

SAYS BILLY GRAHAM

Nixon's Judgment Often Very Poor

NEW YORK (AP) — Billy Graham says that many of President Nixon's "judgments have been very poor," that he has made mistakes in connection with the Watergate affair and ought to admit them.

Montreat, N.C., the evangelist said that while the bulk of his comments were favorable to the President, he realized that his criticisms would receive most of the attention.

Howard Farmers May Gross \$23 Million From Cotton

The unprecedented cotton crop of 1973 — both in yield and price — is heading down the home stretch, but the finish under ideal conditions may be three weeks away.

Most of the ginner's polled figured this was about 75 per cent of the crop, although this may be conservative, for together they had 8,460 bales of cotton on the yards awaiting their turn at the gin stands.

Ricking, a relatively new practice on such a large scale, has permitted farmers to gather their cotton and store it in the fields indefinitely without appreciable loss in quality. In fact, ginner's said the cotton might suffer loss only as it is put in trailers and thus not be as well protected from the weather.

The long-time friend of Nixon and frequent visitor at the White House said in the interview that "until there is more proof to the contrary, I have confidence in the President's integrity. But some of his judgments have been wrong, and I just don't agree with them."

"I've had to admit errors in judgment and I found Christian people more than generous in understanding my faults," Graham said.

"I think they could try to understand the President's position, too. It's better to show humility and it's better to say 'I'm wrong' or 'I'm sorry' when you've made a mistake."

Graham said one of Nixon's mistakes has been in letting himself become isolated from people's thinking and that even his closest advisers have been afraid to tell him the candid truth.

"You cannot as president isolate yourself," Graham said. "The Watergate affair has taught the country something. I'm sure if Mr. Nixon could redo many things he would."

"That's the reason that I feel that if there's any way he can get his credibility back — which may not be possible — he now would make a stronger, better president. I'm sure he's learned some very valuable lessons through the whole experience."

LAST APPEAL FOR FUND

Today ends the formal appeal for the Christmas Cheer Fund, but if you forgot to send in a gift to share happiness of the season with others, mail it to us. We'll see that it is put to work.

The thanks of the Herald, the Salvation Army which helps administer the funds, and especially all those who will be helped by your generosity, goes to you.

Among the total to share were:
Mr. and Mrs. James F. Reilly \$20.00
Mr. and Mrs. Tom M. Ivey \$10.00
In lieu of local cards \$5.00
Mrs. H. W. McCleskey \$5.00
Priority postage acknowledged \$1,322.00
TOTAL \$1,372.00

Organizations 'Adopt' Families For Christmas

Last-minute applications were being received Saturday afternoon at the Salvation Army for Christmas remembrances.

Capt. L. Z. Sullivan said he anticipated that the total number of families to be aided will exceed 200, representing between 1,200 and 1,500 people.

Actual distribution began Saturday afternoon and will continue through Christmas Eve, he said.

In addition to being given a basket with basic canned goods, and a supply of toys, families are being given food-store orders ranging from \$7 to \$20, depending on the number in the family, he said. This will provide for the meat and other foods to round out the Christmas meal.

He reiterated that "we don't want anyone to be overlooked, and if they will only contact us, we can help. The individual or a member of the family to be helped must do this because we don't want to intrude on the privacy of a home," he said.

A number of organizations have "adopted" families from the Salvation Army lists, and if for any reason these organizations find they cannot follow through, he urged that his office be notified. Capt. Sullivan's wife, and others from the corps will visit smaller nursing homes on Christmas.

He said that the outlook financially is good, with the minimum goal of 6,000 having been reached Saturday. If any funds or goods are left after Christmas, they will be used in winter relief.

COLDER

Windier and colder. High today, mid 60s. Low tonight, upper 20s. High Monday, upper 40s. Northwesterly winds 15 to 25 miles per hour today with gusts.

Wife Of Energy Czar Leading Spartan Life

NEW VERNON, N.J. (AP) — Carol Simon practices what she preaches when she says "energy saving should be a way of life in America."

The wife of William E. Simon, President Nixon's energy chief, is taking a fresh look at her family's lifestyle and making changes to save energy.

"Casseroles, candlelight and fewer baths" sums up some measures the petite, 41-year-old mother of seven has taken to beat the energy crisis.

"Of course, the children don't mind about the baths," she said. "But not only do I limit them to two a week, I've decreased the amount of water in the tub."

Casseroles, Mrs. Simon emphasizes, require less cooking time than roasts, saving money as well as fuel. "And don't forget to open the oven door when it's done. That way, extra heat from the oven before it cools down will help warm your kitchen."

Candlelight dinners are a nightly occurrence for the Simons, who have no other lights in their dining room.

Mrs. Simon says the family's move to McLean, Va., in September has made it easy for her to reduce another kind of shopping trip. "I don't have to buy any new clothes. Everything I have may be 10 years old, but I'm new to Washington, so nobody will know the difference."

The Simons still maintain a residence in this community in northwestern New Jersey. Mrs. Simon was interviewed by telephone.

Some of Mrs. Simon's energy-saving tips come from articles she has sought out, but most come from "just sitting down and thinking about it."

"We've made lots of changes. The children walk to the school bus now, and I no longer shop in the mornings," Mrs. Simon said. "I found that when they all come home from school, they all had errands to run and places to go, so I combine my shopping with after-school chauffeuring."

Reminiscing Via Phone

WASHINGTON (SPL) — Congressman and Mrs. George Mahon observed their 50th wedding anniversary Friday — with a phone call.

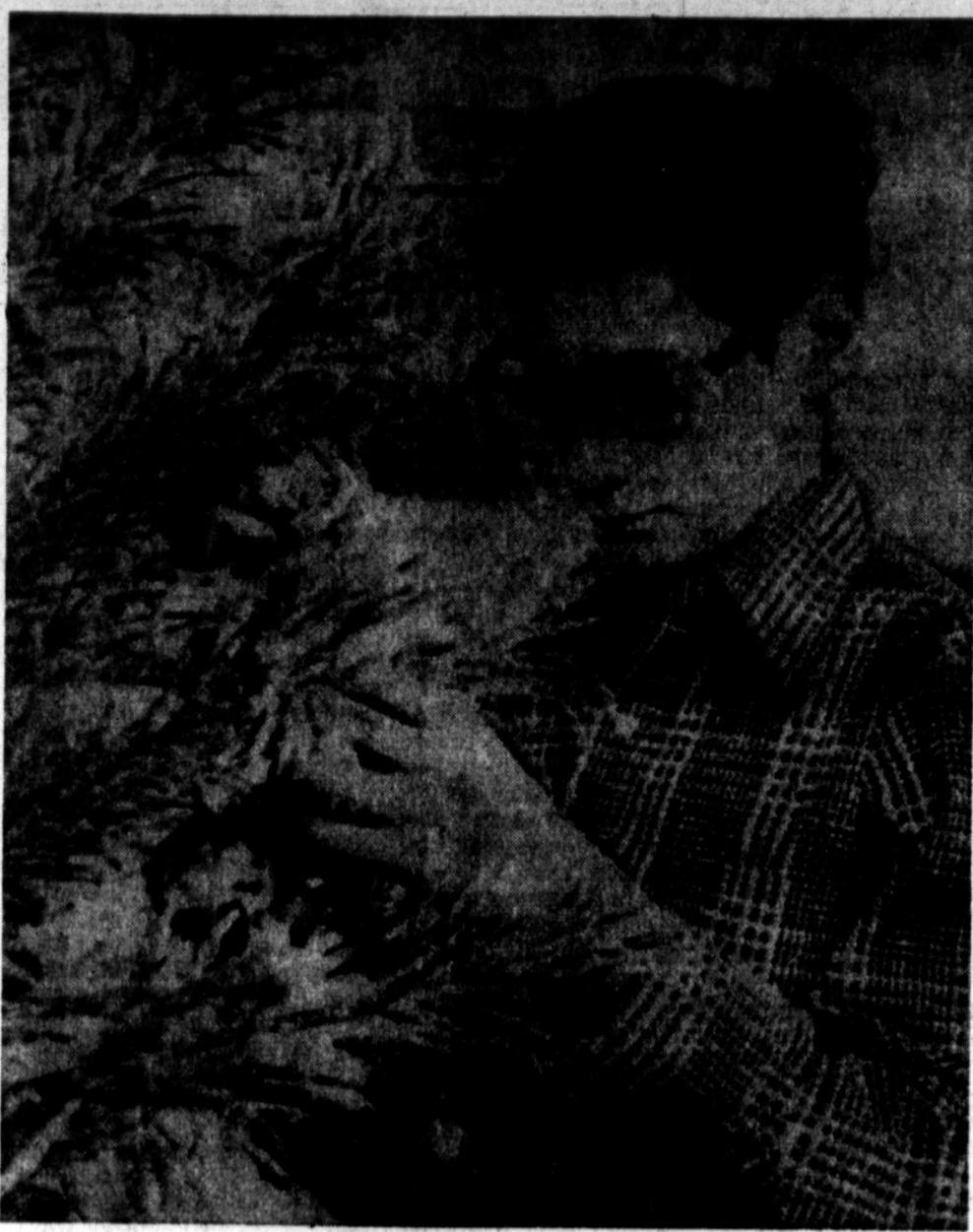
Precisely at 11 a.m., Mrs. Mahon called her husband, who is chairman of the House appropriations committee and who was toiling away in an effort to complete congressional business before Christmas, to remind him "Don't forget, this is the exact moment."

"I know. I know," beamed Rep. Mahon. He paused to reflect how they had been married in the chapel of the First Methodist Church in Fort Worth Dec. 21, 1923 on a rainy day which was to be contrasted by 50 years of happiness. Mahon confided that "actually we celebrate 12 anniversaries a year." No matter what, we pause on the 21st of each month to talk."

A week ago today Leslie and Liz Carpenter hosted an anniversary dinner for George and Helen Mahon in the presence of about 50 guests. But on the actual day, a projected dinner had to be sidetracked because of the press of congressional duties. The two of them hope to get to Dallas in time to spend Christmas with their daughter and her family. They just might drive over to Fort Worth to visit the church where they were married.

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HIS LAST CHRISTMAS TREE — David Bowen of Buffalo, N.Y., decorates perhaps the last Christmas tree he will ever see. The 17-year-old youth was born with a congenital heart defect and has developed cancer. Surgeons say he may not live another year.

Standby Ration Plan Due Soon

Reviewing the ... Big Spring Week ... with Joe Pickle

You'll notice in today's Herald that the cotton crop will considerably exceed \$20,000,000 in value, and that may be having a bearing on the vigorous spurt of Christmas business, although a lot of the line won't be sold until after Jan. 1 for tax purposes. There has never been a year like this one, at least agriculturally.

A disconcerting piece of news came with the resignation of Jim Thompson as director of the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. He had headed the operation since its inception, and its outstanding operations is almost a personal tribute. He has a larger opportunity in a new public rehabilitation center at Bryan.

The City of Big Spring got its third-quarter sales tax payment from the state last week. This amounted to \$128,761, which was \$14,307, or 12 per cent above the comparable period for a year ago. This maintains a trend for the year which (See THE WEEK, Page 2-A, Col. 6)

10,000 Sweaters Are Given Away

NEW YORK (AP) — "It won't help to knock on the radiator," said the cards from the William Kaufman Realty Organization. "Slip this on instead."

With the cards went 10,000 wool sweaters to office workers in all six of the company's Manhattan skyscrapers.

"The energy crisis is everybody's problem, and we are all in it together," explained Melvin Kaufman, 46, an associate in his father's firm.

Why Not Ask Nurse To Share Holiday?

Gill A. (Ken) Barnett, released from a hospital following surgery, has an idea how folks could enjoy Christmas more.

He discovered that hospitals here have several nurses from England, Ireland, Korea and other foreign places. There has been an appeal for families to invite pilots from foreign lands at Webb, as well as airmen who won't get to go home at Christmas, but foreign student nurses could brighten family gathering too, Barnett suggested.

Most Gas Stations Will Open Monday

Gasless Sunday will be followed by Gasless Christmas, but you'll probably be able to fill 'er up in between.

There had been widespread rumors that many gas stations were going to shut down several days around Christmas and New Year's. But as millions of holiday travelers hit the road, a survey by American Automobile Association showed that the protest over government fuel policies failed to catch fire.

An AAA check of 45 states and the District of Columbia indicated that 85 per cent of gas stations, or 2,779, will be open Dec. 24 and that 12 per cent, or about 404, will be open Christmas Day, at least part of the time. Gas station operations have always been cut way back on Christmas Day even in years when there was no gasoline shortage.

Bombers On Rampage

LONDON (AP) — Terrorist bombs exploded almost simultaneously in three downtown movie theaters late Saturday night. An ambulance court officer said no one was hurt in any of the blasts.



SIGHT FOR WEAK EYES — James DeMuth, 18, of Oreta, Ill. sits in his car wearing a pair of experimental glasses that made it possible for him to obtain a driver's license. DeMuth has 10 per cent normal vision and is considered legally blind. The glasses, which have 1-inch-long telescopes that fit over the lenses, give DeMuth better than 68 per cent normal vision.

Congress Again Slices Requests

WASHINGTON — As has been the case in each of the last 21 years, Congress again will cut under budget requests, Rep. George Mahon, Lubbock, chairman of the House Appropriations committee, noted.

Blankets Taken In Burglary

Two blankets taken in the burglary of a local apartment were worth a total of \$5, police said, but value of a door with a glass window, which was knocked down, was placed at \$55.

The apartment located at 509 N. Douglas St. belongs to Henry Salazar, 406 NW 10th St., police said Friday.

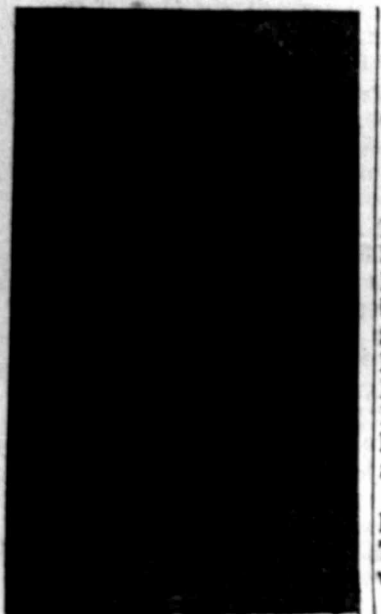
\$2.9 billion. Projected expenditures will about equal the President's revised revenue estimate of \$270 billion, he said.

However, a couple of non-appropriation items — the Social Security increases and unemployment benefits occasioned by the energy shortage — could add about \$1.5 billion to the total outlay, he said.

He noted that the House had cut \$3.5 billion off requests, the Senate \$2.6, and the \$2.9 billion reduction represented the adjustment between the two houses.

Among the "uncontrollables" which jumped significantly was an additional \$2.9 billion for interest on the debt, plus \$1.2 billion for Medicaid and disaster relief. Significant reductions in "uncontrollables" were \$2.9 less in outlays for Continental Shelf through rents and royalties, \$1.2 billion for farm price supports, and \$1.8 savings through sale of financial assets and stockpiles.

DEATHS



C. Trantham Dies At 60

Clarence Trantham, 60, of Big Spring, died at 2:30 p.m. Friday in a local rest home after a lengthy illness. He was a retired merchant. Services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

The services were conducted by Clant Higginbotham, a minister of the Church of Christ. Burial followed in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Mr. Trantham was born Jan. 8, 1913, in Fairy, Tex. He married Esther Neary on April 15, 1940, in Midland. He finished high school in Fairy and moved to Big Spring in 1938. He played baseball with the Big Spring Barons.

More recently, Mr. Trantham helped organized and directed the Big Spring Teen-Age Baseball Association, which gave hundreds of Big Spring boys beyond Little League age the chance to play baseball.

Before he was acquired by the Big Spring professional baseball team prior to WW II, he performed for Amarillo in the old WT-NM League. He won over 20 games one season after joining the Big Spring team. He was affectionally called "Peavine" by his teammates here.

He served in the U.S. Army in World War II in the Pacific Theatre. Mr. Trantham returned to Big Spring in April of 1949, and was in the furniture and appliance business until retiring in 1972 due to ill health. He was a member of the 14th and Main Church of Christ.

Survivors are his wife; two sons, Charles Trantham, and Joe Trantham, both of Big Spring; his mother, Mrs. Bert Trantham of Fort Worth; three sisters, Mrs. Opal Singleton and Mrs. Ruby Manning, both of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Ruth Duncan of Albuquerque, N.M.; three brothers, Ira Trantham of Abilene, Elwood Trantham of Burnet, and Cecil Trantham of Albuquerque, N.M.

Funeral services will be Jimmy Anderson, Vellie Sorrels, Walter Stroup, Charlie Shanks, Cecil Peurifoy, and Jimmie Morehead. All friends are considered honorary pallbearers.

R. D. McAdams
Ricky Don McAdams, 20, a graduate of Big Spring High School, was killed in a one-car accident at 2:35 a.m., Saturday in Durango, Colo.

Services are scheduled at 10 a.m., Monday in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel, with interment to follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

and attended Howard County Junior College for one year. Three months ago, he moved to Durango, Colo., where he was employed by a lumber company. He was a member of College Baptist Church, Big Spring.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Betty McAdams, Big Spring; his father, Donald McAdams, Durango, Colo.; a brother, Terry McAdams, Big Spring; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Oglesby, Forsan; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Garner McAdams, Big Spring; and several aunts and uncles.

Jimmy R. Jennings, Dan Lusk, Mike Pipes, Grady Ray, Terry Ficklin and Don Glaser will be pallbearers.

Mattie Bedford

COLORADO CITY — Mrs. Mattie Elizabeth Bedford, 82, of Colorado City, died at 1:55 p.m. Friday in a Colorado City hospital after a short illness. Services will be today at 2 p.m. in the Kiker-Seale Chapel.

Conducting the services is Gene Johnston, minister of the 22nd and Austin Street Church of Christ. Burial will be in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Mrs. Bedford was born Nov. 1, 1891. She came to Mitchell County in 1907. She married Sam H. Bedford in 1911 in Colorado City. Mr. Bedford died in 1936. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Mamie Lou New of Colorado City and Mrs. Elizabeth Beam of Snyder; two sisters, Mrs. Adie Richardson of Colorado City and Mrs. Margaret Carson of Amarillo; and three brothers, Oscar Killian of Denver City, M. B. Killian of San Antonio, and Norman Killian of Mesquite.

George O'Barr

George O'Barr, 79, died at 4 a.m., Saturday in a local hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel, the Rev. J. B. Sharp of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be at 4 p.m., Wednesday at the Ledbetter Cemetery in Ledbetter, Tex.

Mr. O'Barr was born Nov. 27, 1894, in Washington County, Tex. He moved to Glasscock County in 1905 where he became a rancher. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Forsan.

Survivors include two brothers, John D. O'Barr, Big Spring, and J. C. O'Barr, San Angelo; a sister, Mrs. Lois O'Barr Smith, Glasscock Co.; three nieces and two nephews.

W. D. Womack

Mrs. O. E. Wolfe and Mrs. Brandon Curry, with their husbands, returned Friday from Ozona where they attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, William D. Womack, 72, who died Wednesday. Mr. Womack has been a drilling contractor and a resident of Ozona since 1942. He married Tommy James in Abilene on Nov. 17, 1925, and she survives, as do three sons, Billy Tom and Bobby D. Womack of Denver, Colo., and Jackie J. Womack, Ozona. Mrs. Clovia Johnson, Big Spring, is a niece.

Anna McReynolds

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Faught left Friday for Austin to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Anna McReynolds. With her husband, Dr. McReynolds, she had lived in Stanton for a number of years.



NEW HOME FOR HUGHES? — Sources in the Bahamas reported Friday that wealthy reclusive Howard Hughes, who is believed to have left London earlier this week, has taken over the 12th and 13th floors of the Xanadu Princess Hotel, above, on Grand Bahama Island.

Non-Smokers Should Push For Rights, Agency Says

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Non-smokers outnumber smokers 2 to 1 and ought to demand their rights to breathe clean air in public places, says the Texas Department of Health.

"Breathing of contaminated air caused by smokers can be extremely harmful to those around them," the department reports. "The American Medical Association estimates that at least 34 million Americans are sensitive to cigarette smoke. They may have respiratory conditions which are made worse, often dangerously so, by tobacco fumes."

The department noted that smoke from an idling cigarette contains almost twice as much tar and nicotine as an inhaled cigarette and may be twice as toxic as smoke inhaled by the smoker.

"Since pipe and cigar smokers inhale less than cigarette smokers, they contribute relatively unfiltered smoke into the air," the department said. "One test in Germany showed that smoking of several cigarettes in a closed room makes the concentration of nicotine and dust particles so high in just a short time that the non-smoker inhales as much harmful tobacco as the smoker inhales from four or five cigarettes," the department said.

Buses Loaded For Holidays

Homebound travelers kept bus schedules through here loaded at the end of the week. So far, however, passengers have been able to get accommodations.

Greyhound was running numerous extra sections (another coach behind the regularly scheduled one) and Continental Trailways said practically every schedule had an extra section.

Each of the two terminals reported a sharp increase in the volume of parcels being hauled, and Greyhound said this had rocketed within the past two days.

The two carriers expected a slight let up on Christmas day, but they anticipated a continuously heavy volume of traffic until around Jan. 4.

Many of those crowding the buses were servicemen trying to get home for Christmas.

Days Of Yore Are Revisited Friday

ABC Club members got a dose of local history Friday.

Pictures of early-day Big Spring, some of its characters, happenings, and sources of income were narrated by Joe Pickle, president of Heritage Museum. He was assisted by George Zachariah, board member.

The slides were selected from the picture library of the museum and trace developments from the decimation of the buffalo to the arrival of settlers, the railroad and then the sod-busters.

Steward Forrest was in charge of the program. Silver Spurs, for membership recruitment, were presented to Charles Dunnam and Deral Pittman. The club will not meet Dec. 28, president Max Green announced.

Lack Of Marriage Ruined Chances For A Divorce

Finding no marriage ever existed between a couple who lived together four years, District Judge R. W. Caton Friday refused to grant a divorce.

"The court finds that there does not now exist nor has there ever existed a marriage between the petitioner and respondent . . . of any kind including a ceremonial marriage, a common law marriage, and a putative marriage," the judgment states.

"The court finds from the evidence that the relationship between such parties has been of a meretricious nature," it continues. The dictionary defines meretricious as being "characteristic of a prostitute."

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Sailor Wins \$1 Million In Malpractice Suit

NEW YORK (AP) — A merchant seaman who entered a hospital for minor eye surgery and emerged a blind quadriplegic has won an award of \$1 million in the largest malpractice suit ever filed against the federal government.

William Fertig, 22, agreed Friday to the settlement, which allows \$650,000 of the award to revert to the government after his death.

Congress and the United States attorney general must approve the award.

An 18-grade dropout from Franklinville, N.J., Fertig was a fireman on a freighter carrying ammunition to Vietnam.

In 1968, he entered the Staten Island Public Health Service Hospital for surgery on a weak eye muscle.

However, a student nurse did not monitor Fertig's allergic reaction to an anesthetic, and he was blinded and paralyzed.

Fertig's father had sued the government for \$5 million in damages, but U.S. Magistrate Max Schiffman worked out a compromise approved by federal Judge Jack Weinstein.

Fertig lay on an ambulance bed in Weinstein's courtroom Friday as the terms of the settlement were read.

When the judge finished and asked Fertig if he agreed to the terms, the quadriplegic made a kissing sound that his mother explained was his way of saying yes.

Under the agreement, the government will pay Fertig's parents \$150,000 and his attorneys \$200,000.

The remaining \$650,000 would be put into a trust fund of non-taxable bonds, and the interest on the bonds would be used to pay Fertig's medical and personal expenses until his death, when the government will reclaim the money.

Emerald Ring Said Pilfered

A woman's emerald ring studded with two diamond chips and valued at \$350 was stolen during the burglary of mobile home used by construction crews, police reported Friday.

The mobile home is located by the Barcelona Apartments, 538 Westover Road, and the ring belongs to J. T. Pass, Dallas. Also taken in the burglary was \$10 in change.

Police said the burglary may have happened as far back as Dec. 11.

The per capita consumption of cigarettes by persons 18 and older has dropped from 4,345 per year to just over 4,000 per year since the surgeon general's report in 1964 on the hazards of cigarette smoking.

More than 29 million adults in this country have quit smoking in the past seven years, the department said.

A National Education Week on Smoking, sponsored by the National Intergency Council on Smoking and Health, will be observed Jan. 11-17. Its theme is "Non-Smokers Have Rights, Too!"

The council has published a "Non-Smokers Bill of Rights":

—The right to breathe clean air, free from harmful and irritating tobacco smoke.

—The right to express their discomfort and to object when smokers light up without asking permission.

—The right to act through legislative channels or social pressures to restrict smoking in public places.

Local Man Hurt When Car Rolls

Gordon Hughes, secretary to the division superintendent of the T&P Railway here, suffered a broken pelvis and fractured wrist when his car turned over about five miles south of Lamesa Thursday.

Hughes was en route to Lubbock to pick up a son, Steve, and bring him home for the Christmas holiday.

Gordon is now in the Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa but may be moved to a local hospital early in the week.

She Was Shot At, Fem Tells Cops

Dora Juarez, 1003 NW 2nd St., told police she was shot at, but neither herself nor her car hit at 12:27 a.m. Saturday.

Police did not specify where the incident occurred.

Community Center Idea Again Projected Here

The embers of a community center for athletic, entertainment, and exhibit purposes are being stirred again at Howard County Junior College.

This time, the idea is being projected in conjunction with the allied health program of the college.

As always, financing what would be a million-dollar project remains the biggest single obstacle, but means of this are being explored.

There has been no public presentation of plans — for indeed they are nebulous at this time — but last week trustees and administrators got an informal look at general outlines by Gary and Hohertz, Big Spring architects engaged to do preliminary work in putting ideas together.

The result was a plant which would seat crowds variously from 2,400 to 4,100, depending on the type of event.

The basic building would be a rectangle with corners bobbed off to provide an oblong octagonal. In the center of this would be a 15,000 square foot court area for basketball, ice shows, exhibits, etc., or for additional seating space as needed.

At one end would be a mobile stage which could be rolled out for dramatic, musical and such programs.

Adjacent would be dressing rooms, access to restrooms, etc. A conventional stage production could accommodate 2,400; an ice show could handle 2,600; a basketball game 3,300; a speaking (or small theatre in the round) up to 4,100.

Tentative plans call for the basic building to rise from a 10-foot excavation, thus reducing the height of the walls. There would be 34-ft. clearance from the court floor to the 160-clear span girders supporting the roof, which would be some 40-42 feet above the court level.

The flooring would be of composition types suitable for basketball or other events and which maintains resiliency without scarring.

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THE WEEK

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means that business gains are outstripping the inflationary factor.

When Big Spring schools come back, there'll only be about a week of the regular starting time. Then on Jan. 7, classes will begin at 9 a.m., half an hour later, in deference to the imposition of DST. Probably a number of businesses may change their schedules to conform because of working mammals.

As Christmas loomed ahead, the ministry to the needy appeared encouraging. Capt. L. Z. Sullivan said so far everyone applying was being taken care of, thanks to an outpouring of generosity by people in general, including those supporting The Herald's annual Christmas Cheer appeal.

Don't be looking for Kohoutek, the comet, during the holiday season. It has ducked behind the sun and won't reappear until Jan. 1, when it will show up in the southwest skies at dusk and after. However, there will be a seasonal "special" on Christmas Eve when Jupiter and Venus come in near conjunction in the western skies just after sundown.

The City got another reminder — as have countless private firms, of the costs of doing business. Bids on hospital and life insurance for employees came in at about \$50,000, which is \$12,000 more than about a year ago. And that doesn't include liability insurance.

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A HAPPY TUNE

Local Merchants Are Whistling

By JOHN EDWARDS
A policeman was dispatched to direct traffic choking the downtown area as the sidewalks and stores swarmed with customers Saturday.

"Our parking lot has been full all day today, and it was last Saturday," a spokesman for a department store not in the downtown area.

Asked what types of goods sold fastest, he said: "Generally, everything we've got."

If he had to pick the "hottest item," it would be a popcorn popper with an automatic butter dispenser.

10, 25, 30 PER CENT
Over-all, he estimated sales exceeded Christmas sales last year by 10 per cent.

"We're running around 30 per cent ahead of last year," a jewelry store spokesman said.

She noted customers are buying more expensive jewelry this year.

"Up about 25 per cent," a hardware store representative said of Christmas sales this year. "You name it. Anything I'm selling is selling."

He noticed "a general uncertainty about the future. People are kind of having a last fling."

Customers are showing a good holiday mood and "putting up" with service which is necessarily not as good as it is normally.

The public, anticipating gasoline rationing, is spending money that otherwise would go to service stations, he believed.

He echoed other observers when he mentioned "a lot of money in town from the cotton crop."

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If the allied health program continues to expand, a separate class building could be erected along side.

Conjecture over the facility has it located at Birdwell and Kentucky Way (the main entrance north on Kentucky Way) with off street parking. For big games, etc., there is unlimited parking a block east in the Memorial Stadium parking lot.

Local Merchants Are Whistling

By JOHN EDWARDS
A policeman was dispatched to direct traffic choking the downtown area as the sidewalks and stores swarmed with customers Saturday.

"Our parking lot has been full all day today, and it was last Saturday," a spokesman for a department store not in the downtown area.

Asked what types of goods sold fastest, he said: "Generally, everything we've got."

If he had to pick the "hottest item," it would be a popcorn popper with an automatic butter dispenser.

10, 25, 30 PER CENT
Over-all, he estimated sales exceeded Christmas sales last year by 10 per cent.

"We're running around 30 per cent ahead of last year," a jewelry store spokesman said.

She noted customers are buying more expensive jewelry this year.

"Up about 25 per cent," a hardware store representative said of Christmas sales this year. "You name it. Anything I'm selling is selling."

He noticed "a general uncertainty about the future. People are kind of having a last fling."

Customers are showing a good holiday mood and "putting up" with service which is necessarily not as good as it is normally.

The public, anticipating gasoline rationing, is spending money that otherwise would go to service stations, he believed.

He echoed other observers when he mentioned "a lot of money in town from the cotton crop."

Compared to other Christmas seasons, purchases and pawn loans are running "just about normal," a pawn shop representative said. "We're real busy."

A shortage in guns and knives has benefited the pawn shop, but all sorts of items are selling.

"STEALING SHEEP"
Like the pawnbroker, a discount store spokesman partially attributes the good market to

"Our toy department has grown a considerable amount," he said, when asked about particular types of fast selling goods. "Also, our number one department is health and beauty aids."

Toys born in the aura surrounding Evel Knievel, the famous motorcycle stunt rider sold out all over Big Spring, he said.

"We've sold more 'living' Bibles this year than anyone in the country has," he said. These are Bibles paraphrased for easy reading.

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Christmas Outlawed In Boston Back In 1659

BOSTON (AP) — Christmas carolers, eggnog, Santa Clauses and fancy trees, all within sight of Boston Common, would shock the city's Puritan forebears. Three hundred years ago, it was all against the law.

Christmas was banned in Boston and frowned upon in most other parts of pious New England.

These early American sailed away from England to escape the excesses of the state religion, especially the drinking and partying that was a Christmas Eve tradition. So they made a home where only pure religion was accepted, and Christmas had a bad reputation.

MADE OFFICIAL

Public opinion was enough to keep most colonists in line on Dec. 25. But in 1659, the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay

Colony made it official: It was against the law to observe "any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forbearing of labour, feasting or any other way."

The fine for Christmas keepers was five shillings.

In Connecticut, the ban was specific. It forbade the reading of common prayer, keeping Christmas, making mince pies, dancing, playing cards or performing on any instruments of music, except the drum, trumpet or Jews-harp.

Even without the fear of paying a fine or spending time in the stocks, people shunned the holiday, because there were few quicker ways of losing status.

So for the first New Englanders, Christmas was a day of work, just like any other

day.

In 1961, William Bradford, governor of Plymouth, described the first Christmas recorded in New England. He said he called the colony out to work, but some people said it went against their conscience to do labor on Christmas.

Bradford told them if they made it a matter of conscience, he would let them stay home "till they were better informed." But when the settlers returned to the colony Christmas noon, they found those who had stayed behind "in ye streets at play openly, some pitching ye bar, and some at stoolball and such like sports."

So Bradford "went to them and took away their implements and told them it was against his conscience that they should play and others work."

Dope Haul In Laredo

LAREDO, Tex. (AP) — A Missouri man and his wife were jailed Friday in lieu of \$25,000 bond in connection with the seizure of 600 pounds of marijuana Thursday.

Customs agents said Robert P. Allan, 51, and his wife, Paulita, 37, of Independence, Mo., were charged with possession of marijuana found hidden under the floor of a house trailer being pulled across the International Bridge in this border town.

The couple was arraigned before U.S. Magistrate Tom Goodwin.

'Private Eyes' Bill Tops List

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Texas private detectives hope that legislation allowing them to carry handguns will be at the top of the list of legislation proposed for the next legislative session.

The Texas Board of Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies officially urged Gov. Dolph Briscoe Thursday to allow the next special session to consider a law that would make it legal for all security guards to carry pistols.

Atty. Gen. John Hill held earlier this week that the new penal code which is effective Jan. 1 allows pistol carrying only when a guard is on the premises of his employer, Hill said this would not include armored car guards or private security guards traveling public streets.

Herb Kelpen, president of Associated Security Services and Investigators, said Briscoe assured him last Wednesday that a bill to avoid a "security crisis" would be on the agenda of the next special session.

Three Men Survive Month Of Drifting In Pacific

VICTORIA, B.C. (AP) — Three men who survived a month of drifting at sea, powerlessly without sails and eventually without food, also were kept from reaching port by poor weather after being rescued.

Bad weather made a helicopter evacuation of the three impossible, a spokesman for Search and Rescue Headquarters said Friday night. They had to settle for being taken today to safety aboard the Canadian destroyer escort Mackenzie.

The 41-foot ketch Pacific Mariner was found helpless about 50 miles west of Vancouver Island. Aboard was the body of Raymond Buttel of Langley, B.C., who had died during the ordeal, and the three survivors: Capt. Dennis De-

Long of Vancouver; Bob Lasard of Vancouver and Bob Quack of Mechanicsville, N.Y.

All three were weak from malnutrition. A month earlier what happened was not immediately known, but they were reported missing in mid-November.

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Lebanon Quiet After Riots

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanon was quiet today after four days of street rioting which left four persons dead and prompted the government to pledge it will fight soaring food prices.

A three-day-old general strike was called off Friday in Tripoli where the street clashes took their highest toll. A soldier, a policeman and two demonstrators were killed and four others were wounded in the city 60 miles north of Beirut.

Armored cars remained on guard around Tripoli's government buildings after a machine-gun attack on the governor's offices on Friday.

Leftist groups have blamed the premier's conservative government for the rising prices.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Many Suspicious When Approached To Sign

Howard College student Barbara Eaton lacked the job of trying to get people to participate in a modern signing of the Declaration of Independence and wound up convinced that the populace as a whole is becoming more attuned to government than it would have been two years ago.

She attributed the new awareness, in part, to the problems experienced by the present administration. In all, she talked with 214 people on widely separated fronts.

Ms. Eaton was undertaking the task as a Government Class project. Her instructor is Bobby Smith.

The first part of Ms. Eaton's experiment took place in an upper middle class suburban shopping center in Oklahoma City, and she recalls it turned out better than she had anticipated.

She was careful to don a dress and wear shoes with heels in order to look the part of an upper middle class individual. She was to discover that a lot more people stopped and read the Declaration of Independence than she had expected.

She had reasoned most people simply would not take the time to read it or pay any attention to her at all.

WOULDN'T READ IT
A middle-age, lower-class man told her he couldn't sign anything like that because of fear for his job. He refused to even read the paper Ms. Eaton extended to him.

A young, lower class individual said that the paper looked like Communist propaganda to him but he decided he liked what it said and he signed it. For signing the paper, he thought he deserved payment, after having talked two of his friends into adding their signatures to the sheet.

A young couple read the paper together and both voiced the opinion that the wording switched to abolishing it and felt it wasn't consistent in what it was trying to get across to the people.

A seventh grade government teacher read the Declaration and was very enthusiastic about it. She, of course, instantly recognized it but expressed pessimism that Ms. Eaton would get very many to sign it. She added she had her pupils memorize it.

A middle-age, middle-class

male who also recognized it remarked he felt it was not the same document as when it was first instituted "due to all the amendments we have added to it."

An older male said he would sign it if it didn't cost him anything. He then proceeded to sign it without glancing at it.

A long-haired youth recognized the document and voiced the opinion that it was "pragmatic and that people believe in it until their money is threatened."

A middle-age male after reading it, said he wished that the government would follow the Declaration. Ms. Eaton said her most interesting comment came from an old man who refused to read her paper at all, gave her a dirty look and barked: "I don't sign nothing like that."

Ms. Eaton's second study took place at a local shopping district, where she feels she interviewed a representative cross-section of people.

There, she wore slacks and tried to look a bit more radical. Results were similar to those she experienced in Oklahoma City, though she found Big Spring people a bit more friendly. Local people were more apt to read

the paper, too. However, they seemed to be less apt to understand what they read and more apt to sign it whether they read it or not.

She approached two middle-age men engaged in conversation and asked them to read, then sign the document. After reading it, one said he didn't like the wording and the other declared their petitioner could get a lot more people to sign it if the wording could be changed. He also felt the government should be changed through due process of law and not by abolishing it "as the paper had said."

A middle-age woman Barbara approached testily said she did not want to sign anything "about a new government."

Three individuals here recognized the Declaration but one asked Barbara if she had "basterized" it. Another insisted the petitioner had changed the wording and the third maintained she had "corrupted the Declaration of Independence and that the Declaration was a pack of lies anyway."

A young long-haired male not only waxed enthusiastic about the document but went around the shopping center to sign, since "it was a good thing." He also remarked to Barbara that she could stick it in President Nixon's ear.

Two Big Springers wanted to know who her instructor was and one commented "you mean he's teaching that kind of stuff." Another man engaged in discussion allowed as how he needed a translator to understand the paper.

A middle-age woman here, without even looking at the document, remarked "I haven't ever read that and I don't live here (in Big Spring)." However, after Barbara read it to her, she said she liked it and proceeded to sign it.

Some signed merely because they didn't want to be rude to their petitioner, Barbara reasoned. Some were worried about getting into trouble if they signed. A Mexican-American recognized it immediately and exuded pride while attaching his signature to the document.

One individual said his wife wouldn't allow him to sign any petitions. Another was sure it "sounded like treason." A young male asked if Barbara were trying to impeach the President.

After concluding the survey, Ms. Eaton remarked she was convinced she would never make it as a salesman because the whole experiment was "two exhausting."

Mitchell Well Is Under Way

Ray A. Albaugh, Big Spring was digging cellar and pits Saturday for his No. 5 Elwood (Keeny) in southern Mitchell County.

The wildcat venture, which will go to 5,100 feet in search of the Aboe or Wolfcamp, is in the same section as four other similar wildcats staked recently by Albaugh and will be drilled as the first of the five. It is three miles west of the Rose Creek (5050 Wolfcamp) field and is located 3,313 from the north and 3,407 from the west lines section 40-SPRR.

In Dawson County, Omar Operating Co. of Midland No. 1 George Oldham was staked 2,173 feet from the north and east lines of section 26-34-4n, T&P, as a 8,400-foot Canyon Reef wildcat. The location puts it three-eighths of a mile northwest of the depleted one-well Canyon Reef opener of the Ackerly North (Multi-Pay field) which was opened by Camp No. 1 Oldham for 212 barrels oil and 35 per cent water. It also is three-fourths of a mile southwest of Camp Oil No. 1 Emma Blue which rated 227 barrels of 40-gravity oil but which subsequently was depleted.

Borden County gained a new pay in the Upper Strawn with completion of James P. Dunigan No. 1 M. A. Parks, et al, four miles west of Fluvanna and three-eighths of a mile east of a depleted Ellenburger re-opener. It also is nearly a mile north-northeast of a Mississippi plan opener. A lower Strawn producer lies a mile and a quarter to the southeast. The venture was drilled to 3,949, plugged back to 8,320, perforated 7,898-902 and acidized with 500 gallons. It flowed 253 barrels of 41-gravity oil through a 12-64th choke and had a gas oil-ratio of 921-1. Location is 680 from the south and west lines of section 583-97, H&TC.

Other reports included Omar No. 1 Scott, Howard Wildcat, at 6,891 feet.

Member Goals Will Be Reached

The Lone Star District of the Boy Scout's Buffalo Trail Council will meet its membership goals for the year.

Guy Griffith, district executive, said Saturday that recruiting in December had overcome a modest deficit and now the district was ahead of its target. This was considered a singular achievement since the district was without an executive for about half of the year.

Crowder's Bond Set In Snyder

SNYDER — Bond was fixed Friday at \$100,000 for Elton Crowder, 62-year-old farmer charged with murder with malice in the death of Charles Allen Grice, 56, owner-operator of the Dunn Gin.

Grice was shot to death as he entered the office of his gin last Sunday afternoon. Sheriff Keith Collie said Grice was shot after an altercation between the two men earlier in the day.

Presbyterians Set Traditional Rite

The traditional candlelight service of the First Presbyterian Church will be held in the sanctuary Monday night at 7 o'clock.

The Chancel Choir will lead the congregation in carol singing and the ritual of the lighting of the candles. The Rev. R. Earl, pastor, will lead the congregation in a brief Christmas message. The members of First Presbyterian invite all of their friends and neighbors to worship with them during the service.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

YOU'RE RIGHT, IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME AT THE ZOO — Josephine, a 7-year-old orangutan at the San Francisco Zoo didn't take long today to find out what was inside the box during the Christmas party for the gorillas, orangutans and monkeys. And when she got the paper off and the box open, she just upended the box to get at the popcorn inside.

Everyone Little Drummer Boy In New York Section

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (ZP) — The Christmas tree shelters stack of canned goods, peas, corn, beans, The carols ring with the brass notes of a brass bugler. And in the nativity scene baby Jesus is a tiny girl with golden earrings.

Thus, in one of the nation's worst slums, is Christmas celebrated, a bright red-and-green gem in a sullen, desperate year.

"I cannot buy a gift. At his dear feet to lay. I'll give my heart. This Christmas Day." — a girl who calls herself Crystal Cummings, age 9.

Not for all the children of Brooklyn's Bedford-Stuyvesant section, but for some, Christmas comes with the opening of the doors of the Tabernacle Education Day Care and Action Center. It comes with a parade led by the Rev. Grace Havenwaller. Of the 300 children who use the center, 30 live there.

"We are like a family here. Two-thirds of the children don't know where their parents live." "Save The Children," which sponsors the center, provides the turkeys. The women of the community cook for days. The doors open and hundreds of children come in. There are toys and clothes and a drawing for baskets of food. The center tries to see that any family with six or more children receives a bag

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WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q. 1 — East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠KJ4 ♥Q8 ○AQJ1082 ♣AQ
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ 1 ♠
?

What do you bid now?

Q. 2 — East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠J3 ♥5 ○KQ1072 ♣QJ986
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
1 ♥ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

Q. 3 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠K1095 ♥J7652 ♣A54
The bidding has proceeded:
West North East South
Pass 3 ♠ Dble. ?

What action do you take?

Q. 4 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠Q875 ♥Q ○652 ♣97432
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♥ Pass Pass 2 ♠
3 ♥ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

Q. 5 — East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠KQ108 ♥6 ○KJ82 ♣A862
The bidding has proceeded:
West North East South
1 ♠ Pass Pass ?

What action do you take?

Q. 6 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠QJ9762 ♥3 ○64 ♣AKQ6
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♠ 2 ♥ 2 ♠ 3 ♥
?

What do you bid now?

Q. 7 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠AJ105 ♥Q4 ○J9 ♣AKQJ2
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass
2 ♥ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
3 NT Pass ?

What do you bid now?

Q. 8 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠A ♥72 ○QJ1043 ♣QJ742
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South
1 ♠ Dble. ?

What do you bid?

[Look for answers Monday]

Roaches Find Their Way Into Homes Many Ways

By The Associated Press

Roaches are not strictly a slum phenomenon. The poshest high-rise apartments can harbor them. They enter apartments through wall and floor cracks and travel up plumbing networks, exiting at sinks and bathtubs. They get carried in with laundry, grocery sacks and soft drink cartons. They can even gain entrance in antique pieces hauled home to refinish.

So, regardless how impeccable your housecleaning, once a cockroach invasion hits your building or complex, you're going to find yourself bugged.

"La cucaracha" somehow hangs on against all odds. He eats practically anything surviving on just water for up to two months. He breeds faster than rabbits. And, unfortunately, he quickly builds up immunity to even the toughest killer chemicals. In short, once in, you'll never get him completely out.

But there are ways to keep him out of sight. And most of us will settle for even that.

Aerosol sprays help — sometimes — but roaches merely scamper from unpleasant chemical odors not strong enough to kill them, heading usually for an area they've not visited before.

Some local exterminators sell sprays to the general public of the sort used by pest control operators. These have a higher concentration of effective wonder killers than supermarket stuff. But they're safe for general use, having met U.S. government standards. They're also expensive.

When you launch an aerosol attack, don't flit from room to room spraying the air. Get down to the nitty-gritty. Spray behind and under the sink, stove, and refrigerator. Hit the wall cracks even better, seal them off as well as around window and door frames and all woodwork. And don't forget the garbage pail. The hardy little crawlers cozy up to warm running motors, so spray ventilator fans, air conditioners and behind electric wall clocks. A week later, spray it all again.

If all that sounds ambitious, consider an extermination service. They'll get far better results than you can. And they're a good bargain as well.

Exterminator rates depend on: the condition of your building; the severity of infestation; whether you're situated next to a food store or above a restaurant. Call several exterminators. Most give free phone estimates. Generally speaking, a 20-unit building with a relatively low bug population will cost up to \$100 for an initial "clean out." Follow-up visits by the exterminator, at one- or two-month intervals, run up to \$10 per building.

Ask your apartment manager first about getting an exterminator in. If he won't pick up the tab, tenants can band together and prorate the expense among themselves.

No matter who pays, it's essential that all apartments be accessible for a thorough initial cleanup. Debug only 18 of 20 units and the problem's obviously not licked. If tenants foot the service bill, they should arrange for the extermination teams entry into every apartment — perhaps by leaving keys with a responsible tenant who's home all day.

Exterminators also clean out individual apartments in buildings or complexes not otherwise serviced. Being the only debugged tenants in a building isn't necessarily a waste of effort and money. Roaches naturally avoid apartments with strong defense against them.

'New' Oil To Get Price Increase

SAN ANTONIO — Tesoro Crude Oil Company announces that effective Nov. 1, 1973 all "new" and "released" crude petroleum, as defined by Phase IV Oil Regulations, purchased by Tesoro Crude Oil Company, will be purchased for a price of \$4.29 per barrel above existing Phase IV ceiling prices paid for "old" crude petroleum under current purchase agreements.

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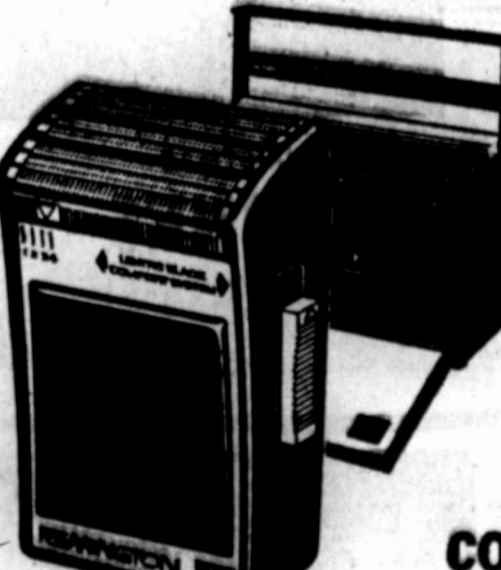
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The choir and congregation will sing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" before the Crib is blessed, which will be followed by "Silent Night, Holy Night" by the choir and congregation.

The Latin Mass in F by Leonard will be sung with Mrs. Harold Talbot, soloist.

During the Offertory, the choir and congregation will sing "Adeste Fideles," and at Communion Dr. Wm. J. Freitas will sing "Panis Angelicus."

The choir and congregation will sing "Angels We Have Heard on High" at the end of Mass, followed by "Christmas Bells" sung by the choir.

Although the Mass will be sung in Latin, all prayers and responses will be in English, said the Rev. Louis Moeller, pastor. Mrs. Leslie E. Green will be the organist.

KARATE NO BARGAIN

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — When Thomas Rebbie volunteered to have a cigarette kicked out of his mouth during a karate demonstration at his school, he says he got more than he bargained for.

His attorney filed suit in Montgomery County court charging that not only was the cigarette knocked out, but so was Rebbie.

The suit also charges that when Rebbie, a student at a vocational school in nearby Lansdale, regained consciousness, he had one tooth missing, three others were loosened and his jaw was broken.

Rebbie and his mother Kathleen are asking for \$20,000 in damages and payment of court costs and medical bills resulting from the incident two years ago.

'Sikh' Sailor Booted By Navy

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A sailor who insisted on wearing a turban to work despite a court-martial conviction was discharged Thursday, the Navy said.

Ronald Singh Sherwood, 22, of Houston said he is a recent convert to the Sikh religion, which requires members to wear turbans in public as a sign of respect for God.

Sherwood was found guilty Wednesday of being out of uniform and was reduced in rank from petty officer to seaman recruit, the lowest pay grade.

When he reported for work Thursday still wearing the turban, Cmdr. Clifford D. Wheeler, administrative officer at Miramar Naval Air Station, ordered him discharged honorably at the convenience of the government.

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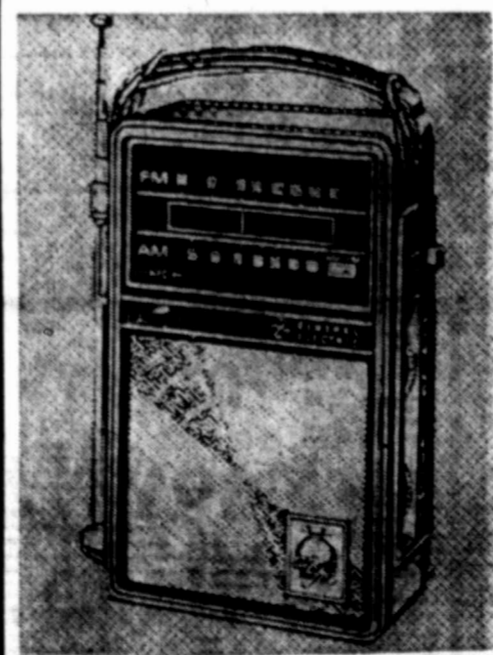
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Paralysis Threatens Bethlehem As Mid-East Tension Lingers

BETHLEHEM, Israel-occupied Jordan (AP) — The trouble with Christmas in Christ's hometown this year is that there's all kinds of room at the inn and only an uneasy cease-fire for men of good will.

"We were fully booked for the holidays, and now we are fully canceled. The hotel is empty," lamented Said Sawacha, inn-keeper of the 27-room Palace Hotel in Manger Square.

Said, a Christian Arab from

Amman, sat mournfully in his empty lobby. "If the situation continues much longer, it will be a disaster for the people of Bethlehem. Without pilgrims, where his own gift shop and mother-of-pearl works awaited customers.

"The wise men followed the star to Bethlehem, and now the whole world watches on Telstar," His Honor tried out a line from his Christmas speech.

The mayor, a round little man with an Oliver Hardy mustache, took a cautiously optimistic viewpoint on what almost everyone in town called "The Crisis."

"It will not be a fat Christmas, it will not be a lean Christmas," he said, spreading his stubby hands to outline the dimensions. "If there is genuine peace coming out of Geneva, the pilgrims will appear like always and Bethlehem will be saved."

Franciscan Friar Vitale Gabin, custodian of the cave beneath the massive basilica that Christians venerate as the spot where Christ was born, was not so sure. "No big groups of pilgrims have come from Spain and France and Italy as in other years. People are afraid to come. They read about a hand grenade exploding in the old city of Jerusalem, and they decide to stay at home and pray."

Father Gabin gently lifted and dusted the doll-like statue of the Infant Jesus that will be carried in the midnight procession to re-enact St. Luke's gospel: "And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

Father Hieronymos, a splendid bearded Greek replete, tested the big electric Christmas star

that perched on the roof of the Greek Orthodox wing of the Church. He noted happily that it rode higher than the blue Star of David on the police station and the crescent on the mosque and the five-cross Crusader emblem on the roof of the Franciscan Church.

"PEOPLE IN SQUARE"

"If there is a real peace, we will have people in the square," he almost chanted the words.

"If not the hippies from the kibbutzes will sing the hymns."

The three sects still share guardianship of the Nativity Shrine, carefully allotting the number of votive lamps and celebrating their separate Christmas — Dec. 25 for the Latin rite, Jan. 6 for the Greek Orthodox and Jan. 18 for the Armenians — but feuding has died to an occasional argument since Pope Paul VI visited Bethlehem in 1964.

"Ooo-weee, the fights we used to have," Joseph Hollujrian, a drop-out Armenian priest, recalled with relish. "Now after Christmas services, the priests from the different rites go to visit each other in their dining rooms and drink champagne."

Joseph, handsome and bearded, brews and serves strong black coffee in a Turkish sweet shop on Star Street, just a few hundred yards from the monastery where he spent 14 years.

On Tuesday, when all the bells of Bethlehem ring without reference to whose Christmas it is, Joseph will return to the monastery to assist his former colleagues with the celebration.

Bethlehem, the city of David, the Shepherd King, of Ruth, the Moabite, of Rachel who died giving birth to Benjamin, of whose tribe Joseph was when he came here to be enrolled according to the decrees of the Emperor Augustus, today has a population of 20,000, almost equally divided between Christian and Moslem Arabs. This does not include the 12,000 Palestinian refugees living in the wretched camps just beyond the Tomb of Rachel. Some still dwell in caves as humble as the one that sheltered the holy family.

There was no fighting in the city in the most recent Middle East war and, under Israeli occupation and military rule since the 1967 war, there have been no major terrorist incidents.

COMMANDO RAIDS

"We call them commando raids," corrected Tysir Showaky, a Moslem Arab who sells Christmas cards in a newsstand on the ground floor of the only mosque rising among Bethlehem's 30 churches and convents.

Five times a day from Manger Square the loudspeaker muezzin on the Mosque of Omar carries on a friendly acoustical battle with the bells of Bethlehem.

"Christmas will be a dead loss this year," sighed Showaky. Tourists are nil and prices have risen 35 per cent since the war.

Business was bad all up and down Star Street. In the Star Pigs Butchery only one customer, an old woman jingling with Bedouin jewelry, haggled over a kilo of spicy Arabic sausages.

Under a sign, "Souvenir Shop, Genuine Antiques," three bearded Bedouin farmers gravely awaited a decision from Khalil Shahin Kando on some coins they had found while planting a fig tree near the Field of the Shepherds. To this same shop in 1947 came a Jordanian goat herder who had found some

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scrolls in a cave overlooking the Dead Sea and offered them to Khalil's father.

"These are from Pilate's procurator," decided Kando, examining the tiny mottled coins under a magnifying glass. "The tourists will pay 20 dollars for them when they come."

As the coins in Kando's showcase only hinted, Bethlehem in its time has known many conquerors and undergone many occupations. Through its narrow winding streets have tramped Philistines, Romans, Samaritans, Moslems, Crusaders, Saracens, Mameluks, Ottoman Turks, British tommyes defending the mandate, Arab legionnaires from Jordan, British commandos and now the Israeli forces.

The birth of Jesus brought death to Bethlehem and made refugees of the Holy Family, fleeing into Egypt, which in ancient times had at Heliopolis the largest community of Jews outside of Palestine.

SLAUGHTER ORDERED

Herod the Great, dying of syphilis at the age of 70 and so insanely jealous of his throne he already had murdered his wife and three sons, ordered the slaughter of all male children under 2 in Bethlehem when the Wise Men failed to report back where the new King of the Jews had been born.

Tourist guides point out the cave of the Holy Innocents, as they do the low door that became the main entrance to the basilica to prevent the infidels of another era from riding in on horseback and slaughtering the worshippers.

By the fourth century, St. Jerome, translating the gospels into Latin from Hebrew in a cave next to the nativity site, complained there were so many refugees from Alaric's Visigoths in Bethlehem he could "only mix my tears with theirs" by way of help.

In 1847, the Greeks, backed up by the Ottomans, removed the silver star with its Latin inscription that marked the birthplace of Jesus in the grotto. The Turks, under pressure from France, made them return it.

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Beverly Whitehead Weds Russell Kimble

The wedding of Miss Beverly Kay Whitehead to Russell Crawford Kimble was solemnized Saturday evening in the Ozona Methodist Church with the Rev. John Berkley, pastor, serving as officiant. Mrs. Bud Cox was organist, and vocal selections were by Miss Teresa Shaw.

The bride is the daughter of Ruben Whitehead, Ozona, and Mrs. Alvin Bailey, Clarkston, Ga. Parents of the bridegroom are Mrs. Jo Kimble, 1112 Mulberry, Big Spring, and Jack Kimble of Beaumont.

The wedding party stood before an altar enhanced with candelabra and red and green floral arrangements.

Carrying a bouquet of white carnations centered with an orchid, the bride was attired in a white crepe gown fashioned with long sleeves and a Victorian-style high collar. A Juliet cap held her veil of illusion.

Mrs. Kirby Corbell of Ozona served her sister as matron of honor, and Miss Susan Keller of Midland was the bridesmaid.

Mrs. Corbell wore a red velvet empire gown styled with stand-up collar, short puffed sleeves and white velvet ribbon outlining the high-rise waistline. Miss Keller wore an identical gown in green velvet. Each attendant carried a nosegay of red and white carnations.

Altar tapers were lighted by Jackie Kimble and Phyllis Kimble, and the ushers were Scotty Chastain, San Angelo, and Kirby Corbell, Ozona.

Randy Rushing of Canyon served as best man, and the

groomsman was Richard Smith, Pecos.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple was honored at a reception in the fellowship hall where refreshments were served by Mrs. Randy Rushing, Canyon, Miss Nita Earle, Snyder and Mrs. Bruce Mayfield.

Dinner Served At Forsan Club

FORSAN (SC) — A buffet dinner was served and table games were played at the Forsan community Christmas party held recently at the club house.

Mrs. J. M. Craig was decorations chairman for the event.

A miniature Christmas tree adorned with lights resembling white roses and streams of tinsel decorated the gift table which was covered with a red satin cloth overlaid with red net.

Violet Club Schedules Workshop

A garden therapy workshop on how to pot African Violets will be held at 9:30 a.m., Jan. 9 at Big Spring Nursing Inn under the sponsorship of Texas Bouquet African Violet Club. The plans were completed at the club's luncheon meeting Wednesday at Big Spring Country Club.

Mrs. C. Y. Clinkscales and Mrs. Odell Womack were hostesses, and Mrs. A. C. Moore spoke briefly about new types of African violets.

New officers elected were Mrs. Womack, president; Mrs. C. Y. Clinkscales, vice president; Mrs. Brent Womack, recording secretary; Mrs. H. J. Agee, corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. D. Campbell, treasurer; Mrs. J. F. Sanders, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Moore, American Violet Society Association representative.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hagan, of Crookston, Minnesota, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Phyllis Virginia to Chris Gilbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Rogers of Big Spring. The couple will be married in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Crookston at 4:30 p.m. December 23. The couple will make their home in Lubbock. (adv.)

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There will be plenty of music today in Big Spring churches, although several have presented their major pre-Christmas programs.

Presbyterian and Lutheran congregations will have Christmas eve programs, while St. Mary's Episcopal will climax its program at 11:30 p.m. Monday with communion, and Catholics will observe their traditional midnight mass.

Heritage Museum will be open this afternoon, but it will be closed Monday and Tuesday. During the week its historical calendars and the Christmas card of H. W. Taylor's "Castaway" have experienced a brisk demand for gifts. The museum received a \$353 reproduction of Taylor's "Steamship" which was dedicated to Sol West (1853-1919) by Howard Duff, the donor. The original belongs to Mrs. Clay West Burns, San Antonio, a great niece of Sol West, famous pioneer rancher. During the past week, pupils from Lakeview school and the resource class of Cedar Crest school inspected the current spotlight exhibit which emphasizes this history of education in Howard County.

Big Spring says goodbye to Woody McDonell, instructor of voice at HCJC this week as he departs to enter a career in opera. He has been one of the prime movers in several musical productions and has graciously appeared on many programs. His successor will be Kenneth Sprinkle, who has been teaching at Louisiana State University while completing his masters degree in music. Sprinkle, as a lad, was in the Texas Boys Choir.

When the Texas Constitutional Convention convenes Jan. 6, a special art exhibit (arranged by the University of Texas Museum) will be on display in the chamber of the House. This consists of about 40 paintings to illustrate achievements of Texas over the past 100 years. The show will be heavy on period landscapes, missions, horses, cattle tending, bluebonnets, longhorn cattle, etc.

With the death of Ramsey Yelvington, who was professor of drama at Southwest Texas University, his wife, Louise, is continuing the Texas Playwrights Company, which produces short dramas, etc.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce T. Wadsworth, Sterling City Rt., Box 13-A, a girl, Shawn Marie, at 11:06 p.m., Dec. 14, weighing 7 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Allen Thurman, 1517-B Sycamore, a boy, Erie Allen, at 6:24 p.m., Dec. 14, weighing 6 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Williams, 4218 Lanner, Midland, a boy, James Stephen, at 8:27 p.m., Dec. 14, weighing 9 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey, 150-B Fairchild, a girl, Tina Frances, at 8:32 a.m., Dec. 18, weighing 4 pound, 14 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Glenn Vanslyke, 1604-B Lincoln, a girl, Dana Marie, at 1:55 p.m., Dec. 18, weighing 7 pounds, 1/2 ounce.

Born to S.Sgt. and Mrs. Ronald R. Spalding, Southland Apartments No. 5, a girl, Lara Ann, at 8 p.m., Dec. 19, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee Chambers, 2612 Ann, a girl, Leigh, at 12:20 p.m., Dec. 19, weighing 5 pounds, 13 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Felix Aguirre, 303 Oak, Stanton, a boy, Mark Anthony, at 2:45 p.m., Dec. 19, weighing 6 pounds, 9 ounces.

Born to Sgt. and Mrs. Douglas Kirian, 1610 Johnson, a boy, Lyle Douglas, at 5:10 p.m., Dec. 20, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce.

Born to the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Murphy, Box 94, Coahoma, a girl, Virginia Love, at 5:05 a.m., Dec. 21, weighing 8 pounds, 8 ounces.

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Reception Today To Mark Anniversary

The Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dolan will be observed today with a reception from 2 to 5 in the First Federal Community Room, 500 Main. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolan were married Dec. 20, 1923, in the home of the bride's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Burt, in Leflore County, Okla., by the Rev. Lum Autry. Mrs. Dolan, the former Mary Exieba Burt, was born in Logan County, Ark. and attended school in Barber, Ark. Dolan was born at Cowlington, Indian Territory, Okla., the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dolan. He attended school in Tucker, Okla.

Following their marriage, Dolan farmed for a time in Leflore County, then moved to Nowata, Okla., to work for Forest Oil Co. In 1944 they moved to Big Spring where he worked for Shell Pipeline Company until his retirement in June, 1965.

Mrs. Dolan attends Berea Baptist Church, where she is president of the Golden Age Sunday school class. She also holds membership in Elbow Home Demonstration Club. Dolan is affiliated with the Church of Christ.

Hosting the affair will be the honorees' children, along with their husbands and wives. They are Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Dolan, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Dolan, McCamey; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thieme, San Leandro, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Dolan, Fremont, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Lamb, Red River, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gish, Waterloo, Neb.; Ruby Dolan, San Leandro, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Riddle Jr., Big Spring; and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Nichols, Fort Worth.

Of the 26 grandchildren, one is deceased, and there are seven great-grandchildren.

Granddaughters will register guests and serve refreshments. The table will be covered with a white cloth overlaid with white net. Gold wedding bells and streamers will accent the corners. The punch service and other appointments will be crystal, and a silver coffee service will be used. The



MR. AND MRS. R. W. DOLAN

tiered wedding cake will be decorated in white and gold. Mrs. Dolan will wear a blue dress ensemble and will receive a white orchid corsage with gold trimmings. Dolan will receive a white carnation boutonniere with gold rosette in the center. They will be presented a money tree.

The hosts will wear white poinsettia boutonnieres and the hostesses will wear white poinsettias with gold wedding bells and bows.

Attending from out of town, besides their children, will be Dolan's brothers and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dolan Jr., Tulsa, Okla.; J. T. Griffith, Cartersville, Okla.; Willard Griffith, Penns Grove, N.J.; Ellis Griffith, Washington, D.C.; and D. E. Dolan, Duncan, Okla.; Mrs. Dolan's brothers and sisters, Mrs. Rue Slaton, Templeton, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wittman, Templeton, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Williams, Paige, Ariz.; Mr.

Club Scene Of Hyperion Program

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parham presented a variety of traditional Christmas music for the 1948 Hyperion Club's Christmas party Thursday afternoon at Big Spring Country Club. Mrs. V. F. Michael and Mrs. J. W. Kuykendall were hostesses.

Parham, music director for First United Methodist Church, accompanied his wife on the piano as she sang "Christmas Song", "Silver Bells", "The Birthday of the King" and others.

The group, led by Mrs. Parham, sang Christmas carols, concluding with "O Holy Night".

Members exchanged Christmas gifts and scheduled the next meeting for 2 p.m., Jan. 17, in the home of Mrs. Charles Thompkins, 3 Highland Cove, with Mrs. Whitcomb Jones as cohostess.

Navy Man Visits Relatives Here

AQAN Scott Medford, accompanied by Miss Vicky Johnson, his fiancée and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carol Johnson of Carrollton, in visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Medford, 2004 Morrison.

Being in the Navy since Jan. 1973, Medford, attached to the VA-128 Squadron, is on leave from Whidbey Naval Air Station in Oak Harbor, Washington, for the holidays.

Medford also will visit his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy (Dorinda) Mays before returning to his base Christmas Day.

Philatheans Focus On 'Inside' Of Christmas

The 'inside' of Christmas was viewed by Mrs. J. B. Apple when she gave the devotional at Thursday's Christmas dinner for Philathea Sunday school class, First United Methodist Church.

"We are prone to limit our thoughts and energies to the 'outside' of Christmas, such as the hustle and bustle of buying gifts, decorating homes and attending parties," said Mrs. Apple. "We tend to neglect the 'inside' of Christmas; the quiet happiness at the birth of Christ and all that it implies." She urged that the invisible not be overshadowed by the visible signs of the season.

Mrs. Rogers Hefley told the Christmas story, "The Little Boy Down the Lane," stressing that love, kindness, charity, thoughtfulness and generosity to others are the greatest gifts mankind can give, regardless of station in life.

Mrs. Carl Bradley, accompanied by Charles Parham, sang two solos, "A Nativity Carol" and "Jesu Bambino."

The dinner was held in the fellowship hall, with Mrs. Paul Guy, class president, introducing guests.

Luncheon Held At County Barn

Miss Bessie Love, president of the Howard County Council on Aging, was chairman of the decorating committee for the senior citizens' monthly luncheon Wednesday.

Beginning at 10 a.m., the event included table games and other entertainment. Those attending provided covered dishes for the luncheon.

Marshall Brown led the group in singing carols.

Prayers were by the Rev. J. B. Sharp and the Rev. Elra Phillips.

Gifts were presented to Rev. Sharp, Rev. Phillips, Parham and Jose Rivera. After the meeting, a carillon concert was presented by Parham in the sanctuary.

Hostesses, headed by Mrs. Bill McIlvain and Mrs. C. Y. Clinkscales, were Mrs. Ruby Martin, Miss Twila Lomax, Mrs. Edward Cruz, Mrs. C. R. Moad, Mrs. Cass Hill, Mrs. A. D. Franklin, Mrs. H. M. Rowe and Mrs. J. D. O'Barr.

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Nuptial Rites Held In Church Sanctuary

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Arnold Jr. are residing at 1311 Mulberry after their wedding Saturday afternoon in College Baptist Church. Dr. Jimmy Law, pastor, performed the rites, and music was by Mrs. Donald Richardson, organist.

The setting was enhanced with candelabra flanking a central arrangement of white chrysanthemums, gladioli and holly.

The bride is the former Cindy Engle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Engle, 1005 Howell, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Arnold Sr., 424 Westover.

Miss Patsy Eason, maid of honor, was attired in a floor-length dress of burgandy knit fashioned with empire waistline. Her bouquet was a nosegay of pink carnations tied with pink velvet ribbon.

The best man was Grady L. Wilbanks Jr., and ushers were Charles Engle of Clint, brother of the bride; and Tommy Newsom.

Carrying a cascade of white orchids and babies' breath, the bride was attired in a formal gown of white satin styled with empire bodice overlaid with Venise lace. The sheer, lace sleeves ended in scallops at the wrists. Her elbow-length veil of French illusion fell from a satin bow trimmed with seed pearls.

The reception was held in the church activities building where the bride's table featured a silver candelabrum arranged with white chrysanthemums, and the bridegroom's table was accented with a large burgandy candle. Appointments were crystal and silver. Assisting with serving were Miss Jackie Huckaby, Miss Cindy Halfman and Miss Barbara Eason.

Miss Diana Humphrey, El Campo, presided at the guest registry.

Out-of-town guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Leatherwood and children, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bean and children, Esperanza; and Mrs. Charles Engle and children, Clint. Mrs. Leatherwood and Mrs. Bean are sisters of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are graduates of Big Spring High School. She attended Howard County Junior College prior to going to work for the State Department of Public Welfare. Arnold attended Cisco Junior College and is employed by Cosden Oil and Chemical Company.

Women Gather At Ranch Home

FORSAN (SC) — The Dorcas Class of Forsan Baptist Church held its Christmas party recently in the ranch home of Mrs. J. W. Overton. Mrs. Doyle Whetsel and Mrs. J. W. Overton worded prayers and Mrs. Joe Evans read a Christmas poem. Mrs. Joe B. Hoard of Big Spring was a guest. Members exchanged gifts.



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District 4-H Food Show Set Jan. 30

The St. Lawrence 4-H Club announced that the District Food Show will be held Jan. 30 at Crain.

Cookbooks compiled from various recipes submitted by the club's girls were sold at a food show recently. The theme of the show was "Lone Star Foods." Senior winners were Connie Schwartz, main dishes; Jan Hirt, side dishes; Phyllis Johnson, desserts and beverages; and Linda Schwartz, breads and cereals. Junior winners were Sandra Schwartz, main dishes; Belinda Jost, side dishes; Emma Lou Halfmann, bread and cereal; and Elaine Schwartz, desserts and beverage.

'White Elephant' Gifts Exchanged

'White elephant' gifts were exchanged by members of the Coahoma Bridge Club Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Billy Jack Darden, 406 N. 5th, Coahoma.

Game winners were Mrs. Charles Parrish, Mrs. Bob Bell, law; and Mrs. Lee Guidroz, bingo.

The next meeting will be Jan. 7 at Mrs. E. L. Collier's, 300 Wood, Coahoma.

After Five Garden Club Has Party

The After Five Garden Club held a Christmas party Tuesday in the home of Mrs. J. E. Smith, with Mrs. J. T. Anderson Jr., Mrs. J. O. Allen and Mrs. John Hughes as cohostesses. Members furnished salad dishes and sang Christmas carols under the direction of Mrs. Ed Shive.

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- The paper boy who puts your paper in a plastic bag on rainy days.
- The old friend who remembered your birthday, but not how old you were.
- The doctor, who doesn't make house calls, but makes one just for you.
- The man who stopped to help you change that flat tire..
- The neighbor who volunteers help instead of waiting to be asked.
- The teacher who has your son 6 hours a day, 5 days a week, and still says she enjoys him.
- The policeman who only gave you a warning.
- The mailman who came back twice to deliver your package.



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COCONUT FOOD CLUB FLAKE 14-OZ. PACKAGE 45¢	CARROTS Top Frost, Fresh Frozen, Sliced, 24-oz. Pkg. 39¢
GREEN BEANS FOOD CLUB WHOLE NO. 303 CAN 4 FOR \$1	PUMPKIN PIES or Mince, Top Frost, 24-oz. Pkg. 49¢
PUMPKIN ROLLS FOOD CLUB NO. 303 CAN 15¢	TOPPING Top Frost, Fresh Frozen, 10½-oz. Pkg. 49¢
BAKER'S CHIPS CHOCOLATE FLAVORED 12-OZ. PKG. 49¢	Pie Shells Top Frost 2-Pc., 9-in. 39¢
TOMATO SAUCE BROWN & SERVE FARM PAC 3 FOR \$1	Okra Whole or Cut, Top Frost, 16-oz. 39¢
DRINK ORANGE ORCHARD 64-OZ. 49¢	CORN CHIPS FOOD CLUB, CREAM STYLE OR WHOLE KERNEL GOLDEN NO. 303 CAN 4 FOR 88¢
PICKLES FOOD CLUB SWEET CHIPS QUART JAR 59¢	CHIPS FARM PAC TORTILLA OR POTATO, PKG. 39¢
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TEA BAGS Food Club 100-Ct. Pkg. 89¢	DATES Dromedary Pitted, 8-oz. 35¢

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Lost Treasure

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren



DEAR ABBY: About a month ago we had a flash flood, and I lost nearly all the treasures I had saved for 45 years. Albums filled with pictures and snapshots, letters, clippings — none of which can be replaced. I had them stored in plastic containers, and when I opened them, all I found was mud and water!

It seems that a part of my life is gone, and I am heartsick over it. I am 60 and have had a very happy life. Our children are married and gone, and there are just the two of us. I've tried to keep busy and not dwell on my loss, but it is on my mind constantly. I wish I could forget this terrible nightmare.

Somehow I feel that you can help me, Abby, have you ever lost any of your treasures? And if you have, how did you get over it?

DEPRESSED IN HOUSTON

DEAR DEPRESSED: Yes, Dear. I lost my beautiful mother in 1945. (She was only 57.) And a few years later, I lost a wonderful father. (He was 62.) And not a day passes but what I don't thank God for letting me have my parents for as long as I did. I know many who were not nearly as blessed as I, and I think of those who have survived a far greater tragedy — losing their children.

Now, what were you saying about clippings and pictures and other "treasures"?

DEAR ABBY: Out of the blue, my wife told me she

had just terminated a love affair with a friend of ours, but she wouldn't tell me his name.

I now feel very awkward around all our friends, and I've asked my wife to tell me which one it was so I will quit having negative feelings about all of them. She claims it is all over now so his name is unimportant. How can I get her to name the man? I do not want to end our marriage.

EENEY MEENEY MINY MO DEAR MO: Tell your wife you think she invented the whole story to make you jealous, and unless she tells you his name, you aren't buying her "confession."

DEAR ABBY: I have had several heated arguments with my wife over the following problem: When I die, I want to be buried as soon as possible. I do not want a funeral, with flowers, prayers, a priest, and a bunch of long-tost relatives and friends kneeling beside my made-up corpse. I believe all that nonsense only prolongs the agony of immediate family and close friends.

My wife says she will not allow my wish to be carried out. Can I take legal action now to assure me that my wishes will be carried out?

NOT A FANCY MAN DEAR NOT: Morally, it would seem only right that you should have your say about what happens to your body after your demise. But legally, your remains may become the "property" of the next of kin. If I were you, I'd talk to my lawyer.

A LOVELIER YOU

Goal For December: Organized Shopping

By MARY SUE MILLER If we girls heeded the warning to do our Christmas shopping early, it would prove less than an endurance contest. Expeditions might even become the pleasure they are meant to be, if only shoppers were better organized. A trusty plan of organization goes like this:

Before setting out, complete your gift list. Watch the ads in your newspaper and store catalogues, when you lack ideas. In compiling your list be sure to include names of all recipients, a choice of gifts for each, and sizes where required. For packages going directly from stores to recipients, write gift cards and enclose them in fully addressed envelopes.

Then make an itinerary of stores and store floors where your needs are most likely to be met; check your charge cards, checks, cash and identification. Such planning saves you time, indecision and the tiresome retracing of steps. Your nerves and energy just naturally benefit.

To further boost your stamina, dress for the occasion. This means well-fitted footwear and light-weight clothing, all geared to keep you from steaming in a crush. Cumbersome clothing of any kind, from weighted handbags to weighty boots, soon become



a drag. Travel light! Should fatigue creep up, take a break to sip hot tea and freshen your makeup. Above all, keep your cool. A serene shopper gets the pick of gifts and has fun doing it.

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 Tipping, Small Points, like when to wear a hat or check your coat. For your copy, write to Mary Sue Miller in care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing 25 cents in coin, and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Wedding Performed In Stanton Saturday

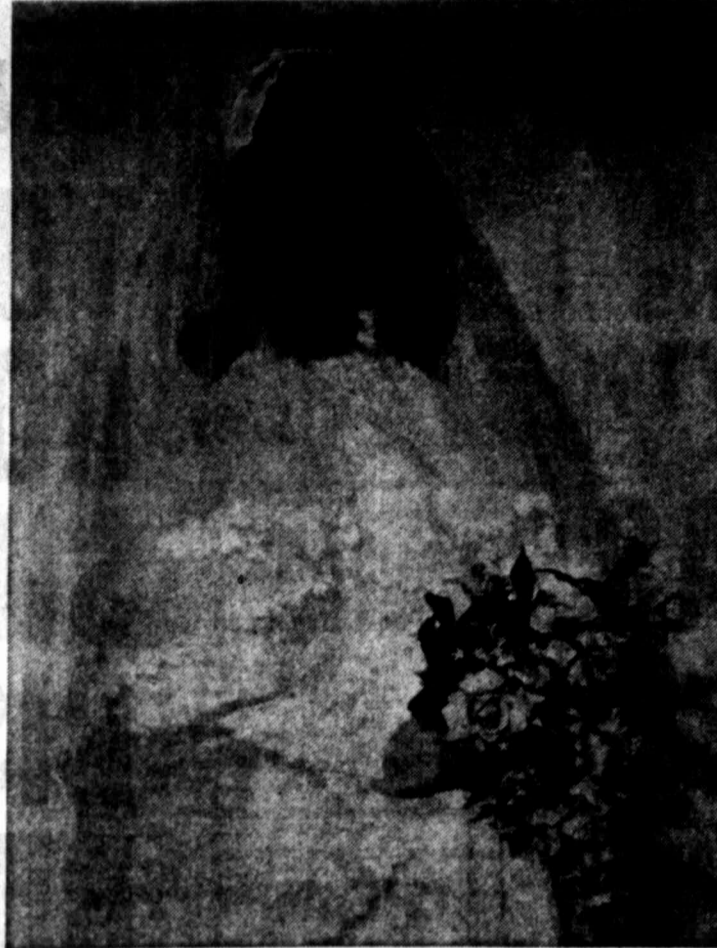
Miss Betty Pauline Anderson and Charles Thomas Pinkerton were married Saturday evening in First Baptist Church, Stanton, with the Rev. Warren Hall officiating before an altar centered with white poinsettias flanked by candelabra. Mrs. James Finley, Midland, organist, accompanied the vocalist, Stuart Tolle, San Antonio. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pinkerton, all of Stanton.

After a wedding trip to Carlsbad, N.M., the newweds will reside at 110 N. 20th, Abilene, where both are students at Hardin-Simmons University. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha, Tau Alpha Phi and the Cowboy Band. Currently he is employed by Caldwell Music Company. She is a member of the university concert band and works for Edmund C. Yates, an attorney.

The bride's gown was of white sata peau and Venise lace, styled with Victorian sleeves, high neckline, high-rise waistline and full, circle skirt. The lace traced the neckline, cuffs, waistline and formed a bibbed effect on the bodice as well as outlining the chapel-length skirt. She wore a tiered, chapel-length mantilla with each tier edged in lace. Her bouquet was of white roses, carnations and stephanotis tied with blue ribbons.

MAID OF HONOR Miss Karen Anderson, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Miss Rita Pinkerton, sister of the bridegroom; Miss Carolyn Winton, Lubbock; Miss Diana Poyner, Abilene; and Mrs. Marc Traweck.

Their floor-length gowns were of royal blue crepe with stand-up collar. Lace formed a bib effect on the bodice and trimmed the



MRS. CHARLES T. PINKERTON

cuffs and neckline. Each attendant carried a long-stemmed white rose with blue streamers.

Leslie Butler served as best man, and groomsmen were Jack White, Phillips; Mike Teer, Denver City; David Miller, Abilene; and Marc Traweck. The ushers were David Anderson, brother of the bride; Pat Pinkerton, Odessa; and Mark Davis, Houston.

RING BEARER Johnny Pinkerton, brother of the bridegroom, was ring bearer, and the flower girl

was Carole Austin of Dallas.

Prior to leaving on their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton were honored at a reception in the fellowship hall, where refreshments were served from a table accented with spiral candelabra, votive cups and greenery.

Presiding at the table were Mrs. Jack Austin, Dallas, sister of the bride; Mrs. Carroll Anderson, Lubbock, sister-in-law of the bride; Miss Lynda Milburn, San Angelo; and Miss Kathryn Pickett.

Mid-Term Grad Feted At Party

A graduation party was given recently for Zina Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy J. Johnston, in the home of Mrs. Marie Gulley, 600 E. 13th, with Mrs. Cindy Williams as cohostess.

Miss Johnston, a mid-term graduate of Big Spring High School, will attend Howard County Junior College.

The hostesses presented corsages to the honoree, her mother and her grandmother, Mrs. Lockie Beach. Guests and classmates of Miss Johnston, presented her with gifts.

Cake and punch were served, with party decorations carrying out the school colors of black and gold.

Guest Entertained In Chavez Home

Mrs. Emma Traub of Stuttgart, W. Germany arrived here Dec. 16 to visit her son-in-law and daughter, Sgt. and Mrs. Ray Chavez,

and family. Sgt. Chavez is the Army Recruiter for this area. Mrs. Traub, who is making her first visit to the United States, plans to remain here about six weeks, making side trips to several areas.

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St. Lawrence 4-H Club members exchanged handmade gifts at a Christmas party Dec. 17.

Jan Hirt, Phyllis Johnson and Shirley Schwartz furnished cake and punch, and those attending participated in games directed by the entertainment committee.

After Jan Hirt, secretary-treasurer, distributed copies of the 4-H pledge and motto, Kathleen Frysak led members in the pledge, and Dorothy Schwartz led the motto.

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Avoid Lint When You Wash

By SHERRY MULLIN
(County HD Agent)

Lint is a natural by-product of all laundering, but whether or not it clings to clothes may depend on the homemaker.

Normally, lint flows down the drain or collects on lint filters built into most of today's washers and dryers.

When it persistently clings to freshly laundered clothes, the homemaker should check laundering procedures.

Five major factors cause clinging lint — improper

sorting of laundry, too little detergent, insufficient water, overloading washer and dryer, and overdrying.

Concentrate on these areas to overcome lint problems:

—Check lint filters. For peak efficiency, clean filters after each wash and dry load.

—Examine sorting procedures. Separate lint "givers" — towels and flannel pajamas — from lint "attractors," such as linens, corduroys, dark cottons, man-made fabrics and

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ment of clothes — which normally flushes lint from fabric. Check instruction booklet to determine recommended load size and water level.

—Avoid overdrying. When overdried, man-made fabrics magnetically draw lint due to static buildup.

Correct timing and use of fabric softener help eliminate this problem.

In addition, certain durable press and synthetic fibers — such as polyesters

and acrylics — tend to "pill." Pilling-formation of small balls on fabric surfaces — stems from abrasion in normal wear. Lint adheres to pilled

surfaces and is extremely difficult to remove. To remove lint, brush fabric carefully with a stiff bristled brush for best results.

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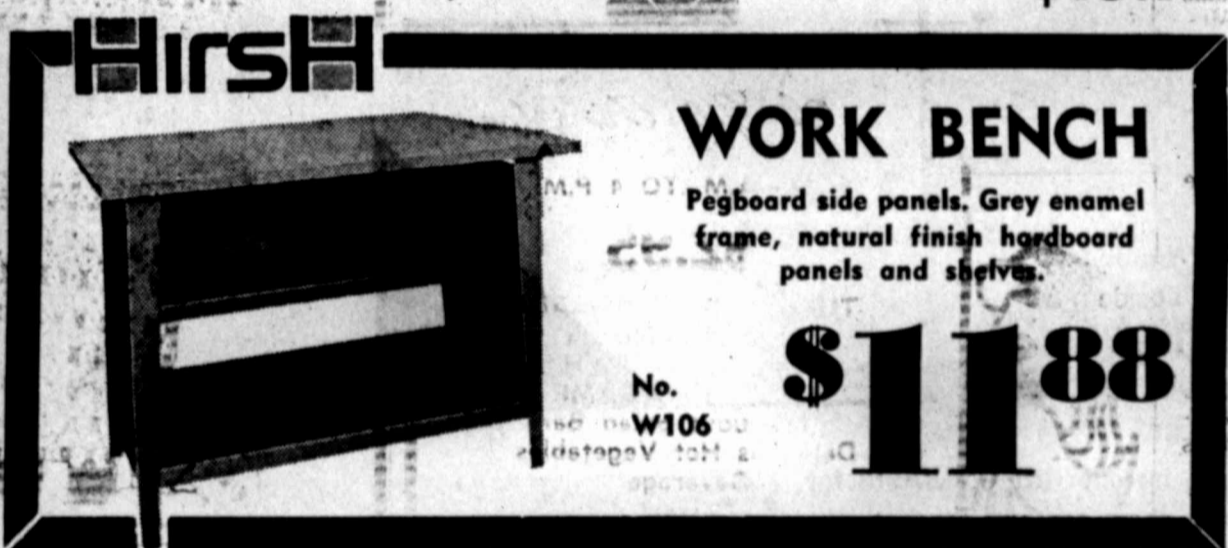
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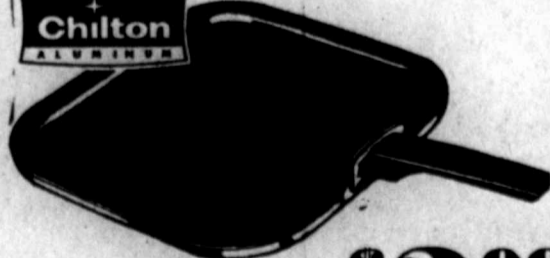
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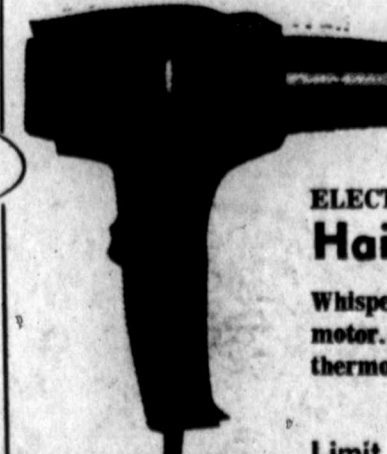
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MRS. WILLIAM ROBERT WILSON

Couple United In Marriage

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Campbell, 2900 Clarice Court, Austin, was the scene Saturday for the wedding of their daughter, Lurames, to William Robert Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, 1300 Eleventh Place, Big Spring.

The Rev. K. Q. Scott performed the ceremony in a setting enhanced with candelabra entwined with jyy. Nuptial selections were performed by the pianist, Mrs. Norman Alexander, and vocalist, Norman Alexander, brother and sister-in-law of the bride.

The bride was attired in a gown of white silk organza fashioned with a banded collar, long full sleeves and

an A-line skirt which swept into a chapel-length train. The gown and train were accented with appliques of Chantilly lace and seed pearls. A band of lace petals and satin rosettes held her finger-tip-length veil, and she carried a bouquet of pink gladioli blossoms.

The maid of honor was Miss Rocille Campbell, sister of the bride, who was attired in a pale pink satin gown with A-line skirt sprinkled with small bouquets of forget-me-nots. Topping the gown was a burgandy velvet waistline jacket trimmed with wide natural linen lace.

Tim Gumm of Andrews, the bridegroom's brother-in-law, served as best man, and altar tapers were lighted by Miss Debbie Hogue and Miss Sharon Gumm.

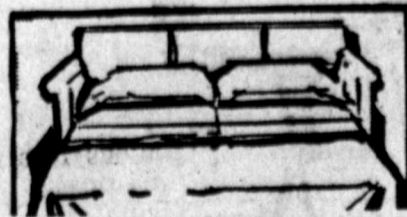
Out-of-town relatives attending were Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Ferguson and Miss Joanna Ferguson, all of Houston; Mrs. W. M. Garrison and Mrs. Vera Reed, both of Big Spring; Mrs. Tim Gumm, Andrews; and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Alexander and Miss Kayle Alexander, both of San Marcos.

Assisting at the refreshment table during the reception in the home were Miss Donna Allen, Miss Becky Burchard, Mrs. Joe Bunch and Mrs. Earl Dillard. The centerpiece was the bride's bouquet, placed at the base of three hanging crystal cones filled with trailing flowers. Crystal candle holders held pink and burgandy tapers, and other appointments were of crystal.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will reside in Austin. Both are students at Southwest Texas State University, and he is employed by National Protective Service.

CONTESTANT — Spring Lanette Dunbar, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Dunbar, 1504 Oriole, will be a contestant in the Miss Texas Teenager Pageant June 20-22 in San Antonio. Miss Dunbar attends Big Spring High School, where she is a member of Future Homemakers of America and the Goldiggers.

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Five Hostesses For Gift Shower

Mrs. Simon Terrazas Jr. was presented a corsage of pink roses at a pink and blue baby shower held in her honor Sunday afternoon

at First Federal Community Room.

Mrs. Terrazas' mother, Mrs. Russell Howle of New Home, and her husband's mother, Mrs. Simon Terrazas Sr., were present.

Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Oscar Zertuche, Mrs. John Talmadge, Mrs. Sam Matthews, Mrs. Paul

Warren and Miss Lila Williams.

Yellow roses accented the serving table which was covered with lace over pink linen.

Party Is Today

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary to the G. I. Forum will have a Christmas party for all members at 6:30 p.m. today in the Forum Hall.

Airport HD Club Has Luncheon

The Airport Home Demonstration Club had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Raymond Keys, 1109 E. 6th, following a luncheon at the Downtown Tea Room.

Club members exchanged gifts and presented Mrs.

Doyle Gillihan, president, with a floral arrangement. Those present participated in games and were served refreshments.

Altrusa To Meet

The Altrusa Club will hold its regular luncheon meeting at noon Thursday at Coker's Restaurant according to Mrs. Willard Hendrick, president.

Game Winners At Country Club

Mrs. Morris Rhodes and Mrs. Henry Bell placed first in duplicate bridge games held Friday afternoon at Big Spring Country Club. Other winners were Mrs. J. H. Fish and Mrs. A. Swartz, second; and Mrs. Elmo Wasson and Mrs. E. O. Ellington, third. The regular

game schedule will be followed Wednesday and Friday.

Make Sweaters Without Knitting

Without knitting needles, women who sew at home are stitching up sweaters. Major pattern companies offer sweater patterns. And some who sew have designed their own patterns.

Spatula Types

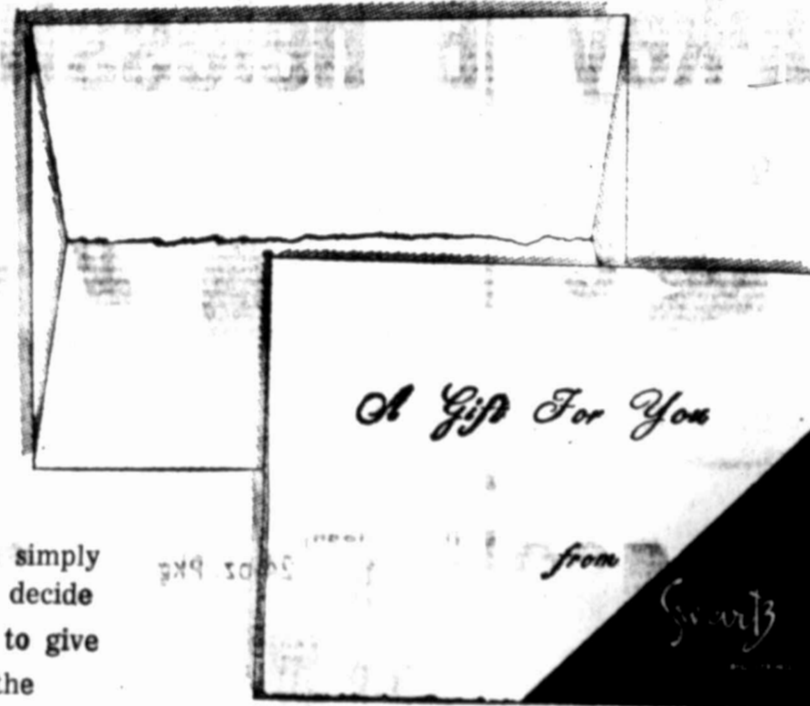
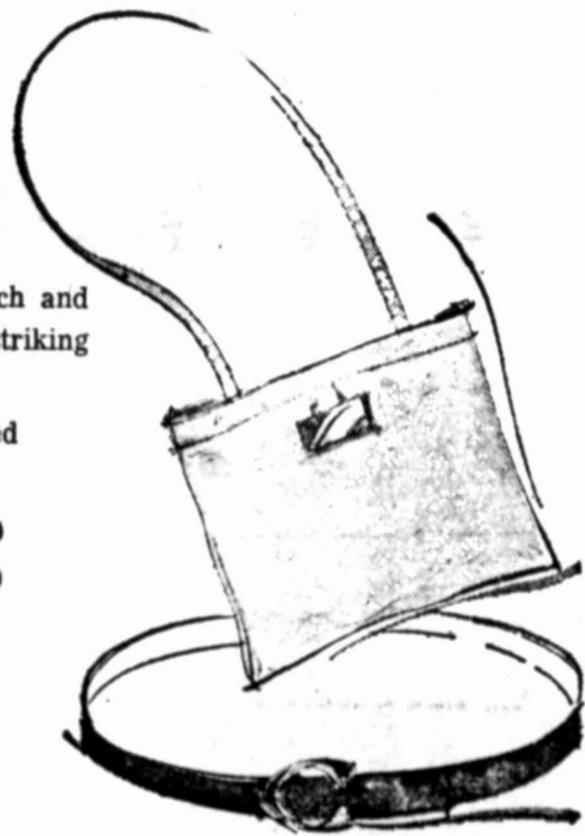
Flexible rubber spatulas, sometimes called scrapers, come in two sizes — wide and narrow. The wide spatulas do a good job of scraping out a large bowl. The narrow spatulas are used for small bowls or cups. Using these spatulas will help you conserve every bit of batter, soup, sauce or whipped cream.

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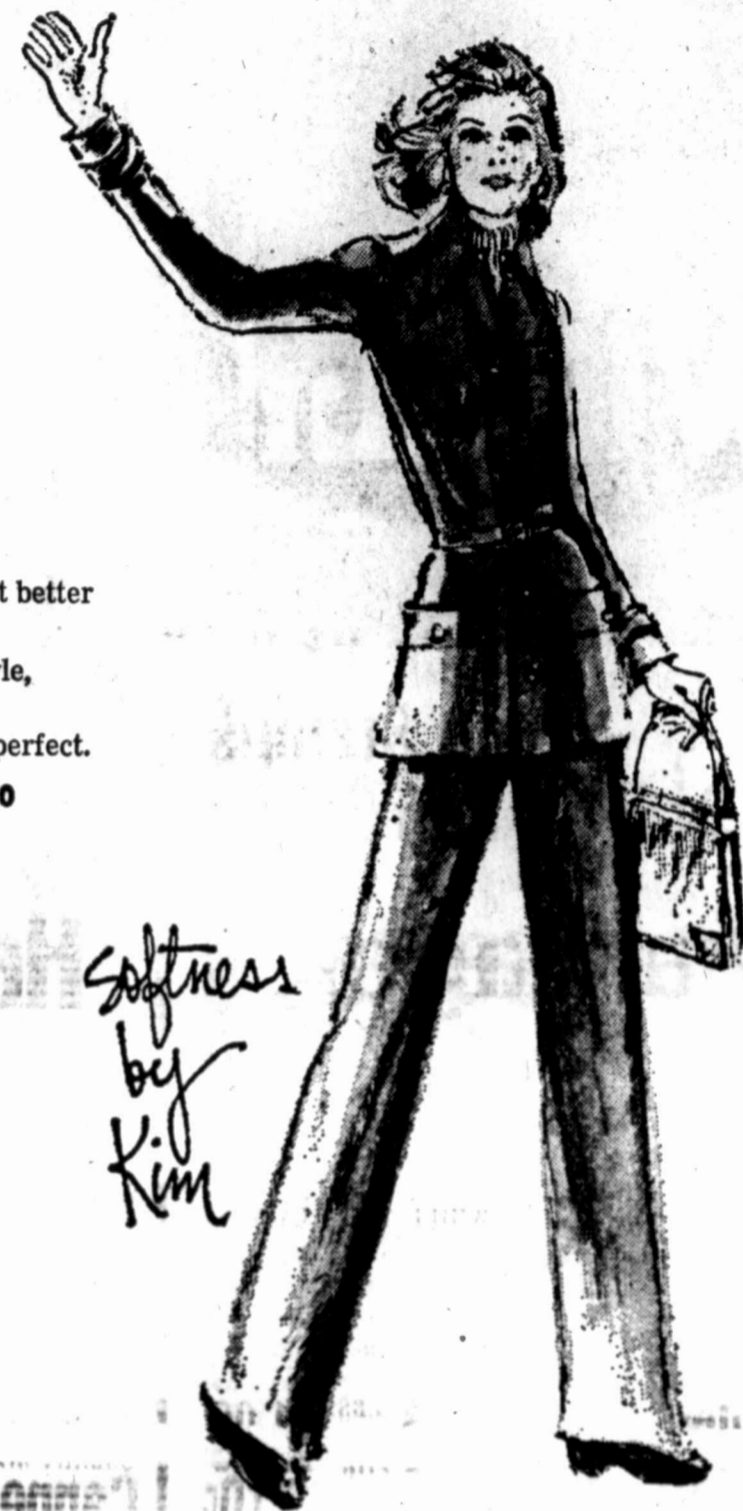
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Citrus Moving, Some Cotton Remains To Be Harvested In Parts Of Texas

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (AP) — Bad weather last week halted the cotton harvest in the High Plains as well as late harvesting in North Central and Northeast Texas, Dr. John Hutchison, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said.

await harvesting in northern counties, but aside from cotton harvest operations are about complete over the state, he said.

Supplemental feeding increased as recent dry weather and winter grasses, Hutchison said.

The volume of citrus moving to market was heavy due to holiday shipments.

Hutchison said the cold weather should bring some relief to the continued heavy screwworm cases in South Texas.

District agricultural agents gave these reports:

Panhandle: Irrigated wheat, corn and grain sorghum stubble are providing grazing. Dryland wheat needs moisture. The cold weather slowed greenbug activity on wheat, Calving is starting on ranches. Some fertilizer is being applied to cropland where supplies are available.

South Plains: The cotton harvest is nearing completion. Much harvested cotton has been stored in field ricks. Gins have a heavy backlog. Short soil moisture is hampering small grain growth as well as some land preparation. Greenbugs are a problem in some wheat. Livestock conditions are generally good.

Rolling Plains: Cotton harvesting is about complete in some counties and yields are above average. Grain harvesting is active. Lack of soil moisture and greenbugs are slowing small grain growth. Rust also is causing some damage. Some supplemental feeding of livestock is under way.

North Central: About 25 percent of the cotton crop is still out. Its quality is low due to wet conditions. Some soybeans and peanuts remain to be harvested. Rust and insect damage is slowing small grain growth. Vetch is making good growth. Supplemental livestock feeding has started in some counties.

SLOWING GROWTH

Northeast: Wet fields and rust are slowing small grain growth. Some cattle are losing weight due to the adverse weather. Market prices are generally down.

Far West: Cotton yields have been good. Irrigated small grains are providing excellent grazing but those on dryland

need moisture. Ranges generally have an abundance of cured grass. Some supplemental feeding has started.

West Central: Insects, rust and dry weather are damaging small grains. Grazing is limited. Some supplemental feeding has started. Several cases of black leg have been reported in cattle in Callahan County. Farmers report tight fertilizer supplies.

PASTURES HELPED

Central: Rains should boost small grains and winter pastures. Some small grain fields have been damaged by rust, grain mites and greenbugs. Livestock are in good condition but market prices are declining.

East: Small grains are making good growth and are providing grazing for livestock. Some winter vegetables were damaged by frost. An abundant sweet potato crop was harvested in San Augustine County. A light pecan crop of poor quality is being harvested. Calving is active.

Southeast and Upper Gulf Coast: Some farmers report a shortage of fuel and fertilizer. Wheat and oats are making limited growth. Pasture conditions are average to above average. Livestock look good.

South Central: Rust is showing up in some oats. About 90 percent of the flax acreage has been planted. Rains should help the crop. Some land preparation is under way.

Southwest: Citrus is moving to market in good volume. Greenbugs and rust are damaging some oat fields. Rain is needed to boost growth. Supplemental feeding is increasing. Land preparation is under way.

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Needs More Examination

The 25th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution reads straightforwardly enough. It provides in Section 2 that: "Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the vice president the President shall nominate a vice president who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of both houses of Congress."

When it comes to the application of that amendment, though, painful ambiguities appear, Congress has now set precedents for the application of the 25th Amendment, but still further legislation, such as an amendment to that amendment, may be needed.

President Nixon was reasonably prompt in nominating Gerald Ford to replace Spiro Agnew. Congress was not able to move as swiftly, partly because it was a case of "first impression" as lawyers put it, and partly because of political considerations. The point need not be labored that the framers of the 25th Amendment certainly could not have conceived of a situation with a vice president resigning and pleading no contest to income tax evasion, and a president living under

the cloud of an impeachment threat. The President's choice of Ford was an adroit one. He is a member of the "club" and should have created the least possible opposition. Yet Congress could not avoid going through the motions of making a complete investigation of Ford's background.

The possibility of calculated delay at some future time remains, though, since no time-limit is set in the 25th Amendment either for a nomination by a president or a ratification by Congress. House Speaker Carl Albert had no desire to succeed to the presidency in case of the death, removal,

or resignation of President Nixon. He wanted quick action. The same might not be said of another situation in which the White House and Congress are controlled by different parties.

Nevertheless, a time-limit on nomination and ratification also presents problems. Neither the Senate nor the House wants to be hurried, to drop everything and be rushed into approving a nominee without sufficient time to explore his private and public life.

Now that the immediate crisis has been resolved, Congress needs to take a hard look at the 25th Amendment.

What It's All About

In the mist of the rush toward Christmas, why not pause today to consider what it is all about? We suggest that the best place to do this is in your church — or anyone's church. In many there will be inspiring special music; in others there will be warming carols and hymns. In all, there doubtless will be messages focusing

attention upon the intrusion of God into humanity through that manger in Bethlehem. Because of this, the world has never been the same. It may never be all that it ought to be, but it's far, far better than it would have been if we had not been given this example of unstinted love.

Home For Christmas



Around The Rim

Walt Finley

(This is a rerun of a column written about five years ago. My 96-year-old grandmother, Mama Ladd, died Thanksgiving night 1972. The column was requested by my rich uncle, Houston Ladd, Muskogee, Okla., who attended Mama Ladd's funeral and died two days later after being stricken by a heart attack. This year his daughter, Virginia, asked for a reprint.)

AN OPEN letter to my drinking cousin, Bobby Harris, Oklahoma City: I've always figured I was a better writer than a talker. Since mother called and told me Robin Rea had been struck and killed by a car while rushing to board a school bus — I'm not sure.

"Bob's darling daughter was only nine years old," mom kept repeating between sobs. "Walt, contact him — he needs you."

I TELEPHONED several times and when you, Arlene or one of your daughters answered I hung up. I didn't know what to say. Now, I don't know what to write.

I'm silenced by my inability to communicate. It hurts! In the past, we've always been able to "talk things out." Several times it's taken a couple of days on a creek bank, but we chased 'ol man trouble."

I THINK I know one of the questions you're probably asking yourself — why Robin?

You're the one who raced motorcycles, dived off the Lake Texoma bridge, fought Red Koreans, fell from a steep cliff and knocked me out not long ago.

Our last time out on Blue River, I said: "I always feel closer to God at a time like this." You nodded. Why Robin and not you?

BOB, I HAVEN'T got the answer. Meanwhile, I want to read this Santa Claus letter.

"Dear Santa," it says. "The thing I want most for Christmas is LOVE. Perhaps you can't give that, but if you can, Dear Santa, please take that gift to one of my friends."

"You see, Santa, I know a mother whose heart is not full of love for the boy her daughter loves. She is

thinking only of her selfish pride. If only she could learn to love, their problems would be solved.

"AND SANTA, there is another one I want to receive the gift of love. This one is a young man who is a close friend of our family. It seems as if the worst of the world looks good to him. I am sure that if he knew real love he would instead find the peace and happiness he seeks.

"Santa, if you will, take love to a teenage girl I know, for she is so rebellious and full of resentment toward her father and mother. She has forgotten the love they have for her.

"IF YOU COULD replace the feeling in her heart with love, she would know how great is their love.

"Santa, if I could have what I really want for Christmas, it would be the gift of love for everyone, including the boys in Vietnam of every race and creed.

"And I want love in my heart for everyone, for if I do have it, there won't be room for hate, resentment or revenge for even little things.

"I REALLY don't expect you to have this gift of love to offer, of yourself, but you can help us to remember that God did give such a gift, when He gave His only begotten son in whose name we commemorate this season."

The letter came to us three years ago from a blue-eyed, 94-year-old lady in Oklahoma's "little Dixie" who still pens poetry. She signed her name, but to use it would prove only that in too many places, such a reaction demonstrates a need for the gift she asks.

HOWEVER, knowing Mama Ladd, my grandmother, like I do, I just want her to know I'll be "home" for Christmas in Durant, Okla. — just like I've been 40 of the 43 years of my life.

Bob, I'll see you there. Maybe, we can discover the key this Christmas season.

(Mom, Doogle, Marie, Lonkie, Alta, Russ, Bob Bill and other wonderful folks don't let Santa come down the chimney until 11 p.m. — I should arrive by 10:45 p.m. tonight.)

My Answer

BILLY GRAHAM

Where is the peace which the angels spoke about that first Christmas? Knowing all the uncertainties we face now, peace seems even more remote.

H.L. One of the greatest discoveries of the Christian life is to find that peace of mind and heart is not tied to circumstances. Faith in Christ is the calm in the center of the storm.

The Bible, of course, tells us that some day Jesus will reign as King of Kings. When that time comes, there will be peace everywhere. But in the changed lives of Christians the world over, it's evident that peace can also be known right now.

First, we have peace with God when we let Christ become our personal Savior — ending man's separation from his Creator. Secondly, we have peace within us, as God's Spirit provides hope and assurance, even in the face of sorrow, sickness and death. Jesus made a point of saying in John 14:27 that the peace He gives us is "not as the world gives." Don't be fooled by letting your senses create or destroy peace.

Finally, there is peace with our fellow men. The gift of the love of God enables us even to love enemies.

Christmas peace is a reality, all right, if we look for it at the right source. And it will never, never end!



'WELL, ASIDE FROM ALL THAT... CAN YOU STILE PINT, KID?'

Economic Drill

William F. Buckley Jr.

I have here, addressed "An Open Letter to Mr. Buckley," a communication reminding me that, in this imperfect world, I am not everybody's favorite analyst. The gentleman in question, who is from New York, says that once upon a time he admired me. "No more. God damn you, Buckley, and your goddamn friends, Schultz and Nixon, and your whole goddamn arrogant 'elitist' club of very fat cats. I want some gas for my 1965 Falcon, so I can get to work, do the shopping, take my kids to the games they play, ride out to the beach before the oil slicks move in. By forcing the price of gas up to perhaps a dollar or more a gallon, the rich and powerful will price the rest of us out of the market, leaving just enough gas for the rich and powerful."

ONE CAN only hope, in the heat of so categorical an anathema, that there is an energy crisis in hell. And wonder, sadly, at the sad estate of economic understanding.

Here, I would judge, are the salient figures, and the irreducible minimum in economic analysis.

1. NOBODY believes that that which is scarce can, by the process of rationing, be made plentiful. Even John Kenneth Galbraith, the principal enthusiast for wage and price control, gives up at this level. "Controls," he says, "should not be used where price increases are caused by an excess in aggregate demand or a shortage in the specific supply."

2. Although rationing is clearly justified when there is a dire physical shortage of an essential commodity, that is not now in prospect. In the first quarter of 1974, petroleum supplies are expected to fall by about three million barrels a day short of the projected demand of 19.7 million barrels. That is still two million barrels per day more than the average use throughout 1970. So that at worst, we are facing a situation in which we would have to get along with a little more than we got along with in 1970 when there was no pinch whatever.

3. THE AVERAGE American family spends 22 per cent of its budget on

food. When food became scarce last spring, there was no serious lobby for rationing — because of the universal experience with rationing, as a useless, and counter-productive, means of coping with scarcity. Besides, the farming community is not an easy villain. Food prices were allowed to rise, and did so — by a huge one-fifth. However, the inducement to producers was such that, quickly, the supply increased and now there is a downward pressure on food prices.

By contrast, the average family spends about 2.7 per cent on gasoline — about one-tenth what it spends on food. A rise in the price of gasoline by the same amount as the rise in the price of food will make much less of an economic difference to the typical American family than what it sustained last spring. And consider, now, the figures...

4. PROFESSOR Philip Gramm of Texas A & M has collected a set of projections. "Estimates of how much the demand for energy sources would decline in a period less than one year, if prices rose by one per cent, range from roughly 0.2 per cent to 1.2 per cent. Estimates of how much the quantity supplied would rise in the same period, if prices rose by one per cent, vary from roughly 0.6 per cent to 2 per cent."

What this means is that even if "demand exceeds supply by 20 per cent at the current price, we might expect a price rise of less than 14 per cent." This would suggest that gasoline selling for 40 cents would need to rise no higher than to 46 cents simultaneously to reduce the demand and increase the supply to the point where they would meet. Gasoline would then be selling at less than one half the price paid for it all over Europe for to these many years.

5. LIKE STEAK, plumbing, and ballet teachers, the price of gasoline is a function of supply and demand — "ad aestimationem fori." Apparently there are those who do not know this, and while not wishing that they be damned, one hopes they will not propel Congress or the Executive into economic absurdity.

Airlines Feel Fuel Crunch

The Week's Business

- Ironically, empty seats plague airlines as well as less fuel
- Rate of 'no shows' almost doubles around holiday
- One carrier proposes ticket purchase two days before flight
- TWA finally settles strike, adds 414 flights daily
- Pentagon protest diversion 1.5 million barrels to airlines

NEW YORK (AP) — Fuel shortages and holiday travel put the nation's airlines in the news this past week as they moved closer to a frazzling Christmas season.

After weeks of cutback announcements and warnings that travelers should keep their plans flexible, the airlines said they could have empty seats on almost all of their Christmas season flights.

Many flights, they said, had been booked up by travelers making multiple reservations just to be sure of having one seat to and from their holiday destination. Many of these seats were expected to show up only when the travelers themselves don't show at the ticket counter.

STRIKE SETTLED The end of a 44-day strike at Trans World Airlines was expected to add 414 flights over the holidays, further easing the crunch.

But it was widely expected that airlines will make a move to curb its problems with "no shows," people who make reservations but don't back them up with a ticket.

The normal no-show rate has

been about 10 per cent, but it's been growing worse at a time when airlines face major fuel and economy problems.

United Airlines, the nation's biggest domestic carrier, said its rate for the Thanksgiving holidays was 19 per cent. American Airlines said its Thanksgiving rate was 16 per cent and the carriers said they expect the problem to be about as bad for Christmas.

WANTS PREPURCHASE Continental Airlines went to the Civil Aeronautics Board with a plan that would require air travelers to back up their reservations with a ticket purchase at least two days before their scheduled departure. Any one failing to cancel his reser-

vation before the flight's departure would forfeit the price of the ticket, and the only way to get a sure seat within two days of a departure would be to buy a ticket.

Warning that airlines should make "every effort to improve unit revenues" during the fuel shortage, the CAB this week suspended a United plan for 20 per cent cheaper excursion fares to boost winter travel and from Florida.

The CAB approved fare increases on international routes to counter higher prices for jet fuel. And American asked the CAB for permission to talk with other airlines about a "fuel surcharge" to handle increases yet to come.

Watch Those Stings

Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Please tell me what to do for stings that you get from those little beelike things when you stir up a nest. I hit one in my backyard and they came out in droves and my arms swelled up.

I tried home remedies and

finally the doctor gave me some pills, but I still had to do a lot of scratching.

They call them yellow jackets. Are they poisonous? Mrs. M.B. The yellow jackets are a type of hornet and, yes, they are poisonous. Like bees, they'll gang up on you if they think

you are threatening their nests or their existence.

Once you're stung, there's only a limited number of things you can do. Put on cold compresses; take antihistamine medications; use calamine or similar anti-itch lotions. But don't expect anything to get rid of the swelling and pain and itching instantly.

Bees, wasps, hornets, spiders, all have venom, or poison, when they sting; fortunately most small spiders can't bite through human skin, but some varieties can and are dangerous.

Dr. Harold D. Newton, of Michigan State University, studied 460 deaths from poisonous stings and bites in nine years. Half the deaths — 229 — were from insect stings, only 138 from venomous snakes, the rest from spider bites, scorpions, sting rays, jellyfish and such.

But those insect-sting deaths were in people who were hypersensitive — that is, allergic — to the bee, wasp or hornet venom. The great majority died within an hour, nearly all within a few hours.

For the average person, not allergic, even quite a few stings, while painful, won't be fatal. About 500 wasp stings, he says, could be fatal but there was one victim who survived despite 2,000 stings.

JUMBLE — that scrambled word game

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SCUHR

CEPIE

YOUTCH

RYNFEZ

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print the SURPRISE ANSWER here

Answers tomorrow

Answers: SNOWY GRIEF PRYING JESTER

Today's Answer: You have to give some people the needle to start this — SEWING

Christmas Present

Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — I've been trying to think of something special to give my readers for Christmas. Each of you has been so kind to me for the past year that you deserve a gift worthy of your devotion.

I WAS thinking of getting you tape machines that wouldn't erase conversations, or a gift certificate from Judge Sirica granting you immunity in case you had to testify before a grand jury.

I was going to have affidavits printed for all of you claiming you were residents of Washington, D. C., and, therefore, didn't have to pay income taxes in your home states.

THEN I started thinking about real estate. I was going to loan each of you \$350,000 as a down payment on some land in California or Florida.

You could resell what you didn't want, and I would consider this a repayment of the loan so you would not have to pay any capital gains taxes on it.

I WANTED to give each of you a tankful of gasoline, but Exxon wouldn't take the order. Then I thought of a fireplace of wood for each of you, but the truck drivers said unless they got more diesel oil they wouldn't move it.

I asked the governors of all the states if, for Christmas, they would let you drive 65 m.p.h. — but they turned me down with a "Ho, ho, ho."

I WANTED to give you Nelson Rockefeller as your next Republican presidential nominee, but he said I couldn't do it because he wasn't a candidate and wanted to leave his options open.

I was going to give you a rematch of Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs, but my wife said no one wanted it. Then I decided to give you a piece of Secretariat, but he was all sold out.

I WAS GOING to send you mini-pocket calculators, but you would have used them to figure how much inflation was eating up your take-home pay — so I said the hell with it.

I thought of fenting a train so you all could go to Florida with the President. But Amtrak said they didn't have the cars.

So I racked my brain for weeks until I finally came up with a gift which I think will please each and every one of you.

I HAVE arranged with the Universal Star Co. to give you a comet called Kohoutek. If you look up at the sky any time from Christmas until Jan. 31, you should be able to see it. Kohoutek is your comet; it belongs to you. Now, go have a nice Christmas. I hope you get as much pleasure out of seeing it as I did in picking it out for you. It's a very special comet for a very special person. Now go have a nice Christmas and open up the rest of your presents.

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Tutors Went Back To School

NEW YORK (AP) — Teenagers who had long envied the role of their teachers in the classroom have completed an assignment in which they served as tutors for youngsters in 20 cities across the country.

The 1,500 high school students, enrolled in various youth programs including the Neighborhood Youth Corps, spent eight weeks helping teach thousands of preschoolers through the use of television's "Sesame Street."

The teenage tutors worked with youngsters in day care and Headstart centers and special Sesame Street viewing centers established in schools, storefronts, private homes and public housing projects in poor neighborhoods.

The tutors used a curriculum developed by the Children's Television Workshop, creators and producers of the TV series, that consisted of play-type activity geared to preparing the youngsters for entry into elementary school. After watching Sesame Street each day, the preschoolers and teenagers participated in games and songs that reinforced the lessons contained in the day's TV show.

The unique youth-tutoring-youth program was sponsored by municipal agencies and youth organizations in the various cities.

A Devotion For Today..

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)

PRAYER: Our Father, fill our hearts with Your peace and joy. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(From the "Upper Room")

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Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Cuts grass
 - 5 Gorge
 - 9 Dutch cheese
 - 13 — Tallchief
 - 14 Add antifreeze
 - 16 Sacred images
 - 17 Firebug's crime
 - 18 Art collection: abbr.
 - 19 Patriotic songs
 - 21 Stairway posts
 - 23 Sorrow
 - 24 "O Sole —"
 - 25 Wrong; prefix
 - 26 Mythological king of Thrace
 - 29 Army insects
 - 31 Marathon talker
 - 34 Pitch
 - 36 Fairy tale prince's alter ego
 - 38 Rectangles
 - 40 Merit
 - 42 Matty —
 - 43 Cup handle
 - 45 Girl's name
 - 46 "Sergeant —"
 - 48 Wyoming mountains
 - 50 Chromosomal constituent: abbr.
 - 51 Female swine
 - 52 School group: abbr.
 - 55 Brand tags
 - 58 Synagogue soloists
 - 60 Mouths; Latin
 - 61 Served in its own gravy: 2 w.
- DOWN**
- 1 Colorful parrot
 - 2 Town in Maine
 - 3 Narrator of "Daisy Miller"
 - 4 Cumberbund
 - 5 Hindu mystics
 - 6 Ventilates: 2 w.
 - 7 Units of coal: abbr.
 - 8 English school
 - 9 Hesitation word
 - 10 Five-and-ten: 2 w.
 - 11 Blue; Spanish
 - 12 Shambles
 - 13 Scale note
 - 15 Medicinal purge
 - 20 Come into view
 - 22 Curling, ice hockey, skiing, etc.: 2 w.
 - 27 Biddy
 - 28 Deplorable
 - 30 Store up
 - 31 Gazelle
 - 32 Competently
 - 33 Plasma storehouse: 2 w.
 - 35 Fame
 - 37 Library
 - 39 Roosted
 - 41 Junior
 - 44 Freed
 - 47 South Cape of Hawaii
 - 49 Warm
 - 53 Peculiarity
 - 54 Houston baseball
 - 55 Moos
 - 56 Opera solo
 - 57 Of course
 - 59 Mia's sister
 - 62 Law degree: abbr.
 - 64 Plural suffix
 - 66 Scale note

Puzzle of Friday, December 21, Solved

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BLONDIE

I'LL NEVER UNDERSTAND HOW THIS LITTLE FAMILY CAN DIRTY SO MANY DISHES.

SOMEBODY KEEPS TRACKING MUD THRU HERE ON MY CARPET.

I'LL HAVE TO GET THESE CLOTHES IN THE WASHER BEFORE I START DINNER.

I REALLY GET TIRED WHEN I SEE ANYONE WORK LIKE THAT.

SLUGGO, COULD I JOIN YOUR GYM CLASS AT SCHOOL?

SURE, ROLLO, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO BUY SOME GYM CLOTHES.

MAY I SEE A PERSPIRATION SHIRT, PLEASE?

ABOUT ERNIE HEEP, MR. FINCH. ONE OF YOUR CLERKS SAID \$4,000 IN DIAMONDS WAS MISSING IN THE LAST INVENTORY. HOW DO YOU ACCOUNT FOR THAT?

SHOP-LIFTING.

THEY ALSO SAID YOU SEEMED SUSPICIOUS OF HEEP.

WELL... UH... WORRIED, LET'S SAY. ERNIE WAS HAVING WIFE TROUBLE.

WHAT SORT, SIR?

EXTRAVAGANT. ALWAYS BUYING DRESSES. HE COULDN'T AFFORD. POOR ERNIE... I HELPED HIM OUT SEVERAL TIMES WITH LOANS.

I can find you a place to stay, Dr. Little!

No, Mr. Waller, I'm heading for the hills!

I don't want to be around to see that last stupid wasteful act!

Some nitwit driving over fifty... some fool overheating a room...

...some idiot throwing a can from a car!

MAM, IS THERE A FISH IN THESE PARTS WHO EATS LUMPS OF SUGAR, AND SAYS "HEE-HAW"?

SHO' NUFF!! WE LOVES HIM LIKE A BROTHER.

OLE HENRY IS HIS NAME, AN' BEIN' TH' LAST LVIN' MULEFISH IS HIS GAME!!

YNO' DON'T GASP! I INTEND TO HOOK OLE HENRY. AH HOPES!!

WHY NOT? I HAVE A FISHING LICENSE.

SO THAT'S THE WAY HE TELLS IT, RICK. HOLLISTER GOT MEAN, AN' THE KID DROPPED HIM. FIGGERS HE KILLED HIM.

HE DIDN'T. HOLLISTER'S ALIVE, AN' ORNERY AS EVER.

HE'S PREFERRIN' CHARGES, WANT'S JOE ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER, AN' ROBBERY.

YEAH... THAT SOUNDS LIKE HIM.

"SEEMS LIKE IT SHOULD BE A CRIME JES' FOR A MAN T' BE THAT MEAN."

WHAT IN THUNDER BRINGS YOU OVER HERE, ELVINEY?

UH—I DRAPPED BY TO SAY I'M SORRY FER CLOBBERIN' YE WIF TH' PARASOL AT TH' SOCIABLE LAST NIGHT, LOWEEZY

-- AN' TO RETURN YORE PARASOL

PEANUTS

THE WHOLE THING IS CRAZY!

TAKE CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS, FOR INSTANCE...

WHAT IF YOU HANG UP YOUR STOCKINGS AND SANTA CLAUS DOESN'T EVEN SEE IT?!

SOME OF US DON'T TAKE ANY CHANCES.

DICK TRACY

I TOLD YOU WE'D HAVE THE BIGGEST AND BEST CHRISTMAS TREE EVER, POCKETS.

I EVEN BOUGHT A WHITE BEARD. YOU CAN BE SANTA CLAUS.

NOT FOR HIM—I WON'T!

I WANT IT TO BE A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

MARY WORTH

I HOPE YOU DIDN'T WORRY, MRS. WORTH!

YOU LOOK HALF-FROZEN, CHILD! WHY DID YOU STAY OUT SO LONG?

YOU SEE, I MADE A BUSINESS DEAL WITH MR. SCHULTZ, THE BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT!

WHICH YOU'LL SPEND FOR A BOOK, OR A SCIENCE MAGAZINE, RIGHT?

WELL... NOT REALLY! I... HAVE OTHER PLANS FOR IT!

"I SHOVELED ALL THE SNOW OFF THE SIDEWALK FOR A DOLLAR!"

REX MORGAN

FRANK, IT'S STAN— WANTS TO TALK TO YOU! HE'S DOWN AT THE POLICE STATION— HAS JUST BEEN ARRESTED!

FOR WHAT?

FRANK, CAN YOU GET \$200 IN CASH AND GET ME OUT OF HERE?

I'LL GET IT SOMEWHERE AND BE RIGHT DOWN, STAN!

YOU'VE GOT A VISITOR / A DR. CARTER IS HERE TO SEE YOU!

TELL HER I'M NOT INTERESTED IN SEEING HER!

B.C.

I WONDER WHAT THE WEATHER WILL BE FOR TOMORROW.

WHY DON'T YOU CALL THE TIME AND WEATHER SERVICE?

I CAN'T AFFORD IT....

EVERY TIME I CALL UP THEY TALK ME INTO A LOAN.

KERRY DRAKE

ALL MY BEAUTIFUL MONEY! HALF A MILLION DOLLARS! IT WAS MINE! MINE!

WHERE YOU'RE GOING, YOU WON'T NEED IT, YUMMY!

YOU AND YUMMY! ALL RIGHT, HAPPY?

YES, KERRY! BUT BOTH CARS ARE OUT OF COMMISSION!

FILE IN AND TELL ME ABOUT IT ON THE WAY TO THE HOSPITAL! AND KEEP AN EYE ON BOOTSY'S TOURNQUET!

BEEBLE BAILEY

GOOD WORK, ZERO! YOU MADE A REAL STURDY SIGN.

HOW DID YOU DO WITH THE LETTERING?

TELL ME ABOUT THE STURDY PART AGAIN.

USE NEXT EX

ANDY CAPP

GOOD NIGHT, LOVE! SAME TIME— SAME PLACE, TOMORROW NIGHT!

LOVE?! YOU DON'T KNOW THE MEANIN' OF THE WORD!

OKAY LET'S HEAR YOUR MEANIN' OF THE WORD.

BOP

IT'S A WORD THAT'S MORE EASILY ILLUSTRATED THAN DEFINED.

THE WIZARD OF ID

FIRE THE CATAPULTS!

WE'RE OUT OF ROCKS!

FILL THEM UP WITH ANYTHING

WE'RE BEING ATTACKED BY THE SALVATION ARMY!

BUT THEY USUALLY MAKE MONEY

Levine Pictures Receive Wide Variety Of Reviews

NEW YORK (AP) — Joseph E. Levine, who has produced, coproduced, financed his big desk and quotes distributed 470 motion pictures, ranging from the significant — he won't admit to terrible — to the artistic. "There is no actor or actress in the world that is sure fire at the box office. The most important thing is the story and the director. If you don't have that, I don't care how many stars you load into your picture, you're dead."

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(AP WIREPHOTO)

JUST CALL HER SISTER — Two of the original Andrews Sisters, Patty, center, and Maxine, right, are shown recently in New York with a new singing partner, Janice Bell of Detroit as they ready for roles in a musical for next year, "Over Here!" A third Andrews sister, LaVerne, died in 1967.

Depletion Allowance Is Needed By Theaters

NEW YORK (AP) — "The theater would be a sensible business today," says Robert Whitehead, "if we could charge \$28 for a ticket." The dean of active Broadway producers says such a tab is "obviously absurd." He mentions it simply to point up the current dilemma of commercial dramatic enterprise. "Our massive industrial economy," Whitehead argues, "has finally reached the point where it has throttled the hand-made article, which is what theater is."

A simple set for a living room comedy, for example, "costs as much as building a small house complete with stove and refrigerator." Revitalizing can come "only through finding conditions that will attract investors again and make it a business with a function." Tax concessions and depletion allowances are two Whitehead suggestions for government encouragement to theater "where business factors and aesthetic considerations go hand in hand." Whitehead started putting on

plays a quarter century ago. His first was the Robinson Jeffers version of "Medea." Judith Anderson starred. The show paid its \$45,000 nut off in eight weeks and ran profitably for another seven months.

Would Whitehead do that drama today? "I'd be very frightened," replies the slender, 57-year-old veteran of a half-hundred ventures.

Nothing, Whitehead says, would restore the health of the theater as effectively as money.

He ticks off such considerations as audience size, creative vigor, critical attitudes and the heavy shift of moral attitudes perceptible in the past few years. "During the period I've been active," he says, "costs are what have put production in a constantly narrowing tunnel. As a result the platform upon which writers, directors and designers could function got constricted."

Whitehead looks back to the pretelevision era when an average season brought 200 premieres. Now the annual number is about 50.

Bob Can't Break Prolonged Habit

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Comedian Bob Hope is skipping entertaining troops overseas for the first Christmas in 20 years. But he couldn't stay away from troops who are fighting personal battles in veterans hospitals.

With a mini-troop and a mini-band, Hope went on stage at Letterman Army Hospital here Friday and told a crowd of 300 veterans and their families: "My wife has arranged everything for Christmas — she's invited the Third Division to our house."

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WEEK'S PLAYBILL

RITZ
Now Showing
(PG) WESTWORLD, with Yul Brenner, Richard Benjamin and James Bolin.

R/70
Through Thursday
(PG) COPS AND ROBBERS, with Cliff Gorman and Joseph Bologna.

Starting Friday
(G) GEORGE (matinees) and (X) HEAVY TRAFFIC (nights).

JET
Through Tuesday
(PG) THE DAY OF THE JACKAL, with Edward Cox and Cyril Cusack.

Starting Wednesday
(R) FISTS OF FURY, with Bruce Lee, and (R) THE CHINESE CONNECTION, with Bruce Lee.

Starting Saturday
(G) SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL GUNFIGHTER, with James Garner, and (PG) LAWMAN, with Burt Lancaster, Robert Ryan and Lee J. Cobb.

G—Suggested for general audiences. PG—All ages admitted, parental guidance suggested for those under 18. R—Persons under 18 not admitted unless accompanied by parent or guardian. X—Persons under 18 not admitted.

Gigantic Bubble Collapses Friday

BOSTON (AP) — A gigantic \$250,000 inflated canvas bubble used for indoor track at Harvard University collapsed in high winds Friday, but no one was injured. Only a few athletes were

working out at the time. The bubble, erected in 1968, was damaged beyond repair, experts said.

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