

## DANCING AT FESTIVAL Gunmen Kill Couple In Irish Republic

BELFAST (AP) — Ireland's gunmen began 1973 with the murder of a young Roman Catholic couple in the Irish Republic, an ambush in Northern Ireland in which one Catholic was killed and two were wounded and a rocket attack on a Belfast police station.

A farmer in the republic two miles from the frontier with Northern Ireland reported he heard 15 shots and a girl's scream about 2 a.m. Monday. Police found the body of dark-haired Bridget Porter, 24, lying across the corpse of her fiancé, Oliver Boyce, 25, in a field. A few hours earlier, they had been dancing at a village festival.

**BOTH EXPELLED**

Sources said both had been expelled recently from the Irish Republican Army, and there was speculation the guerrilla army had killed them as traitors. But the IRA denied this, and local opinion was that they were the victims of Protestants from Northern Ireland.

Their deaths raised to seven the number killed by terrorist gunmen

or bombs in the republic in three months.

New Year's Day was almost over when 1973's first death by violence in Northern Ireland was recorded.

A burst of automatic fire sent 15 to 20 bullets into a car in which four men were driving to work at a Rolls Royce plant near Belfast. One man died in a hospital, and two of the others were wounded. All four were Catholics "and that's the only reason we can think of for the attack," a police spokesman said.

**681ST DEATH**

It was the 681st confirmed death in more than three years of religious warfare in Northern Ireland.

Earlier in the night, a Russian antitank rocket was fired into a Belfast police station and narrowly missed a girl stenographer working late. The IRA was blamed.

The government ordered the detention without trial of Elizabeth McKee, 25, who the army said was a high-ranking IRA officer. She is the first woman to be interned as an IRA member.

## Flight-Data Recorder Aids Probers

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Federal officials say a sophisticated, new flight-data recorder will help investigators determine why an Eastern Air Lines TriStar jetliner plunged into the Everglades swamp with 176 persons aboard.

Ed Slattery, spokesman for the National Transportation Safety Board, said the recorder was recovered Monday at the site of the wrecked Lockheed 1011 aircraft that crashed Friday night on a New York to Miami flight.

"This recorder has 64 value inputs, and it's the first time it has been used," Slattery said. "The previous ones gave only five, principally speed, altitude and heading."

He said a "myriad of details" on the stresses and operation of the plane's systems, broken into 10ths of a second development, would be provided by the recorder.

After being analyzed by Lockheed in Ontario, Calif., the information will be correlated with the cockpit voice tapes and those from the air-traffic-control tower.

Another system, called Automatic Radar Terminal Service (ARTS), will be used to check the other three.

"All these will give us a very good picture of what happened in the dark space west of the airfield before the accident," Slattery said. "However, it's not necessarily going to give us the exact cause."

Slattery said the tapes will be presented at a public hearing on the crash to be held some time in March.

Meanwhile, Eastern spokesmen said the death toll had mounted to 99 of the 176 persons aboard Flight 401.

"I expect we'll be sweating over the figures for two or three more days," said one official.

At latest count, there were 60 dead positively identified, 39 presumed killed and 77 survivors. But the fatality figures fluctuated, and the Dade County medical examiner reported 103 dead.

Searchers working Monday alongside crash investigators in the muddy sawgrass flatlands retrieved the bodies of four more victims, including those of stewardess Stephanie R. Stanich and 2-year-old John Kamliner.

Bodies of two unidentified men were also brought to the Dade County morgue. Another passenger, Barulio Corretjer, 44, of Jersey City, N.J., died at Hialeah hospital.

Two survivors remain in critical condition, 25 are listed as serious, 20 as fair, 7 as satisfactory, 8 "in good shape" and 15 have been discharged.

None of the crew members in the cockpit at the moment of impact survived long enough to talk with investigators who hope to get an eyewitness account of what happened in Flight 401's last minutes.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

**TOO SMALL FOR THEIR BRITCHES** — Two members of the staff of the Rockford Morning Star, Cathy Cryer, left, and Muffin Wheeler, are dwarfed as they wear the pants made for Clyde Hicks, 410-lbs., 53-year-old ex-circus fat man from Warren, Ill. The pants, made by Levi Strauss and Co., have a waist size of 76 inches and length of 45 inches.

## Priest Slain

CHANNELVIEW, Tex. (AP) — The body of a Roman Catholic priest who had been shot twice was found in the living room of the St. Andrew Church parsonage that was destroyed by fire early Tuesday.

Investigators said the Rev. C. Laumer Schoppe, 41, had been shot in the chest and abdomen.

"The fire was definitely arson," said Ed Smith, chief of the Channelview volunteer fire department. "I found four empty gasoline cans still damp inside with gasoline in the garage. I could smell an odor in the front bedroom, where the fire was set."

Smith said he believes a burglar shot the priest and then set the fire.

## Income Level For 'Poor'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Labor Department has raised the income guidelines used by the government to determine whether a person is poor.

The department announced Monday that the new levels are about \$193 higher than last year's. The guidelines are used to determine eligibility for federal programs for the poor.

Under the new guidelines, a single person living in a non-farm area of the continental United States is considered poor if he has a net income of less than \$2,100 a year. The poverty level for a non-farm family of four is \$4,200.

The poverty level for persons living on a farm is \$1,800 for a single person and \$3,575 for a family of four.

## Building Outlook Brightening Up

The new year started with a bang in the building inspection department with a whopping \$774,140 building permit filed here Tuesday.

The permit is for an apartment complex being constructed at 538 Westover Road by John Pass.

The old year ended with total permits close to a million and a half dollars, which is an increase over the previous year, which totaled a little over \$900,000.

Apparently 1973 is going to be a good one, if the first day is any indication of things to come, according to the building inspection department.

## SNOW

Snow accumulations may reach four inches before ending Wednesday. Snow may be mixed at times with freezing rain or freezing drizzle this afternoon and tonight. High this afternoon, mid 30s. Low tonight, upper 20s. High Wednesday, near 40.

# Bombers Blast Enemy Supply Lines In Laos

SAIGON (AP) — American warplanes resumed attacks on North Vietnam's southern panhandle below the 20th parallel today after a 36-hour halt for New Year's, the U.S. Command announced.

The bombing halt above the 20th parallel, which includes Hanoi and Hai Phong, remained in effect. It was ordered by President Nixon on Saturday in preparation for the resumption of secret peace negotiations in Paris next Monday.

A communique said air operations over North Vietnam resumed at 1 p.m. It gave no details, but U.S. officials said the bombers were attacking supply routes below the 20th parallel to slow the annual dry-season

push of war materiel across the demilitarized zone and through Laos into South Vietnam.

The U.S. Command also reported that bombing operations were resumed in South Vietnam at dusk Monday after a 24-hour holiday halt.

The pattern was the same during the Christmas cease-fire, and again there was no explanation why the halt in North Vietnam lasted 12 hours longer.

The Command said that, from dusk Monday until dawn today, U.S. planes made 44 strikes in South Vietnam, all but two of them in the northern quarter of the country below the DMZ.

During the bombing cessation in South and North Vietnam,

U.S. air attacks shifted to the Ho Chi Minh Trail in eastern Laos, Hanoi's main supply route southward, and to supply routes and base camps in Cambodia, the Command said.

U.S. planes also flew missions in support of Laotian forces battling North Vietnamese troops in the Plain of Jars, in northeast Laos, the communique said.

Radio Hanoi claimed that a U.S. RA5C reconnaissance plane was shot down Sunday in Quang Binh, North Vietnam's southernmost province. It did not mention the fate of the crew. The U.S. Command said it had no plane losses to report.

The South Vietnamese command reported generally light

battlefield activity but one major fight about 40 miles north-east of Saigon this morning. A militia unit ran into about 100 enemy troops, and fighting was reported continuing at mid-afternoon.

First reports said at least two militiamen were killed, but there was no report yet of enemy losses.

Nhan Dan, North Vietnam's official newspaper, said in a New Year's editorial that the Communist side recorded two basic victories during the past year, "defeating the U.S. 'Vietnamization of the war' policy and foiling the U.S. plan to 're-Americanize the war'" with a massive infusion of U.S. air and naval power.

# BIG SPRING HERALD

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## Heavy Snow Spreads Across West Texas

By The Associated Press

A death-dealing storm piled snow and ice across vast reaches of West Texas today, and travel grew more perilous by the hour.

Rain mixed with snow or sleet glazed areas adjacent to the snow belt and there were thundershowers nearly everywhere else across the chilled state.

**NORTH WINDS**

Bitter north winds raked the western areas and kept small craft warnings up along the coast.

Some of the heaviest snowfall blanketed far West Texas from around El Paso toward the north and east, and forecasters looked for more than 6 inches to collect west of a line from

Snyder to the mouth of the Pecos River. One to 4 inches were predicted in other areas.

It was in that area that a car skidding off Interstate 10 about 12 miles west of Van Horn car-

ried its driver, David R. Gatt, 24, of Austin to death as it rolled over.

**ICY HILLS**

Icy hills forced the closing of some streets in El Paso.

Lighter snow fell from around Dalhart and Amarillo southward past Lubbock in the Panhandle-Plains sector, and in a belt from around San Angelo toward Hobbs, N.M.

In addition there was freezing drizzle mixed with snow around Midland in the Permian Basin, and sleet was mixed with rain during the night and early morning around Aspermont in Stonewall County and eastward into parts of North and Central Texas.

Snow covered icy road surfaces at many points, and authorities urged motorists to attempt only emergency trips.

Generally the snow belt lay west of a line linking Vernon, Sweetwater, San Angelo and Ozona, while rain fell over much of Central and East Texas and along the coast from around Brownsville to Beaumont-Port Arthur and 30 to 40 miles inland.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

**SLAYS ATTACKER** — Ann Leybourne, 25, left, a trainee of the police department, shot and killed Robert Ellis, 36, right, after he had ordered her to re-enter her car in a parking lot at gunpoint. Ellis had once been charged in a series of rape cases after being identified by two rape victims. Miss Leybourne credited her police training for her ability to remain calm and finally reach a pistol she kept in her purse. (See story, page 3-A.)

## Glazed Roads Are Avoided

Big Spring temperatures dropped no lower than 30 degrees during the night instead of the predicted mid-20's and rose above freezing shortly after daylight, thereby avoiding icy road conditions in this area.

Even though .02 inches of sleet and snow flurries fell during the night, the roads did not ice over as they did three weeks ago.

Other cities in the South Plains area, such as Lubbock, were reporting hazardous road conditions, as was the area between Carlsbad, N.M., and El Paso.

But a pocket in between, which included Big Spring, Midland and Odessa, apparently avoided the icy onslaught this time.

Texas Electric Service Company reported it had no trouble with ice on lines, since it melted early today, and did not form for any length of time on the equipment.

## Israeli, Syrian Warplanes Battle

TEL AVIV (AP) — Israeli and Syrian warplanes battled today, and the Israeli military command said its pilots shot down one Syrian MIG21 jet.

A Lebanese military source reported two Syrian MIG jets downed over the Lebanese mountains northeast of Beirut.

An English schoolmaster said he witnessed the downing of one of the planes.

The Israelis said the dogfight occurred about 1 p.m. when Syrian planes attempted to intercept Israeli planes on patrol. The Israelis said all their planes returned safely.

It was the first Israeli-Syrian air battle since Nov. 21, when the Israelis claimed they downed six Syrian MIG21s.

The Lebanese source said 25 to 27 Israeli planes were sighted on Lebanese radar screens.

"We were nearly blown out of our seats by a series of explosions," said the Rev. Ronald Roberts, who runs a school for handicapped children in the Lebanese town of Ajloun, on the road to the ski resort of Faraya.

"We rushed out and saw one plane trailing black smoke heading toward the ground. There were three other planes that looked as though they were heading to Syria."

The Syrian-Israeli cease-fire line has been at flashpoint since Nov. 21, when the heaviest fighting in more than two years erupted.

Arab guerrillas slipped into Israeli held territory from Syria on three occasions at Christmas time, the Israelis claimed, and Israel retaliated with an air raid on Syria last Wednesday.

## Area Choir Trials Are Slated Here This Week

Area high school choir tryouts for students from Region 6A will be held in Big Spring Friday night and Saturday.

Dr. Gary Ivensberger, University of Texas in Arlington, will serve as clinician and will direct an all-regional choir concert here at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the high school auditorium.

The concert will be open to the public and free of charge. The concert will be recorded so that persons in the all-regional choir may purchase records.

There will be a rehearsal of the group at 7 p.m. Friday.

Tryouts will continue all day Saturday for the top 10 voices in each of eight vocal sections from 4A, 3A and 2A schools in the region. The top four will

then be selected to compete at Permian High in Odessa on Jan. 13 for all-state choir.

Jack Bowers, local choir director, said that Big Spring has a large number eligible for area tryouts.

They include Mellanie Hayworth, first soprano; Carrie Wheeler, Carol Boyd, Barbara Dierks, Jane Stoker and Donna McDaniel, first alto; Pam Wheeler and Pat Pearson, second alto; Joe Gonzales and Kenneth Platt, first tenors; Joel Dyer, Pat Ray, Bobby Rogers, Kenneth Scott and Randy Taylor, second tenors.

Also Roy Lee Osborne, Danny Roundtree, David Duggan, and Dick Connally, baritones, and Robbie Lloyd, Van Johnson, Gary Blew and Kevin Renner, bass.

## Hospital Hit During U.S. Bombing Raid

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon acknowledged today that a North Vietnamese hospital and an airport normally used by civilian planes near Hanoi apparently suffered "some limited accidental damage" during intensive U.S. bombing raids.

But Jerry W. Friedheim, the Pentagon's top spokesman, suggested that the damage could have been caused either by U.S. bombs or by North Vietnamese antiaircraft explosives.

Nonetheless, Friedheim's acknowledgment was at least a partial reversal of his denials last week that U.S. bombs had struck a North Vietnamese hospital. Those claims had been made by North Vietnam.

"It appears that some limited accidental damage has occurred to some facilities at Gia Lam airport and at a hospital the enemy calls Bac Mai," Friedheim said in a statement read at a news briefing.

"The exact extent of this damage is uncertain, as is its cause."

"Our information does not square with Hanoi's propaganda claims of massive destruction at these sites."

Friedheim restated what he said is U.S. policy to target only military objectives in North Vietnam.

However, he said, "We know, and have said many times, that from time to time accidental damage to other than military targets occurs, sometimes involving United States ordnance or aircraft and sometimes involving North Vietnamese ordnance or aircraft."

He expressed regret concerning "any such accidental damage" from whatever source.

Friedheim said the Bac Mai hospital and the Gia Lam airfield were struck during U.S. bombing attacks against military targets within several hundred yards of them.

"These two sites were in close proximity to military targets," he said. "We have no knowledge of what caused the damage. It could have been either side."

## 'Fat Freddy' Fatal Prank 'To Haunt Me'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fred "Fat Freddy" Bronner was abandoned about 2 a.m. by three of his fraternity brothers in the Angeles National Forest "to teach him a lesson."

One of three said Monday: "This is going to haunt me as long as I live."

John Berges, 29, and two other members of Chi Chi Chi fraternity at Pierce College left Bronner, 21, a 5-foot-10, 270-pounder who had been raised like a "Momma's boy," in the rugged forest Dec. 22.

Bronner's body was found Sunday by searching sheriff's deputies. In his attempt to get back to the city, he had left a road and had fallen off a 500-foot cliff.

No charges have been filed. One sheriff's spokesman said Sunday: "If Bronner went voluntarily, they (the fraternity brothers) are only guilty of stupidity."

Berges said he and two fraternity brothers, Gordon Gillespy, 19, and John Morgan, 21, thought Bronner was not in danger since some younger pledges of the fraternity had been left at virtually the same place a week earlier.

A missing-persons report was filed by the three fraternity members six days after Bronner was deserted when it was discovered he had not returned home. They said they thought Bronner, dressed in a sports coat and gym shorts, would be able to hitch a ride back.

Bronner was described as a man plagued by overweight and financial problems who made frequent demands on other fraternity brothers for rides throughout the Los Angeles area.

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# HOLIDAY DEATHS Midland TV Man And Wife Crash Victims

By The Associated Press  
Accidents on Texas streets and highways mushroomed the death toll for the New Year's weekend to disaster proportions. By the time the 78-hour holiday period ended, there had been 58 fatalities in traffic alone and other forms of violence—principally homicides—pushed the tragic tally up to 74 over-all. State police had predicted no more than 41 lives would be lost in traffic in the hours from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Monday.

### HEAD-ON

These were among the latest victims: Three members of a Dallas family died and seven suffered injuries in a head-on collision Monday on rain-slick U.S. 281 near Campbellton, about 65 miles south of San Antonio. The dead were identified as Marcelino Gutierrez, 37, Petra Gutierrez, 28, and Maria Gutierrez, 20. A Midland television engineer and his wife were killed Monday in a car-truck collision at Interstate 20 and Rankin Highway in Midland. They were William Ray Eldridge, 56, and his wife Blanche, 48. Eldridge worked for KMD.

Donald Lee Utt, 15, of Richardson, Tex., died late Monday night of injuries suffered during the afternoon in a one-car accident at Allen, in Collin County. Officers said he was riding in a car which skidded off a gravel road at high speed.

### FOUND SHOT

A collision of two cars Monday night on Farm Road 471 north of Lacoche, in Medina County, killed William P. Ford Jr., 45, of San Antonio. Carlos Hernandez and his wife Guadalupe, both 30, were found shot to death Monday in northwest Bexar County. Officers said a rifle lay near the body of Hernandez and the shootings apparently occurred Sunday night.

David R. Garrett, 24, of Austin was killed shortly before midnight Monday as his car skidded off an icy stretch of Interstate 10 about 12 miles west of Van Horn in West Texas. Jesse Lopez, 19, of San Antonio was killed Monday afternoon when his car hit a utility pole there. Donald Graf, 24, died Monday when the van truck he was driving hit several parked cars in Spring Valley, a Houston suburb.

### CAR-TRAIN HIT

The body of Herman Fenix, 17, was found after a fire Monday in Houston. He was spending the night with a neighbor, who dashed from the house in time.

Jennie Lou Jacobs of Porter and her eight-month-old son Robert Dale died and two other Jacobs children were injured Monday in a car-train collision one mile south of Potter.

A one-car accident 10 miles east of Gilmer on Texas 154 Monday took the life of Denise Russom, 2, of Mesquite.

Phillip Wayne Bishop, 15, of Newton, died Monday in a head-on collision on Texas 87 just north of Burkeville.

A two-car accident in Sherman Monday took the life of Olivia Honaker Britt, 78, one of the drivers. Officers said one vehicle hit a median strip and bounced back into the path of the other. Three other persons suffered injuries.

### BURNS TO DEATH

Hubert Murray Forehand, 51, who lost both legs in World War II, burned to death Monday in his trailer home at Del Rio.

Ernest Owen Kuckuck, 42, of Ohio was killed Monday as his car hit a bridge abutment on U.S. 83 in Mercedes.

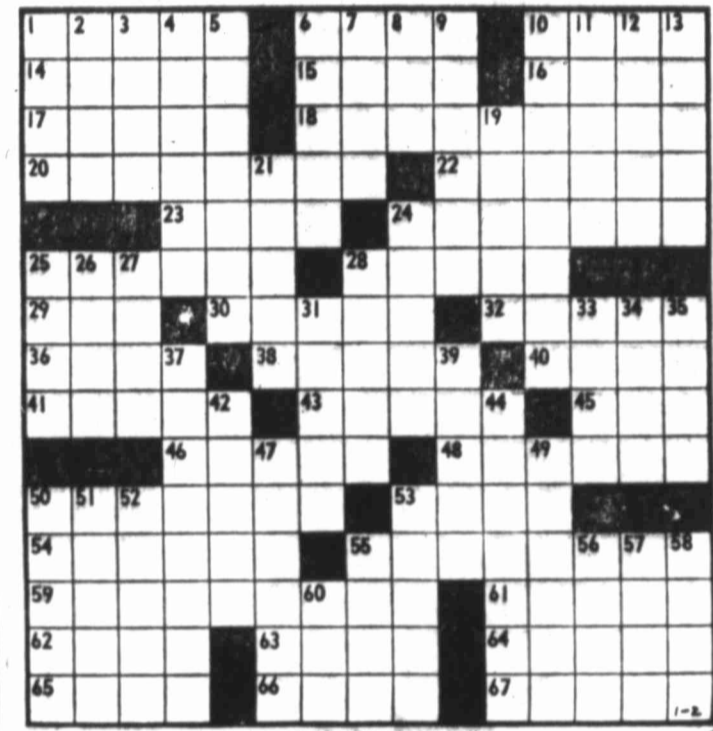
Santiago Hernandez, 18, of Del Rio, driving at what officers called high speed, was killed Monday when his car hit a guard rail at the border inspection station at the Del Rio international bridge.

## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Livelihood
  - 6 "I never — man I didn't like"
  - 10 Reptiles
  - 14 Exhausted: compound
  - 15 Profess
  - 16 Twist
  - 17 Knight's weapon
  - 18 Bad dream
  - 20 Quack medicine: 2 w.
  - 22 Mangle
  - 23 Singer Fitzgerald
  - 24 River structures
  - 25 Decided
  - 28 — of the ball
  - 29 Hole in one
  - 30 Sublease
  - 32 Concealment
  - 38 Extended
  - 38 Arab desert shrub
  - 40 Percolate
  - 41 Whip
  - 43 Mariner's aid
  - 45 Epoch
  - 46 Overblouse
  - 48 Piston packing
  - 50 Parish officers
  - 53 Type size
  - 54 Prevents
  - 55 Football men
  - 59 Inflammation of pleura

- DOWN**
- 1 Trees of India
  - 2 Outline
  - 3 Bone
  - 4 Coin
  - 5 Prayer stool
  - 6 Insanity
  - 7 "— deeds do not prosper"
  - 8 Dress up
  - 9 Spinning
  - 10 Hebrew evil spirit
  - 11 Argot
  - 12 Soup
  - 13 Diviners
  - 19 Quaver
  - 21 More venerable
  - 24 Climbing pepper
  - 25 Sroll
  - 26 Religious object
  - 27 Material
  - 28 Little Elizabeth
  - 31 Bridge plays
  - 33 Submissive
  - 34 — Marquette
  - 35 Bicker
  - 37 Small candies
  - 39 Supernatural
  - 42 Slants
  - 44 Medieval trombone
  - 47 Quit
  - 49 Secretion
  - 50 Moisture with drippings
  - 51 Each
  - 52 Lofty place
  - 53 Fake jewelry
  - 55 Bloodsucker
  - 56 Same: French
  - 57 Bun
  - 58 Sojourn
  - 60 Social hour

Puzzle of Monday, Jan. 1, Solved



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## 'Friday Night Rapist' Slain By Fem Cop

CHICAGO (AP) — A man once charged in a series of rape cases was shot and killed Monday by a trainee police woman after she was abducted by him, police said.

Robert Ellis, 36, was shot four times in the chest, according to police. Police said Ann Leybourne, 23, reported that a man approached her as she was leaving her car and ordered her back into the car at gunpoint. The man drove to a parking lot and began to reach toward Miss Leybourne, who shot him with a .38-caliber revolver she kept in her purse, police said. The man knocked the gun out of her hand and she reportedly shot him three more times with his own gun, according to police.

A man known to police as the "Friday Night Rapist" struck on five successive Friday nights on the city's Near North Side in 1970.

Ellis was charged with two of those rapes but the charges later were dropped after his lawyers argued that a police lineup in which Ellis appeared was rigged.

Ellis was arrested Dec. 7, 1970 after two rape victims and a husband were shown a picture of him and identified him as the attacker.

## Former Poet Laureate Dies

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Funeral services for Mrs. Nancy Richey Ranson, 87, former poet laureate of Texas who retired Dec. 1, 1972, as garden editor of The Dallas Morning News, will be held at 2 p.m. today in Highland Park Presbyterian Church.

A native of Berryville, Va., Mrs. Ranson came to Dallas in 1927, after attending the University of Arizona in Tucson. She is survived by two sisters.

## Woman Joining Air Force Band

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A brown-haired former model who quit college to find "travel, education and promotional opportunities" has become the first female vocalist in the Air Force.

Mary Jo Creed, a pretty 19-year-old, was sworn into the Air Force here last week for a six-year enlistment under a new specialty code permitting women to be band vocalists.

After six weeks of basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, officials say, she will return to Luke Air Force Base near here to begin rehearsals with the 12th Air Force Band. "What I originally wanted

was to be a flutist in a band, which I could have been with the Lackland band," she says. "But I prefer to stay in Arizona, so I found out I could audition as a vocalist for the Luke band." Miss Creed also plays the piano and sings pop, country and Western and sacred songs.

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## Freedom Not Automatic

The decline of colonialism in the 20th Century and the establishment of dozens of new, independent nations might give the impression that the peoples of the world are making steady progress toward political freedom and protection of civil rights. Freedom House, a non-partisan organization in New York which keeps a finger on the pulse of liberty, has released a study tending to deflate that optimistic view.

Analyzing the degree of freedom in 151 countries and 45 dependent territories, Freedom House finds that fully two-thirds of the world's 3.3 billion people suffer "severe political and civil deprivations."

The test is based on whether a country has elections regularly, whether there is free competition among parties and whether genuine change can occur peacefully. Other factors include a free press, defined limits on the power of government, an impartial judiciary and protection from harsh or unusual punishment.

It is no surprise that the United States of America, Japan and most countries of Western Europe rank at the top as free countries, or that

the masses of people brought under communism in the last half-century — in the Soviet Union and its satellites and on mainland China — are at the bottom of the scale. The most disturbing finding is that so many countries in what we like to regard as the free world, especially those gaining independence since World War II, are considerably less than free.

In all of Africa, only one country — Gambia — rates the Freedom House label of being free. The others are listed as "not free" or "partly free." In the Middle East, only Lebanon and Israel are considered free. Latin America is a patchwork and even some Latin countries whose old and

strong constitutions would warrant a "free" designation — such as Chile — show a sharp trend away from freedom.

Millions of people who have become "free" of ties to old colonial powers now find themselves under governments which provide them with doubtful degrees of freedom.

Industrialized Western nations, secure in their own independence, have shown a fascination lately with building relations with Communist governments, might better concentrate on nourishing the ideal of freedom in that "Third World" where it has a chance of flourishing if people and their governments are given example and encouragement.

## Senseless Depredation

According to estimates to police, a wave of vandalism with a BB gun during the holiday weekend cars, shops and houses were damaged here to the extent of some \$2,000.

We confess we never will be able to fathom

the motivation for aimlessly taking potshots at windows and cars and buildings. But the senselessness of it does not in any wise excuse it. As a once-popular radio show said — "It ain't funny McGee." We sincerely hope that officers can make this point.

## High Expectations

### Around The Rim

Jo Bright

My longstanding respect for the nursing profession was reaffirmed recently when I ran across a job description of bedside nursing . . . 1887 version. As printed then in Servicemaster Action, it read:

"IN ADDITION to caring for your 50 patients, each bedside nurse will follow these regulations:

1. Daily sweep floors of your ward. Dust the patient's furniture and window sills.
2. Maintain an even temperature in your ward by bringing in a scuttle of coal for the day's business.
3. Light is important to observe the patient's condition. Therefore, each day fill kerosene lamps, clean chimneys and trim wicks. Wash windows once a week.
4. THE NURSE'S notes are important in aiding the physician's work. You may whittle nibs to your individual taste. Keep a pencil handy.
5. Each nurse on duty will report every day at 7 a.m. and leave at 8 p.m., except on the Sabbath, on

which day you will be off from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

6. Graduated nurses in good standing with the director of nurses will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes . . . or two evenings a week if you go to church regularly.

7. EACH NURSE who smokes, uses liquor in any form, gets her hair done in a beauty parlor, or frequents dance halls, will give the director good reason to suspect her worth intentions and integrity.

8. Each nurse should lay aside from each pay day a goodly sum of her earnings for her benefits during her declining years, so she will not become a burden. For example, if you earn \$30.00 per month, you should set aside \$15.00.

9. THE NURSE who performs her labors, serves her patients and doctors faithfully and without fault for a period of five years, will be given an increase by the hospital and administrator of five cents a day, providing there are no hospital debts outstanding."

## Vietnamization

William F. Buckley Jr.

The sharpening criticism of our bombing of military targets in the north brings up the metaphysical weakness of Vietnamization. That weakness is the suggestion in it of trickery, of the use of semantical devices to obscure essential relationships: of the resort to a fictitious nomenclature for the sake of trying to give substance to a phoney set of arrangements.

A GENUINE Vietnamization would give to the South Vietnamese the means of carrying on the war in their own self-defense with reference only to those military limitations the United States would inflict on itself. That means, in effect, withholding from the South Vietnamese nuclear weaponry. But nothing short of that.

The whole world is heavily mobilized to criticize the "American" decision to resume the bombing. Mr. Nixon did nothing to conceal that it was an American decision. In fact, it should have been a Vietnamese decision. When the negotiations in Paris broke down, it was South Vietnam that was once again endangered. It was accordingly South Vietnam that should have made the critical decision to resume the bombing.

GRANTED, UNDER existing circumstances, the bombs, the bombers, and the bomber pilots would necessarily be Americans (for the most part); but they should be viewed as technicians, put at the disposal of the South Vietnamese, for limited purposes. Eventually, the men themselves would be replaced by Vietnamese pilots, even as the American helicopter pilots have been substantially replaced. When that

transformation had taken place, the South Vietnamese would have direct control over United States airplanes even as the North Vietnamese have direct control over Russian tanks and Russian anti-aircraft equipment. This is the missing dimension in Vietnamization. On the one hand the concept is approved on all sides, except by those who simply want to abandon South Vietnam. On the other hand, critics of Mr. Nixon charge that the idea is essentially phoney: the United States, they say, is in fact in charge of the war, and Thieu is our puppet.

A COUPLE OF years go by and, under Vietnamization, in fact United States troops are reduced by almost 95 per cent. And on a couple of crucial matters, it is demonstrated that Thieu is not our puppet. But on the matter of the bombing, as also on the naval blockade, it is clearly the United States, not Saigon, that makes the decision. Why? Because the bombers and the bomber pilots are ours to command. Why? Well, because we just aren't in the business of turning bombers and bomber pilots over to another government to direct. Why?

TRUE VIETNAMIZATION would demand exactly that, subject as I say to the over-all limitations imposed on the use of American material. The bombers should be leased to the South Vietnamese, and pilots should be recruited as mercenaries, the cost obviously borne by us, even as the Russians bear the whole cost of provisioning the aggressive legions of the north. Hard to do, granted, but worth it.

(Washington Star)



'PUT ALL YOUR SIRLOIN IN A PLAIN PAPER BAG'

## Family Felines Fickle Finks

John Cunniff

By JOHN SINOR  
(Substituting for John Cunniff)

Awakened before the alarm went off by a mockingbird dive bombing one of the cats in the front yard. The bird has a nest somewhere out there, and he goes on an early morning mission every morning to protect it.

(He's a smart bomber. He only attacks his target from behind.)

The cats heard me in the kitchen and came running in. They rubbed up against my bare ankles and cried for food. Everyone else in the family went a little daffy over the adorable kitty. Personally, I thought he was ugly as sin. Skinny, with pale eyes, and very short hair.

However, there was something familiar about him. I said: "Do you notice his color? A solid, smoke gray with just a tuft of white on the front."

One of the girls said: "So what?" I said: "I've got an idea Rover is still in the neighborhood somewhere."

They wouldn't come near me on a bet. The morning meal conks out their engines.

They go pull up a spot of sunshine on the deck and pass out.

A new kitten walked into the living room the other afternoon. He couldn't have weighed much more than a pound, but he scared the daylight out of Ralph and Dierdre.

Both of them ran under the couch and hissed.

The kitten ignored them and marched straight over to their food bowls to help himself.

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Rover was the head of our cat family until he went roving one day. He never came back. (Actually, he was so lame-brained, if he got any distance at all, he probably couldn't find his way back.)

Actually, I can't say I blamed him for leaving. We had just had Dierdre's gears shifted permanently into neutral. And he wasn't particularly fond of his son, Rotten Ralph.

Also, I thought I had spotted him making eyes at the Siamese sexpot who lives down the street.

In any case, he just split one day.

And now, there was this gray kitten who walked in and acted like he owned the place.

I said: "Calm down, Ralph. That could be your half brother."

The kitten finished the food in both bowls, had a few sips of water, and marched right out the door again. Destination unknown.

I said: "You know, I'll bet that IS Rover's kid. He's got the same kind of attitude."

## Who Said That?

Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — "The Nobel Peace Prize Committee will come to order. We will now start examining the list of candidates. Who is first, Mr. Secretary?"

"RICHARD M. NIXON. His name has been submitted by U. S. Sen. Hugh Scott."

"We can't have Nixon, not after the bombing attacks he ordered on North Vietnam last week."

"Au contraire, Mr. President. I think Richard Nixon is a very suitable candidate for the peace prize. He is eliminating the B-52 from the United States' arsenal of weapons."

"How is he doing that?"

"HE IS HAVING them shot down by the enemy. The United States had only 100 B-52s. So far 12 have been shot down. At the rate they are going, they will all disappear in three months. What better gesture can one make toward peace?"

"It's out of the question, gentlemen. Nixon has bombed hospitals and schools and killed thousands of innocent civilians. We cannot give him the peace prize for this."

"But wait a minute. Does he not get credit for restraint? After all, he hasn't used atomic weapons against the North Vietnamese. A man who has the hydrogen bomb and doesn't use it against an enemy should certainly get the prize or at least an honorable mention."

"I DO NOT DISPUTE that, but the Nobel Peace Prize has certain stipulations to it, and one is you do not award it to a man who has dropped more bombs on North Vietnam than have been dropped in all of World War II."

"Yes, Mr. President, but we must remember the only reason Nixon is

bombing the North Vietnamese is to achieve a generation of peace for all mankind. If this bombing were punitive then I would say scratch him off the list. But Nixon is trying to find peace through bombing and he should be honored for it."

"I object. Nixon has been trying to achieve peace through bombing for four years. It hasn't worked and it will not work. If we award the prize to a man who believes the only solution to peace is destroying the other side, we will be the laughing stock of the world."

"WHAT DOES the world know? Nixon has said he will stop the bombing any time the North Vietnamese come to the negotiating table and agree to a fair and just settlement of the war. I say a man who talks that way has gone the extra mile."

"But what is a fair and just settlement of the war?"

"That is not for this committee to decide, Mr. President. For years now, we have given the peace prize to people who have done a great deal of talking about peace, but have had no effect on anybody. This time we have a candidate who has done something about peace."

"What has he done?"

"He has shown everyone that he is dead serious about peace, even if he has to commit his entire Air Force and Navy to bring it about."

"WE COULD BE at this all day, gentlemen. Let's go on to the next candidate for the peace prize. Mr. Secretary, what is the second name on the list?"

"Henry Kissinger."

"Oh, boy."

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Hal Boyle

By JOHN LUMPKIN  
(Substituting for Hal Boyle)

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — If you didn't make it all the way through college and you weren't a smash as a professional golfer, you might jump into the fast food business and make a million dollars within a decade.

That is, if you're George W. "Bill" Church, the owner of San Antonio-based Church's Fried Chicken, Inc.

Then you sponsor a chess tournament which offers a jackpot that chess officials call the largest ever in the United States. And you learn the world

chess champion calls the money "a joke."

But you attract 10 of the other grandmasters of the game from around the globe and, for a \$50,000 price tag, find your company's name mentioned in daily newspapers hither and yon for more than three weeks running.

"We felt this was an international event that we could afford to sponsor whereas most sports events in the country were still beyond our budget," remarks Church.

Church, who says he eats chicken "once or twice a week," became president of the family-owned chain of eight

stores in San Antonio in 1962 after trying other pursuits. His father built the first store in 1952 as a post-retirement project.

Today, according to Church, there are about 400 company-owned stores and 60 franchises in a 20 state area of the South, Southwest and Midwest, plus California, and two countries abroad. Sales for fiscal year 1972 are projected to be between 65 and 70 million dollars, he says.

Church, 39, estimates the growth of his company is responsible for making 20 millionaires in San Antonio.



Billy Graham

A recent magazine said that high school seniors want security, stability, and material comfort. Most ministers have only a "put-down" for material wealth. What's your view? S.S.T.

I would not fault the wealthy, for at the death of Christ, it was a rich man who brought the burial spices and assisted in the final preparation of His body for the tomb (John 19:39). I recognize, of course, that most of the disciples were not men of material wealth, but Jesus had no implied criticism of the wealthy as such.

He did say, however, that it was difficult for a rich man to think of spiritual things (Matthew 19:24), and Paul said it was the "love of" money

that got people in trouble (I Timothy 6:10).

What you call a "put-down" of wealth by ministers is rather, I think, a denunciation of situations where wealth is a handicap, a block to character development and happiness.

Whatever their career choices might be, I tell young people to be their best, to try their hardest, and to move to the top of their profession. At the same time, however, I tell them to be a good manager of what God has given them, and to turn their lives over to Christ for real fulfillment. One example of this was the great industrialist, R.G. LeTourneau, who used to say that God was his partner in everything.

As for the other two qualities you mentioned, faith in Christ affords both — in ample quantity.

## My Answer

### A Devotion For Today . . .

I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him. (II Timothy 1:12)

PRAYER: Our Father, help us to remember that to be with Jesus after death is indeed a continuation of life eternal, which begins with Him here in this life. Guide us this day as we pray: "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven, Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

(From the 'Upper Room')

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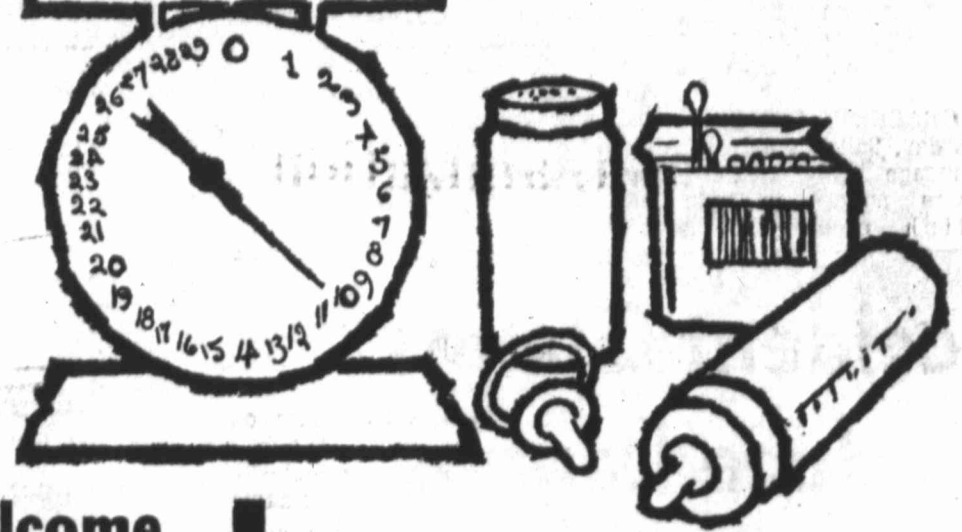
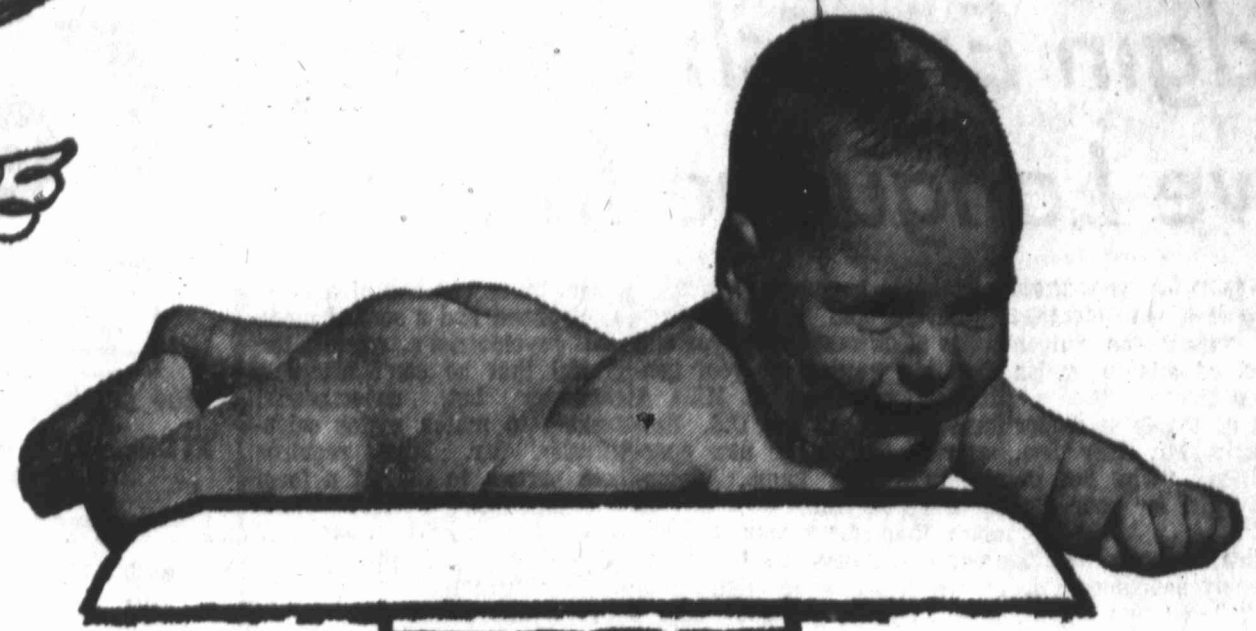
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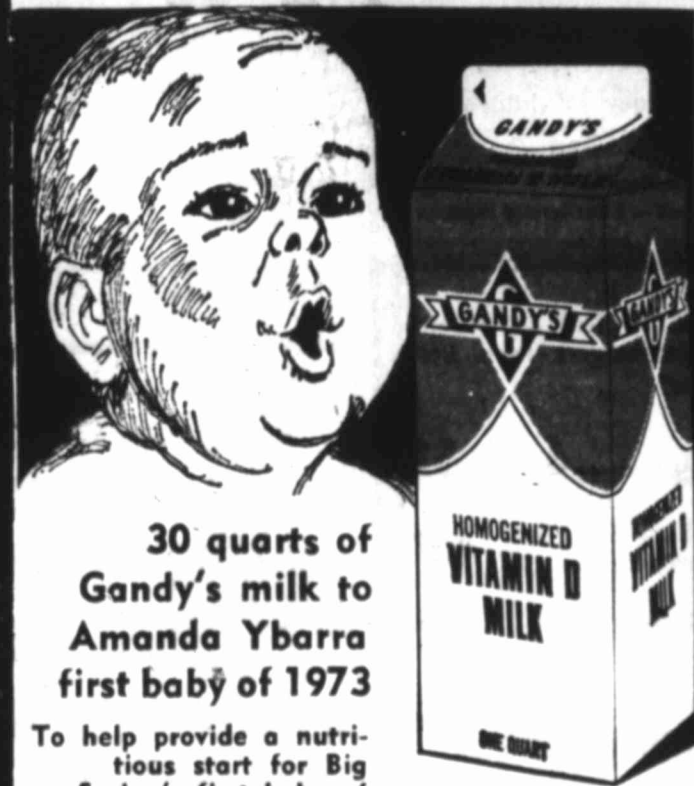
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# Pidgin English Cooling Love Language In Ads

SAIGON (AP) — The 24,000 U.S. troops left in Vietnam need only consult the Saigon Post's classified ads to banish the lonesome blues.

"Will you be lonely at dimer tonight?" asks Mr. Huy Son, telephone 97891. "Why not invite a lovely girl for your dinner table?"

Miss Alice, phone 96275, serves as lonely hearts consultant for "Vietnamese girls, charming and educated," who seek "foreign friends for partner of picnic and pleasure party."

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Each day, Saigon's only English-language daily carries a half-dozen notices in pidgin English cooing the un-

The office consists of a desk, a telephone and a sort of modified psychiatrist's couch. Regretful that he can't afford a computer but, nevertheless, seeking to match mates scientifically, Mr. Mike requires both parties to fill out a form detailing their "desires, weakness and social positions."

Each party signs with the fervent affirmation "that the above said statement in this personal data is exactly accurate (sic) due to my deep intention and frankness."

In a matter of days, his firm promises, "a direct or indirect meeting will be done to you at an appropriate appointed place and date at a refined serious place and scenery."

Like where?

"The zoo," he ventured when this lonely researcher took his place on the psychiatric-style couch. "But if the girl is not suitable to you, we will send another in 24 hours. Up to five or six, then you pay another fee."

# Accident Claims Produce Laughs

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Accidents usually aren't funny, but one life insurance company reports some that have humor among its 1972 claims.

Take the case of a Pennsylvania woman who announced to a pair of legs protruding from under the family car that lunch was ready.

She gave a pat to what she thought were her husband's legs.

According to Aetna Life & Casualty, the surprised mechanic — not her husband — lurched up, slammed his head into the car and knocked himself out.

When he came to on a stretcher and told his story to ambulance attendants they laughed so hard they dropped the stretcher and broke the mechanic's arm, Aetna says.

There was a New York man who went hunting and returned to find his false teeth had been stolen from a table by a wood-

chuck. He filed a claim for damages.

In Virginia, Aetna says, a dog left in the front seat of a running car put the car in reverse, and it rammed backwards into a neighbor's garage.

In West Virginia, a pack of dogs chased a female under a new car. In a frenzy, the dogs caved in a fender, chewed up a tire and tore out signal-light wiring. Aetna paid \$95.29 under "canine quarrel."

Another claim came from a West Virginia man watching a July circus parade when an elephant reached into the crowd, plucked out the man and hurled him through a store window.

## Audit Begins

Max Green and George Thornburn, Certified Public Accountants, began work on the 1972 Howard County audit in the courthouse this morning. It is hoped the report will be ready in March, said Mrs. Virginia Black, county auditor.

## MISHAPS

At the 7-11 Food Store on N. Lancaster, Alberto Mesa Morales, Bx. 94 collided with a street sign and telephone guy wire, 7:01 p.m. Monday.

E. 4th and Ponley, Kenneth Beasley, 204 Gregg, Apt. 5, collided with a concrete block wall behind the store 1:15 a.m. Tuesday.

## Fires

Grass fire on 9th between Runnels and Johnson, 2 p.m. Monday.

Couch on fire at 1005 E. 13th, drug outside and set grass on fire, 2:27 p.m. Monday.

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# Australia: 'It's An Adventure'

By BARBARA LORD  
 "People go to Australia because they picture it as the country America was 50 years ago," said Wendell Brown who has just returned with his family from three years in the "land down under."  
 "There are no freeways and very few modern buildings," Brown continued. "It's a land of ranching and cattle, and it's viewed as a land of opportunity."

Mr. and Mrs. Brown went to Australia with no jobs, no place to live and no idea what they would do. They found a home in about a week, but it was more than two months before he got a job.

"It was exciting," said Mrs. Brown, a native of England. "There was the challenge of adventure. When we went we had no children, and we knew we had better do it before the family came or we wouldn't do it at all."

The Browns now have two children, Owen, 2½, and Lucy, 7 months, who were both born in Australia. Brown was born and reared in Big Spring, the son of Mrs. Mary Brown, 1606 Wood, and the late J. E. Brown.

**FOR THE VENTURESOME**  
 "If you want to venture, Australia is the place to go," said Mrs. Brown. "You really have to learn to stand on your own two feet. Australians don't have the neighborly instincts of Americans. They're not purposefully rude, but if you are foreign, you're always somewhat of an outcast socially."

Mr. and Mrs. Brown lived in Melbourne, the country's capital, and most of their socializing was through the Melbourne Gridiron Club. Membership, which fluctuated from 45 to 100, was comprised primarily of Americans and Canadians. The men met every

Sunday for a game of touch football, and the gatherings eventually extended into a social life.

"I'm sure we had bigger celebrations on the Fourth of July than you have here," said Brown. "We'd also meet for Halloween parties and barbecues."

**GOOD AND BAD**  
 The Browns found both good and bad aspects of the country. One of the reasons they returned is that while the cost of living and the responsibilities of a job are about the same as in the United States, the pay scale is only about one-third as high.

"The time in Australia was fun," said Mrs. Brown, "but I'm an adopted Texan now and I was anxious to get back to see all of the family." The Browns tired of the poor roads, and the 1929 model trains used in the country for traveling. Mrs. Brown missed being able to go shopping at night, and didn't like the fact that from 12 o'clock noon on Saturdays until 9 a.m. Monday there were absolutely no stores open.

"One thing we did enjoy," said Mrs. Brown, "was the horse-drawn milk truck. We could hear the clackety-clack of the buggy anytime between midnight and 4 a.m."

Australia has a hospital benefits plan which the Browns found appealing. They paid \$2 weekly into family planning, and whenever they paid a doctor bill they simply took the paid receipt to an agency which reimbursed them for about 90 per cent of the cost. For one 10-day hospital stay, Mrs. Brown's bill was \$163 and the agency paid \$142 of it. In addition, parents receive \$30 for every child born.

However, tax exemptions equal only about 20 per cent of those allowed in the U.S., and anyone who earns between 10 and 15 thousand dollars per year pays 50 per cent taxes.

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SECTION B

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## Wedding Performed In Westbrook Church

WESTBROOK (SC) — Wedding vows were exchanged Dec. 22 by Miss Judy Clyrene Chambers and Sgt. Donnie Wayne Hale in the First United Methodist Church, Westbrook.

The Rev. Ray Elmore, pastor, performed the rites, and traditional nuptial music was provided by Mrs. Francis Ranne, organist.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Chambers and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hale, the latter of Colorado City.

The bride wore a white velvet gown trimmed with pearls and sequins. Her lace veil was highlighted with seed pearls, and fell from a lace and pearl tiara.

Miss Joyce McKenney served as maid of honor. She wore a

gown fashioned in red velvet with accents of gold braid, pearls and rhinestones. David Glinkinger served as best man and usher.

A reception honored the couple in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony. Members of the house party were Mrs. Don Elam, Mrs. Randy Veach, Miss Joanna Chambers, Miss Kathy Chambers and Miss Bonnie Ragland.

Mrs. Hale is a graduate of Westbrook High School and attended Howard County Junior College. The bridegroom graduated from high school in Hobbs, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Hale will reside at 306 E. Wood Drive, Jacksonville, N.C. where he is assigned with the U.S. Marines.



MR. AND MRS. WENDALL BROWN, OWEN AND LUCY

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## Howard County Families Travel During Holidays

WESTBROOK (SC) — The T. C. Moores are spending the holidays in Salt Lake City, Utah, with their daughter, Mrs. Jim Reeves and family.

The Roy Neffs have returned from visiting their parents, the Nobel Neffs in McAadoo and the W. E. Schotts in Silverton.

Another couple who spent the holiday with their parents were the Mike Martins who were

guests of the Curtis Martins in Abilene and the Don Kunzlers, Jefferson City, Mo.

Guests of Russell Bird and his daughter, Mrs. Pete Hines, were the Johnny Hines family, Copperas Cove; Clyde Hines, Odessa; the Mark Thompsons, Abilene; and the Bill Birds, Roscoe.

Guests of the A. C. Moodys were the Ray Moodys, Seguin, and the Fred Howks, Grand Prairie.

Visitors in the Charles Parnell home were their parents, the J. L. Parnells and the R. R. Goodmans, Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hart Jr., Denver City, spent the holidays with their parents, the Lloyd Harts and the Arlie Moores.

During the holidays, the Joe Robinette family traveled to Laredo and El Paso.

The Ronnie Lambs went to Blanket to visit her parents, the A. D. Hesters.

## Joint Installation Slated Thursday

The Social Order of Beauceant will hold a joint open installation with Knights Templar at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, preceded by a dinner at 6 p.m. The event will be in the Masonic Temple, 221½ Main. Those who have not been previously contacted are asked to bring either a salad or vegetable dish for the buffet.

## A LOVELIER YOU

# Elegance Has Never Been Out Of Fashion

By MARY SUE MILLER  
 The word "elegance" means different things to different people. What does it mean to you?

For many women, elegance bespeaks a plushy way of life in eras long past. It pertains not at all to modern, casual living, neither to its modes nor mores.

But those ideas could be mistaken. The reasoning comes clear when you examine the other side of the coin — inelegance. The meaning here is open to only one interpretation: a lack of grace and taste in appearance, language and manner. A couldn't-care-less-

ness. Viewed in reverse, elegance — excellence, if you prefer — seems not at all incongruous in the present. Whatever your life style, you could be out of step should you fail to bring grace and taste to it.

To speak only in terms of fashion, elegance is marked by simplicity of design and clean lines, by good materials and workmanship. The standard applies to jeans and sable coats alike. But fashion, per se, is an empty form unless it adorns top-flight grooming, ease of carriage and graciousness of manner.

Here's to elegance, personal excellence, quality — personal ecology — in 1973.

**WINNING MANNERS**  
 To open a door on increased poise and popularity, send for my booklet, "Winning Manners." Topics included are Introductions, Invitations, Table Manners, The Charming Hostess, You — The Guest, Dating Manners, Formal Dances, Travel Tips and Tip-



## Announce Menu For Westbrook

The following menus have been announced for Westbrook School.

**WEDNESDAY** — Hot dogs with chili meat, buttered corn, coconut cookies, spinach, milk.

**THURSDAY** — Roast pork and gravy, biscuit, butter, creamed potatoes, green beans, syrup, honey, applesauce, milk.

**FRIDAY** — Beef stew with vegetables, cheese and peanut butter sandwiches, carrot sticks, rice crispie bars, milk.

## Friends, Families Hold Reunions

WESTBROOK (SC) — Guests of the Altis Clemmers have been the R. L. Clemmers and C. L. Clemmers, all of Colorado City; the S. W. Websters, Stanton; and the J. D. Sprawls, Grapevine. After Christmas, the Altis Clemmers visited in Cross Plains with Mrs. W. C. Hutchins and the Robert Hutchins, the latter of Albuquerque, N.M. The following day, the Clemmers went to Eastland to see her parents, the T. L. Ramseys, and also the Edward Duncans.

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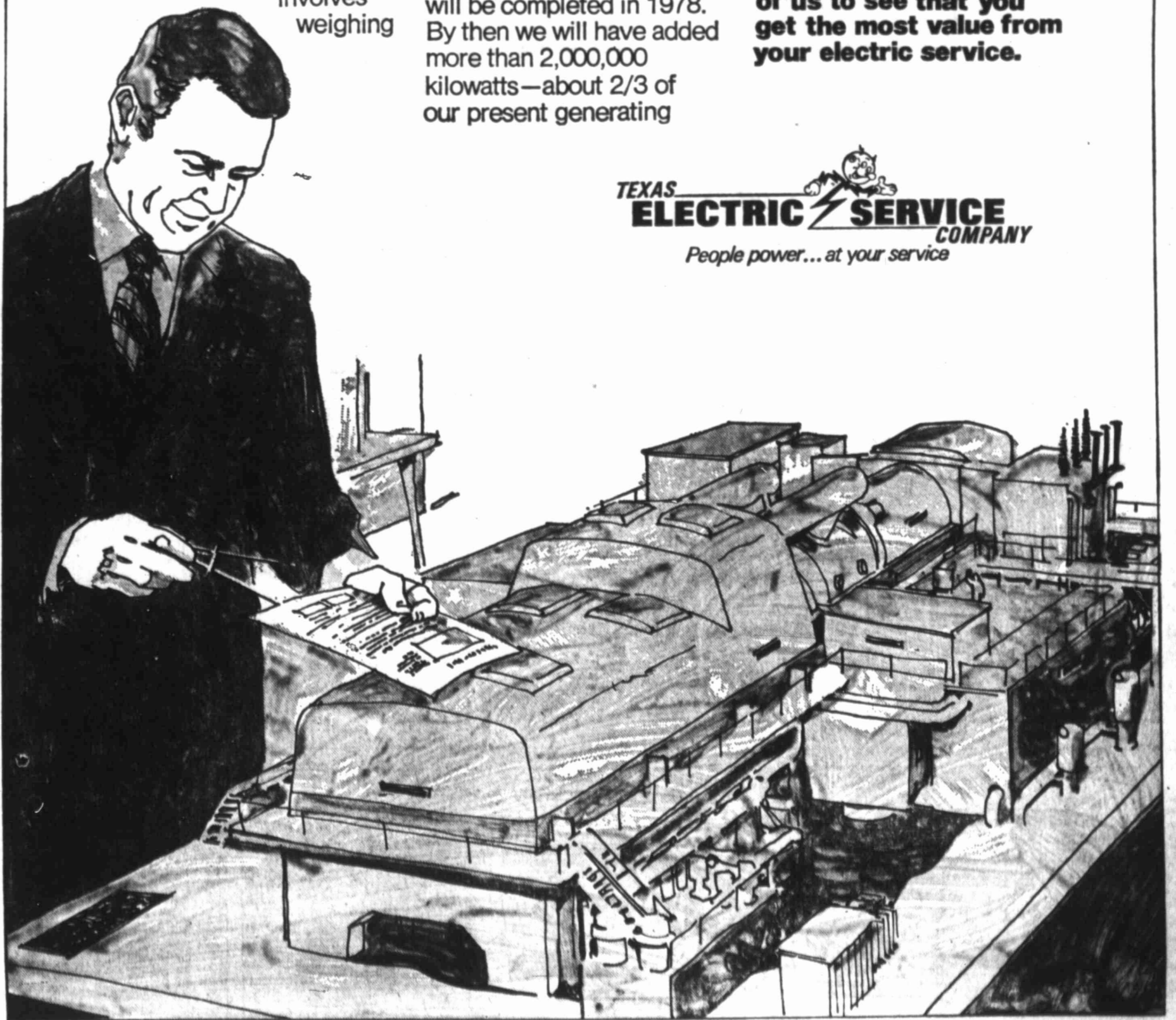
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# Has Polapse

Your Good Health  
Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I am 70 and a physical checkup showed I have a "vaginal prolapse." The doctor advised an operation. However, I have no pain whatever.

What will happen if I don't have this operation? What organ is it that protrudes from my vagina? Otherwise I am in good health.—E.L.

This prolapse, or sagging, is the result of relaxation and weakening of tissues which support the vagina and adjacent organs. This results from age or from the stress of childbirth, or both.

The bladder is the protrusion. You are fortunate not to have any discomfort so far. Usually when the bladder is thus out of normal position, it does not empty completely and there is a puddling of the remaining urine.

This usually results sooner or later in irritation and infection, and once urinary infections develop, they often can prove difficult to overcome.

Your prolapse condition will not improve as time passes; more likely it will worsen. Since otherwise you are in generally good condition, and your doctor advised an operation, I think you should heed his advice.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I have a problem with constipation. I am not elderly, but only in my early 20s. It has gotten to where my bowels will not move without the aid of a laxative habit, but I am afraid to take too many of them.

I am a small person. Could this have anything to do with it? Could this be a symptom of cancer? Can you suggest

some way for me to get regular without using a laxative?—S.W.

Laxative habit, eh? It's not uncommon.

It isn't your size. After all, tiny babies' bowels work all right, don't they? And constipation doesn't mean cancer.

Yes, the laxative habit can be broken if you learn the simple facts about how a normal bowel is supposed to behave. A daily movement is not necessary. Most people who use laxatives just don't understand that. More bulk in the diet such as fruit and vegetables is important. For a starter, I suggest that you follow the suggestions in my booklet, "The Way to Stop Constipation." For a copy, send 25 cents and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to me in care of the Big Spring Herald.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: What is pernicious anemia and is there any cure aside from vitamin B-12 to be had?—Mrs. C.P.

Pernicious anemia is a disease that results from lack of a substance called "intrinsic factor" which is necessary to enable the body to extract vitamin B-12 from our food.

There is no known cure for the disease — but it can be prevented from doing any harm by giving adequate doses of vitamin B-12, usually given by injection periodically. Injections generally are given about once a month, which may be a nuisance — but it is a vast improvement over the way things were a few decades ago, before the B-12 treatment was discovered. Before that, the disease was always fatal.

# Not Normal

Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am concerned about the relationship between my sister and her 8-year-old son. To be frank, I wonder if it could cause homosexual tendencies in the boy.

Although she dresses him in male clothing, she selects such babyish styles — minus zippers. His favorite pastime is "playing house." And he doesn't appear to be at ease with boys.

There seems to be an unusual physical attraction between the mother and son. He is not allowed to use the men's restrooms. She always takes him into the ladies' restrooms. He doesn't seem to be embarrassed by it either.

My sister is an intelligent, educated person. And her husband is no dummy. I cannot understand why he doesn't put his foot down.

Is it normal for the boy to accept his mother's way of training him without protesting?

We don't feel that we can discuss this with her, but she is an avid reader of your column, so perhaps she will see this and recognize herself, and do something about a potential problem.

CONCERNED  
DEAR CONCERNED: Your sister's behavior toward her son is not normal, but his responses are indeed what one could expect. Yes, she could be sowing the seeds of homosexuality. Don't wait for her to "recognize" herself. TELL her what is obvious to you and others.

DEAR ABBY: Why is it that when people are trying to watch their calories, their friends say: "Oh, come on . . . have a piece of candy, or another helping. It can't hurt you."

I always end up eating it just

to shut them up or to get on with the bridge game or what ever the case may be.

When I quit smoking, I didn't have people telling me that one cigarette wouldn't hurt me. And if a person has joined A.A., nobody would tell him that one little drink wouldn't hurt him.

People who are dieting should be given the same help as those who have given up smoking or alcohol. After all, a weight problem is harmful to one's health, too.

ON A DIET  
DEAR ON: I agree. Dieters need all the help they can get, but don't blame those who tempt you if you can't resist temptation.

Problems? Trust Abby. For a personal reply, write to Abby, Box 69700, Los Angeles, Calif 90069 and enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.

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# Lumber Fire At Forney

FORNEY, Tex. (AP) — An early morning fire destroyed Forney Lumber Co. Monday.

Forty firemen from Forney, Mesquite and Terrell fought the blaze during the night and into the morning hours before it was contained.

Trucks stood by the site, about two blocks from the business section, during the morning, guarding the still smoldering ruins to protect other buildings.

# Something Bugs

Jean Adams  
TEEN FORUM

UNDATED: (Q.) Seth and I had been dating regularly for more than a month. We didn't have a date Friday night like we usually do. I don't know why. I went to a school party, by myself. Seth did too. He was by himself. He didn't even

talk to me. He told my friend he still wanted to date me, but wanted to date other people too. He has my ring around his neck. Should I ask for it back? I don't want to date other boys. Should I wait it out?

Should I try to talk to him? I don't understand this. — Hurtling in New Hampshire. (A.) Something has happened to Seth. Your letter gives no clue as to what it is. Do not be hostile to him. Say "hello" to him at school. Smile at him. If he wants to talk, talk and be friendly. Tell him you have missed his calls. But do not demand a showdown.

If he talks, he will probably tell you what his complaint or trouble is. If he talks about dating others, agree to do so.

If he refuses to talk or be friendly, wait about two weeks and then ask him (not angrily) if he wants to give your ring back. Maybe then he will talk. If he doesn't, ask him what the

trouble is. (A.) Your parents are right! You'd both make serious mistakes if you tied yourselves down permanently so soon. You aren't mature enough to know for sure what you want to do with the rest of your lives. If you have a child or children quickly, as many teenage

couples do, and then decide on divorce, it will be very hard on the children.

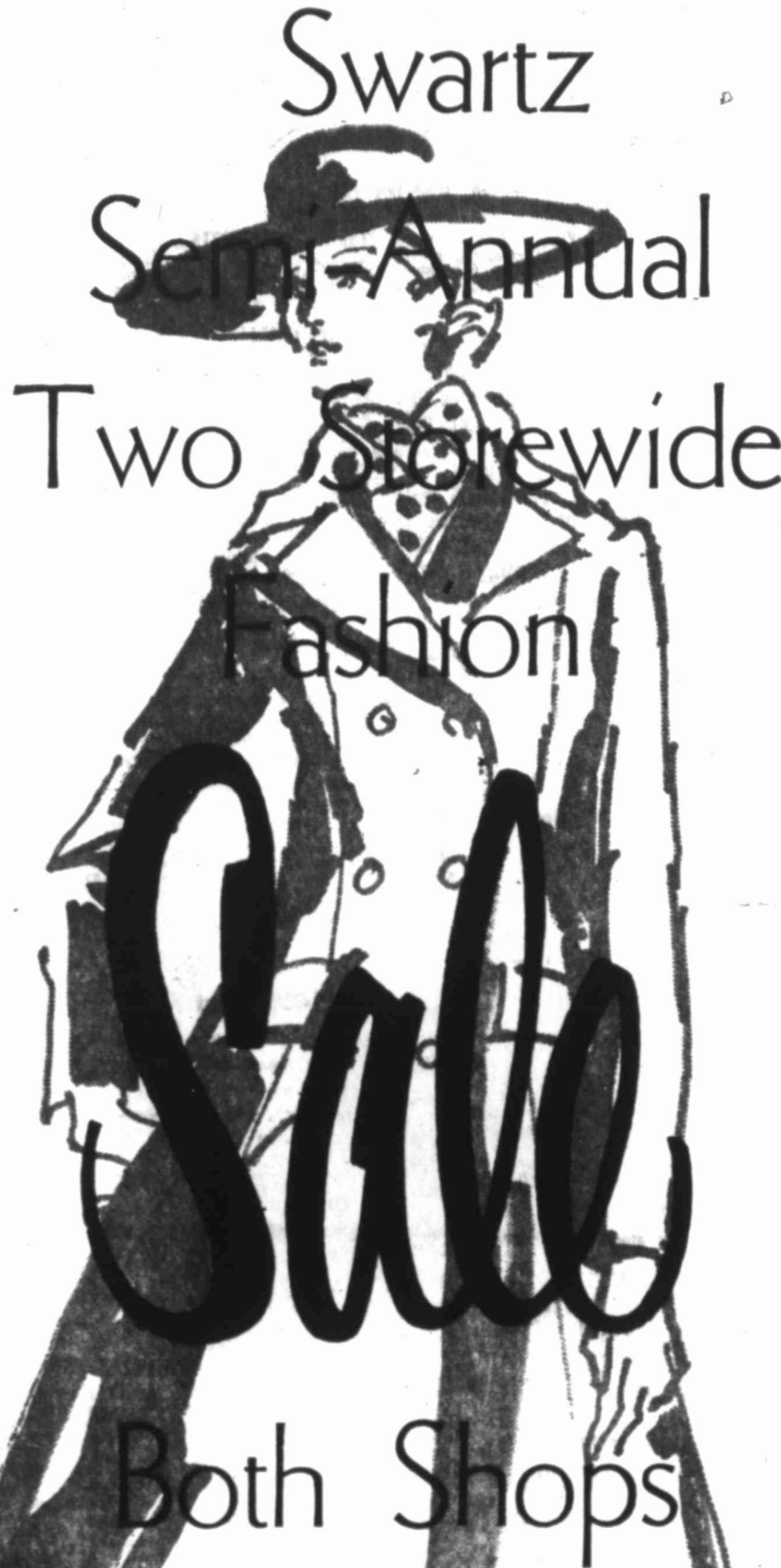
(Jean Adams reads and considers every letter, but she regrets that she cannot answer each personally. Mail your questions and comments to Jean Adams, care of The Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 3482, Houston, Texas 77001.

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