

Kingsmill sorts tornado debris

By JEANNE GRIMES
Pampa News Staff

KINGSMILL. — When Charlene Milton came to work at Farmers Elevator in Kingsmill this morning, her desk was where it always was. But most of the walls of her office were gone — demolished by a twister which struck Kingsmill shortly after 11 p.m. Tuesday.

Ms. Milton of White Deer arrived at the struck elevator around 8:30 a.m. today.

"Yesterday I worked there," she said, looking at the remains of her office. All of our stored grain is okay. We sell sacked feed here and some of that got wet. My desk wasn't even moved."

The elevator manager, Nelson Britten of White Deer, said he heard of the storm damage last night.

"I knew about 11:30 p.m. last night that a tornado had been through," Britten said.

The elevator secretary said an empty round bin and some outbuildings immediately east of the elevator were completely gone.

The Robert Craig family lives just across U.S. 60 from the elevator. The twister missed his home on its narrow track across

the community, but damaged a neighbor's house and completely destroyed a third house.

"We just heard one was forecast," Craig said, adding that his family had been in the cellar. "It just looked like it was time to go to the cellar, but we just didn't stay long enough."

The Craigs, thinking the worst of the storm was past, had left the shelter of the cellar and returned to the house when the funnel cloud hit.

"The best I can figure," Craig said, "it must have been on the ground about a half mile back there to the south. There's fences down and debris in the pasture that I don't know where it came from."

"I really didn't have time to be frightened. I had an 18-year-old daughter who kinda panicked and I was working on keeping her calm."

"My neighbor has three horses, but they weren't injured. We've got them penned up over there. And he had a calf we haven't found yet."

A late-model pickup and camper were

parked on the south side of the highway when the twister hit. The funnel cloud lifted the pickup, carried it across the highway and over a building before smashing it to the ground north of the building. The pickup was completely demolished and workers at the scene still had not located any debris from the camper this morning.

Activity along U.S. 60 was picking up this morning and many cars of apparent sightseers slowed the traffic. Craig said the traffic immediately after the tornado hit was also heavy.

"Last night the CBers were thicker than flies," he said. "After the storm I just went home and went to bed. There was nothing I could do last night."

Richard and Betty Minton were living in a rent house next to the Craig house. The tornado took part of their roof and damaged other parts of the house.

"We were in the cellar to begin with," Mrs. Minton said. The family, also thinking the bad weather was past, returned to the house.

"My husband was there in the living room and I had just got done talking to my

mother," Mrs. Minton said. "We didn't hear nothing — just a little noise. The wind was blowing and we knew something was there."

"Maybe it's just as well we didn't make it to the cellar," Mrs. Minton said, pointing toward the storm shelter. "It blew the door off."

"It was just too fast. We just didn't have a dog's chance," Minton added.

The twister had struck earlier four miles south of Celanese on FM 2300.

W.D. Powers who farms south of the chemical plant said he lost a barn in the storm.

"There was a lot of damage on the place across the road from me. They lost a barn and a house and a horse," Powers said.

The property, farmed by Donna Acker and her husband, belongs to D.W. Swain of 1041 S. Faulkner.

"Our cattle across the road weren't hurt," Mrs. Acker said. "There was a house here, a well house and a barn."

The tornado destroyed irrigation pipe and an irrigation pump on the land, but left untouched a water tank just feet away from

the pump. A mare which had been running in the pasture was killed, her body lying atop a pile of debris from the barn.

The cyclonic winds had picked up a concrete slab about eight inches thick and measuring about four by eight feet, and carried it several feet before dropping it.

Mrs. Acker said a frame house had been moved in on the property and set on a concrete block foundation. The concrete blocks were scattered around and nothing — not even debris — of the house could be seen.

The tornado's path appeared to have been wider south of Celanese, but observers said they believed it was the same storm which hit Kingsmill. The storm's path through the small community was an estimated 200 yards wide.

Glen Tyler with the National Weather Service in Amarillo said there is no way to be certain if it was the same twister.

Pampa Fire Chief Pince Dyer ordered the sirens at the Central Fire Station blown after 9 p.m. after sighting a tornado on the ground and traveling toward Pampa. The funnel reportedly lifted back into the clouds

before hitting Pampa. A second twister was sighted aloft at 23rd Street and Price Road around 11:30 p.m.

Herschel Malone of White Deer was in Kingsmill to assess the damage. He said twisters "were sighted all around White Deer" but he added he did not know of any damage in the town.

Telephone service to Kingsmill was knocked out by the cloud.

Billy Ray Milligan of Southwestern Bell Telephone in Pampa said some service would be restored by noon today. Southwestern Public Service trucks were also in Kingsmill repairing damage to high lines and Santa Fe Railroad workers were clearing tracks of debris and laying communications lines.

Damage was estimated between \$150,000 and \$250,000 in Plainview where a twister ripped roofs from an elementary school and 26 homes.

Area tornado sightings were reported from White Deer, Miami, Goodnight, Claude, Turkey, Petersburg and Abernathy.

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The unpredictability of tornados makes them even more scary.

Half of Pampa seemed to be up last night watching television sets and the sky for warnings of twisters touching the ground. The station we watched did a commendable job of keeping listeners informed. Many, according to the police department, "went crazy" and tried to find refuge in fallout shelters.

But there are no official tornado shelters in Pampa and the police chief asks people to seek shelter in their homes or with neighbors and keep off the streets.

For advice on what to do when a tornado threatens, read the story by Shirley Anderson on this page.

A little forethought can save lives.



An area farmer had planned to haul a load of corn in the large grain truck, left, which was rolled by a tornado in Kingsmill Tuesday night. The truck had been parked by the Farmers Elevator No. 2 when the storm came

through and slammed it into a building. A late model pickup truck, right, landed to the north of a building after the storm picked it up and carried it across U.S. 60. The vehicle is considered a total loss. Workers sort-

ing through the debris this morning said there had been a camper on the back of the pickup Tuesday. No remains of the camper could be found. (Pampa News photos by Gene Anderson and Jeanne Grimes)

What not to do in case of tornado

By SHIRLEY ANDERSON
Pampa News Staff

"Pampa was in chaos last night," Police Chief Richard Mills said today.

The chief told The News many residents panicked while the city was under a tornado watch Tuesday.

"People got in their cars and went anywhere," he said. "Those in the north part of town went to the south part, and vice versa. They were running red lights at 60 miles an hour in downtown Pampa."

"We're extremely fortunate we didn't have fatal accidents on our streets. Residents were in more danger of dying in car wrecks than in a tornado," he said.

He emphasized that people are safer taking shelter in their homes than out driving in cars seeking refuge.

"A car is an extremely dangerous place to be during a tornado," he said. "And besides,

where is there to go?" Pampa's fallout shelters are not intended as storm shelters, they're probably even hazardous, since many are older buildings.

The chief alerted citizens to take warning sirens blasts seriously.

"We don't activate the sirens during tornado watches, for fear the people will take them for granted," he explained. "They are used only when we have either a confirmed radar report of a tornado in or near the city, or a confirmed visual sighting of one. When you hear sirens, take cover."

Pampa has a system of eight warning sirens placed to give blanket coverage to the city. The warning of a confirmed tornado is a three to five minute wailing blast.

"I cannot emphasize enough that people should stay off the streets," he said. "Don't drive around to see if your friends are all right, take shelter in your home and stay there."

He is also concerned about misuse of CB radio's Channel 9 — the emergency channel — during Tuesday's tornado warnings.

"We almost took Channel 9 off the air last night because of the misuse," he said. "We had a lot of good CBers out there trying to help us, but if they did have emergency situations to report they couldn't have gotten through because of all the garbage on the channel."

He said residents were using the channel to seek information.

"That should be done on any channel except nine," he said. "It's for emergency use and we have to have it open."

When tornadoes threaten, the chief advises residents to listen for radio and television broadcasts of radar conditions. He said Pampa Cable TV has a special hookup with the police department, enabling the police dispatcher to broadcast warnings directly to Channel 9 viewers. A mechanism cuts off the

sound of regular programming while the dispatcher makes announcements.

Gray County Civil Defense Director William Leonard offered basic tornado survival tips:

- A storm cellar is safest.
- In an office building, go to a confined hallway or small room without windows on the lowest floor.
- Stay out of auditoriums or other large buildings with wide, free-span roofs.
- In open country, move away from the path of the storm at right angles. If there is no time to escape, lie flat in a ditch or ravine.
- If driving, get out of the car and take shelter in a ditch.
- At home, go to a closet or other confined, strongly-supported area without windows. If there is time, open the windows on the side of the house away from the direction the storm is coming — this will relieve pressure and lessen chances of the building's exploding.

- Avoid areas with glass — it can become flying missiles during a twister.
- Mobile homes especially are vulnerable to storm damage; if they are not anchored in concrete footing, other shelter should be taken.
- Do not confuse the city's 18 fallout shelters with tornado shelters of which Pampa has none.
- Residents are better off taking shelter in their own homes than to risk being caught in their cars trying to make it to a questionable shelter," he said.
- The State Department of Public Safety recommends persons taking shelter crouch down low on the floor, wrapping their arms around their heads for protection.
- Best defenses, Leonard said, are awareness and quick action. Since tornadoes are by nature erratic, it's often difficult for officials to determine when or where they'll strike.
- Preparedness is essential.

First the beefalo and now the deer calf.

A creature thought to be a cross between a deer and a Shorthorn heifer is living with a farm family in Waterville, Minn.

Their veterinarian was astonished "the cross shouldn't have happened."

The animal has deer-like hooves, prances instead of lumbers, a deer's fur and a tail which is the length of a calf's but flat and lighter colored like a deer's.

The deer-calf has been dubbed Snoopy and lives in the house where the Rinehart's say she is "almost housebroken."

"People have asked us what we think the meat will taste like," Rinehart said, "but we'll never know."

Sirhan wants to talk

By LINDA DEUTSCH
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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Convicted assassin Sirhan Sirhan, who has maintained silence for eight years, now says he wants to talk about the killing of Sen. Robert Kennedy.

Sirhan, serving a life sentence at Soledad Prison, sent word through his attorney Tuesday that he would like to meet with Los Angeles County Supervisors Baxter Ward and Kenneth Hahn.

The invitation was relayed by attorney Godfrey Isaac as the supervisors opened public hearings in their investigation of un-

solved aspects of the Sirhan case.

Isaac, reporting that he had visited with Sirhan on April 29, said Sirhan declined to see anyone except Ward and Hahn.

"He says he would be willing to meet with these two supervisors to discuss the matter with them openly," Isaac said. "I will be happy on behalf of Sirhan to arrange it."

Isaac said Sirhan was familiar with the two, apparently from news reports. Hahn and Ward are the board's most outspoken members. Ward is a former TV newscaster.

Both supervisors appeared

startled at the invitation, but agreed to talk with Sirhan.

At a previous meeting, Hahn urged special counsel Thomas Kranz to seek an interview with the assassin for the sake of history. He said no investigation of the Kennedy killing would be complete without Sirhan's own story.

Isaac said he could arrange the meeting at Soledad Prison "almost instantaneously."

Sirhan, a Palestinian refugee, was convicted of the Kennedy assassination in 1969 after a trial in which his attorneys contended the defendant suffered from "diminished mental ca-

capacity." The attorneys admitted, however, that Sirhan shot Kennedy in the pantry of the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968.

Kranz, appointed by the supervisors last year to do a thorough review of the case, issued a 60-page report last April 5 concluding that Sirhan was the lone assassin. But he left open a remote possibility that Sirhan had taken "a vow of silence."

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At noon today the National Weather Service in Amarillo placed Pampa under a tornado watch from 1-7 p.m.

Storm hits district court

Something unusual blew in with Tuesday's storm putting an odd twist on a case underway in district court.

One of the jurors in the case of the State versus C.J. Phelps was unable to appear today, the second day of the trial, because his home in Kingsmill had been heavily damaged by the tornado that struck that community Tuesday night.

"It's the first time I've ever come up against anything like this," said Robert McPherson, Phelps' court-appointed attorney.

Grainger McIlhany, judge of the 31st District Court, turned the 11 jurors who did appear out to recess while he studied the situation.

Just before 11 a.m. he told The News that the circumstances effecting the juror "add up to a disability." He explained that a statute provides that court can continue with less than 12 jurors in the case of a death or disability.

Judge McIlhany added that the defendant, his attorney, and Mark Buzzard, assistant district attorney is

representing the state in the case, would be asked to sign a stipulation agreeing that the juror's circumstances are to be considered the same as a disability.

The absent juror and his family were not injured, but in addition to the heavy damage to the house, his pickup was demolished.

Testimony in the trial had been completed on Tuesday. Court re-convened at 1 p.m. for instruction and closing arguments.

Phelps is being tried on a charge of sexual abuse.



Seeing is believing

Bill Haehnel, science demonstrator for Southwestern Bell, trains 20-ounce TV camera developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories on a member of his audience, whose image appears live on TV screen. Haehnel uses TV and other devices to demonstrate how phones for today and the future are developed by the Bell System.

Tiny camera, eyeball to illustrate phones

A pocket-size TV camera and a melon-size eyeball are among many gadgets that will be used in Pampa today to show how the telephone of the future will function. "Naturally, such props have little to do with phone service," says Bill Haehnel of Southwestern Bell, who was to address the Rotary Club at noon at the Coronado Inn. "But by using such devices and others like the laser, hair-thin light fibers and a variety of present-day phones, new insight can be shed on the fantastic world of telecommunications." The science demonstrator uses the eyeball to show the principle of receiving light rays, while the tiny TV camera shows how Bell Telephone Laboratories' scientists have been able to miniaturize equipment. Haehnel travels Texas with Southwestern Bell's science show, titled, "When the Light's Fantastic, Seeing Is Believing." Haehnel said the object of the new show is to demonstrate various applications of light waves as a means of transmitting voice and printed data. "The lasers and fibers are a part of a light wave communications experiment now in progress at Bell Laboratories and Western Electric in Atlanta, Ga.," he said. Haehnel explained Bell

Labs is the research and development arm of the Bell System, while Western Electric is the manufacture and supply unit. "Light-wave communications have the potential for sending large quantities of information," Haehnel said. "Hundreds of telephone calls, TV programs and computer data messages can be transmitted this way at low cost." Haehnel recently visited Bell Laboratories in New Jersey and said everything that has been developed in telecommunications prior to today is just a prelude to some amazing innovations that are on the way. "We have built and still are building the best telephone system in the world," Haehnel added. "The multi-faceted structure of the Bell System, which combines research, manufacture and operation into a common purpose, is the secret to this success," he said. In the show, Haehnel points out how Bell Labs, by observing fireflies, was able to isolate a light-emitting chemical now used in producing light-emitting diodes (LEDs). Replacement of conventional bulbs with LEDs in Call Directors and telephone sets having up to six lines should save the Bell System about \$120 million in reduced installation and maintenance over the next five years, he said.

Plan would stop spying on citizens

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration and two Democratic senators are preparing to unveil a plan aimed at keeping the government from illegally spying on citizens, but a sponsor of the measure says it has some weaknesses. The proposal was to be made public at a White House meeting today. The plan is "a significant step" toward congressional control of intelligence agencies, the

chief Senate sponsor said. "I am sponsoring this bill because I believe that, with some important changes, it will provide essential safeguards for the rights of Americans," Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., said in a statement in advance of the meeting. He said he plans to try to toughen the measure still more before passage. Bayh, chairman of a Senate intelligence subcommittee on rights of Americans, co-sponsors the bill with Sen. Edward

M. Kennedy, D-Mass. The Bayh-Kennedy bill is a revised version of a proposal drafted earlier by the Justice Department for the Carter administration. The Indiana senator said the key to the bill is that it gives Congress the power to regulate the use of covert foreign intelligence surveillance and makes electronic spying for foreign intelligence purposes in the United States legal only with a judicial warrant. However, Bayh said two of the bill's weaknesses are that it does not extend protection to U.S. citizens abroad from surveillance by the federal government and that it has a provision requiring judicial warrants for government surveillance which he said does not meet what is needed. The legislation, an outgrowth of disclosures in recent years of extensive spying on Americans at home and abroad by the CIA, FBI and other agencies, should ease fears among law-abiding Americans that they might be secretly bugged or otherwise have their private lives intruded upon by government snoopers, Bayh said.

School bill may cost \$320 million

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The Senate Education Committee has the enviable job of dividing up \$44 million more than it expected to have for a public school finance bill, says Chairman Oscar Maury. Maury, D-Dallas, said Tuesday the estimates of the cost of the proposed bill had been expected to come in around \$820 million, but Legislative Budget Board calculations set it at \$776 million. Asked if the extra money might go for teachers' pay raises above the \$330 million already in the bill, Maury said, "It's possible." A beginning teacher would make \$881 a month under the bill as it stands now. With 12 years' experience, a teacher with a bachelor's degree would get \$1,482 a month. The committee heard more witnesses Tuesday afternoon, then recessed the hearing until Wednesday when it was expected to hear more. "I still hope we can get a bill out by tomorrow so we can send it on up so we can vote on it Thursday," Maury said.

The Senate bill provides more equalization aid for poorer districts than the House bill, Maury said. He said determining need requires looking at three things: the number of people affected, the wealth of the district and the tax effort being made.

Labor pushes Hatch Act repeal

By JEFFREY MILLS
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Under pressure from organized labor, the House of Representatives is expected to give its approval to a bill that will allow nearly three million federal employees to take part in partisan politics. The House takes up the bill today. The measure would repeal the Hatch Act, which prohibits some 2.8 million federal workers from holding elective office or from taking part in political campaigns. Labor has lobbied heavily for the bill following a defeat earlier in the year on a bill that would have given striking construction unions the right to picket an entire job site. Organized labor had been expected to win that vote. After the defeat the AFL-CIO was criticized for not putting enough effort into lobbying for it. "A lot of things that weren't done on the picketing bill have been done this time," said AFL-CIO lobbyist Ray Denison. "We've had more time and we have talked to more people, both in Washington and in the congressional districts." Denison said the labor federation has maintained "a raised profile" since the picketing bill defeat. The Hatch Act was passed as an effort to end political arm-twisting of federal workers by their bosses. A bill to repeal the Hatch Act passed both houses in the last Congress, but was vetoed by then-President Gerald R. Ford. Ford said, "The fundamental objection to this bill is that politicizing the Civil Service is intolerable." President Carter, however, has supported the Hatch Act revision. The bill by Rep. William Clay, D-Mo., could lead to widespread partisan activity by federal workers during the 1978 elections. The 2.8 million federal workers, three times as many as when the Hatch Act was passed, are considered a major potential force in politics because of their interest and involvement in government. Republican opponents of the bill feel a majority of the campaign workers the bill would create would work for Democrats. The Republican Policy Conference said this month that Clay's bill would "politicize the Civil Service system and cry out for a return to the power politics and spoils system of the 'good old days.'" This position is joined by Common Cause, the citizens lobby, which this year joined the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and other business groups in opposing the bill. Unions representing federal workers say removing the Hatch Act's constraints is a matter of civil rights. "All we want is the same rights as everyone else," said Joe Vacca, president of the 200,000-member National Association of Letter Carriers.

Dr. Vincent T. DeVita, director of NCI's cancer treatment division, said risks of later cancer should be "considered minimal" compared with risks of the first cancers the drugs were used against. "To some degree, this is a measure of improved treatment," he said in an interview. "Ten years ago we didn't have to worry about second cancers because all the patients died." However, DeVita said, doctors said should consider using other treatments for early, less severe cancers if further study bears out an increased risk of later cancer with alkylating agents. For advanced cancer, risk of treatment would not exceed risk from the disease and the most effective therapy should be used, he added. Other doctors at the meeting commented privately that there still is debate over what is an "early" or "less severe" cancer and that these distinctions may be hard to make in choosing the therapy. The new study was compiled by Drs. Ronald R. Reimer, Robert Hoover, Joseph F. Fraumeni Jr., and Robert C. Young from data on ovarian cancer patients supplied by 51 cancer centers around the country. Looking at a group of 5,455 ovarian cancer patients, 4,324 of whom had alkylating agent chemotherapy, the scientists identified 13 patients with acute nonlymphocytic leukemia. All 13 had alkylating treatment, including nine who also had radiation therapy. Compared to the rate of this acute leukemia in the general population, the ovarian cancer patients had a 21-fold increased risk of leukemia. Looking only at patients who had alkylating chemotherapy and whose cases were followed for more than two years, relative risk increased to 171 times, the study said.

Haitians starve in dusty drought

ANSE ROUGE, Haiti (AP) — A pregnant woman named Mees sat on a wooden crate in this dusty, drought-ridden town in northwest Haiti wondering how she would feed her unborn child and naked toddler son whose belly was already bloated. "I'm going to beg to get money because I won't be able to work," said the newly widowed woman, who didn't know her surname or her age. Nearby 30-year-old Mari watched her five children play in the dirt outside their one-room shack. "The drought's much worse now because it hasn't rained for four years," she said. "Not even a flower can grow." The United States, Canada, West Germany and seven relief agencies are making a massive relief effort to feed Mees, Mari and more than 320,000 other Haitians on the brink of starvation because of the worst drought of the decade. Northwest Haiti was hit hard by drought in 1975, but this year the devastating effects of parching sunshine and lack of rain have reached into the central plateau, a 40-mile stretch of the southwest coast and the offshore island of Gonave. United Nations expert Jean-Claude Piers, who coordinated the U.N. drought relief program in the Sahel region of Africa several years ago, toured

Anticancer drug 'risk'

DENVER (AP) — Patients treated with a widely used family of anticancer drugs run a higher risk of later developing a second form of cancer apparently caused by the treatment, says a major new study. National Cancer Institute scientists said Tuesday that women treated for cancer of the ovary with alkylating agent drugs have a significant risk of eventually getting acute nonlymphocytic leukemia, a treatable blood cancer. Doctors attending the annual meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology said the findings are important because alkylating agents are used to treat a wide variety of malignancies, including breast cancer. Researchers cautioned against undue alarm about the findings. Alkylating agents are responsible for the long term survival of many patients who wouldn't be alive to be concerned about secondary cancers if it were not for the drugs, they said. Commenting on the study, Dr. Vincent T. DeVita, director of NCI's cancer treatment division, said risks of later cancer should be "considered minimal" compared with risks of the first cancers the drugs were used against. "To some degree, this is a measure of improved treatment," he said in an interview. "Ten years ago we didn't have to worry about second cancers because all the patients died." However, DeVita said, doctors said should consider using other treatments for early, less severe cancers if further study bears out an increased risk of later cancer with alkylating agents. For advanced cancer, risk of treatment would not exceed risk from the disease and the most effective therapy should be used, he added. Other doctors at the meeting commented privately that there still is debate over what is an "early" or "less severe" cancer and that these distinctions

First aid class told

Mrs. Joyce Roberts, executive secretary of Gray County Chapter, American Red Cross, has announced two upcoming multi-media first aid courses. A Pampa class is set for 6-10 p.m. May 24 and 26 in the city commissioners room at city hall. A class in Canadian is scheduled from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m. May 28 in the WCTU Room at the library, located on Main Street. Mrs. Roberts said these classes are set up for persons desiring a first aid course in preparation for summer programs such as camp counseling. Those interested in enrolling are asked to call the Gray County Red Cross office at 688-7121.

Inmate burns in jail fire

CHICAGO (AP) — Cook County Jail officials said inmate Felix Ubalde, 32, ignited newspapers on his cell mattress and threw himself on the fire before guards could stop him. Officials said Ubalde was seriously injured Tuesday, suffering third-degree burns. He was being held on a federal fugitive warrant for forgery and aggravated battery and robbery in San Antonio, Tex. The Republic of Panama was established on Nov. 3, 1903. The U.S. unsuccessful in securing a treaty to build a canal across the isthmus then part of Colombia, encouraged the Panamanians to revolt. The treaty to build the Panama Canal was concluded with the new government on Nov. 18, 1903.

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Homemade nuke bomb makes point

LONDON (AP) — The Daily Express reported today that an employe assembled all the parts of an atomic bomb except for the plutonium explosive to demonstrate that terrorists could do the same.

"We have designed and built a nuclear device, portable, using declassified documents and materials which are freely available," the newspaper reported.

Joseph Rotblat, professor of physics at London University who worked on the Hiroshima A-bomb at Los Alamos, N.M., said the Daily Express had shown him a picture of the device and details of its construction. He said he told the paper:

"If I was a member of the government and was shown by a group of terrorists what you have shown me, I would not like to gamble with the lives of thousands of people. I would also be terrified."

Rotblat said it would be impossible under present conditions for terrorists to hijack a plutonium shipment. But he said if the British government proceeds with plans to expand the production of nuclear energy, plutonium production will be increased and "over a period of years it would be possible to pilfer enough plutonium to make a bomb."

The Daily Express said one man built its nuclear device in just over a month using ordinary workshop techniques and declassified, 30-year-old documents from the United States. The documents "included all the necessary mathematical equations and structure plans," it said.

The bomb was designed to explode with a force of one to three kilotons, or 1,000 to 3,000 tons of TNT, the paper said. It added that it has now destroyed the device.

Britain has taken a lead in nuclear fuel reprocessing, which extracts usable uranium and plutonium from nuclear fuel that has already been used. Orders have come from Japan, West Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Spain and Sweden.

President Carter is campaigning against the production of plutonium by nuclear reprocessing and fast breeder reactors. An official British report by the physicist Sir Brian Flowers has warned that plans to expand recycling in Britain will make plutonium more widely available and increase the risk of theft by terrorists.

Britain has 18 nuclear power stations and five of them do reprocessing. The Daily Express in its copyrighted article described their operations and theorized how a shipment of explosive material could be hijacked.

Pipeline poses unique target for terrorists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nearly completed trans-Alaska pipeline poses a unique target for political terrorist groups and has already been the object of an extortion demand, according to recently released congressional testimony.

Richard L. Burton, commissioner of the Alaska Department of Public Safety, told the now-defunct Senate internal security subcommittee earlier this year that the pipeline company received a letter threatening to blow up the pipeline at 18 different places if hundreds of thousands of dollars were not paid.

He said that an arrest was made and the plot was broken.

Burton also said that a number of people had taken pot shots at the pipeline and that while these shots did not penetrate, it had been determined that high-powered bullets striking at a direct angle could.

He was among a number of witnesses who testified before the panel in a series of nine closed-door sessions on pipeline security. The testimony was released Monday.

In other testimony, Leonard O. LeSchack, president of the Development and Resources Transportation Co., said sabotage directed against the pipeline would have international ramifications.

He said that if terrorists were to close down the pipeline in midwinter, the oil in the pipeline might over a three week period of cold congeal into "the longest candle in the world."

But LeSchack denied that the pipeline was indefensible, saying that ways could be found to protect it just as ways were found to all but eliminate airplane hijacking.



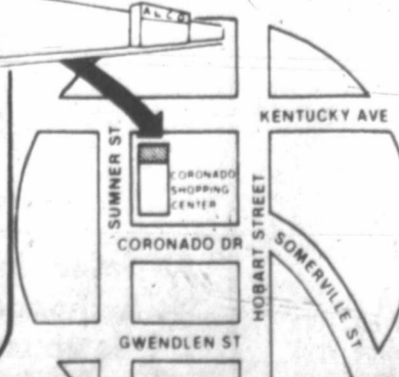
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Postal rates soon to go up; deliveries cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Postal Service probably will begin work within 60 days to hike first-class postal rates as much as three cents while cutting deliveries to five days a week. Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar says.

The increase for a first-class letter would be from the current 13 cents to 15 cents, or 16 cents if six-day delivery is maintained, he said.

Bailar promised "corresponding increases" for other classes of mail.

The postmaster general said the higher rates probably will take effect in the second quarter of 1978 and the delivery cuts in the first months of the year.

Bailar told a Senate subcommittee Monday that the Postal Service Board of Governors probably will act on the long-standing proposals within two months.

Each change would have to be taken in a new case to the Postal Rate Commission, an independent agency that advises the postal service on mail service and rates.

Bailar said under questioning by Sen. John H. Glenn, D-Ohio, the subcommittee chairman, that the postal service might not wait for Congress to express its views before making the changes.

"There is no legal requirement for legislative action," Bailar said.

Several key House members have complained that the Postal Service is considering cutting deliveries to five days a week on the basis of last month's recommendation by a federal study commission, but without giving Congress time to consider the whole package of proposals.

Bailar said that the mail agency will soon resume closing rural post offices in areas where it feels service will not be hurt.

Eyewitnesses describe thing like Bigfoot

MISSION, British Columbia (AP) — It was seven feet tall, furry and lumbered across the highway, say the eyewitnesses. Exactly what it was no one can say, but the sighting rekindled visions of the legendary Sasquatch or Bigfoot.

The sighting on Sunday along Highway 7, 35 miles east of Vancouver, occurred as a Pacific Stage Lines bus driven by Pat Lindquist was westbound a mile east of Lake Ercho on the Harrison Hot Springs-to-Vancouver run.

The passengers and Lindquist caught, ahead of the bus, a glimpse of something they all described as a seven-foot tall beast of about 300 pounds with dark brown to black fur or hair and a light-colored face.

"At first we thought it was a prankster in a fur suit," said Lindquist, 28, a reserve Vancouver city policeman. "But people were shouting 'what is it, what is it,' so I slammed on the brakes to have a look."

Royal Canadian Mounted Police described Lindquist as "very nervous and pale" when they arrived on the scene.

"The first thing I noticed was the smell," Lindquist said later. He called it "a horrible smell like very rotten meat. The bush was thick and I was pushing the branches apart when I saw it about 20 or 25 feet away. I just couldn't believe it."

"At first I was mad. But then I went to awe and then to fright and I began to shake. I couldn't stop shaking and then I got out of there."

The smell has been a common element in the reports from numerous people who claim to have been close to the Sasquatch, also known as Bigfoot.

Lindquist, who is 6-foot-2, said the thing before him was no more than seven feet tall, only "much heavier than I am."

"It had flat, flared nostrils like a monkey and large, wide eyes. It didn't make any sound except heavy breathing. It had a broad chest and it was heaving up and down."

"It could have taken two steps and grabbed me, but it didn't do anything. It didn't growl. It didn't show its teeth. It just looked at me."

RCMP Constable Robert Eyford said the passengers' descriptions were "consistent, they all saw the same thing." He said RCMP were taking the sighting "quite seriously."

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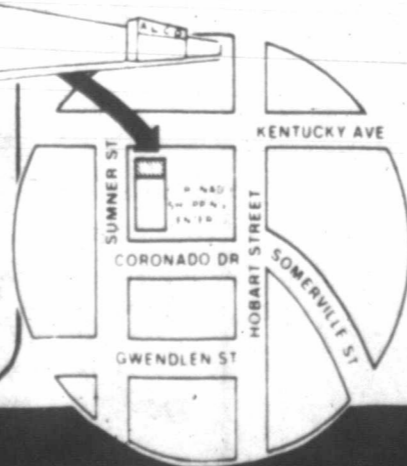
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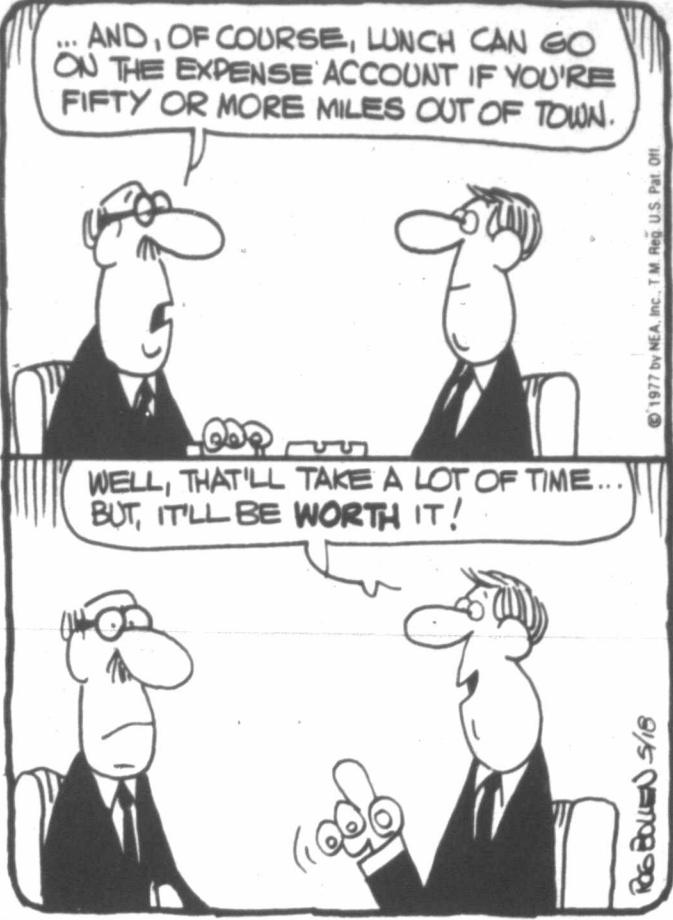
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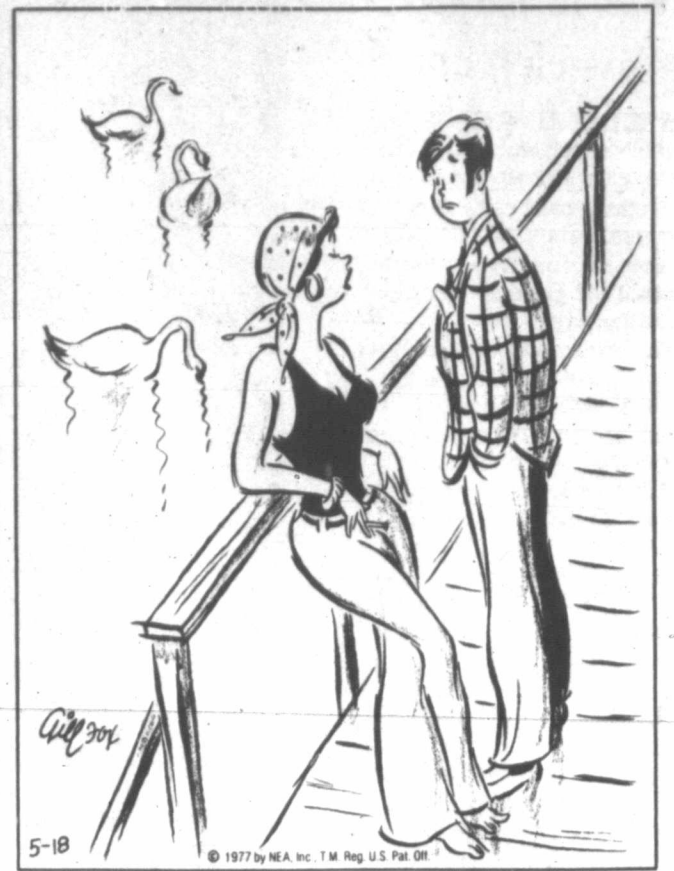
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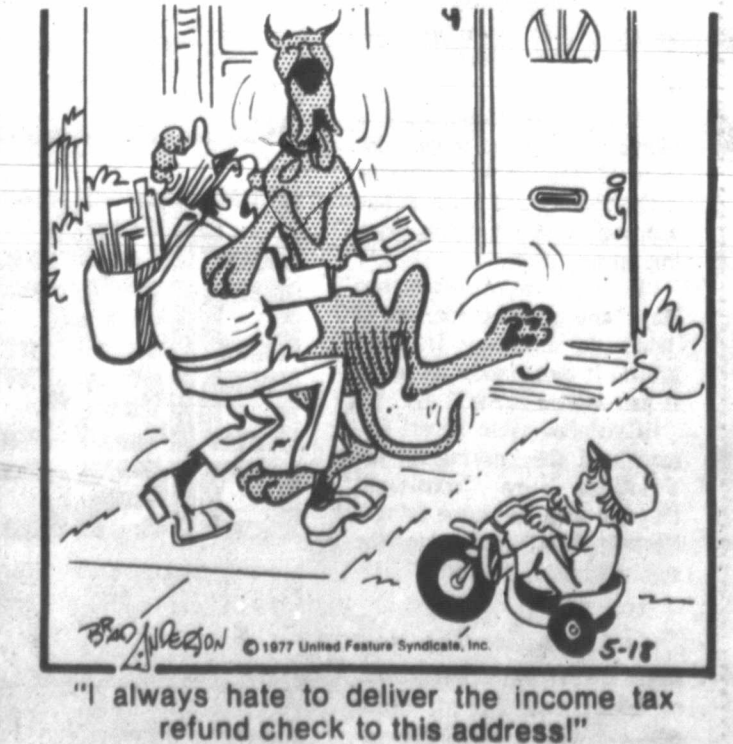
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Woodrow Wilson elects PTA

New PTA officers for Woodrow Wilson Elementary School were installed during an assembly Thursday afternoon. Among the new officers are, left, Paula Graves, president; Ann Newsome, vice-president; and

Norma McQueen, treasurer. L.C. Davis, in the rear, is principal of the school and will also serve as city council representative for the PTA.
(Pampa News photo by Gene Anderson)

Carter-citizens may be televised

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter says he may try holding a nationally televised citizens' news conference because "it gives me a good sense of what is of concern to people."

Carter held a session Tuesday with citizens of Los Angeles but the question-and-answer show was broadcast only to local audiences. Carter saw the show as a success rivaling that of his radio call-in program in February.

Carter made a quick round trip to California on Tuesday, returning to the White House early today. His 18-hour trip took him to the convention of the United Auto Workers and he visited a farm near Fresno in the drought-plagued San Joaquin Valley.

The Los Angeles citizens who questioned the President spoke of concerns ranging from graffiti on neighborhood walls to

the impact of his energy program on auto sales.

Burdell Moore, a black woman from Watts, wanted to know what Carter was going to do about appointing blacks to government jobs.

"I can assure you," Carter replied, "that there are no jobs that will be offered for which black people will not be considered." He went on to list a number of blacks appointed to government positions.

"They didn't come from California," the woman said. "That is what I am interested in... We didn't, as I say, play tick-tack-toe with you in the election and we do not expect for you to play tick-tack-toe with these jobs."

After the 70-minute session, Carter said he would consider repeating it on a national scale and talked anew about the importance he attaches to the types of questions citizens ask.

"It helps me to have the questions because we read them over very carefully afterwards," he said. "We try to analyze what is on people's minds. And this was a wide range of subjects, all the way, as you noticed, from energy questions to employment opportunities to health care."

Carter said, "a lot of the questions are things that I can't do much about, like graffiti, you know, in some of the California small towns. But it gives me a good sense of what is of concern to people."

Carter had planned to inspect drought-depleted reservoirs in the mountains. Ironically, Air Force One had to fly through a thunderstorm as Carter made the aerial inspection.

Carter took a close look at the drought damage by touring the Charles Kryder farm near Fresno. The President said he visited Fresno to "try to anticipate the devastating effects" if the Western drought continues

for another year.

After talking with reporters about the rising price of hay, the killing of beef cattle, the destruction of fruits and other drought effects, Carter said, "What we see here are the first stages of what could be a national problem of great severity."

To a crowd of several thousand who greeted him at the Fresno airport, Carter said he was visiting "as a farmer myself and as a President."

ORGAN MUSIC WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Hartt College of Music at the University of Hartford will present the seventh annual International Contemporary Organ Music Festival June 6-10. The festival will feature guest organist Robert Anderson, head of the organ department at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

Can she be fired for sex habits?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Can an unmarried worker legally be fired by a boss who objects to the employee's sex habits? Maybe — unless the worker is pregnant.

The Supreme Court on Monday let stand a lower court decision that single women cannot be fired from their jobs for being pregnant because such treatment is illegal sex discrimination.

The Martin Sweets Co. of Louisville, Ky., a self-proclaimed "highly religious" firm, violated the law when it fired Rose M. Jacobs in 1972. The Sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last February.

The Supreme Court, in refusing to hear the company's appeal, left intact the legal precedent established by the circuit court.

While the case does not carry the same judicial influence it would if the nation's highest court had handed down a decision, the circuit court's ruling may be used as the basis for future decisions by other courts unless the Supreme Court addresses the issue in the future.

Miss Jacobs was awarded \$7,500 in back pay after the appeals court ruled that the company's action was a form of sex discrimination violating the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The circuit court did not consider the question of when employers can fire employees for non-marital sex.

In other matters, the court: —Ruled unanimously that motorists may have their driver's licenses taken away without first having an administrative hearing. The justices upheld a point system for traffic violations in Illinois that makes license suspension or revocation automatic after a certain number of violation points. Similar systems are used in several states.

—Turned down an attempt by former Gulf Oil lobbyist Claude C. Wild Jr. to block prosecution on charges that he made

illegal corporate contributions to the 1972 campaign of Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn, a Democrat. Wild likely will stand trial in the near future.

—Sent back to a lower court an appeal by Rep. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., seeking to force Congress to vote for all pay raises its members receive. The justices told a district court in Washington, D.C., to study Pressler's lawsuit once again in light of a new federal law requiring the House of Representatives and the Senate to vote on all proposed pay raises in the future.

—Let stand a lower court's decision that allows charter airlines to compete for passengers with regularly scheduled flights. The court turned down an appeal by American Airlines and Trans World Airlines contending that charter companies should not be allowed to offer regularly scheduled service.

Sabich folks file lawsuit against Longet

DENVER (AP) — The parents of the late skier Vladimir "Spider" Sabich have filed a \$1.3 million lawsuit against Claudine Longet, who was convicted of criminally negligent homicide in Sabich's death.

The suit, filed Monday in U.S. District Court here, alleges that Miss Longet acted with "malice, insult and a wanton and reckless disregard of Sabich's rights" in the shooting incident March 21, 1976.

The French-born entertainer is scheduled to be released from the Pitkin County Jail Wednesday after serving a 30-day sentence.

The action was brought by Vladimir Sabich Sr., 62, a retired policeman, and Frances Sabich, 64, who runs the post office in the couple's home town of Kyburz, Calif.

Clean-up truck makes rounds in Ward 3

Pampa's Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up campaign has moved into Ward 3.

Residents of the ward, which is bounded by Barnes and Cuyler on the west and extends as far as Foster on the north, are asked by city officials to do clean-up work this week, setting out trash while extra trucks are hauling from that area to the city landfill.

City Manager Mack Wofford said 12 loads of trash were taken out of Ward 3 Monday, but he doubts whether activity on the increased basis will continue today due to the heavy rains.

"Putting heavy trucks in the alleys would probably do more

damage than good," he said.

The city's clean-up campaign began May 1 in Ward 1, where a total of 69 loads of trash were collected the first week of the month. Last week, efforts were concentrated in Ward 2, where 75 loads were handled.

"We feel the campaign is a success," Wofford noted. "The figures compare very favorably with what we've done in the past."

Extra trucks will be in Ward 4 next week as the campaign comes to a close. Ward 4 is bordered by Rham and Foster on the north, extending to Barnes and Cuyler on the east.

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CIA innocent says Bush

By ROB WOOD
Associated Press Writer
HOUSTON (AP) — The former director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) said Tuesday the department had taken some bumps over the years and was innocent of most charges, "including the one that we had anything to do with the downfall of President Richard Nixon."

George Bush, speaking to the Houston Press Club Forum, said he hadn't been too interested in the recent Nixon television interviews because "I lived with that damn thing (Watergate) and I don't want to hear it again."

Bush, who also served as Ambassador to the United Nations and head of a diplomatic mission to Communist China, said he hoped the United States would "normalize relationships" with mainland China.

And, he said, "I am more concerned about the Soviet Union threat than I have been in a long, long time."

He said if detente with Russia is meaningful, "then why are they so involved in Africa? Why do they spend 12 to 14 percent of their national gross product on sophisticated weaponry? The Soviet Union still wants to suppress the West."

He said there were other reasons for his concern but he could not reveal them because of security reasons.

The key unanswered intelligence question today, Bush said, is whether the People's Republic of China and the Soviet Union can ever return to the harmony of years ago. "If they do, then it is Katy bar the door."

Never put China and Russia in the "same boat when it comes to revolutions in other countries. The Chinese will not export revolution, only support it. There is the difference with the Soviet Union," he said.

Concerning the CIA, Bush said, "There is a myth about the organization. There were some things wrong, but so were some of the allegations were untrue."

"Contrary to reports we never involved in the Lockheed scandals, never had a deal with the Korean CIA, and neither did we find and hide relics from Noah's ark."

Bush, now a Houston resident, said, "I saw brilliant people, saw great ability in the CIA. I found the most dedicated group of public servants I have ever been associated with in my entire life."

Halliburton optimistic

DALLAS (AP) — Despite the current pessimism about the oil industry, Halliburton Co. executives are confident that the growth shown in the company's record first quarter this year will continue.

"We know that no other form of energy will soon displace oil and gas as our primary energy sources," said John P. Harbin, chief executive officer. "We are confident that our oil field services and products group will continue to experience high levels of demand."

Harbin told stockholders at the company's annual meeting here Tuesday that the first quarter of 1977 was the most profitable in Halliburton his-

tory. Halliburton net income rose 15 percent over the same period last year, up to \$68.1 million from \$58.9 million. First quarter revenues were down 3 percent from \$1.19 billion to \$1.15 billion.

Stockholders approved a proposal allowing the company to develop, produce, and refine oil.

They also voted down a resolution calling on Halliburton Co. to reveal its policy on the Arab economic boycott of Israel.

Point to food, hospitals

By RHONDA SEEGAL
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — When consumers are asked what industries should be investigated or changed, more than a third point their fingers at food manufacturers, hospitals, the medical profession, oil producers and automakers, according to a survey made public today.

Nevertheless, business leaders are "alarmingly" out of touch with their complaints, the report found.

It said more than half of the representative sample of Americans felt that general product quality had fallen in the last 10 years.

"Consumerism at the Crossroads," compiled from personal interviews with more than 1,500 adult consumers and 522 government, business and consumer affairs representatives, was prepared by Louis Harris & Associates, Harvard University Professor Stephen Greyser and Steven Diamond of the Marketing Science Institute, a nonprofit research organization associated with the Harvard Business School.

While inflation is the No. 1 anxiety, the report said, American people also are "deeply troubled by the perceived failures of companies, their products and their services."

"They are worried about poor quality, dangerous products, misleading advertising and labeling, and the apparent lack of concern shown by companies for legitimate consumer interests."

management and regulation of business may become irresistible.

"Not only are the perceptions of the business group consistently at odds with those of the public and the (consumer) activists, but the gap between their perceptions is often alarmingly wide," Harris said.

When consumers were asked what industries they would like to see investigated or changed, the most common answers were: food manufacturers, with 45 percent of the public's vote; hospitals, 44 percent; the medical profession, 42 percent; the oil industry, 39 percent; and car manufacturers, 38 percent.

The study also found the public doesn't always see eye-to-eye with consumer advocates. For example, only 37 percent of the public polled thinks consumer advocates should focus on electric utilities, while 73 percent of the activists target the utilities.

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