

Law spells relief--\$5 billion worth

By FRANK CORMIER
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WASHINGTON (AP)— President Carter signed into law today a bill he said will give individual taxpayers \$5 billion of direct and immediate relief, with lower tax-withholding rates expected to take effect next month.

In signing tax legislation that was part of his once-broader plan to stimulate the nation's economy, Carter told his White House Rose Garden audience of congressional bigwigs:

"One of the most pleasant things for a President or the Congress to do is reduce taxes."

If a measure can boost the economy at

the same time, he said, that was an added bonus.

Over the next 28 months, the new law will produce estimated tax reductions of \$4.1 billion.

At the same ceremony, Carter also signed a measure authorizing \$225 million in grants and loans to help drought-stricken Western communities drill deeper wells, build viaducts and deal in other ways with the effects of the prolonged dry spell.

Carter noted that all projects under the drought relief law must be completed by next April, which he saw as a harbinger of speedy assistance.

The President took pains to acknowledge the presence of some key Congress

members who helped expedite passage of both bills and actually turned over his microphone to Chairman Al Ullman, D-Ore., of the House Ways and Means Committee and Sen. Quentin Burdick, D-N.D.

Ullman said he thought dealings between Congress and the White House on the tax measure "demonstrated that the President has flexibility." He said he thought the new law "established a pattern of working relationships between Congress and the President that should serve as a prototype for a lot of legislation coming down the pike."

The ceremony preceded the dispatching to Congress by Carter of a major new environmental program stressing enforce-

ment without a lot of new spending. That message detailed a combination of legislative recommendations and executive actions aimed at putting new force behind federal efforts to combat air and water pollution, control pesticides and preserve wilderness areas.

Carter also was sending Gen. George Brown, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Philip Habib, the State Department's top political officer, to Korea for discussions of his plan to withdraw U.S. ground forces.

All this came after a flying visit Sunday to commencement exercises at the northern Indiana campus of the University of Notre Dame, where the President

proclaimed "a new American foreign policy."

Given a noisy, friendly reception and an honorary degree there, Carter delivered a major foreign policy address that a senior aide said contained "messages to foreign governments" — to leaders in the Middle East, mainland China and South Africa.

The central theme of the President's address was a tearing away from narrow containment of communism to international cooperation for the good of all.

His Middle East message took note of the election victory in Israel this week of the hardline Likud Party.

"Our own policy will not be affected by

changes in leadership in any of the countries in the Middle East. Therefore, we expect Israel and her neighbors to continue to be bound by United Nations resolutions 242 and 338, which they have previously accepted." This seemed a caution to Menahem Begin, the likely next premier of Israel, that Carter will expect Israel to return captured Arab territories in return for a stable peace agreement.

Carter also referred to relations with China as "a central element of our global policy," and to China as "a key force for global peace." An aide said this was intended as a message to leaders of that country.

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Nita Parsley was presented the John Philip Sousa Band award by director Jeff Doughten.

(Pampa News photos by Jane P. Marshall)

Watergate convictions upheld

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today upheld the Watergate cover-up convictions of former Atty Gen John D. Mitchell and onetime White House aide H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman.

Mitchell and Haldeman have remained free pending the outcome of this appeal. Ehrlichman already is in prison. The court's action today means Mitchell and Haldeman likely will be imprisoned soon.

The justices rejected the claims by the three powerful officials of former President Richard M. Nixon's administration that the three-month

trial that ended in their convictions Jan. 1, 1975 was unfair.

The justices made no comment in refusing to review the case. There were no recorded dissents, but Justice William H. Rehnquist noted that he took no part in deciding the case.

Normally it takes about 10 days for a Supreme Court refusal to review a conviction to go back down to district court, which then tells a defendant the date when he must begin serving his sentence.

All three men were convicted in the court of U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica, who will set the imprisonment date for Mitchell and Haldeman.

John J. Wilson, attorney for Haldeman, said he will ask the high court again to hear the case.

"We are going to move to reconsider," he said. "But I can't tell you on what grounds."

A request for reconsideration would delay the imprisonment date.

Attorneys for Mitchell were out of their office and not reachable immediately.

Meanwhile, Newsweek magazine reported that Nixon considered granting pardons to everybody involved in Watergate, but

decided not to because it would "inflame the situation," Newsweek magazine reported.

"If my last act (as President) was to pardon everybody who was in Watergate that would inflame the situation and also would obviously look like the ultimate cover-up," Nixon was quoted as saying.

Nixon reportedly made his comments in an interview with television personality David Frost. The interview is scheduled for airing later this week.

On April 21, National Public Radio reported that the court had voted 5-3 at its private conference April 15 to turn down the appeals but that Chief Justice Warren E. Burger held up announcing the decision in an attempt to muster enough votes to grant review. The votes of four justices are needed to grant review of such cases.

Lawyers for the cover-up defendants asked the court for permission to argue that the justices should reverse the convictions because of the news leak. The attorneys said the report had tainted the court's deliberations, adversely affecting the rights of their clients.

The court denied that request on May 2.

Mitchell and Haldeman were sentenced to 30 months to eight years in prison for conspiracy, obstruction of justice and giving false testimony under oath in what prosecutors said was an attempt to conceal govern-

mental misconduct in the Watergate scandal.

Ehrlichman, also convicted of conspiracy in connection with the 1971 "plumbers" burglary of the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, last October chose to begin serving his prison terms pending appeals of both convictions.

He also was sentenced to 30 months to eight years for his role in the Watergate cover-up, and drew a 20-month to five-year prison term for the burglary conspiracy case. The sentences to be served concurrently Ehrlichman is now a prisoner at the Swift Trail Federal Prison camp at Safford, Ariz.

On Feb. 22, the Supreme Court turned down his appeal of the burglary conspiracy conviction.

In their appeals, Mitchell, Haldeman and Ehrlichman said their trial should have been postponed to allow the "massive and extraordinarily extensive" publicity surrounding it to die down.

They also contended that — U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica, who presided at the trial, should have excused himself from the case because of alleged bias against the defendants.

— Mitchell's testimony before the Senate Watergate committee should not have been admitted as evidence in his criminal trial.

Voters to decide issues

AUSTIN Tex. (AP) — Texas senators cleared two issues today for voters to decide this November in a special election.

One proposed constitutional amendment would permit local governments and school districts to grant property tax exemptions for cultural and historical property.

"I'm against this," protested Sen. Bill Moore-D-Bryan, "this just puts more of a tax burden on people who are having a hard time paying their taxes now, like you and me."

House amendments to the measure were approved 25-2, sending the amendment to the voters.

Also approved, 29-2 was a proposed constitutional amendment that would abolish the State Building Commission and give all its duties to the State Board of Control.

A bill sent to the governor for signature would exempt lands of the Audubon Society from property taxes. The House attached an amendment that would limit the exemption to 1,000 acres in any one county.

Legislators in session since Jan. 11 must quit by next Monday at midnight.

Both Gov. Dolph Briscoe and Speaker Bill Clayton have said they thought lawmakers could finish by Friday if they pushed hard.

Clayton had House members work for seven hours in their first Saturday session before the lack of a quorum forced them to recess until Monday.

An early finish, however, depends on the outcome of a series of conference committees.

One of the key questions involves the 1978-79 state budget.

The appropriations conference committee completed its compromise \$1.45 billion spending bill last Friday — provided the state comptroller can assure them there is enough revenue in sight to cover proposed spending. If the revenue estimate falls below projected spending, the 10 Senate-House negotiators must trim their proposal.

The joint committee trying to settle differences between the House and Senate on public

school financing and on teacher pay raises will be meeting again Monday.

The Senate passed an \$820 million public school financing bill Friday that includes \$335 million for teacher pay hikes. The House earlier passed a \$696 million bill plus a \$373 million teachers pay raise bill.

Still another 10-member conference committee will meet Monday on one of the most controversial issues of the session — medical malpractice insurance. Previous meetings of the committee have left negotiators far apart, and some expressed views that they may never be able to agree on a bill.

Other conference committees trying to settle differences include —

— A bill that would deny bail to anyone using a gun in a crime.

— The "sunset" law, which provides for periodic review of state agencies.

— Valuation of farm land by productivity.

— Changes in election ballots.

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Emotions ran high, especially among the twirlers when Diane VanZandt gave a gift to Jeanna Earp, head twirler.



Pam Mann displays her outstanding marcher award and her band doll. One was presented to each senior. They are made by band parents.

Irish fest, tears mark end of band year

By THOM MARSHALL
Pampa News staff

An eventful year climaxed Saturday night for the Pride of Pampa Band with the annual awards banquet.

The theme, of course, was Irish. The main course was grilled steak. And the mood was tearful — tears for happiness and tears of another kind for and from the departing seniors.

About 400 people were in attendance — band members and dates, parents, and supporters.

A couple of Irish folk singers provided the dinner music via tape recording made in March when the band was in Ireland. Slides of the trip were shown, narrated by Bill Surface, assistant band director. And many references to the tour were made by Luther Robinson who served as master of ceremonies.

The top award of the evening, the John Philip Sousa Award, was presented to Nita Parsley, a senior.

Doughten said that he and Surface select the recipient of the annual award, based upon the student's performance over all three years in the band.

Heidi Newman received the Outstanding Musician Award which is co-sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps and the National Band Association.

Award winners selected by their fellow band members included Sam Gilbert, junior, Outstanding Boy Musician; Kari Guinn, junior, Outstanding Girl Musician; and Pam Mann, senior, Outstanding Marching Award.

There were 10 band members who earned letters and they were presented with them at the banquet. They include seniors Jolene Black, Chuck Ekiberry, Lynn Reed, and Jeanne Townsend.

Juniors lettering included Karen Anderson, Judy Bridwell, Kari Guinn, Mary Miller and Dirk Murray.

Lawanna Brogden was the lone sophomore band member who earned a letter.

Each year the band historian compiles for the band a scrapbook of their activities. At the banquet Diane VanZandt presented this year's scrapbook to the band.

Several band members also compiled scrapbooks of the Ireland trip and a competition for the best one was won by Nita Parsley. Dirk Murray placed second and third was a tie between Cheryl Birkes and Cary Smith.

Next year's band officers were announced: Sam Gilbert, president; Cary Smith, vice president; Kari Guinn, secretary; treasurer; Cheryl Birkes, historian; Ronnie Gibson, head drum major; Mary Miller, head twirler; and Judy Bridwell, head flag girl.

The students presented several gifts to their directors and the directors' wives.

Surface will not be back in the fall. He has accepted the high school band director position in Artesia, N.M.

Doughten, however, has renewed his contract and will again direct the Pride.

Saturday night Doughten was again presented the award he received in Dublin when Dr. William Revelli, presented him the 1977 National Band Association Citation of Excellence.

The award is presented annually to the NBA's choice of the best director in the nation.

Revelli, president of the NBA, is director emeritus of the University of Michigan Band at Ann Arbor. He often is referred to as a modern-day John Philip Sousa.

The NBA citation normally is presented in December each year, but Revelli knew Doughten would be in Ireland in March, so he postponed the presentation until that time.

Doughten's picture and the story of his honor and achievements will be printed in several national publications for band directors.

Human rights issue brewing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration is gathering evidence designed to show the Russians have violated the Helsinki accord's human rights provisions, but the Soviets are planning similar charges against the United States and its allies.

The Helsinki pact bound 35 countries, including the United States and the Soviet Union, to observe "human rights... fundamental freedoms and the freer movement" of ideas, people and information.

Violations range from the jailing of political dissenters to harassment and ill-treatment of Soviet Jews wanting to emigrate and reunite with their families in distant lands, mainly Israel.

British authorities say five correspondents representing Tass, the official Soviet news agency, arrived unexpectedly in the town of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Three other Tass journalists also have arrived suddenly in Strasbourg, France, seat of the Council of Europe's Court of Human Rights where the Irish government has charged British authorities with torturing Irish prisoners held for their political beliefs.

Diplomats representing U.S. allies in Europe are trying to head off the human rights showdown between Carter and the Soviets.

Food cost may rise with chemical bans

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Consumers will feel the squeeze as the federal government tightens its grip on chemicals allowed for use on crops, according to industry specialists.

"I've talked to some chemical companies that said if it's not one of the major crops like cotton, corn, soybean or small grains, they won't touch it with a 10-foot pole," said Dr. Winand Hock, a pesticides specialist at Pennsylvania State University.

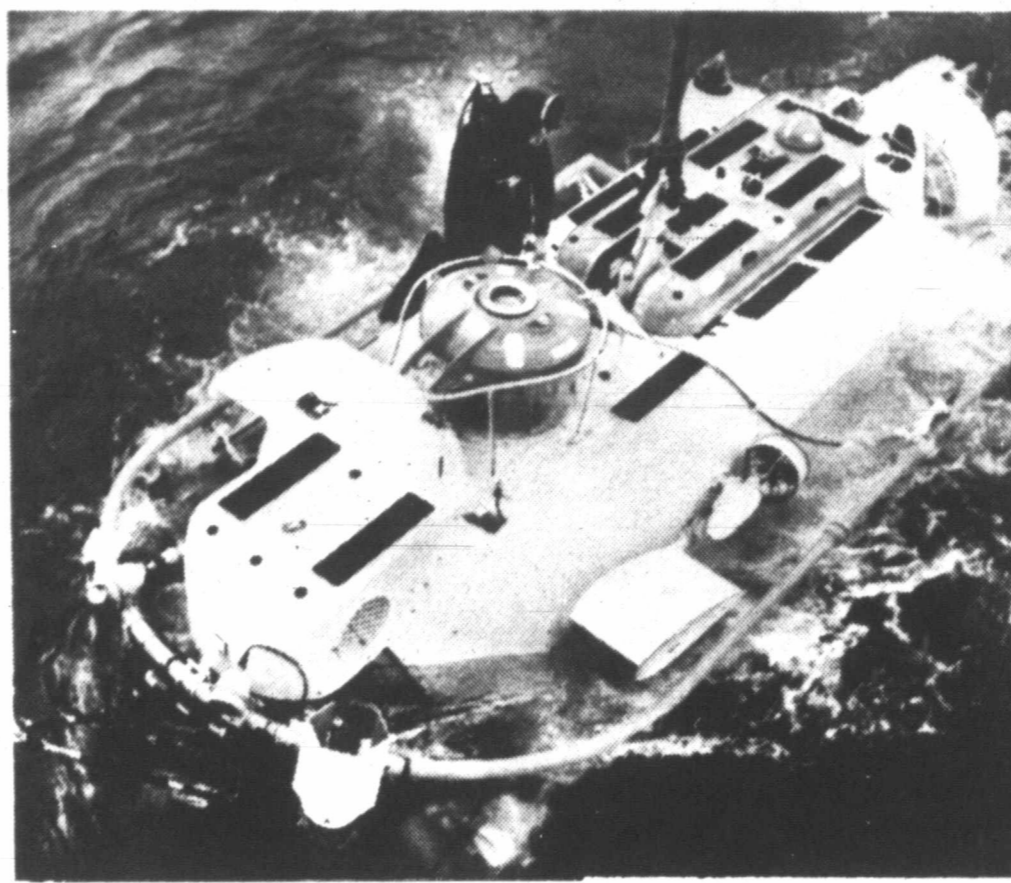
"We definitely have fewer choices of pesticides," said Ed Hopkins, a Pennsylvania vegetable grower. "Some companies just discontinued their products altogether."

Four students to be in 'Texas'

Four Pampans are among the more than 100-member company for the 12th season of the musical drama "Texas" presented annually in the amphitheatre of Palo Duro Canyon.

Vincent DiCosimo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe DiCosimo, 1907 Nelson, will join the musicians in the production.

"We can only absorb so much. If the consumer wants to pay the cost, he can have any environmental regulations he wants," Mertz said.



Mini-sub to join oil search

Secret sub developed in England goes through its first public trials at Kirbymoorside. Described as the "world's first plastic mini-submarine" and the brainchild of former U.S. aerospace engineer Jim Tucker, it was kept under wraps for five years.

Israeli leader stricken

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Menahem Begin, expected to become Israel's next prime minister, was admitted to a hospital cardiac section early today for observation.

"(Begin) now feels okay," the doctor said at midmorning. "But it is too early to decide if there are any significant changes in his condition."

Begin appeared thin and weakened in the last days of the campaign but he maintained a driving pace, enduring a lot of excitement in the past week.

Names in the news

TORONTO (AP) — "It's got everything the French Connection had but 10 times more," promised former New York policeman Eddie Egan, in town looking for money to finance a new detective thriller.

READING, Pa. (AP) — Jazz musician Stan Kenton has been admitted to a Reading hospital in guarded condition for treatment of an undisclosed ailment.

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Students seized

GRONINGEN, The Netherlands (AP) — Two groups of heavily armed South Moluccan extremists, striking two days before the Dutch general election, seized an elementary school and hijacked a train in the northern Netherlands today.

Police said they did not know how many gunmen were involved in the two attacks, which came at about the same time and about 10 miles apart.

Armed police surrounded the train, halted on a rural stretch of track, and the school. But there had been no communication with either group of gunmen by midday.

Briscoe roles no conflict

AMARILLO, Tex. (AP) — Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe says his role as a leading advocate of nationwide price deregulation of oil and natural gas is not crippled by his status as one of Texas' largest individual petroleum producers.

Briscoe, in Amarillo for a ribbon cutting ceremony at a bank, told a news conference "I have shown in the past that I put aside personal business in doing what is best for this state."

Commenting of President Carter's energy proposals, Briscoe said "The people want less government regulation. The President is calling for greater government regulation and government interference."

Nixon pondered blanket pardons

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Nixon made no reference to impeachment proceedings in Congress in discussing his resignation.

Widow dedicates home
LITTLE FALLS, Minn. (AP) — Wrapping up a weekend of public appearances, only her second in 46 years, Charles A. Lindbergh's widow has helped dedicate his boyhood home as a national historical landmark.

On the record

Obituaries

MISS CLARA ANDERSON McLEAN — Graveside services for Miss Clara Anderson, 88, a former McLean resident, will be 3 p.m. Tuesday in Hillcrest Cemetery here.

She is survived by six sisters, Mrs. W.J. Foster and Mrs. Ellen Wilson, both of McLean, Mrs. Alvin Stevens of Oklahoma City, Okla., Mrs. Ruby Ratterree of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Mary Eastace of Clyde and Mrs. Ima Pearson of Arroyo Grande, Calif.

Mainly about people

A seminar on diet and nutrition to introduce a new "slim way plan" will be free tonight at Citizens Bank Hospital Room.

Linda Mobbs giving free manicure with \$12.50 perm. Call Artistic Beauty Salon. 689-7861. (Adv.)

Police report

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The following grain quotations were provided by Wheeler Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	\$2.07 to \$2.08
Barley	\$2.00 to \$2.01
Milo	\$2.00 to \$2.01
Corn	\$2.00 to \$2.01

The following quotations show the range within which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion.

Franklin Life	2 1/2	2 3/4
Kerr-McGee	7 1/2	7 3/4
Southland Financial	10 1/2	10 3/4
So. West Life	18 1/2	18 3/4

The following 10 N.Y. short market quotations are furnished by the Pampa office of Schneider Bernat Hickman, Inc.

Beitrage Fonds	34 1/2
Cable	60 1/2
Celanece	51 1/2
Class Service	50 1/2
DIA	24 1/2
Kerr-McGee	25 1/2
Pennsylv	22 1/2
Phillips	26 1/2
PNA	22 1/2
Getty	10 1/2
Southwestern Pub. Service	13 1/2
Standard Oil of Indiana	32 1/2
Tracor	26 1/2

Texas weather

By The Associated Press
Texans awakened to find mostly calm weather today after a day and night of roaring tornados, howling high winds, pelting hail, drenching rainfall and crackling thunderstorms.

By The Associated Press
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National weather

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Other slow-moving thunderstorms brought the heaviest rainfall in the nation to the Laredo and Eagle Pass areas of south Texas.



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Senate examines farm bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate is beginning work on a huge farm bill that would continue the controversial food stamp program and establish farm price support payments that help determine how much shoppers have to pay for food.

The farm bill, as sent to the floor by the Senate Agriculture Committee, would cost an average of about \$4 billion per year through 1982 in supports for wheat, feed grains, cotton, rice and soybeans. The Senate is expected to begin work on the bill today.

Carter has warned that he will veto the measure if it contains more than \$2 billion for

crop supports, which guarantee prices to farmers and therefore can influence supermarket prices.

"We have to decide whether we want to risk a presidential veto on this bill," Sen. Herman Talmadge, D-Ga., chairman of the Agriculture Committee, said when the panel completed work on the bill.

Committee-approved legislation in the House would set the support level for the five crops at about \$2.3 billion per year beginning Oct. 1. The House bill is expected to come up for floor debate next month.

The Senate's farm bill also would extend the controversial

food stamp program for two years, through September 1979. But a major modification would allow low income persons to obtain food stamps free. Currently, recipients must purchase the food stamps.

Under the Senate measure, the Food for Peace program would be extended for five years with increased emphasis on agriculture development.

The bill also contains a five-year average cost of \$427 million for disaster relief, \$52 million in peanut supports and \$2 million in payments to dairy farmers whose herds are contaminated by chemicals or radioactive fallout.

In other congressional action, the House this week is scheduled to consider a bill to extend for one year a deadline for automakers to meet tough new auto exhaust standards.

The auto industry has asked for at least a two-year extension on air pollution standards and then softer standards once the extension expires.

The House also is expected to take up again legislation to remove the prohibition on the 2.8 million federal employees participating in partisan politics. The employees now are prohibited from running for office, serving as fund-raisers or managing a partisan campaign.

The bill was considered last week but was withdrawn from the House floor after sponsors decided to seek additional time to rally opposition to an amendment they regard as anti-union.

Among hearings, the House judiciary crime subcommittee looks into "kidporn." More than 120 members are sponsoring legislation to clamp down

on interstate traffic of pornography featuring children.

The House Ways and Means Committee will continue working on the tax aspects of Carter's energy plan. Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Tex., said Carter's proposal for a new energy department may come before the full House.

Status of bills

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Here is the status of major legislation at the close of the 18th week of the 65th Legislature:

SB3—Prohibit directory assistance telephone charges. Passed Senate.

SB34—No insurance penalty for 55-70 mph speeding tickets. Passed Senate and House, sent to governor.

SB39—Statewide adult probation system. Passed Senate.

SB51—State Commission on Human Rights. Passed Senate.

SB54—Sunset law, periodic review of state agencies. Passed Senate and House, in conference committee.

SB91—Establish school-community guidance centers. Passed Senate.

SB140—Free textbooks for non-public schools. Passed Senate.

SB148—"Living Wills." Passed Senate.

SB151—Organized crime penalties. Passed Senate.

SB152—No probation with use of guns. Passed Senate and House, in conference committee.

SB368—Creating 21 new district courts. Passed Senate.

SB407—Separate gas and light meters for apartments. Passed Senate and House, sent to governor.

SB740—Extending no smoking law. Passed Senate.

SB850—Voter Registration. Passed Senate and House, returned to Senate.

SB896—Revising Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Passed Senate and House, sent to governor.

SB933—Crime victim compensation. Passed Senate.

SB1139—Merger of water agencies. Passed Senate and House, sent to governor.

SB1227—County regulation of nudity. Passed Senate.

SB1266—Regulation of monopolies. Passed Senate.

SB1302—Increase car inspection fees. Passed Senate.

SJR1—Farm land assessment. Passed Senate.

SJR2—Legalization of bingo and raffles. Passed Senate.

SJR48—Abolish building commission, passed Senate and House, returned to Senate.

HB1—Repeal sales tax on utility bills. Passed House.

HB10—Generic drug substitutes. Passed House.

HB22—Valuation of farm land by productivity. Passed House and Senate, in conference committee.

HB179—County ordinance making power. Passed House.

HB180—Pay toilet prohibition. Passed House.

HB510—General appropriation bill. Passed House and Senate, in conference committee.

HB612—Teachers retirement changes. Passed House and Senate, returned to House.

HB678—Prostitution penalties. Passed House and Senate, sent to governor.

HB750—Public school financing. Passed House, up for Senate debate.

HB846—Property tax revision. Passed House.

HB900—Exempt church operated child care facilities. Passed House.

HB1048—Medical malpractice insurance. Passed House and Senate, in conference committee.

HB1597—School teachers pay raise. Passed House.

HB1875—Regulation of abortions. Passed House.

Borrowed prisoners crowd jails

KANSAS CITY (AP) — County jails are overcrowded because municipal and state governments are unable or unwilling to hold persons convicted of crimes or awaiting trial, a spokesman for county officials said on the eve of a national conference on the problem.

Municipalities are getting out of the criminal lockup business, states are getting out of the jail business, and counties are getting all of them," said Dr. Francis P. McQuade, president of the National Association of County Civil Attorneys, here to attend the National Assembly on the Jail Crisis which runs through Wednesday.

He said the brunt of the jail

problem is falling on the over 3,000 counties because cities, with their falling tax bases, are turning over much of what they previously handled to the counties. After conviction in a county court, prisoners who would ordinarily be retained by the state are being refused because of overcrowding and returned to the county, he said.

Morris E. Lasker, judge in the U.S. District Court southern district of New York, believes keeping people out of jails is one solution to overcrowding problems.

"We need to help people before they are arrested," Lasker said. "We need to divert people out of jail, those who don't be-

long there. And conditions must be more humane for those who do belong."

McQuade said those who are imprisoned are making it increasingly difficult for the governmental body where they are incarcerated by demanding, often through federal class action suits, that conditions in the jail be improved.

"With the use of legal services for the poor and public defenders and law libraries in jails, prisoners are drafting very effective petitions to the court," McQuade said. "When they file a proper cause of action under the First Amendment, or the Eighth Amendment, or the Civil Rights Act,

the court has to take jurisdiction."

In instances where a federal court judgment goes against the state, Lasker says, states have generally been very cooperative in complying with the court ruling ordering improvement of conditions.

"One of the roles of the court is to tell jail administrators the very thing they want to do," he said.

Over 400 persons are expected to attend the conference, among them members of law enforcement groups, attorneys, members of the judiciary, state legislators, and federal, state, and local officials.

Girl killed, seven injured in boat race

LIBERTY, Tex. (AP) — An investigation was underway today into the cause of a speed boat accident involving Houston Oiler quarterback Dan Pastorini whose craft ripped into a crowd here Sunday killing a girl and injuring seven persons, police said.

While drag racing against another boat, Pastorini's craft lost its engine power while going 120 miles an hour, went out of control and plowed through a crowd of spectators estimated at 4,000 persons, police said.

Police Chief Leslie Wallace said the boat's steering mechanism failed after the loss of power causing the craft to swerve onshore about 66 feet past the time trap on Lake Nizel in Liberty, 30 miles northeast of Houston.

Pastorini's boat traveled about 100 feet on the ground and stopped after hitting three vehicles.

Wallace said Sherry Gaskins, believed to be 13 years old, of Houston, was killed as the boat tore through the cars and the spectators. Her mother suffered a broken arm, internal injuries and a possibly broken spine. She and a man who suffered head and internal injuries in the mishap were taken by helicopter to a Houston hospital.

Liberty County Sheriff Buck Eckols said that Pastorini was not injured although he was "pretty well shaken up."

Jack Scott of Houston, a spectator, said Pastorini, who was alone in the boat, was competing in a quarter-mile drag race when his boat developed trouble and swerved onto land.

"When it got to land, it went between some trucks but did not hit them," Scott said. "It just hit people."

Speed boat races sponsored by the Houston Boat Racing Association are held monthly during the summer on the lake, Wallace said.

Carter dispatches aides to discuss troop plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — After sacking an Army major general for publicly questioning his Korea policy, President Carter is sending two top aides to Seoul for talks on his controversial troop withdrawal plan.

The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. George Brown, and the State Department's top political officer, Philip Habib, were to fly to the Korean capital today to begin intensive consultations.

There are 33,000 ground troops in South Korea, about the same as the number of Americans who died in the Korean war a quarter-century ago.

Carter's plan is to withdraw ground troops over four to five years. But it is understood Habib and Brown will inform the Koreans about the withdrawal strategy for only the first two or three years.

Some Americans share Korean concern about the withdrawal. The most conspicuous example is Maj. Gen. John Singlaub, who was fired by Carter on Saturday from his post as U.S. chief of staff in South Korea.

Singlaub angered Carter by saying publicly that the withdrawal plan is an invitation to

a renewed attack on the south by North Korea.

But the feeling here is that the strategy of gradual withdrawal will be more politically acceptable to South Korea than a specific withdrawal timetable covering all U.S. ground troops. Carter's plan represents the most fundamental change in the U.S. security commitment since the Korean armistice was signed 24 years ago.

Meanwhile, the Korean National Council of Churches, no friend to the regime of President Park Chung-hee, held a prayer rally in Seoul on Sunday to protest the proposed pullout. Speakers urged Carter to keep the U.S. troops in Korea to protect the religious freedom of 37 million South Koreans.

And the Korea Times, in a comment on Carter's pledge to stand by Korea after ground forces have been pulled out, said: "The North Korean communist group is well aware of the fact that the U.S. administration's defense commitment on paper to now-defunct South Vietnam resulted in naught."

The Seoul government has declined comment on the Singlaub matter, however, saying it is an internal U.S. problem.

Defense Secretary Harold Brown said Sunday that Sing-

laub would be reassigned and was removed from Korea because "having expressed views in contradiction to policy, (he) can't serve there effectively."

Officials say Carter thinks South Korea, with 100,000 more men under arms than North Korea, is capable of defending itself on the ground.

In light of U.S. experience in Vietnam and continued concern in the United States about the human rights situation in South Korea, some officials say there is doubt whether American public opinion would support a prolonged U.S. combat involvement in a new Korean War.

EGYPTIAN EYE
NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — The New Orleans Museum of Art, in preparation for the "Treasures of Tutankhamun" which arrives here this September is presenting an interdisciplinary exhibit of Egyptian art, literature and writing.

"For Eye: Egyptian Images and Inscriptions," funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, will develop the themes of influence of geography on ancient Egyptian religion and the pyramidal structure of society in ancient Egypt.

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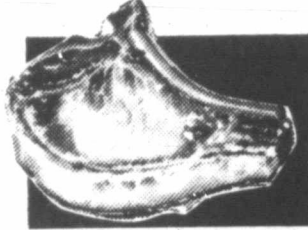
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