at Baylor, as his successor.

Before moving up to the college ranks, Mayfield coached Littlefield, Borger and Odessa Permian schoolboy teams, taking the Odessa eleven to a state championship.

games (while cutting the pre-season schedule from six to four games) and widening the playoff field from eight teams to 10 with two more wild card clubs.

In addition, the league gave Tampa Bay and Seattle, its two newest teams, permanent homes. It placed the Buccaneers in the National Conference Central Division with Minnesota, Chicago, Detroit and Green Bay, and put the Seahawks in the American Conference West with Oakland, Denver, San Diego and Kansas City.

Furthermore, the NFL disclosed a complex yet balanced scheduling system to prevent inequities and announced that the college player draft would be held May 3-4 in New York.

The votes on the 16-game schedule, the revised schedule formula and the placing of Tampa Bay and Seattle were 21-7, the minimum needed for approval. The addition of the two wild card teams was a unanimous 28-0 vote.

"Money, and not just television money, was the determining factor in adding two more games to the schedule and two more teams to the

playoffs," said Rozelle.

"One of the basic reasons (for expanding the regular season) was the fact that a number of clubs have had difficulty selling the pre-season games," he said, identifying Philadelphia and New England as two of the most vocal proponents of a 16-game season and a four-game exhibition slate.

"And we feel the addition of a second wild-card team will help keep the races competitive longer," he added. "With all of this, the season'll start earlier and end later."

Under the expanded playoff format, the conference's two wild-card teams will meet in a first-round game while the other six teams (division winners in each conference) have a bye. In the second round, the surviving wild card team meets the winningest team and the No. 2 winner meets the No. 3 winner in each conference. The third round is for the conference title and the fourth round is the Super Bowl.

The playoff change is the first since the NFL merged with the old American Football League in 1970, creating the current two-conference, six-division layout with eight post-



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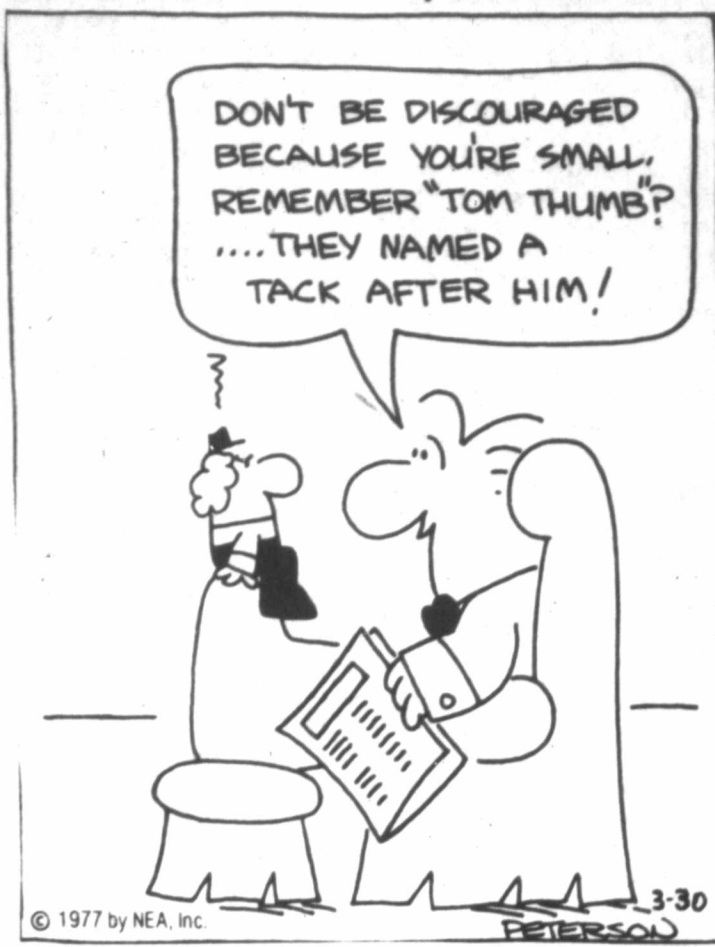
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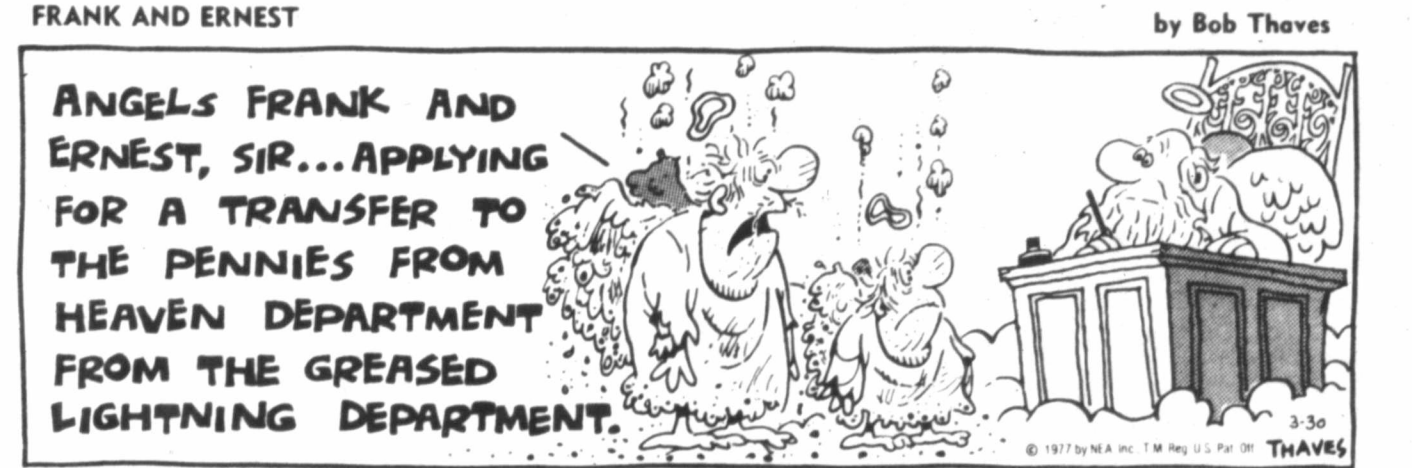
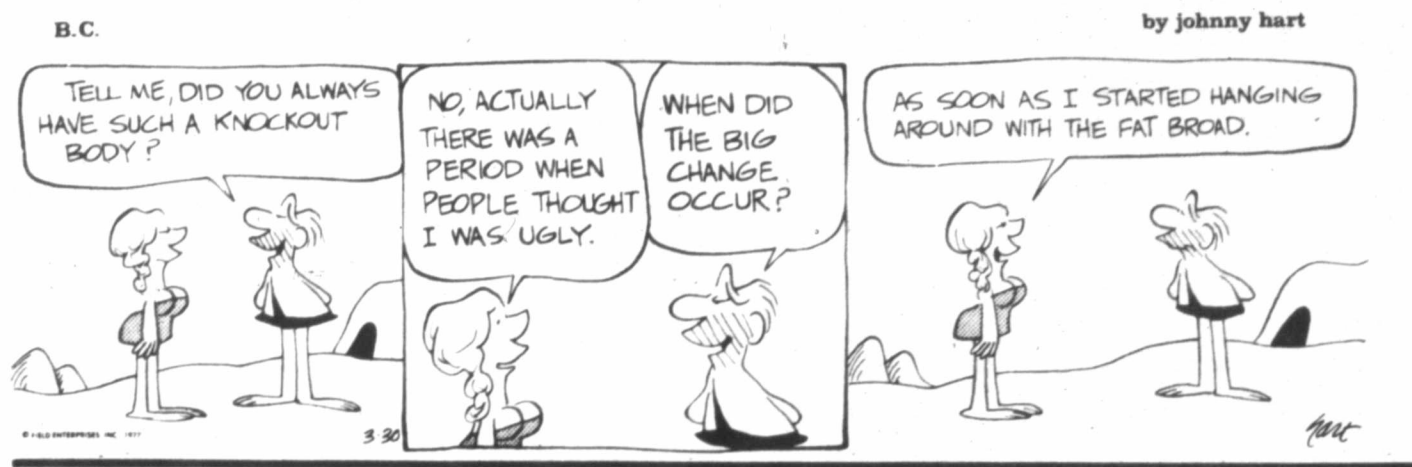
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Taxes drive N.Y. farmers bankrupt



By Tom Tiede

HARDENBURGH, N.Y. — (NEA) — Bob Barnhart's family has been farming this area since the birth of the nation. His great, great grandfather cut usable land out of the mountain timber when Thomas Jefferson was president. His great grandfather worked it during the Civil War, and father through World Wars I and II.

Now the family farm is up for sale. After 200 years of ownership the Barnhart family can no longer afford the luxury of earning a living from their land. The reason is sky-high property taxes.

In 1975 the income from the 330-acre dairy farm was \$8,000, of which \$4,800, or nearly two-thirds, was taken by the government for property tax. Barnhart says last year's income was similarly modest, but the tax bite, due soon, will be even larger. "I can't go on," he says, "if I did my tax would soon be more than my earnings."

The circumstances seem improbable. But in Hardenburgh and other communities here in the Catskill Mountains they are fearsomely real. Local property taxes have risen 400 per cent in the past five years, while incomes have often remained steady or have dropped. Hundreds of citizens are caught in the resulting squeeze.

How has it happened? Barnhart and his neighbors have a ready, angry answer. In Hardenburgh, they say, more than 40 per cent of the land is owned by religious and fraternal organizations that claim property tax exemptions. The county thus makes up for the loss of this revenue by shifting more burden to non-exempt owners.

The exemptions are perfectly legal. Like other states, New York excuses a variety of groups from property taxation. Initially the exemption idea was to foster separation of church and state; more recently it has developed into a benevolent loophole for almost anyone professing charitable, educational or philosophical aims.

The Boy Scouts own a large chunk of untaxable property in Hardenburgh. Zen Buddhists have erected posh buildings on \$1.3 million worth of untaxable acreage. Even a private club has found a way to get 3,900 of its acres off the tax rolls; it gave the land to an "educational" subsidiary which the law says qualifies for exemption.

"We also have Tibetan monks who own land here," says an embittered Barnhart. "This means we have people who are not citizens of the country who are excused from taxes. And who pays for them? I do. And my neighbors do. We are going broke paying for them."

Before bankruptcies come about, however, many in Hardenburgh intend to fight fire with fire. With the help of a mail order religious sect called Universal Life Church, nine of 10 adult residents have become instant ministers; they have also declared their land as ministries, and are filing this year for property tax exemption.

Barnhart is one of them. He has been "ordained" by a local ULC "cardinal" named George McLain. McLain says he has brought more than 25,000 New Yorkers into ULC. He says he never encourages them to seek tax exemption, "only to see the light," but he clearly believes that if the exemptions are requested they should be granted.

Obviously, Barnhart and his neighbors believe this also. At least they hope it. ULC is a shabby, moneymaking aberration operated out of

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Modesto, California, but for the desperate in Hardenburgh it may truly be a Godsend. "If a Zen Buddhist can be tax exempt," says Barnhart, "then why can't I? That's the question here."

In the short run, at least, the question may be answered in favor of Barnhart and his neighbors. Several area tax assessors say that despite its lack of standing, ULC is probably legally entitled to tax exemption. Thus the Hardenburgh assessor is planning to accept any exemption application this May that is properly filed.

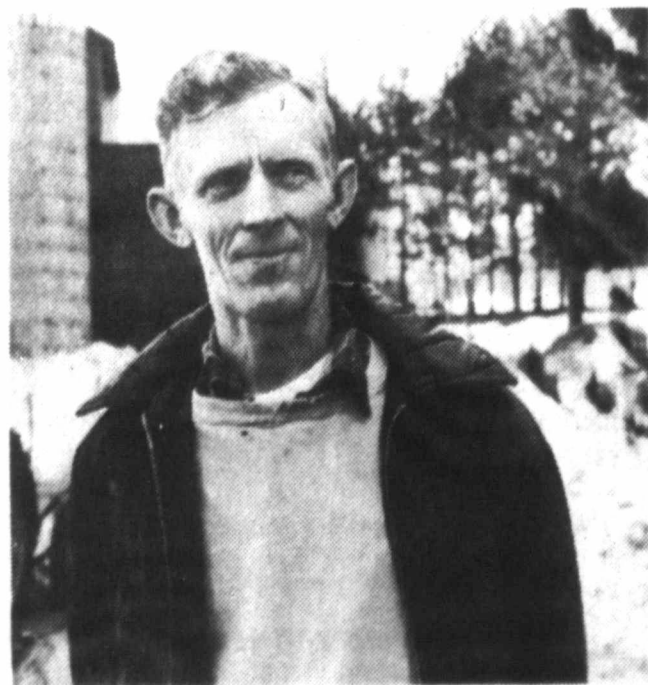
"Why shouldn't he?" asks McLain, who was a plumber before becoming a "cardinal." He says ULC is surely as legitimate as a Transcendental Meditation group, one of which owns land in the region. He points out that New York City once gave tax exempt status to a "philosophical" corporation which on closer examination turned out to be a brothel.

The laws are loose, McLain says. Besides, if it can help people save their homes, ULC is doing more good than most religions.

But tax relief by trickery is not in fact what Barnhart and his friends want. They are decent people, hard working and sensible. They realize every contributing citizen must pay a fair share of taxes. Hence what they seek is equality; they hope the ULC ploy will convince lawmakers that no one should be exempt from property tax.

If everyone paid, says Bob Barnhart, the Hardenburgh property taxes would be cut almost in half. That way he might save his farm. That way he might keep his land beyond its Bicentennial.

As it is, the Barnhart family must sell. And since the land is taxed too high to interest another farmer, there seems only one way for it to go. Barnhart says he has two prospective buyers, both of whom would turn the land into still another tax exempt sanctuary.



BOB BARNHART'S family has owned its farm for more than 200 years. Now the farm is up for sale. "I can't go on," says Barnhart. "If I did, my tax would soon be more than my earnings." (Photo by Tom Tiede)

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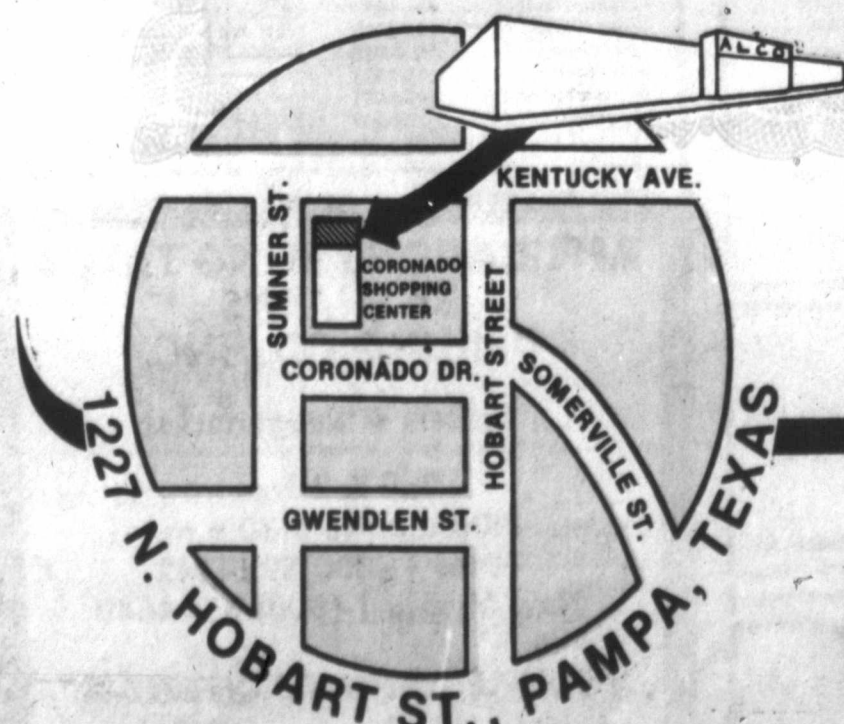
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