

Blood trail leads to bandits

HOUSTON (AP) — A trail of blood leading into a heavily weeded area in southeast Houston led police to two men who were arrested in connection with an ambush on a Puralator Armored Inc. car, the fatal shooting of its driver and the theft of \$600,000, officers said.

A 21-year-old Houston mechanic and a 24-year-old unemployed laborer were arrested and jailed Tuesday after the bungled heist, the second on the Gulf Freeway in four days. No charges have been filed.

Police also found a 12-gauge shotgun and a 9mm pistol and recovered five blood-spattered money bags. They were uncertain whether any of the money was missing.

Puralator officials declined to comment on the incident.

One witness, who described the mid-day shooting scene at the Sage department store "like something in a movie," said the gunmen blasted the car repeatedly.

Detective Jerry Welch said the bandits apparently had been waiting in the store parking lot when the armored car arrived and "they jumped out and held guns on it."

Oliver Gonzales Flores, 29, the father of three, was gunned down as he stepped from the vehicle, said John David Hester, who watched the shooting in the store parking lot.

"He didn't have a chance to unbuckle his holster," Hester said.

Welch said a second guard, an unidentified woman, was held at gunpoint briefly by the robbers but was released unharmed.

The robbers, wearing baseball caps and olive jump suits, fired at least 10 times at the bullet-resistant Econoline before they broke a window, entered the car and the sped away, investigators said.

Another witness, Lester Jackson, said he was delivering linen across an alley and saw part of the incident.

"They ran to the truck and they couldn't open the doors to the Puralator truck so they started shooting the doors off and windows off and reached in and opened the doors," Jackson said.

The pair had trouble starting the car, but when they finally did "they make a U-turn but the door won't close. They were having to try to hold the doors and try to drive at the same time, and they're all going crazy," Jackson said.

Welch said the robbers the drove to a vacant construction shed a block away and then fled into the weeded area on foot.

Police, acting on tips by citizens, followed a trail of blood and SWAT team officers, assisted by policemen in helicopters joined the manhunt. The robbers surrender within an hour.



ABDUCTED INFANT RECOVERED. Paramedics return Raphael Delgado, a month-old infant with a seizure disorder, to the hospital after he was discovered in a box behind a Dallas food store Tuesday afternoon. The infant was discovered missing from his crib in Children's Medical Center by a nurse early Tuesday morning. (AP Laserphoto)

Infant taken from hospital found in box

DALLAS (AP) — His disappearance has not been explained but Rafael Delgado's return to Children's Medical Center hospital was an occasion for rejoicing to his doctors, his family and the police.

"I was so happy," said Mary Delgado, Rafael's mother.

"It's just tremendous," said Dr. Heinz Eichenwald, hospital chief of staff.

Rafael is a month-old child, suffering from seizures that result from a brain infection, and he was abducted from his hospital bed shortly after midnight Tuesday, 10 minutes after a nurse had checked his crib.

He remained missing most of the day, with police and doctors issuing dire warnings that 24 hours without medication could spell death for the infant.

Finally, he was returned to the hospital by police officers and ambulance attendants after an anonymous tipster notified police there was an abandoned child inside a soft drink crate behind a store eight miles from the hospital.

"Some people found him in a box behind a Dallas food store Tuesday afternoon. The infant was discovered missing from his crib in Children's Medical Center by a nurse early Tuesday morning." (AP Laserphoto)

Haynes rests case after admitting bag

LIBERTY, Texas (AP) — Attorneys for both sides in the sensational Daniel child custody suit have completed their presentations, after Liberty County Sheriff C.L. "Buck" Eckols admitted he threatened to have Vickie Daniel arrested if she went to her husband's funeral.

Eckols was the last witness called before attorneys for Mrs. Daniel rested their case in the suit, filed by Jean Daniel Murph to wrest custody of Mrs. Daniel's two youngest children. Rebuttal testimony began today.

Mrs. Murph's attorneys completed their presentation almost three weeks ago in the long-running court action.

Mrs. Daniel, 33, has been charged with murder in her husband's Jan. 19 shooting death at their home and Mrs. Murph, sister to the former Texas House Speaker, claims that helps make Mrs. Daniel an unfit mother.

Mrs. Murph seeks custody of Franklin Baldwin Daniel, 3, and Marion Price Daniel IV, 1, youngest sons of Vickie and Price Daniel Jr.

Eckols was called to the stand by Mrs. Daniel's lead defense attorney, Richard "Racehorse" Haynes of Houston, in an effort to show local law enforcement officers were prejudiced against Mrs. Daniel in their investigation of Daniel's death.

Eckols denied the charge but admitted he once told a Daniel relative Mrs. Daniel could be arrested if she attended Daniel's funeral.

Earlier, Haynes succeeded in having a brown paper bag and its contents admitted as evidence in the case.

Lawyers for Mrs. Murph said Haynes obtained the bag illegally and suggested he trespassed to get it.

The bag contained two packs of cigarette papers, a plastic sandwich bag containing a brown leafy substance thought to be marijuana and a magazine containing pornographic pictures, all of which belonged to Daniel, Haynes claimed.

Haynes took the stand to tell how he came by the bag, which he said he found in a water-heater closet near Daniel's old law office.

Asked if he knew what would be in the bag, Haynes said, "I didn't have the foggiest notion there would be marijuana or bermuda grass."

Family Judge Sam S. Emison Jr. allowed the bag to be admitted into evidence and jurors were allowed to examine its contents, which had been placed in three clear plastic bags.

Ford: spending cuts best way to help poor

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gerald Ford says the best way to help the nation's poor is to cut federal spending and inflation, just like President Ronald Reagan wants to do.

The former president said he has told the White House he would work to help sell Reagan economics to Americans.

"The poor people of this country have suffered more by the high inflation of the last four years," he said Tuesday. "By trying to get some successful handle on the problem of inflation we're doing something for the poor."

Ford spoke with reporters after being elected an advisory director for Texas Commerce Bancshares.

He said his brief administration "made a little headway" in curbing inflation. Reagan faces tougher going, he said, because the current president has "inherited a more serious problem, a more difficult problem."

The former Michigan congressman said White House officials called him last week and asked for his support for the Reagan program.

"I think it's absolutely essential because on Jan. 20 this year the country was faced with serious economic problems. It required very drastic medicine," he told reporters.

Rather than "nitpick" with parts of the program, Ford said he decided to announce "unequivocal" support. The program should fare well on Capitol Hill, he said, despite Democratic opposition.

"In the system under which we operate... obviously there will have to be some meshing of the ideas. In my best judgment, when they get through with the pulling and hauling between one end of Pennsylvania Avenue and the other, President Reagan will probably get 80 percent of what he is asking for, and that is not a bad scorecard," said Ford.

Ford, who turned down a chance to be Reagan's running mate, said, "I have more flexibility as an outsider. Perhaps my credibility of support is better than if I was on the inside."

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Funds urged for bigger appellate courts



HOFFMAN'S FREEDOM SURRENDERED. Former Yippie and political activist Abbie Hoffman arrives at New York's State Supreme Court in Manhattan Tuesday with companion Johanna Lawrenson, left, to surrender as he begins serving a three year sentence following his conviction on charges of selling cocaine and jumping bail. (AP Laserphoto)

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Chief Justice Joe Greenhill of the Texas Supreme Court says judging from legislative spending, federal judges get more attention from lawmakers than the state court system.
Greenhill urged the Legislature on Tuesday to beef up the 14 courts of civil appeals before they begin taking criminal cases in September.
He also advocated more state money for the court system, although he did not name a specific figure.
"You are about to appropriate, as an emergency matter, many millions of dollars for prisons — which causes me to observe that some federal judges get your attention better than we do," Greenhill said.
U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice has ordered major revisions in the Texas prison system, including a private cell or 60 square feet of space for each inmate.

Greenhill said in his "State of the Judiciary" message that failure to add more judges and staff would work against the efficiency intended by the voters when they passed the 1980 constitutional amendment giving criminal jurisdiction to the appeals courts.
A bill adding judges and staff and clarifying the new jurisdiction has passed the Senate and is pending in the House.
"I urge you to implement the constitutional amendment as it was intended to be implemented, and to give us the tools and support to make our integrated intermediate court system work. Otherwise we will have substituted a delay in one place for a delay in other places. That, to me, would be unconscionable," Greenhill said. On other matters, Greenhill said:
— "Serious consideration" should be given to non-partisan election of judges, who now are

elected as Republicans or Democrats. The only Republican on the Supreme Court, Will Garwood, was defeated in last year's general election.
— The Supreme Court, after meeting with state district and appellate judges in Corpus Christi in September, "will, without delay, promulgate new rules for media coverage" of trials.
A State Bar of Texas Committee, chaired by State District Judge Tom Cave of Fort Worth, has recommended rules allowing television coverage of trials under conditions set by judges.
"You may be sure that we are conscious of the rights of parties and witnesses, as well as the public's right to know," Greenhill said.
— Examinations for the bar will, starting in 1983, include sections on evidence and courtroom procedure because of the court's view that law school graduates "should be equipped to represent people in the courts, state and federal."

Battered wife shelters 'prison-like,' aide says

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A state senator opposes funding of shelters for battered wives because he thinks "love and devotion of a family" are better than the "prison-type environment" of shelters, an aide says.
Sen. John Leedom, R-Dallas, closely questioned a representative of the Texas Council on Family Violence when she appeared Tuesday before the Senate Human Resources Committee. Debby Tucker spoke in favor of a bill to fund the centers.
The measure by Sen. Chet Brooks, D-Pasadena, would dedicate 4 percent of money raised by the mixed drink tax to a fund for services to

victims of domestic violence.
"What about the wife going back to Mother, or some other member of the family?" Leedom asked Ms. Tucker. "One of the checks you used to have on an abusive son-in-law was a father. My concern is that you (battered wives' shelters) are helping to change that."
Leedom left for Dallas before the committee voted on the measure, but his aide, Bill McKenzie, said "I know the senator is opposed."
"He thinks the love and devotion of the family circle are better than the prison-type atmosphere of the centers," McKenzie said.
Texas has about 20 such

shelters where women and their children can seek refuge from violent husbands. Ms. Tucker said she invited Leedom to tour the Austin center, but he refused because he did not have time.
The comment that centers are "prison-like" puzzled her, she said.
"It's more like a dormitory ... it's more like a home," she said.
She added that anti-feminist leader Phyllis Schlafly had written an article saying that the centers were "government-funded places where women go to get R&R (rest and recreation)," but that local "pro-family" groups supported the center.

Local Eagle Forum lobbyist Linda Studdard said she was not aware of Schlafly's position and couldn't comment on the proposed legislation.
Leedom said shelters are anti-family.
"The pro-family concept is that the family circle is not just the husband and wife, it's children and aunts and uncles, brothers and sisters. ... Why can't we aim that troubled person into a loving environment?" he asked.
Ms. Tucker explained that families often are scattered across the country, and parents separated from children by hundreds or even thousands of miles.

"Then why can't you buy her (the battered wife) a bus ticket to Chicago? That probably wouldn't cost more than \$200," Leedom replied.
"But your're driving that person out of the community, ending a chance for a reconciliation," Ms. Tucker said.
She said 40 percent of women served by the Austin Family Violence Center reunited with their husbands and "established a good family."

Legislature briefs

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Senate approved a bill Tuesday to establish minimum standards for certification of emergency medical service personnel.
Sen. Bill Sarpalius 'll authorize the State Board of Health, in consultation with a 15-member advisory council, to set the first new standards for ambulances and ambulance personnel in nearly 40 years.
Cities and counties with a population of less than 75,000 would have until Sept. 1, 1984, to comply with all requirements. Larger cities and counties would have an extra year to comply.
Sarpalius, D-Hereford, said this delay would give the 1983 Legislature a chance to review board regulations.
"We tried to design the bill so it would not be a burden for rural areas but at the same time would set standards," said Sarpalius.
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AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Legislative permission to sue the state would no longer be needed in some lawsuits under a bill approved by the Senate on Tuesday.
The bill provides that the state may be sued without legislative approval in suits based on a claim under a written contract to which the state is a party.
Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls, said the bill was similar to one vetoed two years ago by Gov. Bill Clements but changes had been made to meet the governor's objections.
The bill advanced to the House on voice vote.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A Senate-passed bill raising penalties for sexual abuse and rape of children gained tentative House approval Tuesday.
The measure, part of Gov. Bill Clements' anti-crime program, is expected to win final passage on Wednesday, which would send it to the governor for signature.
A person who rapes or sexually abuses a child under 14 could be sentenced to life imprisonment instead of a maximum of 20 years under existing law.
The maximum penalty for deliberate injury to a child also would be raised from 20 years to life. Serious injury resulting from negligence also would be a penitentiary offense, with a maximum sentence of 10 years.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Here is how the Senate voted Tuesday in rejecting an amendment that would have established a statewide code for plumbers:
For (13) — Brooks, Doggett, Kothmann, Mauzy, Ogg, Parker, Short, Traeger, Travis, Truan, Uribe, Vale and Williams.
Against (17) — Andujar, Blake, Brown, Caperton, Farabee, Glasgow, Harris, Howard, Jones, Leedom, McKnight, Meier, Mengden, Santiesteban, Sarpalius, Snelson and Wilson.
Absent — Richards.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The House passed on voice vote Tuesday a bill creating a pilot program of teacher evaluation in up to eight school districts, involving as many as 3,000 teachers.
The bill next goes to the Senate.
Cost of the program could not exceed \$300,000 a year, and no district could receive more than \$70,000.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Senate completed legislative action Tuesday on a resolution directing the State Highway Department to issue "SO" — state official — license plates to members of the Board of Education.
The proposal was sponsored by Sen. Roy Blake, D-Nacogdoches.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Bills adding two citizen members to the State Banking Board and the State Depository Board were passed Tuesday by the Texas House and sent to the Senate.
Each board now consists of the state banking commissioner, state treasurer and one citizen member appointed by the governor. The bill, by Rep. Frank Hartung, R-Houston, would increase the number of citizen members to three.

ABILENE Note
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Senate commended Abilene Christian University on Tuesday in recognition of the 75th anniversary of its founding.
ACU was opened in 1906 as Childers Classical Institute and had 25 students. The name was changed in 1920 to Abilene Christian College and later became a university.
Its current enrollment is 4,600.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Legislation giving the Texas Railroad Commission broad authority to perform research on intercity passenger rail service, seek federal funds and spend state money on such service won tentative House approval Tuesday.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Senate voted Tuesday to extend the life-of-the Board of Plumbing Examiners to 1983.
The board was increased from six to nine members, with the new places to be filled by a plumbing inspector and two

Justice officials hope meeting with Clements 'useful down road'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Justice Department officials said they hope their meeting with Texas Gov. Bill Clements Tuesday "will be useful down the road" on matters of mutual interest.
Attorney General William French Smith met for 45 minutes with Clements and two of his aides before Clements ended a 2-day stay in Washington by flying back to Texas.
"We discussed several issues involving Texas, and I'm encouraged that we can make some progress as we go along," Clements said.
The problem of illegal aliens and a judge's order that the Texas prison system be overhauled were among the items that were discussed, Clements said.
"There's no difference in us at all on illegal aliens," the

governor said at an impromptu news conference that followed the meeting.
The prison reform issue is another matter. Texas has appealed the ruling of U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler, who has attacked the prison system and called for massive improvements. Because the ruling is involved in litigation, Smith declined to comment on the Justice Department's stance on the case.
"They're on one side of the issue, and we're on the other, but we had some meeting of the minds in places in between," Clements said after emerging from the meeting with the attorney general. With him were David Dean, an aide in his Texas office; and Dary Stone, an aide in the state's Washington office.
"We had a pleasant meeting and discussed several matters of concern," Smith said. "As he said, I hope we have some understandings that will be useful down the road on the matters of mutual interest."
The governor added:
"My experience as a non-lawyer has taught me that lawsuits are fluid things and that there's always room for change. We are asking for a stay, all of this will take time, and negotiations will continue."
Asked how much it would take to comply with Justice's

order to improve the prison system, the governor said there's no way to know until the case is finally resolved.
"It would be highly speculative of me to say what would be priority with us, or even secondary, until we know more. At the worst, the

range of our cost could be up to \$2.5-to-\$3 billion."
Clements came to Washington for a governor's conference. Clements and the other governors met Monday, then went to the White House Tuesday to visit with President Reagan.

GOP head's son found dead

MINERAL WELLS, Texas (AP) — The son of the Texas Republican Party Chairman apparently slipped off a cliff, accidentally discharging a shotgun blast that struck him in the head and killed him, investigators said.
Richard Lee Upham, 24, was found Monday afternoon in a wooded area on his father's ranch about five miles from this North Texas city, said Palo Pinto County sheriff's officers.
Chester Upham, active in state Republican politics, is a local oilman.
A family spokesman said the son left home Sunday to go skeet shooting on the ranch and didn't return home the following day.
The spokesman said the elder Upham began searching by helicopter for his son Monday when the young man failed to report to work and spotted his vehicle, officials said.

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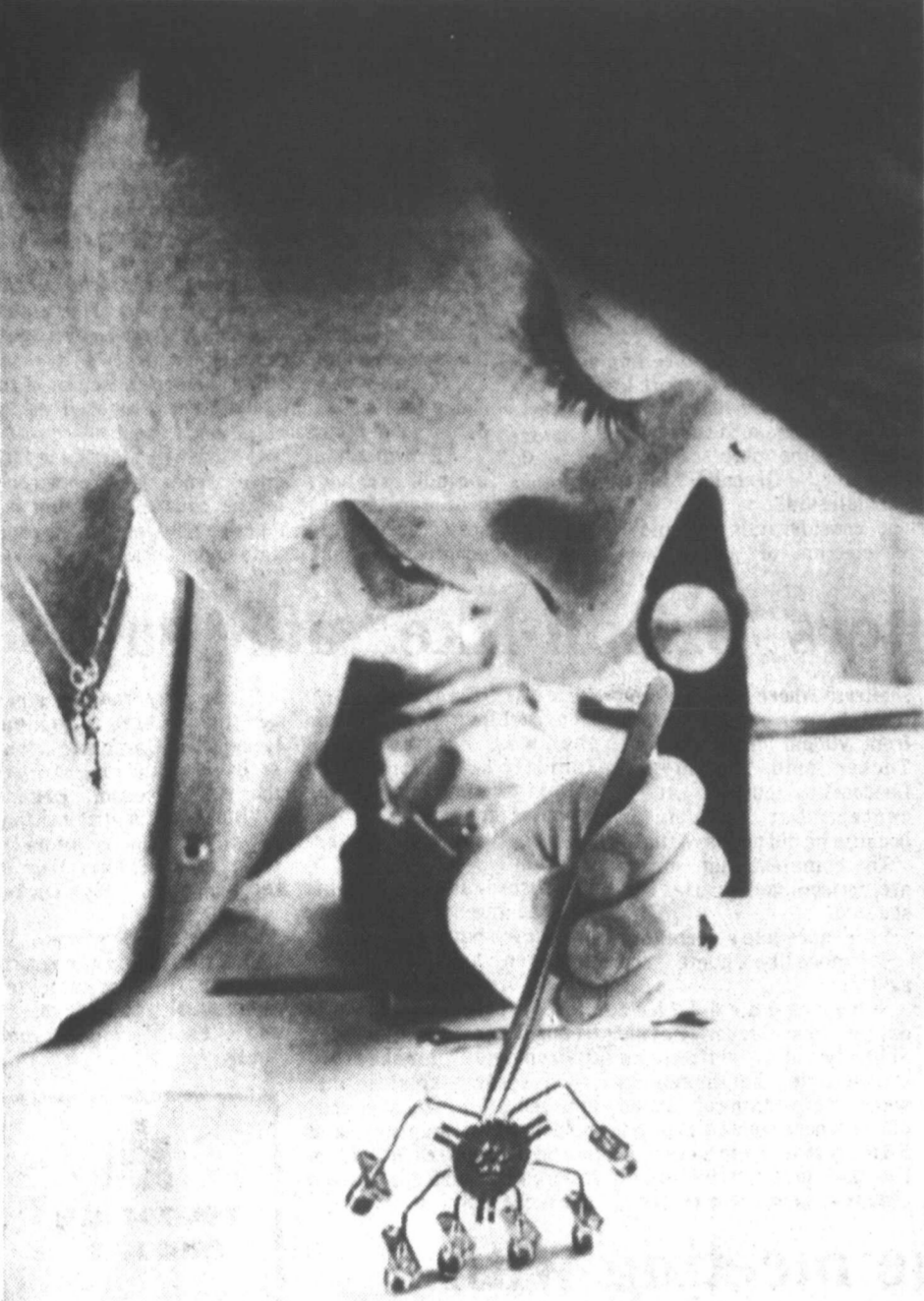
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SOPHISTICATED SPIDER. An assembly for an advanced electronics system is checked recently by Lynda Manning at Raytheon Company's Special Microwave Devices Operation in Northborough, Mass. The "spider's" feet contain components to control the flow of microwave energy in radar systems. (AP Laserphoto)

Baptist president observes passover

DALLAS (AP) — The Rev. Bailey Smith, leader of the Southern Baptist Convention, has decided to run for another term as president of the nation's largest protestant denomination, he said, so he can continue his work with Jews.

"I think Jewish people and Christians both want to eliminate human hurt, we want to rid this world of bigotry and bitterness and hatred and work together to do everything we can to foster human love," he said.

It was only a year ago that Smith told a Dallas audience he did not believe God hears Jewish prayers.

But Monday night, after driving here from his home in Oklahoma, Smith read Old Testament writings and helped the Dallas director of the Jewish Anti-Defamation League observe Passover.

Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Del City, Okla., said he found the Jewish celebration "most inspirational."

"I hope it says to the world that Bailey Smith does want to do everything possible to promote the Jewish people and the sincerity of their faith," Smith said Monday night after helping ADL Director Mark Briskman in a service that celebrates the Jews' liberation from slavery in Egypt.

Last summer in Dallas, during what was billed as a national affairs briefing sponsored by the Religious Roundtable, Smith said he did not believe God hears the prayers of Jews. He later apologized for the remark but has never retracted it or said he thought it erroneous.

Briskman said he was convinced that Smith never meant to insult Jews or threaten their religious freedom.

"It is clear to me that this is absolutely not the case," said Briskman. "Here is a guy who literally put his foot in his mouth. He didn't understand how many Jew haters there were out there. I think he has learned an incredible lesson."

During the outcry the remark provoked, Smith said he was appalled at the amount of anti-Semitic hate mail people sent him.

"I think Bailey clearly understands the initial hurt that was created by his statement," said Briskman, "and has been very open and forthright in making it clear he is sorry for that hurt."

"He has almost singlehandedly moved the Southern Baptist Convention to work in greater cooperation with the Anti-Defamation League, and the rest of the Jewish community is accomplishing things that have historically never been done before," said Briskman.

Smith told Jewish leaders in Dallas Monday night that he would be willing to die for their right to live as Jews in America.



DUKE ELLINGTON LORETTA LYNN RICHARD NIXON

Names in the news

NEW YORK (AP) — The son of the late Duke Ellington says a song will be born next week when friends and fans gather to celebrate what would have been Ellington's 82nd birthday.

The music is the tune of "Duke's Melody," an instrumental Ellington wrote in 1972.

The words are those of Cherry Robins, wife of a clothing manufacturer, who was invited by a recording session organizer to hear the Ellington Band record the tune.

The record wasn't released but Mrs. Robins didn't forget it, and six months ago she wrote words for it.

RENO, Nev. (AP) — While doctors were trying to find out what was ailing Loretta Lynn's stomach, Reno police were trying to find out who had stolen her music.

Doctors didn't have any answers Tuesday, says the singer's spokesman, but the police were successful in recovering 73 tapes worth \$432 that disappeared from her parked tour bus. Police arrested Phillip W. Dale, 67, who gave no permanent address, on charges of burglary and possession of burglary tools.

Miss Lynn, 46, subject of the recent hit movie "Coal Miner's Daughter," was admitted Monday to St. Mary's Hospital for observation of stomach pains.

GREENCASTLE, Ind. (AP) — Richard Nixon's efforts to restore diplomatic relations with China may have prevented a war between the United States and communist nations, a war the United States "probably would have lost," a Chinese journalist and professor says.

Hubert S. Liang, who teaches at the University of Nanking, told a Depauw University luncheon Tuesday that the People's Republic of China would welcome the former president if he were appointed ambassador to that Asian nation.

He said Chinese believe Nixon has been judged unfairly by Americans angered by the Watergate scandal.

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Since President Reagan can't attend, his oldest daughter has shuffled her wedding plans and will get married on the same day as her reception.

Maureen Reagan, 40, and law clerk Dennis Revell, 28, were to marry Friday so her parents could attend before traveling to meetings in Mexico. A reception for 70 was set for Saturday.

However, the gunshot wound Reagan suffered March 30 makes travel impossible, so the couple will marry Saturday. Miss Reagan announced Tuesday.

Miss Reagan, who has been married twice, is divorced.

SHEFFIELD, England (AP) — Sir John Betjeman, Britain's 75-year-old poet laureate, is in satisfactory condition after a mild heart attack, hospital officials say.

Betjeman suffered the heart attack Sunday, officials of Royal Hallamshire Hospital said Tuesday. He was reported to be improving.

Klan charges discontent stirred by communists

KEMAH, Texas (AP) — A Ku Klux Klan grand titan and three others accused of harrasing Vietnamese shrimpers have denounced "North Vietnamese Communists" for stirring the waters of "discontent, fear and conflict" among refugee and native fishermen.

David Collins, a spokesman for the Seabrook-Kemah Fisherman's Coalition, accused the communists of setting fire recently to two Vietnamese fishing boats. However, he refused to elaborate on the alleged infiltration of Galveston Bay.

"We have reason to believe North Vietnamese communists are infiltrating the ranks of the Vietnamese relocated in the Kemah-Seabrook area whose sole purpose is to cause discontent, fear and conflict among the Vietnamese and stir up incidents with the American fishermen," Collins said Tuesday in a prepared statement.

Collins, fishermen Gene Fisher and Joe Collins and KKK Grand Titan James Stanfield, along with KKK Grand Dragon Louis Beam, were named last week by the Vietnamese Fishermen's Association in a suit filed in Houston federal court.

Vietnamese refugees also were accused Tuesday of committing criminal acts against American fishermen, but Collins again refused further comment.

Attorney Sam Adamo, who represents the coalition, said the charge referred to alleged violations of fishing laws and the 1979 shooting death of an American crabber in nearby Seadrift by a refugee. The Vietnamese defendant was acquitted of murder.

Klan members staged a Feb. 14 rally on behalf of American fishermen and burned mock fishing boat in a ceremony billed as a "lesson in boat burning."

KKK leaders also demanded authorities limit refugee fishing in Galveston Bay by May 15 or they will take the matter into their hands.

A Gospel meeting is now in progress at Central Church of Christ. This meeting will continue through Friday night of this week. The guest speaker during this series of meetings is Thomas G. O'Neal of Bessemer, Alabama. No collections will be taken. Come and bring your Bibles, please. Time of Services is 7:30 each evening. The public is cordially invited to attend the remaining services.

Witness says he split kickbacks with Agnew

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — A former state official accused of sharing kickbacks with Spiro Agnew has testified he never saw any money actually being paid to the former vice president, but says it was clear to him Agnew got a share of the payoffs.

Jerome B. Wolff, who headed the State Roads Commission in 1967-68, testified Tuesday that he, I.H. "Bud" Hammerman and Agnew, a former Maryland governor, split kickbacks from consulting engineers awarded state contracts for highway work.

Wolff was a key witness in the trial of a civil suit filed by three taxpayers and joined by the state that seeks repayment of \$298,110 in alleged bribes and interest from Agnew.

The trial, which opened Tuesday, was in recess today to allow prosecutors to prepare witnesses.

Agnew served as governor from 1967 to 1968, when he left to become vice president in the Nixon administration. He resigned that office in 1973 after pleading no contest to an income tax charge.

Prosecutors contend the alleged kickback deal began in the mid-1960s, when Agnew was Baltimore county executive, and that the payments continued while Agnew was vice president.

Agnew has consistently denied that he accepted any kickbacks or other illegal payments.

Under cross-examination by Thomas R. Harrison, Agnew's lawyer, Wolff said Agnew never asked him for any money and "never said to me that he was getting anything."

Wolff said, however, that it was clear to him that Agnew was getting a share of the money.

In her opening statement, Assistant Attorney General Diana Motz said the three men received at least \$207,500 from consulting engineers, including \$120,000 which they shared and \$87,500 which Agnew is alleged to have received directly from two engineering firms.

Both Hammerman and Wolff were named in the original suit.

Hammerman, a former Agnew adviser, has paid back \$30,000 plus \$22,455 in interest and is no longer a party to the suit. The state has agreed to drop its claim against Wolff in return for his testimony.

Once Wolff is dropped as a defendant, only Agnew will be left, making him the sole target of the state's attempt to recover the \$298,110, which includes \$177,500 in alleged income plus interest.

Mrs. Motz said the state may raise its claim later.

"It is clear that in abusing his high office, defendant Agnew seriously injured the people of Maryland," she said, contending the alleged bribes resulted "in higher contract prices or inferior work or a loss of the best bargain — or all of these things."

Harrelson hearing scheduled

HOUSTON (AP) — Convicted hitman Charles Harrelson was ordered to appear in court today to face drug and gun charges against him, charges his lawyers say should be dropped before the scheduled trial gets under way.

Defense attorneys say the accusations should be dismissed because of hidden tape recorders Harrelson found in the Harris County jail during a visit last December by his stepdaughter.

Harrelson, a target in the federal government's investigation into the slaying of U.S. District Judge John Wood, has been held without bond since his arrest Sept. 1 near Van Horn, Texas.

He was taken back to that West Texas town under heavy guard last week to face charges similar to those he faces in Houston — possession of cocaine and illegal possession of a firearm. Harrelson pleaded innocent.

In Houston, Harrelson is accused of illegal possession of a gun and cocaine, plus possession of loaded dice and jumping bail.

His attorneys say authorities violated Harrelson's rights to a fair trial in the December tape recording incident, when Harrelson was having a conversation with his visiting stepdaughter, Theresa Starr Jasper, 23.

She was arrested for civil contempt March 27 and remains in the Uvalde County jail for refusing to answer questions of a San Antonio federal grand jury investigating the 1979 Wood murder.

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76ers edge Celtics from foul stripe

BOSTON (AP) — The first battle is over. With cool Andrew Toney's final salvo, the Philadelphia 76ers captured their thrill-filled opening confrontation with the Boston Celtics.

Certainly, the second engagement here tonight can't be as intense.

"I think it will be more so," said Philadelphia's Caldwell Jones following the 76ers' 105-104 victory in the opening game of their National Basketball Association playoff series.

"It will be all-out war, like the war of the worlds.

Everything's on the line. We can't afford to let them get their confidence back," Jones added.

Confidence may not be as important a weapon for the Celtics to restore to their arsenal as good foul shooting, a productive running game, or crisp ball movement.

All were in short supply Tuesday night when Toney calmly canned two free throws with two seconds left.

Though the Celtics weren't sharp entering the best-of-seven Eastern Conference final after a nine-day layoff, Boston Coach

Bill Fitch said, "No one should get much momentum from tonight. They still have to win three more times. No one should feel inferior or superior after tonight's game."

The setback cost Boston the home-court advantage it gained on the last day of the regular season by beating the 76ers here, 98-94. That triumph had given them the Atlantic Division crown over Philadelphia.

However, 76er Coach Billy Cunningham said, "I just don't think the home court is going to make a big

difference. The reason I say that is, you look at the way these teams played all year. We both were 62-20. You don't do that by not doing well on the road."

One of Toney's favorite road stops has been Boston. The 6-foot-3 guard from Southwestern Louisiana averaged 12.9 points per game this season, but averaged 15 against the Celtics. In the season finale he poured in 35 points and Tuesday night he led the 76ers with 26.

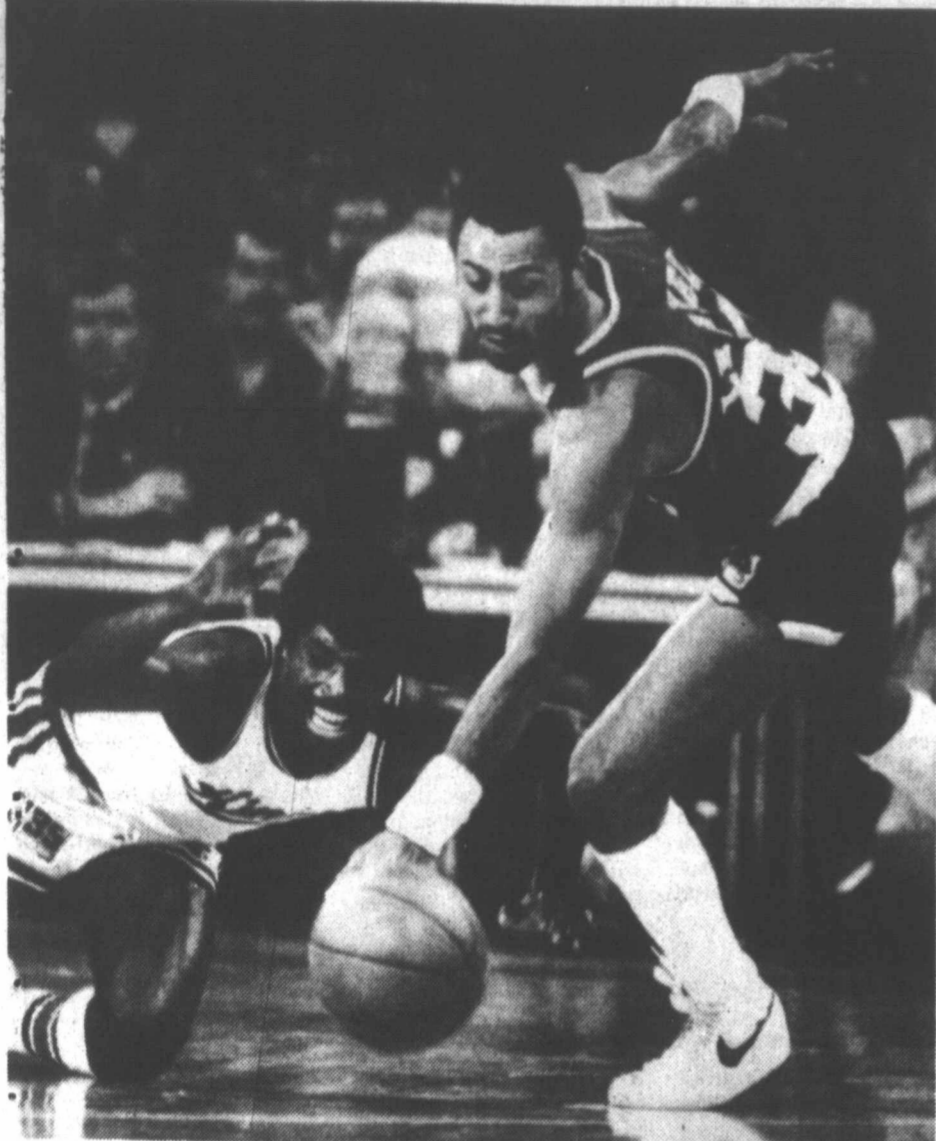
"It's nothing personal against them, but anytime

you feel your shot going you have to go with it," the confident rookie said.

With four seconds left and Boston ahead 104-103, Toney, Philadelphia's first choice to get the ball, took the inbounds pass. He was fouled by Cedric Maxwell.

"When I got the ball I took my time and looked over the floor and the baseline was wide open so I took that route," said Toney.

"I tried to block him and stuck out my leg. It was a good call and a very dumb foul," said Maxwell.



ANOTHER TURNOVER. Allen Leavell of the Houston Rockets, right, knocks the ball away from Phil Ford of the Kansas City Kings during the first game of the NBA Western Conference finals at Kemper Arena Tuesday. The Kings turned the ball over 25 times in a 97-78 loss to the Rockets. (AP Laserphoto)

Astros snap losing streak with 1-0 win

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston pitcher Bob Knepper, trying to break the Astros out of a four-game losing streak and protecting a one-run lead, had to double-check to make sure the Astros really were in a devastating slump.

"In San Francisco after three or four losses, the throats would tighten up and everybody would be drinking a lot of water," Knepper said Tuesday night after he had quieted Los Angeles on three hits for a 1-0 victory.

It was Houston's third victory in 11 starts this season but Knepper didn't feel the pressure.

"Here, you'd have thought we were 8-2," said Knepper, an off-season acquisition from the Giants. "I've never been nervous with this team. The whole atmosphere is so relaxed."

Knepper's relaxation lulled the Dodger bats into

only their second loss of the season. Pedro Guerrero got a pair of singles and Dusty Baker added a seventh inning hit for the only safeties off Knepper.

The Astros offense, bruntled all season, did not explode against loser Jerry Reuss, 0-1, who yielded eight hits. But Knepper's third inning double and a run-scoring single by Cesar Cedeño was enough for the Astros to win for the third time in 11 games this season.

"Numerically this was an important victory," Knepper said. "It was important for us to establish that we could beat Los Angeles and that they hadn't psyched us out. You don't want to go 2-20. Eventually you have to start putting something together."

Reuss, making his first start of the season, said "I was satisfied with my game. How could I not be?"

He (Knepper) outpitched me and he outthrew me too," Knepper, 1-0, said he hoped he could continue hitting but would have to improve his baserunning. Knepper was thrown out trying to stretch a seventh inning single into a double.

Guerrero was the only Dodger to hit consistently against Knepper. He collected singles in the second and fifth innings and in the eighth flew out to leftfielder Jose Cruz on the warning track in foul territory.

"He was getting a good combination," Guerrero said. "We had only two or three guys that hit the ball good. His curve was coming on the outside corner. You can't pull that pitch right there. I just let his curve ball go."

Rockets rout error-ridden Kings

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Never in their long history of National Basketball Association playoff games have the Houston Rockets met an opponent as generous with turnovers as Kansas City was Tuesday night.

Twenty-five times the Kings turned the ball over, plus Moses Malone's 29 points, triggered a 97-78 victory that gives the Rockets a 1-0 advantage in the best-of-seven Western Conference finals between the only two sub-.500 teams to make this season's playoffs.

"I didn't think our club was as prepared as it could have been," said Kings Coach Cotton Fitzsimmons. "I think they were a little better prepared than we were. They were aggressive, and caused many of the turnovers. But we made a lot of mistakes. We'll play better next game."

Malone, held to just 10 points in the first half, unleashed a 19-point effort after intermission and triggered a third quarter surge to put the Rockets in

control. Houston took charge for good with a 16-8 run at the start of the fourth period that turned a 70-63 lead into an 86-71 bulge.

"I got more aggressive with the ball in the second half," said Malone. "I started going to the offensive boards and that opened up a lot of opportunities for me."

Game two of the series is tonight in Kansas City.

"It was a very important win," said Malone. "It's up to them to win tomorrow (tonight). We're going to come back here and play the same way."

The Kings pulled a surprise move by starting point guard Phil Ford, who had not played since he suffered an eye injury Feb. 22. But although the Rockets admitted they were caught off guard, Ford was obviously rusty, winding up with only five points and committing five of the turnovers.

"I was hoping we'd get some cheap buckets early in the game, and then walk it down," said Fitzsimmons. "It really came down to some carelessness on our part."

said Fitzsimmons.

Forward Robert Reid, who scored 19 points for the Rockets, credited Houston's pressure defense with throwing the Kings out of rhythm.

"We never did let up on the pressure," he said. "Phoenix let Ernie (Grunfeld), Sam (Lacey) and Scotty (Wedman) shoot the ball, and those guys can flat-out shoot. We pressured the ball and made them use the clock."

Grunfeld wound up with 20 points while Wedman had 19 and Lacey six.

"Now we have a little bit of breathing room," added Reid. "But this game is over and we have to come out more aggressive than we did tonight."

The victory pushed the Rockets, who finished with the same 40-42 regular season as the Kings, over the break-even mark for the first time this year.

"Two months ago, who would have thought we would have been in the playoffs?" said Reid. "This win gives us the psychological edge."

SPORTS

Red Sox drill Rangers with 15-hit attack

BOSTON (AP) — Little Fenway Park, with its short left field wall a menacing monster to pitchers, generally is regarded as a burial ground for most left-handers, but John Tudor is an exception.

Backed by a 15-hit attack, which included six doubles and one triple, Tudor extended his Fenway mastery with a route-going performance in his 1981 debut Tuesday as the Boston Red Sox whipped the Texas Rangers 10-4 before 13,233 hardy fans who braved windy, 41-degree weather.

The 27-year-old Tudor, who grew up a few miles north of the ballpark, boosted his hometown record to 7-1, in an over-all 10-7 major league mark, while allowing nine hits, three of the infield variety. One Texas run was unearned and two others came as a result of walks.

"I surprised myself by going nine (innings) because I hadn't pitched in a game since just before we left Florida two weeks ago," Tudor said.

"In this ball park, a left-hander has to be either a ground ball pitcher or a strikeout pitcher," Boston Manager Ralph Houk said. "Tudor is a low-ball pitcher. He moves the ball around and it's hard to get it up in the air for distance when he hits his spots."

"He had good stuff and his fast ball moved pretty good," Boston catcher Gary Alenson said. "When he gets it in on right-handers, it's

real tough. And the way he kind of slings the ball, it's real tough on lefties."

"I don't want to take anything away from Tudor, but I saw Bill Lee win 17 games two years in a row while I was here," said Texas Manager Don Zimmer, fired by the Red Sox last fall. "At this time of year, left-handers have a better chance because of the way the wind blows."

"I had Tudor late in 1979 and for more than three months here last year. I've seen him go the distance here. Maybe though, he's better in this kind of weather. Some pitchers like cold weather. Some melt in hot weather."

The Red Sox unloaded against former teammate Fergie Jenkins, Steve Comer and Charlie Hough for their third straight victory and fifth in the last six games as Tudor lowered the Boston pitching staff's home earned run average to 2.33 in six games.

"The balls were seeing-eye hits up the middle," said Jenkins, 1-1, after allowing six runs and eight hits in less than six innings. "Some you get, some you don't. They just got the hits that found spots. There's not much you can do when that happens."

The Red Sox named right-hander Dennis Eckersley, 1-0, to try for a sweep of a three-game series today. The Rangers planned to counter with Danny Darwin, loser of his first two decisions.

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Oliver dh	4 0 2 2	Yastrak dh	4 0 2 3
Sheil 2b	4 0 1 0	Rice lf	4 1 2 0
Ellis lb	4 0 1 0	Perez lb	4 1 1 0
Sundbrg c	4 1 1 0	Lanstrfd 3b	4 1 2 0
Roberts rf	3 1 0 0	Alenson c	4 2 1 1
Sample lf	4 0 2 0	Hoffman ss	4 0 1 1
Mendoza ss	3 0 0 0	Miller cf	4 2 1 0
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They expected freedom

Cuban criminals not wanted here

EDITOR'S NOTE: Fidel Castro freed Cuba's prison inmates freedom last year if they would take the "Freedom Flotilla" to America. A year later, the hard core of these confessed criminals is being held in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta where AP Special Correspondent Peter Arnett visited cells and interviewed inmates.

By PETER ARNETT
AP Special Correspondent

ATLANTA (AP) — They came expecting freedom in America. But they weren't welcome and have been told they can't stay. Now, amid violence and legal skirmishing, nearly 800 confessed Cuban felons patiently wait in their cells for officials to make the next move.

"Whenever the rumor gets around that we're shipping them home, they get very unsettled," said William Noonan, deputy warden of the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary, home to these unwanted Cubans.

Two knifings occurred on a day this porter visited, a "not unusual opening," said Noonan. The prisoners came to the United States a year ago after President Fidel Castro swung open Cuba's prison doors to let criminals who wished to leave his Caribbean island join the "Freedom Flotilla."

About 19,000 inmates made the 1,000-mile trip to Florida, and many were released because their crimes were viewed as political. But nearly 800 were disappointed in their quest — incarcerated, most of them, inside the brick stone walls of the Atlanta prison. Cuba has refused to discuss the turn of any of them.

"Who gets out and who stays in?" M. Treminsky, director of immigration processing at the prison, asked rhetorically.

"Some we never want to see on the streets," he said. "But then, there are others we feel should be out but who will probably never get sponsored. It is a continuing dilemma."

Thirty-one of the Cubans have confessed to murder or attempted murder. Others have admitted to crimes from rape to theft.

But as the near-certainty of deportation rulings become apparent,

many of the inmates are recanting their earlier confessions and seeking help from public defenders and civil rights groups.

One of these is Hector Zulueta Menocal, 24. "I was never a delinquent," he insisted in an interview, explaining that he had received a 14-year sentence in Cuba for stealing two pairs of pants and two shirts "that I truly needed for my family."

Zulueta has been sponsored by relatives but has not been allowed to leave.

Another man served 10 years in a Cuban prison for a 1950 murder. He had been free for 20 years, but has spent the past 10 months in the Atlanta prison.

"We have approved this man for sponsorship because we feel he has paid his price to society," said Robert McCarthy of the U.S. Catholic Conference, the only sponsoring agency at the prison. "But the authorities will not let him go."

Program director, Gerry Wynne, said the Catholic Conference's first priority "is getting the Cubans out of the Atlanta slammer." But no one is being freed simply because he's being held in jail.

"We won't touch the serious cases," Wynne said.

Deciding between the "good" and "bad" Cubans is a major problem for U.S. officials, who must decide whether they should be permitted to go out into American society while awaiting deportation. Virtually all those confessing to crimes of "moral turpitude" are routinely receiving deportation orders, but enforcing the orders could take years.

"We have no paper at all from Cuba on these people, only their confessions," said Treminsky, the prison's top immigration officer. "The seriousness of a crime is much like beauty, it's in the eye of the beholder."

To behold the Cubans in the Atlanta "slammer" is to enter a sobering world of iron bars, clanging steel doors, shouted orders and crowded cells. The 80-year-old prison, built with rock from Georgia's Stone Mountain, was scheduled to close soon because it is outdated. The installation has now been

almost entirely devoted to the Cubans and will remain open indefinitely.

The prisoners in "A" block are living eight to a cell, twice the number intended when the jail was built. The Atlanta Legal Aid Society has filed suits, including inadequate medical conditions and ill treatment by guards.

"There may be bad people there, but there are also good people and they should be protected," said Legal Aid lawyer Myron Kramer.

Asked to comment on the charges, deputy warden Noonan responded, "You've seen the cells, you tell me if they are crowded." He insisted that his guards "don't use rifle butts like they do in Cuban prisons" to enforce discipline, but that "we are not soft and expect them to obey the rules."

In an interview, inmate Zulueta said that while he personally had no complaints, "the others that do complain have reason." Particularly feared, he said, was solitary confinement, the only part of the prison off-limits to visiting reporters. Noonan said the worst disciplinary cases were held there.

Prison officials said their biggest initial problem was vast cultural differences. "The Cubans beat on the cell bars to make mariachi music. They sing a lot, and yell to each other across the cell blocks," said Noonan. "And they are mercurial in behavior, wanting to fight you one moment, then be your friend. In general they seem flexible and good-natured."

The first group of Cuban prisoners in Atlanta flushed the toilets for drinking water because they had never seen them before.

"And many fought over their first meals because they thought it might be their last. Food had to be scrounged back in Cuba's jails," Noonan said. Now the Cubans eat seven pounds of food each day, nearly two pounds more than an American prisoner. The emphasis is on rice and beans.

The guards also had to adjust to the Cubans' habit of carrying knives. "They'll make a stabbing implement out of anything," said Noonan. "A soft metal cardholder, copper tubing off a sink, even a sharpened toothbrush."

Foiled by greed and ignorance

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — It was a simple scheme: rig the Pennsylvania Lottery drawing so a few people could get rich quick and nobody would be the wiser. It was a little too simple. No one got rich, and eight people found themselves facing an array of criminal charges. The fatal flaws, investigators say, were ignorance of the lottery system's intricacies — and greed.

After several months' investigation, a state grand jury accused the eight of rigging the April 24, 1980, Daily Number drawing at WTAE-TV in Pittsburgh.

Now, six of them plan to testify for the state. The other two, former television emcee Nick Perry and Edward Plevel, the suspended Lottery Bureau district manager, face a Common Pleas Court trial next month.

The grand jury concluded that Perry, who was host of the nightly drawing, was the mastermind. Plevel the inside man, in a scheme which resulted in a record \$3.5 million payout when the number 6-6-6 popped up on pingpong balls used in the drawing.

They are charged with theft by deception, rigging a publicly exhibited contest, criminal mischief, criminal conspiracy and perjury. Plevel also is charged with unsworn falsification.

Investigators say if betting had been limited to about \$100,000 every six months, the scheme might have gone undetected. But somewhere along the line, the grand jury says, Perry issued the order to "bet heavy."

The grand jury said Peter Maragos, his brother, James, and James' wife, Jean, bought more than 10,000 Lottery tickets of various combinations of "4" and "6" at least a dozen locations. Another brother, Jack Maragos, also bought winning tickets, the panel said.

So many tickets were bought, the grand jury said, that people were paid to cash partial lots of the \$1.2 million in winning tickets.

During one court appearance, Peter Maragos testified he borrowed \$32,000 from a bank to buy tickets. Peter and Jack Maragos and Perry were business partners in a food vending business.

Peter Maragos also testified that he and Perry discussed the scheme over the telephone and at the church they both attend. He said after the drawing, he delivered a total of \$35,000 to Perry at two meetings — one at a cemetery and the other behind a shopping center.

Investigators say the accused were apparently unaware the Lottery Bureau's computer system recorded the sales for that day — revealing unusually heavy betting patterns on the numbers "4" and "6" in the Philadelphia area.

As the evidence mounted, the four Maragos family members agreed in December to be state witnesses — giving the prosecution its first inside look at the alleged conspiracy.

In return for their testimony, Peter and Jack Maragos pleaded guilty to reduced charges in the hope of gaining five-year probationary sentences. Under a similar agreement, charges against James and Jean Maragos would be dropped after they testify for the state.

Part of the agreement involved the Maragos family making restitution, and officials say they have recovered more than \$700,000 in cash and unredeemed winning tickets.

In addition, Joseph Bock and Frederick Luman, two former television stagehands implicated by the grand jury, decided in March to join the Maragos family as state witnesses in an effort to get lighter sentences.

At his January preliminary hearing, Bock testified he weighted the bogus pingpong balls, except those numbered "4" and "6", by injecting them with white latex paint. He said he affixed store-bought numbers and letters to make them look like the official balls.

Bock testified he brought the bogus balls to the television station in a brown paper bag and minutes after the drawing burned them in an old paint can in his shop.

The grand jury said it was Luman who actually switched the balls in the drawing machines — three glass boxes containing numbered balls that dance on a current of air. When a small door is opened at the top of the box, one ball is sucked into a trap, thus producing one digit of the winning combination.

A year after the scandal broke, lottery officials say the legal betting business is better than ever in Pennsylvania. Lottery Bureau Director Lynn Nelson estimates gross sales for the fiscal year ending June 30 will be at least \$430 million. The Daily Number drawing, one of four lottery games conducted by the state, accounts for about 70 percent of the gross revenue, he said.

Regents committee studying pay hike recommendations

HOUSTON (AP) — A University of Houston regents committee is studying recommendations that teaching assistants receive higher pay and fringe benefits.

Joel Cummings, chairman of the academic committee, said the group will submit a report to the full board.

Under study are suggestions by Central Campus Chancellor Barry Munitz that graduate student teachers receive a minimum of \$500 a month if the Legislature appropriates necessary funds.

About 200 teaching assistants participated in sickouts in February and March while protesting minimum salaries of about \$350 a month. They have been seeking an \$850 minimum. Munitz also has suggested teaching assistants receive insurance coverage, faculty identification cards, parking stickers, library privileges and bookstore discounts.

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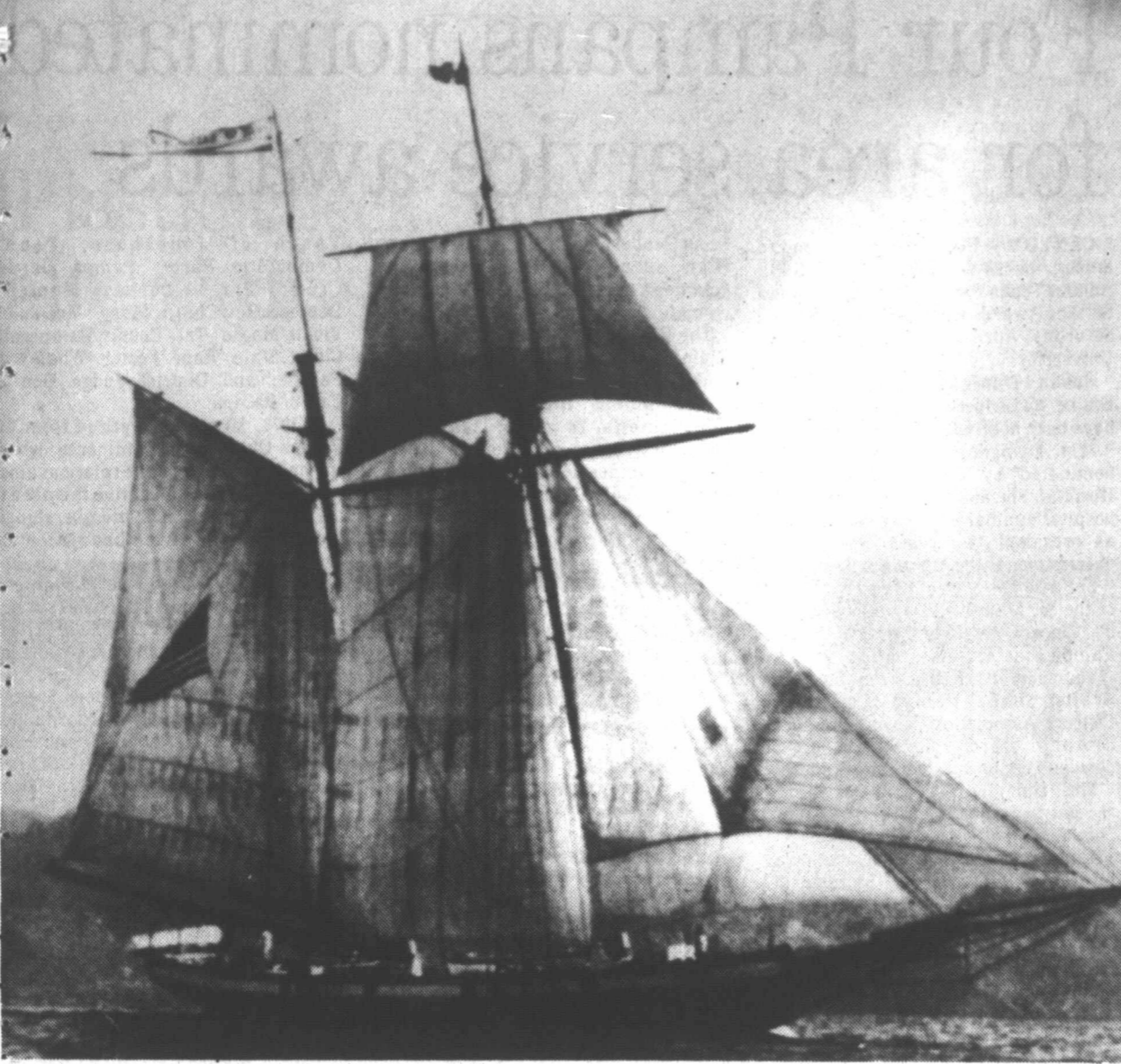
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By JULES LOH
AP Special Correspondent
MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Armin Elsaesser breezed in the other day, looking smug. No wonder. Name another so lucky as to pursue, not the study of history, but the practice of it.

Elsaesser is captain of a sailing ship, the *Pride of Baltimore*, a topsail schooner right out of the 19th century.

"Wait," Elsaesser said. "The *Pride* is not some museum relic. This ship was launched just four years ago. But it is authentic. It is as authentic a Baltimore clipper as any launched in the early 1800s, the heyday of those beauties."

And "beauty" is the correct word: jet black hull 90 feet long, twin masts raked back jauntily, supporting 10 white sails of honest canvas, bowsprit pointing the way like an uptilted lance.

Knifing through a friendly sea, the *Pride of Baltimore* appears on the verge of taking flight.

It was a different story, however, last

Sunday morning. But then the sea was anything but friendly.

After leaving the port of Mobile, the *Pride* ran into gale force headwinds and 12-foot seas. Its jib boom dipped into a swell and snapped. The foretopmast tumbled backward into the rigging.

Capt. Elsaesser, a seafaring man, brought his ship into Key West, Fla., describing the damage as moderate, then sailed to Miami. He now is on his way to a repair yard on Chesapeake Bay.

"It's a strong and sea-kindly ship," the captain said. "The ultimate schooner. I have every confidence in the *Pride* no matter what conditions I meet. She'll come through."

The *Pride's* purpose is to sail the waters of North America calling attention to itself, which it does as effortlessly as any shapely lady in black, and thereby call attention to the rightful pride of every Baltimorean, the new look of their harbor and dockside.

"The *Pride*," its captain said proudly, "is a symbolic link between an

energetic present and a rich nautical past."

So, in a sense, is Armin Elsaesser. He is a taciturn man; the calm during the storm. He is 36. His eyes are the color of the sky sailors pray for, cobalt blue. Sun and spray have bleached his sandy beard and bronzed his sinewy arms.

"I am just not taken by modern life ashore: cars, TV, movies, a life that involves being entertained all the time."

"Sailing involves what I call primary experiences, situations that demand something of a person. When you sail a ship you have a feeling of accomplishment. I like the feeling."

For that reason, Elsaesser 10 years ago gave up a business (building wooden boats) to be a full-time sailor.

"After this voyage I will sit for my license as Master of Ocean Sail. Not many sailors have that rating, which is the highest." He shrugged. "Of course, there aren't many large sailing vessels left, either."

To a renaissance man, that is a pity.

'Winged go-cart:' latest air craze

By ANN JOHNSON
Phoenix Gazette
PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — The popularity of hang gliding is soaring sky high these days, but the latest craze for what some call the craziest flight.

The way some see it, pilots who hang from fragile crafts in flying off high cliffs into devil winds must eventually take the plunge. Gusty winds and unforgiving gravity combine in deadly ratio all too often. And the limbs of would-be man-birds are smashed on the rocks of inexperience or poor equipment or plain bad luck.

But many a soaring enthusiast is discovering that engine-powered flight improves the pilot's odds.

When the small motor of a microlight aircraft — first cousin of the hang glider — revs into flight speed and the multi-hued wings lift skyward into the sun, the threat of death or injury may sit less heavily on one's shoulders.

Experts say the pilot has little to fear beyond a bit of engine trouble or inclement weather, or another microlight.

Airborne collisions pose a real threat to the pilots of small craft as they do to those who fly big metal birds, the experts say. And they say the possibility of collision is greater for hang-glider pilots, who must of necessity congregate where the updrafts are, than for microlight pilots, who can fly nearly anywhere.

But two Tucson pilots were seriously injured recently when their motorized craft collided 100 feet above residential backyards and crashed. And a former Tucsonian died recently in a microlight crash in Montana.

"Such accidents could ground the sport. And such accidents," says Lucky Campbell, vice president of the United States Hang Gliding Association, could be

stopped with proper flight education.

"Flying (micros or ultralights) isn't dangerous," Campbell says. "Flying into another airplane is."

Campbell has been in the business of flying and selling hang gliders and microlights since the sport took flight some eight years ago. The biggest threats to safety, he says, are "fly-by-night salespeople."

"They sell this equipment by mail order," he says. "It's sold on street corners. You can ask what alloy they're using and they don't know how to spell it. Ask them how long they've been flying and they've never flown. It could be ruinous to the industry."

Campbell maintains the microlight airplane is the safest thing in the air — "a go-cart with wings," he calls it. He says that when quality equipment is coupled with good instruction, there will nearly always be a safe landing — "nearly" because

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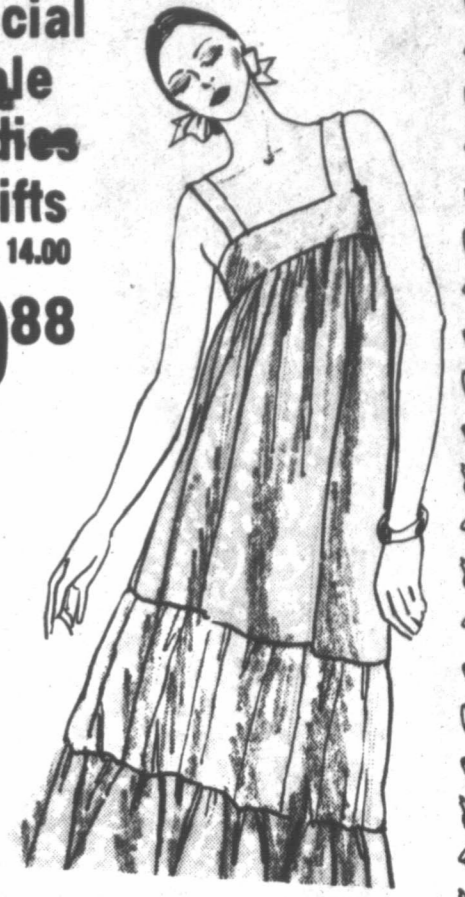


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DOOR-TO-DOOR. Ann Tripplehorn, left, of the Gray County chapter of the American Cancer Society, accepts a donation from Mrs. R. Morris of 1600 Evergreen. The society's annual crusade began April 10 with a business drive, and the door-to-door crusade will be April 26-28. A bike-a-thon is planned for May 2. The chapter's goal this year is \$15,000.

(Staff Photo by Skyler Chapman)

Club News

COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION

Mrs. W. L. Hallerberg, membership drive chairman, announced that 1981-82 membership was sold out, at a recent meeting of the Pampa Community Concert Association board of directors.

Mrs. Hallerberg recognized the almost 168 workers who assisted with the drive by contacting previous and new members.

Mrs. Connie McDaniel sold the most memberships and Mrs. C. B. Hawkins sold the most new memberships during the drive which ended April 11.

Membership cards will be mailed to all members in the fall. The first concert will be the Romanian Folk Festival, a company of 50 artists, on Oct. 25 at M. K. Brown Auditorium.

PAMPA GARDEN CLUB

Members of the Pampa Garden Club met recently in the Flame Room of Energas.

Mrs. Ruth Heedson was hostess.

The program, given by Mrs. Jane Gattis, was on "The Remarkable Life of the Bee and Other Insects That Help."

The next meeting will be May 4 in the home of Mrs. Lois Boynton, and will include a tour of her yard.

PROGRESSIVE HOME EXTENSION CLUB

The Progressive Home Extension Club met recently in the home of Mrs. Betty King, 1608 N. Sumner, with 10 members attending.

Members worked on decorations for the upcoming council meeting.

Four Pampans nominated for area service awards

CANYON — Four Pampa women are among the 98 nominees for the Sixth Annual Texas Panhandle Distinguished Service Awards which will be presented Saturday, April 25 at West Texas State University.

Susan Dunigan, Marge Holland, Elaine W. Ledbetter and Georgia Mack have been nominated from Pampa.

Mrs. Dunigan, of 1801 Charles, was nominated by Coronado Community Hospital. She has been a member of the hospital auxiliary for 12 years, serving as president two years. She is co-chairperson of the junior auxiliary.

She also has been active as a member of the St. Matthews Day School board, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa Fine Arts Association board, co-chairperson of the Fine Arts and Crafts Show, Pampa Community Concert Association, Lovett Memorial Library board and Pampa Junior Service League president for 12 years.

Mrs. Dunigan is a volunteer with the reading program at Austin Elementary School.

Marge Holland has been nominated by the Pampa Study Homemakers Extension Club.

Mrs. Holland, of 1412 Hamilton, is a registered nurse with the Texas Department of Health and is in charge of the Pampa satellite office. She is responsible for programs concerning crippled children, tuberculosis, venereal disease, blood pressure, cancer, maternal and child health and immunizations.

She is nursing chairperson of the Pampa board of the American Red Cross, a board member of the Pampa Community Day Care Center, board member of the American Cancer Society, member of the Texas Nursing Association and American Nursing Association and Pampa First United Methodist Church.

Her other activities include Cub Scout den mother, Brownie and Junior Girl

Scout leader, member of the Pampa High School Band Boosters and volunteer nurse at Girl Scout summer camps.

The El Progresso Club has nominated Elaine W. Ledbetter of 1611 Grape.

Mrs. Ledbetter, who retired as head of the Pampa High School science department in 1980, teaches a chemistry course at Clarendon College Pampa campus and is a photographer, poet, textbook author and writer. She has been president of the Texas Science Teachers Association, secretary of the National Science Teachers Association, delegate to the Association of Science Educators in England, and a member of the American Chemical Society and American Association for Advancement of Science.

Her awards include Outstanding Chemistry Teacher in Texas, Texas Teacher of the Year, Look Magazine National Teacher Honor Roll, co-winner of the Gustav Chaus National Science Teachers Award, and was one of two teachers in the United States to be presented the National Science Teachers Association Distinguished Service Citation for Science Education.

She has published two books of poetry illustrated with her own photographs, and has co-authored three science textbooks. She currently writes "Frontiers of Achievement," a series of articles in the Pampa Daily News. She was honored as Pampa Woman of the Year in 1969 and is a member of the Methodist church.

Georgia Mack of 700 E. 16th has been nominated by 16 individuals and organizations.

Nominating her are Dr. Bill R. Boswell, pastor of First Christian Church; Rho Eta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority; U.S. Rep. Jack Hightower of Vernon; Salvation Army; State Sen. Bill Sarpalius of Hereford; Warren Hasse of KPDR radio; Pampa Chamber of Commerce; Aaron P.

Veach of Jonesboro, Tenn.; Democratic Party; Pampa Garden Club; Tri-County Women's Democratic Club; Mary McDaniel; Vickie Moose; Tri-County Democratic Club; State Rep. Foster Whaley of Pampa; and District Judge Don E. Cain of Pampa.

In 1976, Mrs. Mack retired from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, where she had worked in public relations since 1957. She remains an active member of the chamber and has membership in the chamber civic beautification committee.

She was awarded the Governor's Award for outstanding personal service as a Texas volunteer in 1980 by Texas Gov. Bill Clements for her volunteer efforts with Parent Teacher Association, American Cancer Society board, multiple sclerosis coordinator for Gray County, Kidney Foundation, United Fund, Mother's March chairperson for the National Foundation of the March of Dimes, Salvation Army board and Red Cross Gray Lady.

She has been a member of First Christian Church since 1934, and is a member of Pampa Garden Club. Her involvement with politics has included charter membership in the Tri-County Democratic Club, and Gray County precinct chairperson since 1962.

Mrs. Mack is a member of the Pampa Council of Women's Clubs and Varietas Study Club. She was selected as Pampa Woman of the Year by the Beta Sigma Phi sorority chapters in 1965 and maintains an honorary life membership.

Her other civic projects include planting flowers each spring at the post office and in each Pampa park.

Ten recipients of the Distinguished Service Award will be chosen in professional and career fields, civic service and education in the 32-county Texas Panhandle.

Dear Abby

Bowlegged teen self-conscious

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I've never seen my problem mentioned in your column. I'm bowlegged. I am 18 and not a bad-looking guy, but there's a separation of about five inches between my knees when I stand up straight.

I am so self-conscious about this that I'm afraid to ask a girl for a date. My parents tell me not to worry about it, but I can't help feeling inferior and deformed. I even went to a doctor and asked him if something could be done, and he just laughed at me.

Abby, do you know of any bone specialist who could break my legs and reset them? Or maybe put my legs in braces to straighten them out? Or am I too old for that? I would do just about anything to have straight legs like other guys.

Please don't tell me to thank God that I can walk. (Everybody tells me that.) I am praying that you won't let me down.

BOWLEGGED AND MISERABLE

DEAR BOWLEGGED: You have a problem that is far more serious than bowed legs. It's the way you perceive yourself. Please see a psychologist or psychiatrist. He (or she) will not laugh at you. Your thinking, not your legs, needs straightening out. In the meantime, consider this "prayer":

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

DEAR ABBY: How does a person get a letter to you? Our

newspaper never prints your address. Also, do I have to sign my name in order to be answered in your column?

WONDERING IN HONG KONG

DEAR WONDERING: Write to ABBY, 132 Lasky Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. And you need not sign your name. Because column space is limited, obviously every letter will not appear in print.

DEAR ABBY: I loved your answer to the Minneapolis man who was embarrassed by the loud laughter of his ladyfriend whenever they went to a comedy. (You said, "Heartily explosive laughter is characteristic of an uninhibited, outgoing personality — a healthy plus.")

For 25 years, my sister-in-law told me to "hold it down" every time I laughed in public. Even when others around us were laughing more loudly than I, I was told to "tone down" or "be quiet." (Sometimes she wasn't that polite.) It put a damper on my spirits and spoiled my fun, so as much as I like this sister-in-law, I have quit going places with her.

I can't help how I laugh. People have told me I sound like Phyllis Diller. Well, I take that as a compliment, as she seems to be a lady who enjoys life to the fullest and isn't afraid to be herself.

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'Plastic check' provides alternative to cash, credit

By LOUISE COOK
Associated Press Writer

A growing number of Americans are paying for their purchases with a new kind of money called the debit card — a sort of "plastic check" which provides an alternative to cash or credit.

The most widespread debit cards are the ones from Visa and MasterCard. They are used in conjunction with computer terminals. When a customer makes a purchase and pays for it with a debit card, the money is automatically transferred from his or her bank account to the merchant's. Charges for the service vary from bank to bank.

The Visa debit card was introduced five years ago, but the real growth did not occur until 1980. "The time (for the debit card) has come," said Cynthia Chaddick of Visa.

Ms. Chaddick said there were several reasons for the recent success of the debit card. "People are being more prudent with their financial resources," she said. They want to avoid interest charges for credit purchases, but they do not want to carry lots

of cash or face the inconvenience that may accompany the use of checks.

As of the end of last year, Ms. Chaddick said, there were 1.4 million holders of Visa debit cards issued by 193 banks. She said the company expects the number of issuers to double this year.

The MasterCard II — the debit card companion to the MasterCard credit card — made its appearance late last year. A spokesman for MasterCard said 42 financial institutions now issuing the debit card and added, "They're piling up so fast that it's hard to keep an accurate count," said the spokesman who asked that his name not be used because he works for the public relations company which represents MasterCard rather than for MasterCard itself.

Debit cards already have been a success with depositors at the Wilmington (Del.) Savings Fund Society.

The society first offered debit cards — unconnected with either Visa or MasterCard — in 1972. Customers who use the cards for purchases at participating merchants get a bonus: 2 percent of

the value of their purchases is deposited in their savings account each month.

William Robinson, senior vice president of the society, said 45,000 of the bank's 53,000 depositors have the type of account with which they get a debit card. Half of the debit card holders use their cards at least once every month, he said, adding that retail purchases on the debit cards in Delaware in 1980 added up to almost \$50 million.

Are the cards popular? "Very much so," said Robinson. He said the number of transactions has grown by 75 percent a year since 1975.

One possible drawback to the debit cards for consumers is the loss of the "float" that occurs when you make a purchase, write a check, then run to the bank the next day to make a deposit. The computer terminals have the potential for instantaneous deductions, although in practice there is still a time lag in most cases.

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OLD LADY IN San Salvador was willing mug for the camera but had to be convinced her cigar was part of her charm. Grinning women sell Pepsi Cola and candy, kids sit in the streets picking lice from each other's hair, and men and their machetes are at hard labor in the fields.

Despite the civil strife

Still some hope in El Salvador

By Tom Tiede

SAN SALVADOR (NEA) — There was a time when a good lot of Americans traveled through El Salvador. The Pan American Highway runs the length of the tiny country, out of Guatemala and on toward Nicaragua, and U.S. tourists used to motor the sleepy banana republic with regularity.

But El Salvador isn't sleepy anymore. It is engaged in a desperate war with itself, a conflict where even the civilians die at a rate of 1,000 a month, and so it was that when I arrived at the roadway border the other morning I was greeted with a curiosity that turned quickly into disbelief.

"You're driving into Salvador?" an officer asked. "Right." "Alone?" "Yes."

"May I say that you are a fool?" And he wasn't the only one to think so. Correspondents in Mexico City told me earlier that the trip was unwise, and the U.S. Embassy in Guatemala indicated it could be suicidal. An immigration agent at the border said if I was caught by the guerrillas "they will take your money, your life, or both."

Only the evening before, the agent said, guerrillas were sighted in several close villages, a few miles from the road. And in January, during a nationwide offensive, the rebels had attacked Santa Ana, directly on the highway, and were known to keep irregular forces in and about that city.

And yet there were factors on my side as well. For one thing, the bulk of the war had shifted to areas somewhat removed from where I would travel. And too, the road into the capital here was said to be mostly fine, much of it four lane, and once below Santa Ana it was only an hour to San Salvador.

I left the border point shortly before noon. I confess apprehension. The asphalt ran to a range of small mountains, in a series of tight turns, and it seemed a swell place for an ambush. Then, a few miles into the country, two men stepped onto the highway, one with a rifle, and waved at me to stop.

I had just come off a turn, and the road beyond the men was straight for a quarter mile. I thought at first they

were government sentries, posted to check automobiles for subversives. But they wore no uniforms, not even hats, and I decided to run. I shot past them at 80 mph, almost airborne.

It worked. I blew them off the road, nearly hitting one, even though I had no assurance they meant me any harm. They might have been off-duty regulars, hitchhiking. Or maybe they were field hands, and the rifle I had seen was an imagination. At any rate, I drove at high speed thereafter.

That scare apart, however, the race to the capital was uneventful, even reassuring. Despite the civil strife that has torn the nation asunder, El Salvador retains evidence of moderation and normality. Commerce continues, the stalls in the villages are open, and most of the people carry on.

I heard some shots near Candelaria de la Frontera, and saw distant smoke on occasion, but the country is by no means a fortress. Grinning women sell Pepsi Cola and hard candy, kids sit in the streets picking lice from each other's hair, and the men and their machetes are at hard labor in the fields.

The machete is the national implement in El Salvador, as it is throughout Latin America. It cuts the cane and the bananas, and it curbs the procession of the jungle. It also cuts through political ideologies, unhappily, right-wing "death squads" here often hack their opponents to death.

But the machetes I saw on the way in were decidedly non-violent. And the people along the way seemed the same. Women walked aside the road with baggage balanced on their heads, and children dragged bundles of firewood. The only real risk was negotiating space through the cattle on the road.

This isn't to suggest that it's merely business as usual in El Salvador. During subsequent trips around the nation I've seen much of the tensions. Just after I arrived in San Salvador, for example, leftists tossed a bomb into a crowd and blew bits of one woman to the top of a building.

But for all of this, and the cruel slaughter that fosters refugees and widows, one can still cross the border safely in a car. El Salvador is not closed down, life thrives, and that means there is middle ground in the madness, as

History is thorny

The Republic of El Salvador, a nation the size of New Jersey, has a thorny history of political and civil upheaval. Declared independent from Spain in 1821, Salvadorans resisted inclusion in a state formed by the other provinces of this region and went to war with Mexico for autonomy.

Fearing defeat, El Salvador turned to the United States for an unusual form of assistance. It petitioned for statehood. In 1823, however, Mexico underwent a revolution, and the new Mexican Congress voted to allow Central American provinces the right to decide their own fates.

Today, after numerous other skirmishes, El Salvador is the most densely populated nation in the Americas. Its 5 million people are squeezed into 8,260 square miles, or more than 550 to the square mile. Most of the residents are rural; the largest city, San Salvador, has 450,000 inhabitants.

As in most Central American countries, El Salvador is characterized by volcanic as well as political eruptions. A line of the young mountains parallels the Pacific Coast, and, despite the present unrest, natives still turn out after dark to watch the geysers and the lava flows.

Wheat, barley acres report

Reports from Gray County farmers on their planted wheat and barley acres are now being accepted by the Gray County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office, according to Evelyn Mason, county executive director.

With no set-aside requirements or normal crop acreage limitations, all farmers who file an accurate acreage report will be eligible for program benefits, Mason said. Deadline for filing of the wheat and barley acreage reports is May 15. Mason said reports must be accurate, if it is not correct and the acreage is spot-checked the farmer may have trouble in trying to qualify for deficiency and disaster payments.

ASCS will randomly check farms to verify that acreage reports are accurate and also make aerial photographs available for farmers to identify their fields. Any farmer who does not wish to measure his acreage can request ASCS measurement service. A small fee is charged for this service, Mason said.

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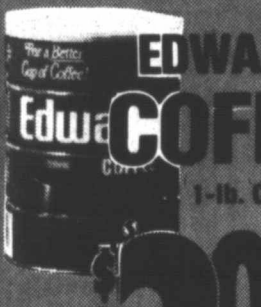
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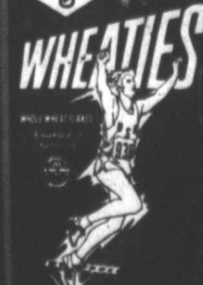
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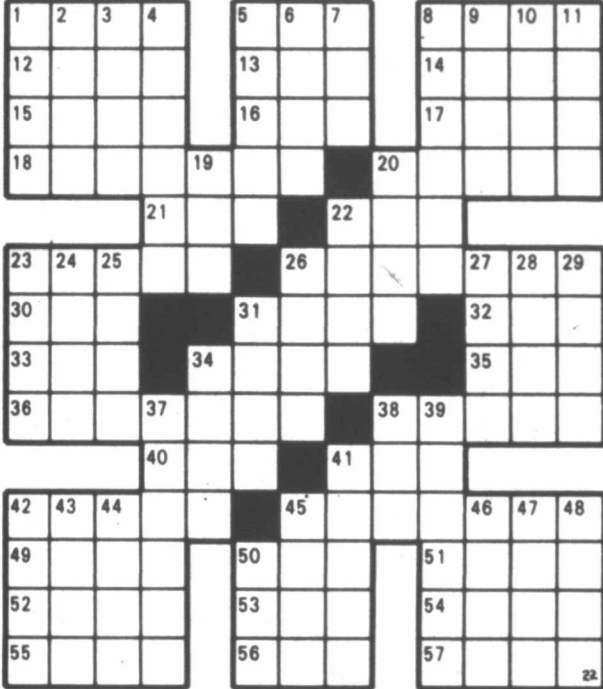
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22 Large antelope
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26 Consecrated
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41 Accounting agency (abbr.)

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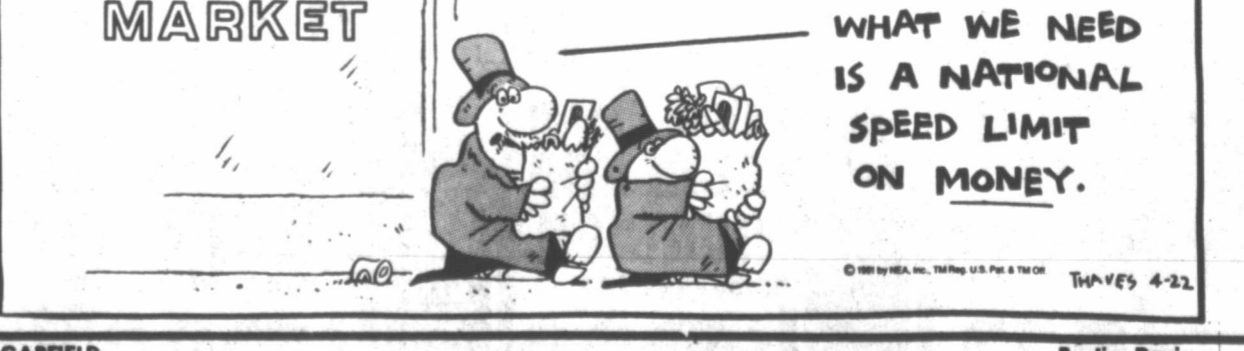
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April 23, 1981

There's a possibility that you will take on greater responsibilities and duties this coming year. Accept that which is handed you cheerfully, because the rewards will be commensurate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Utilize your hunches today along with your common sense in business or commercial situations. Properly used, your logic and intuition spell profit. Romance, travel, luck, resources, possible pitfalls and career for the coming months are all discussed in your Astro-Graph which begins with your birthday. Mail \$1 for each to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth date.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You're very capable today in dealing with difficult persons or situations. You're able to understand that which they find objectionable and smooth things over.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your ambitions can be fulfilled today, but it may require a little extra push. You must operate at full throttle in order to get what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Persons in your charge today won't have any doubts as to who is the boss, yet they'll respect you for the just way you handle conflict and complications.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Give financial and business matters top priority today. It's to your advantage to attend to them now. Delays could lessen their benefits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Strain and tensions can be avoided in important relationships today by being cooperative, not demanding. Give a little now and you'll get a lot later.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Possibilities for adding to your resources could come through several channels today. The largest return might be from someone you shared with in the past.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be optimistic today, but also be prepared to work hard so that you can make your dreams a reality. Mere wishful thinking isn't enough.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) The key to success today is to try to do things which will benefit others as much as they'll benefit you. Put their needs on a par with yours.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you are seeking advice today about a matter which concerns you, go to more than one source for counsel. Diverse opinions may be needed.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You're likely to be luckier than usual today in career and financial matters. You'll have to root around a bit, however, to uncover opportunities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be a good listener today. You have the ability to take others' poorly constructed ideas and get the most from them.



By Dave Graue



By Art Sansom



By Charles M. Schultz

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Food, gasoline prices would soar in crisis

By G.G. LABELLE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Food prices could rise 15 percent and gasoline could reach \$3.50 a gallon during a Mideast oil crisis if the National Petroleum Council's recommendations for coping with oil cutoffs are adopted, a farmers' organization says.

"Farmers may be forced to pay these prices ... but they are obviously not the kind of prices that any producer can pay for very long and still hope to stay in business," said Kenneth D. Naden, president of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives.

The prospect of rising food and gasoline prices was just one of several objections raised to the petroleum council's plan, which was turned over last week to Energy Secretary James Edwards.

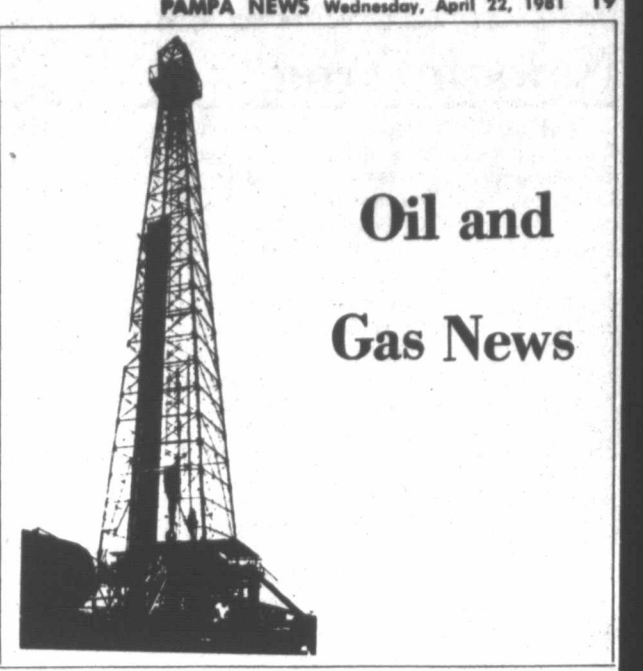
A consumer group said that under the plan a six-month oil shortfall could add \$2,500 to the average family's gasoline bill. The Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers union also said the plan would lead to unrestrained price increases, and two organizations of independent oil refiners criticized the plan as unfair to small refiners.

The National Petroleum Council, an advisory group to the energy secretary, was asked to prepare the emergency recommendations by the Energy Department last June.

The council recommended that the competitive market would set oil prices in the event of a cutoff of 1 million to 2 million barrels a day. If the shortage reached 2 million barrels a day, the council said the government should consider ordering lower speed limits and thermostat settings.

At a shortfall of 2 million to 3 million barrels a day, oil allocation to refiners would go into effect, inventories from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve would be distributed and a standby program for distributing petroleum products "should be available," according to the plan.

The country uses about 16 million barrels of oil daily, and the Arab oil embargo of 1973 resulted in a cutoff estimated at 1.5 million to 2.5 million barrels daily.



Courson appointed to committee

DALLAS — Independent oil men, who will drill more than 80 percent of the expected 70,000 plus oil and gas wells planned in 1981, will have a special committee at the World Oil and Gas Show and Conference in Dallas Dec. 14-17.

Harold D. Courson of Perryton, representing the Panhandle Producers and Royalty Owners Association is among members of this committee, appointed by L. Frank Pitts, president of Pitts Oil Company and chairman of the committee.

Offshore conference set

DALLAS — Scientists and engineers from around the world will hear a panel of internationally known experts discuss "Potential Worldwide Oil and Gas Reserves — Where and How Much?" during the 13th annual Offshore Technology Conference in Houston May 4-7.

The panelists include Lloyd J. Ryman, vice president and general manager of Conoco Inc.'s International Exploration Department; Glenn E. Allen, general manager of exploration and production of Frontier, Cities Service Company; and Richard Nehring, senior analyst for the energy program of the Rand Corporation.

The panelists will present their views on potential worldwide oil and gas reserves, possible location of the reserves and some of the barriers in finding and producing these reserves. A question-and-answer session will follow the discussion.

Oilmen sentenced

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Two Texas oilmen have been sentenced to 14 months in federal prison after pleading guilty earlier this month to charges of illegally increasing crude oil prices.

John T. Troland and David W. Rattliff, both of Abilene, also were fined \$10,000 each in the Thursday hearing before U.S. District Judge James Ellison.

Troland is board chairman and Rattliff is president of West Texas Marketing in Abilene. The men admitted falsifying the certification of 77.500 barrels of crude oil.

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Oil executive questions nation's will to let oil decontrols work

By MAX B. SKELTON
AP Oil Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — H.K. Bowden wonders if there is sufficient national determination, both in government and industry, to permit oil price decontrols to work.

The Conoco Inc. executive said such a question exists despite current record level drilling operations offering proof of positive response to the incentives of decontrol.

"On the government side, there continues to be a plethora of laws, rules and regulations that regulators can invoke almost at will to short-circuit the intent of the decisions made at the top," he said.

"Particularly at some lower levels, there is the clear impression very little has changed."

On the industry side, he added, there are a lot of people who have never known anything but controls during their careers.

"Controls have rewarded mediocrity and created vested interests," he said. "Our industry has lost some of its daring."

The return to the free market, Bowden said, exposes such attitudes and interests to the cold wind of market competition.

"For some companies and some individuals, the impact will be painful. The inefficient will not survive."

Bowden was vice president for Conoco's logistics and downstream planning group until his recent selection as chairman of the firm's marketing subsidiary in the United Kingdom.

He said a rash of refinery closings followed President Reagan's Jan. 28 executive order terminating oil price controls eight months ahead of schedule.

"They include not only small privately owned refineries which were offsprings of federal controls, but also older inefficient refineries of major companies," he said.

"But painful as it is, this rationalization of our industry needs to happen, needs to run its course, to insure a strong,

healthy industry to serve the need of the public efficiently."

History shows, Bowden said, that the inefficient will not pass quietly from the scene.

"They will be working hard to protect themselves from competition while laying claims to the federal till," he said.

"It is clear, therefore, decontrol will not be smooth sailing. Obstacles will be many, he said.

"And I can just hear some government, industry, media, and consumer sector talk about the 'good old days' of controls," Bowden said.

"But those obstacles must be overcome because the free market environment is the only long-term hope to ensure the supplies of energy this nation needs to preserve its economic growth, its security and its position in the world."

Bowden said the United States has an energy crisis despite current surplus gasoline and crude oil inventories.

"Our energy crisis is not one of ultimate availability, but one of lack of control of our national destiny," he said.

The nation, he said, certainly has the energy resources to meet its requirements for many centuries, adding that "what we must do is move ahead on a broad array of alternatives."

"Every effort must be made to let all energy sources compete fully," he said.

Bowden said Americans use more energy per person than any other nation and nearly half that energy is oil, one fourth is natural gas, one fifth is coal, and the remainder is split among nuclear and hydroelectric, geothermal, and miscellaneous small sources.

It is true, he said, consumption is down about 10 percent in the last two years.

"But conservation is only a partial solution and if we are to unlock ourselves from foreign hand, we must look to more domestic production of oil and gas and to other fuels to quench our thirst for energy," Bowden said.

Buyer offers \$30 million for coal fire town

CENTRALIA, Pa. (AP) — A pair of "front people" for an undisclosed buyer say they are prepared to offer \$30 million to this town plagued by an underground coal fire.

At a meeting Monday night to help townspeople decide what to do about the 19-year-old fire burning in abandoned coal tunnels under the town, two Bloomsburg businessmen stepped forward and offered to buy every home for \$40,000 to \$100,000.

Burt Wandell, a real estate agent, and David Linnet, a stove manufacturer, said they were fronting for an unidentified American company wishing to gain the rights to the anthracite under Centralia.

"We will not say who we represent because we do not want to start a bidding war," said Linnet.

RRC calls for Yates Field oil test

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Railroad Commission has authorized a 45-day test to see if the Yates Field can produce 150,000 barrels of oil a day without losing any of the 1.25 billion barrels remaining in the reservoir.

"Every drop of that amount of oil will be critical to U.S. energy supplies for both domestic and military purposes in the future," Commissioner Mack Wallace said Monday.

"In my opinion," he added, "we cannot risk the loss of any of it. The loss of only 1 percent of 1.25 billion barrels of oil means that 12.5 million barrels may be forever unrecovered."

Wallace called the field "one of the last great remaining oil fields in this nation."

The Yates Field — in Pecos County — was discovered in 1926 and has produced more than 784 million barrels of oil.

Wallace said although commission examiners "have done a commendable job, I am not yet convinced that long-term damage to the reservoir can be averted."

The deal would depend on whether the company found sufficient reserves beneath the town of 1,100, Linnet said. It would go forward with the deal if provable reserves of 15 million tons of anthracite are found, he said. The government has estimated there are 7 million to 10 million tons.

Before any homes are bought, the plan must win approval from every property owner in the town, said Wandell. "Our company's interested in buying the entire borough. They don't want half of it."

Besides buying homes, the firm would purchase lots and pay for the construction of a new Centralia in surrounding Conyngham Township, including churches, businesses and community centers.

Wallace said the commission "must be as certain as is reasonably possible that an increase in the MER for the Yates Field will not cause irreparable reservoir damage and deprive this state and the nation of a needed energy source for the long term."

He said a five-day production test in March had not provided sufficient data to support an increase in the MER.

Under Wallace's motion, the commission staff would oversee a 45-day test at 150,000 barrels a day, then return to 125,000 barrels a day, pending a commission decision.

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Going from a job where he fought for corporate disclosure to one that has helped guard the nation's secrets, Sporkin was praised Tuesday by acting SEC Chairman Philip A. Loomis Jr. for contributions to government, investors and the capital markets "beyond calculation" since he took over in 1974.

During Sporkin's tenure, the SEC won 60 injunctions against corporations and prompted 400 more to disclose wrongdoing.

BOSTON (AP) — Guidelines drawn up 13 years ago for determining when someone is brain dead are obsolete and need to be revised, says a member of the medical panel that hammered out the Harvard Criteria.

The guidelines, drawn up after medical advancement in transplant and resuscitation techniques, said brain death is present if there is irreversible coma and certain other signs of unresponsiveness.

However, Dr. William Sweet told a conference here this month that the criteria failed to distinguish between irreversible coma and brain death. Others said spinal cord reflexes persist as long as two weeks after the destruction of the brain.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Present government guidelines and laws covering genetic engineering appear adequate in most cases, a congressional agency advises.

However, "no single statute or combination will cover all foreseeable commercial applications of genetic engineering," the report from the Office of Technology Assessment, two years in preparation, said Tuesday.

Study director Gretchen Kolstrud said some commentators had worried about creating human beings artificially and patenting them for commercial use.

That would be prohibited by the antislavery provisions of the Constitution, she said. But she acknowledged that such protection might not be so clear in the unlikely event someone created useful subhuman lifeforms.

DALLAS (AP) — The Rev. Bailey Smith, who once said God doesn't hear the prayers of Jews, has "almost singlehandedly moved the Southern Baptist Convention to work in greater cooperation with the Anti-Defamation League," says the ADL's Dallas director.

Smith, president of the Baptist group, participated in a Passover Seder at the home of ADL director Mark Briskman and told Jewish leaders Monday he wanted to work with them to eliminate bigotry.

WASHINGTON (AP) — As promised, President Reagan is formally withdrawing a fisheries treaty with Canada and asking the Senate to ratify a companion pact for binding arbitration of a maritime boundary dispute in the Gulf of Maine.

In a White House announcement Tuesday, the president said his request would allow a future fishing agreement "to be based on better known facts."

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A state Capitol cafeteria worker with poor sanitation habits may have been to blame for an outbreak of hepatitis that infected a gubernatorial aide and three lawmakers, health officials say.

The cafeteria likely was the source of the outbreak because "that's the only place where they ate any food in common," said Public Health Commissioner Eugene Powinkle. He urged other lawmakers to take blood tests and get shots, if necessary.

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than \$16 million was spent on the 1980 elections as "independent expenditures" and 82 percent of it came from ideologically conservative political action committees, says one of Ralph Nader's affiliates.

Such expenditures are legal without limit so long as those spending the money do it without any collaboration with the candidates involved.

Using records of the Federal Election Commission, Congress Watch segregated donors by ideology and affiliation. It concluded Tuesday that liberal groups spent only \$118,176, or less than 1 percent, while organizations such as trade associations spent \$1.7 million or 10.4 percent.

COCOA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — An investigation of the condominium collapse that

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'Magician' turns problems into producing wells

DALLAS (AP) — Just as magically as Ray Holifield first drew oil from the enigmatic Austin chalk, the sleepy communities above the fractured limestone have been transformed into a bustling metropolis.

Another Texas oil boom was underway, and Holifield, son of a Missouri sharecropper, was widely acclaimed as the genius behind the prosperity that lessened U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

The Austin chalk, so named because it outcrops near Texas' capital city, had been largely ignored by oilmen because it is somewhat akin to a plastic table top in porosity and permeability. Wells drilled into it came in strong, but the slightest adjustment in equipment or even a shifting wind could cause the wells to stop.

Disgusted wildcatters and major oil companies gave up on the Austin chalk, believing the chalk too unpredictable to invest time and money.

But when Middle East oil first was cut off and demand for domestic oil increased, a few hardy drillers returned to the trend, which runs from Mexico to Florida, to try once again to retrieve its valuable, honey-colored oil.

"Back in the old days, everything was low-priced, so you only went for high volume and high deliverability," said Holifield. "Most of those easy fields have been discovered. So if you want to find much oil and gas today, you've got to go to something that was passed by many, many times before."

In 1975, two oilmen persuaded Holifield, a geologist, to look at a well near Giddings in central Texas that still was spewing after two years — even though it stood smack in the middle of the chalk.

Holifield, who had spent most of the early 1970s searching for oil in fractured reservoirs for various Middle Eastern countries, became convinced similar fracture systems trapped oil near faults in the chalk.

He devised a secret method of interpreting seismic data — sound waves that bounced off various layers of rock when dynamite was set off underground — to pinpoint spots where oil was likely hiding.

Holifield convinced his three major clients to combine his seismic findings with fracturing — a process in which large amounts of water and sand are pumped into a well hole to force oil out of fracture systems clogged with drilling mud and natural debris.

The treasure of the chalk was found. Using Holifield's secret method, the three companies hit oil with nine of 10 wells they drilled. Seven of every 10 became commercial producers. And by the end of 1978, the three owned half of the 150 producing wells in the field.

Although Holifield had kept his findings quiet for fear large companies would gobble up all the oil leases in the seven-county field, the word soon got out and Giddings was transformed into an old-fashioned oil boom town.

By early 1979, the number of operators in the Giddings area had risen from fewer than 30 to more than 100, with oilmen coming from hundreds of miles away to cash in on the boom.

An estimated 7,500 newcomers quadrupled the local population, and lodging became so scarce that people were sleeping in their cars and in tents in the oil fields. One enterprising businessman began converting turned-over oil storage tanks into \$24-a-night motel rooms and another built his own trailer park.

Field laborers who showed up for early breakfast at local grills found employers would compete for their services.

Giddings bank deposits grew by \$1 million a month, but oilmen were not the only ones getting rich. Some property owners became overnight millionaires.

The boom created a new set of problems for the area, however, as crime kept pace with the rising cost of living. In Lee County, the sheriff's department reported a 100 percent increase in cases of disorderly conduct and simple assault in 1980, and small gangs began to roam the oil fields, stealing equipment and oil.

Locals accused oil companies of knocking down trees, breaking fences, polluting creeks and spoiling deer stands. The pipeline companies, who came in armed with the right of eminent domain and began digging up property, received even more criticism.

And soon, other geologists discovered how to use seismic to locate oil.

The Giddings field — 80-to-90 miles long and five-to-10 miles wide — has produced more than 30 million barrels of oil and 60 billion cubic feet of gas since Holifield's first wells were drilled. He estimates the field may hold 250 million barrels of oil and a half trillion cubic feet of gas.

But he points out that "trying to predict the reserves in the Austin chalk is almost impossible unless you tell me what the price of oil is going to be."

Holifield says his estimates could rise with the price of oil — or with decontrol of the field's gas prices. The Texas Railroad Commission is scheduled to consider the latter in May.

"The gas reserves could double because the more money you make on gas, the more money you've got to drill," he said. Holifield said he believes gas producing levels lie beneath the chalk at a depth of 20,000 feet or more. Most rigs don't reach beyond 10,000 feet, however, because of the expense of drilling extremely deep wells.

He said about 85 rigs now are drilling in the seven-county area of the field, and about 125 rigs are scattered throughout the Austin chalk.

"It's busy down there, but it's not people stepping on top of each other," Holifield said. "The Giddings field may be to its height, unless, say, we were cut off from the Middle East oil and then the price of oil went up and then the drilling activity would increase more."

Besides making hundreds of millions of dollars for his clients, Holifield has grossed \$10 million to \$12 million himself over the past four years. Even though he now has his own company — Ray Holifield & Associates — he still works 14- and 16-hour days, seven days a week.

In addition to his original clients, he now consults with several other companies drilling in the chalk — a situation he describes as "delicate."

Although his clients continue to acquire acreage through the chalk trend, Holifield says they are deploying most of their assets in other areas of the United States.

Some of his 37 staff members and 12 geologists "spend very little time working on the Austin chalk and are spending great amounts of time working on other projects," Holifield said.

Holifield, who holds a bachelor of science from the University of Missouri and a masters degree from the

University of Texas, still visits the chalk almost every weekend, even though his clients are leasing in new areas where their geologist can work his magic.

"We're mainly working primarily with various projects throughout the United States specializing in the low-permeability, low-porosity type reservoirs," Holifield said. "We are attempting to duplicate what we did in Giddings."

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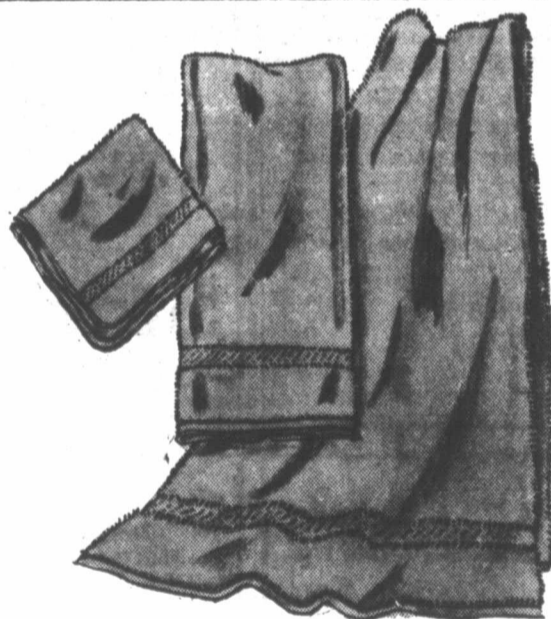
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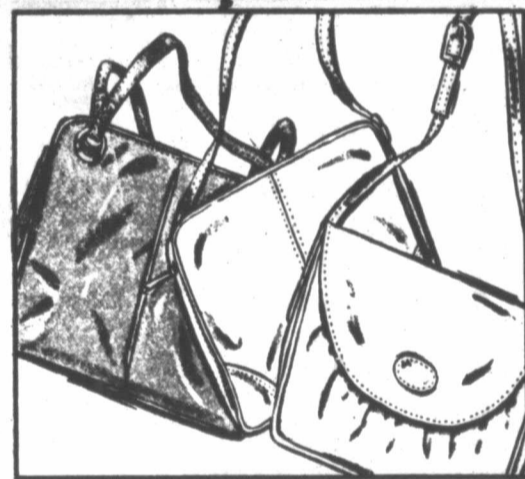
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"Unfortunately, however, bicycles are most vulnerable in traffic. As a result, bicyclists are too often victims of deadly or crippling accidents involving motor vehicles," the governor's proclamation reads.

Statistics support this statement. Nationwide, the National Safety Council reports 1,000 bicyclists die every year in car-bike accidents, and another 40,000 receive injuries.

In Texas alone, preliminary figures from the Texas Department of Public Safety covering the first six months of 1980 indicate that 21 persons died and 1,249 were injured when motor vehicles struck bicycle riders.

The Texas Safety Association, Texas Education Agency, Texas Association of Student Councils, Texas Department of Public Safety and the Traffic Safety Section of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation support Bicycle Safety Awareness Week and offer cyclists of all ages the following safety tips:

Obey all applicable traffic regulations, signs signals and markings.

Observe all local ordinances pertaining to bicycle operation. Keep right, drive with traffic, not against it. Ride single file. Drive your bike defensively; watch out for the other guy.

Watch out for drain gates, soft shoulders and other road surface hazards.

Watch for car doors opening or for cars pulling out into traffic. Don't carry passengers or packages that interfere with your vision or control.

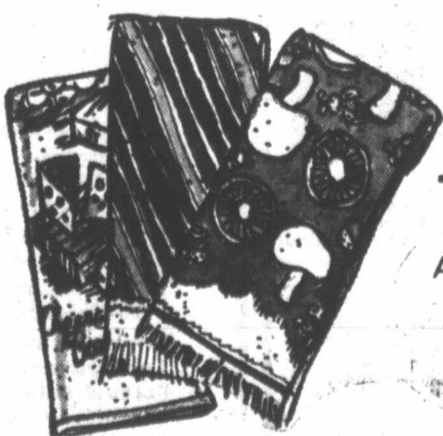
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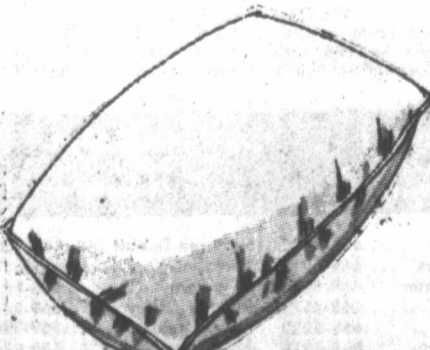
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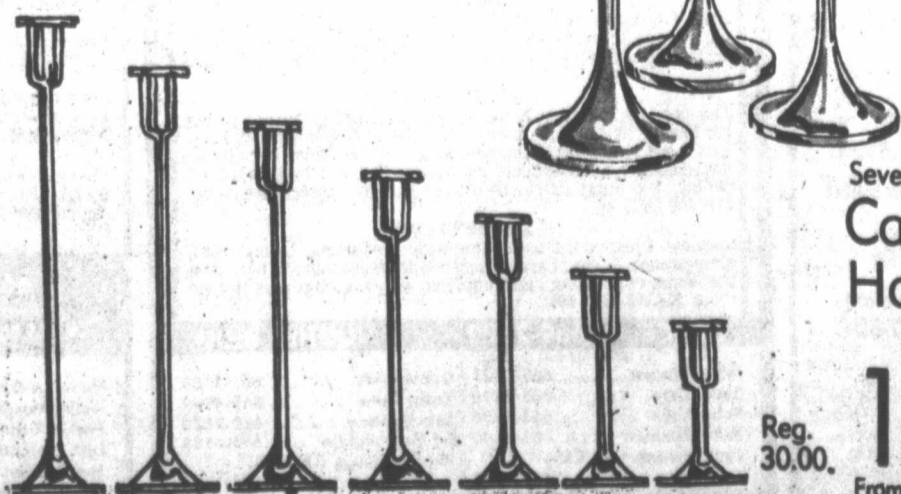
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